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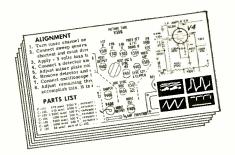
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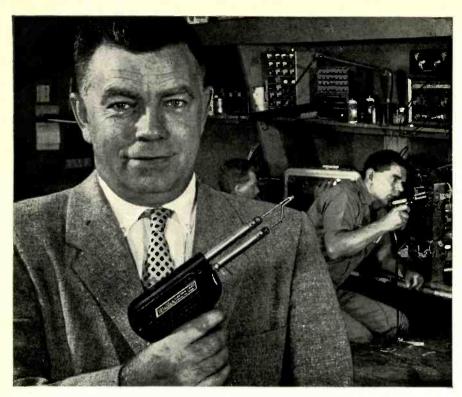
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Editor's Memo



This month I'd like to talk to the bosses. You fellows who work for someone else may want to read on. however, since this concerns you.

I have personnel policy on my mind, specifically, hiring, firing and-most important—keeping employees.

There would be no problem if prospective employees were all skilled hotshots with delightful personalities. In practice, though, most people have strong and weak points. The object is to make the best use of an asset in a position where the liability will not cause damage. For example, a slightly grouchy bench ace may not hurt anyone if he doesn't handle house calls. When in doubt, don't hire. The inconvenience of waiting for the right man is more than compensated by preventing the costly disruption of turnover.

Which brings us to firing. When an employee is a real sour apple, let him go. And the sooner the better, before he pollutes the good men or insults the customers. Getting fired is a painful blow to the human ego, so have compassion. Besides, the people you kick on the way up the ladder of success may be the very ones you pass on the way down.

Now we come to the problem of keeping good men. Every time an experienced hand quits, it costs you plenty. Oddly enough, few men leave for money alone. Decent working conditions and being appreciated are important. But you can do even more than that.

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And promise yourself to do something especially nice for that stalwart who's been the backbone of your organization for years ("Sam, it's 4 P.M. already. Take the day off, with my compliments").

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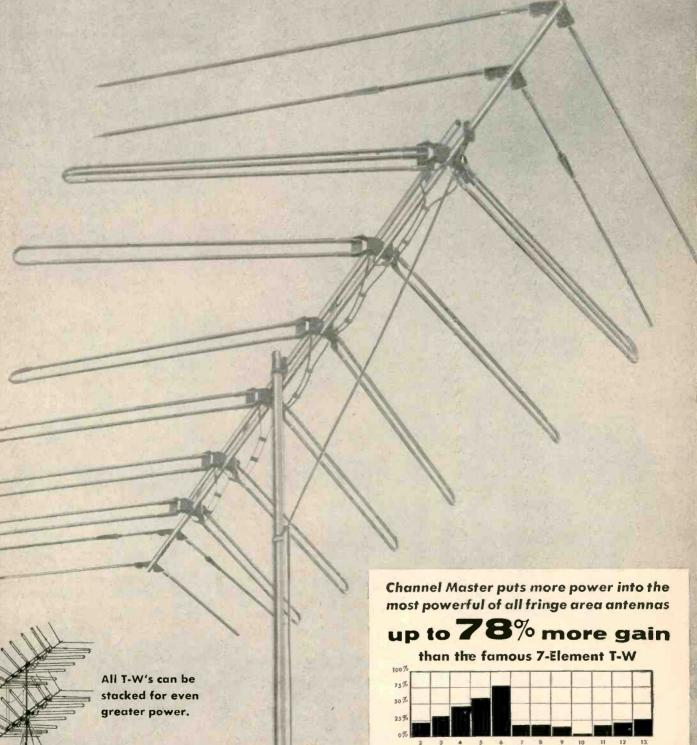
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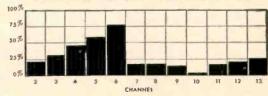
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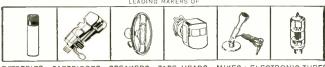
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To the Editor

Something in a Name

Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

With but two issues of my subscription digested, I believe you have entitled your magazine incorrectly. The name, "Electronic Technician," can be misleading. Rather, your magazine should be labelled "Service Technician," or "Radio and TV Serviceman," in order to more correctly reflect the text. Your editorials: May—"Show-down at Distributor Gulch," and June "Death of a License Bill," in my opinion, are narrow minded and directed for the benefit of but one group in the electronic field. Must I remind you that there are electronic technicians interested in more than TV, and still further, those who do not desire to be penalized for not working with TV whatsoever? I, for one, wish to read articles on new developments, new uses of electronics, military uses of the services of the electronic technician, etc. God knows we all have seen at least one TV set.

WILLIAM G. O'MALLEY

Scranton, Pa.

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Auto Radio Noise

Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

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LAURENCE R. BENTLEY

Pittsburg, Calif.

· Shield leads, use coax bypass capacitors, etc. See Circuit Digest 590 this month,—Ed.

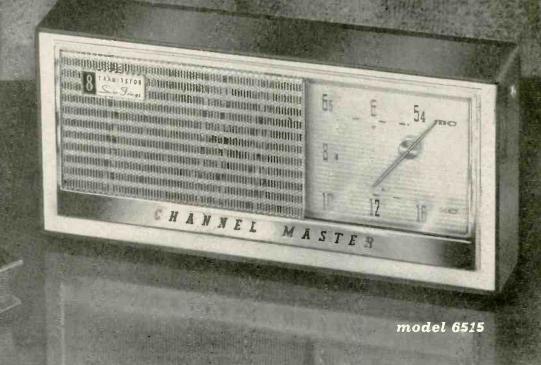
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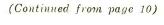
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Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

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L. E. O'NEILL

San Mateo, Calif.

"Come to the Aid . . ."

Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

I believe that some once famous politician coined the phrase, "It is time for all good men to come to the aid of their party." It's certainly time for all good TV men to come to the aid of their New York State Association to fight for state-wide recognition. There must be sacrifices aplenty, for all of us. We all should realize that the distributors are determined that there be no organized opposition to their indiscriminate selling, i.e., wholesale to retail customers. We all sincerely believe in licensing. We also know that ordinary citizens are desirous and deserve trained and responsible people repairing their equipment. We know that a great majority of the voting public are in favor of a license. Radio and TV are infants no more. No longer can the unwarranted, untrained serviceman prey upon the ignorance and inexperience of Mr. and Mrs. Public without serious consequence to the whole industry.

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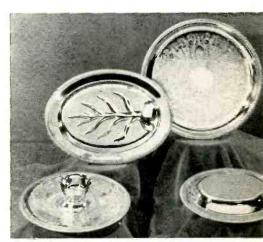
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CLAROSTAT reports the appointment of FRANCIS J. CHAMBER-LAIN as Vice Pres. of Sales by the Board of Directors.

CORNELL-DUBILIER has named RAYMOND T. LEARY Vice Pres.-Marketing of the Electronics Div., FEDERAL PACIFIC ELECTRIC CO.

INT'L. RECTIFIER reports two appointments: JOHN A. STALUPPI, Eastern Regional Sales Mgr.; and ELI MITCHELL, Western Regional Sales Mgr.

CBS received First Award for its distributor inventory-control packaging and IBM card system in the annual competition for setup boxes sponsored by the National Paper Box Mfrs. Assoc. JOSEPH G. POPPE has been appointed Dist. Mgr., distributor sales, for the company.

RAYTHEON awarded a master tube case to KACZMARCZYK RADIO & TV SERVICE, Mahanoy City, Pa., for their entry of a 35 year old BA tube in the "Oldest Tube Contest." Second prizes for BH tubes, went to BATES RADIO & TV of Los Angeles, Calif., and AERO RADIO SERVICE LAB. of Detroit, Mich.

GENERAL ELECTRIC has awarded a special citation in the Edison Radio Amateur Award program to RAY-MOND E. MEYERS, W6MLZ, San Gabriel, Calif. The Television Receiver Dept. announces the following appointments: CHARLES R. LUNNEY, Mgr., Advertising & Sales Promotion; F. GENE ABRAMS, Dist. Sales Rep., St. Louis, Memphis, & Louisville, Ky.; and HARRY HILL, JR. Dist. Sales Rep., Philadelphia, Washington, & Raleigh, N. C. The Cathode Ray Tube Dept. has appointed ROBERT E. SNARE as National Sales Mgr. for replacement tubes. The Electronics Components Div. distributor sales organization has been expanded by addition of a new East-Central region headquartered in Pittsburgh, with CHARLES A. RICHARDSON as Regional Mgr. Further appointments in the Distributor sales organization are: RICHARD T. BOGH, Dist. Mgr., Detroit; and FRED S. DE WITT, Mgr., Northeastern Region.

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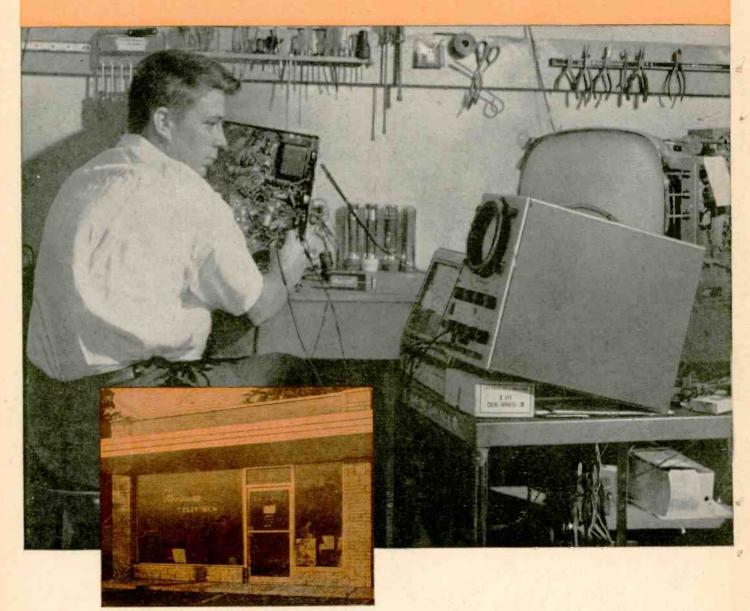
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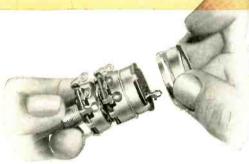


Al Gogel is a co-owner of Ferguson Television Sales and Service Company, Ferguson, Missouri, and Florissant Television, Florissant, Missouri, suburbs of St. Louis. After training at the American Television School, he started his own service shop.

Nine years ago, Al teamed up with Tom Walsh

and opened the store in Ferguson. They recently expanded into a new store in adjoining Florissant, and now employ one bench technician and three servicemen, with three trucks making 25 to 30 calls a day. They handle the warranty work on auto radios for the area's four major new car dealers, plus repair work for other dealers and used car lots.

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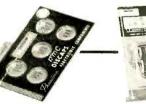
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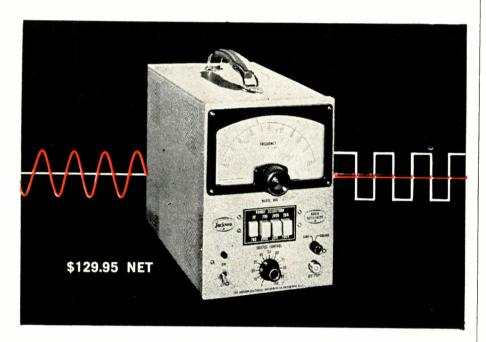
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This new, precision generator provides both sine and square wave output for checking distortions, voltage, gain and frequency response of amplifier circuits. The "service-engineered" Jackson 605 is very versatile . . . ideal for hi-fi, video and stereo testing and equally useful in the laboratory for industrial applications.

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(Continued from page 14) INT'L. RESISTANCE has named DARRELL V. JARVIS as Marketing Mgr. of the Burlington, Iowa Div.

WEN PRODUCTS reports the appointment of ED J. KRUG to head the newly formed International Div.

ZENITH announced the promotion of WILLIAM R. CAMPBELL to the position of Mgr., Marketing Services.

IE MANUFACTURING announces acquisition of a new 72,000 sq. ft. building located at 3039 Carroll Ave., Chicago.

WELLER ELECTRIC has named CLIFFORD C. YELTON as Southern Regional Sales Mgr., with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga.

WINEGARD announces LAMM, Allentown, Pa., is the winner of the "My Favorite TV Dealer" contest held in that city.

SHERWOOD has announced the appointment of WINSTON ARRING-TON as Project Engineer on a new FM multiplex receiver program.

SENCORE has broken ground for a new addition to the present building which will nearly double plant capacity and enable all phases of manufacture to be conducted under one roof.

SYLVANIA appoints DONALD W. GUNN as a regional Vice Pres. to direct marketing activities in the 12 western states and Hawaii. A general factory price increase ranging from 2 to 5% on all 23-inch models in the 1961 TV line is reported.

RCA has elected W. WALTER WATTS as Chairman of the Board and Pres. of RCA SALES CORP., a post he assumes in addition to his responsibilities as RCA Group Executive Vice Pres. DELBERT L. MILLS becomes Operating Vice Pres. of the Sales Corp. The Electron Tube Div. announces a new advertising and sales promotion campaign has been launched for Silverama TV picture tubes.

GENERAL INSTRUMENT has announced appointment of HERMAN FIALKOV as Pres. of the company's enlarged Semiconductor Div. and MAURICE FRIEDMAN as Executive Vice Pres. of the Div. Complete integration of the research, engineering, production, and marketing operations of GENERAL INSTRUMENT and GENERAL TRANSISTOR will now be conducted under the GENERAL INSTRUMENT Semiconductor Div. name, following the recent merger of the two companies.

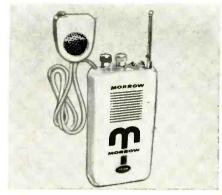


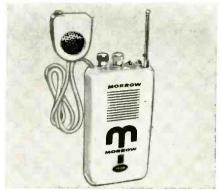
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Model VP-100, crystal controlled, transmitting and receiving unit with receiver squelch operates on any one of the 22 channels of the citizens band. Fully transistorized. Self contained. with exception of lapel microphone. 9v 2U6 Burgess or 216 Eveready battery. Circuitry printed on fiber-glass. Case 16" drawn aluminum, measures 3" W. 11/8" D and 6" H. Other features include two external jacks for long wire antenna and earphones. Morrow Radio Mfg. Co., 2794 Market St., Salem, Ore.

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Provides composite synchronizing signals (negative or positive) to inject directly in each sync stage.

- 2. Provides plate drive signal to check complete vertical output circuit, including V.O. transformer.
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- 5. Provides B+ boost indicator.
- 6. Provides unique high-voltage indicator.
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 including H.O. transformer and
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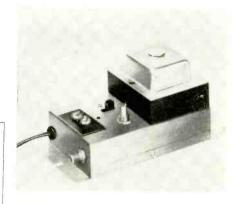


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Jerrold PREAMPLIFIER

Announced is model DSA-202, mastmounted, preamplifier for TV and FM. It employs only two tubes to provide high (20 db) gain for all UHF TV channels and a minimum of 8 db gain at 108 mcs, the extreme edge of the FM band. An improved noise figure,



4.5 db maximum for low channels and 6 db maximum for high channels, eliminates snowy pictures in fringe areas. A newly designed power supply incorporates a switch for adjusting the voltage for various cable lengths. \$79.95. Jerrold Electronics Corp., 15th & Lehigh Aves., Philadelphia 32, Pa. For more data, circle 1.0-20-3 on coupon, p. 43

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Wall PENCIL SOLDERING IRON

With an overall length of only 81/2". the new 40-watt Radioman #863 pencil soldering iron weighs just 2 oz. A hermetically sealed "Demon Heet" element, bearing a lifetime guarantee, develops an 800°F tip temperature and has an exceptionally fast recovery dur-



ing soldering operations. The handle is kept constantly cool through the use of a silicon spacer. The removable tip is replaceable with various available Completely UL shapes. approved. Packed one to a box. Wall Mfg. Co., Grove City, Pa.

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Customers really burn when they have to call you back because of a premature failure. And while you're playing fireman, the profit on your next three service calls goes up in smoke. Tung-Sol tube quality is good insurance against callbacks. They're made to the highest specs of leading radio, tv and hi-fi set manufacturers. You'll find it good policy to keep that caddy full of Tung-Sol tubes. Tung-Sol Electric Inc., Newark 4, N. J.

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Reps & Distributors

PYRAMID ELECTRIC reports appointment of two reps firms: STANG SALES CORP., New York City area; and KELLY-SCHMITZ-WINKLER ASSOC., Midwest territory.

SWITCHCRAFT announces appointment of TRINKLE SALES for distributor sales in southern N. J., Dela., eastern Pa., Md., Washington D. C., and Arlington, Va.

ATRONIC announces appointment of two rep organizations: WAYNE DINSMORE CO., Southern Calif.; and LANGHAUS-LEVY ASSOC., Ill. & Southern Wisc.

ELECTRONIC INDUSTRY Show Corp. has elected SAM PONCHER of NEWARK ELECTRONICS as Pres. Other new officers are: ROBERT D. FERREE, INTERNATIONAL RESISTANCE, Vice Pres.; NORMAN TRIPLETT, THE TRIPLETT ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT CO., Secy.; and ROBERT E. SVOBODA, AMPHENOL-BORG ELECTRONICS, Treas.

JERSEY SPECIALTY announces appointment of the ROD BUTCHART CO. as Mich. rep.

SAXTON PRODUCTS has named PETERSON-RUDNICK ASSOC. as rep in the N. Y., Long Island, and N. J. area.

SYLVANIA has appointed THE SABINE SUPPLY CO., Houston, Tex., as franchised Sylvania distributor in East Central Tex.

CHICAGO STANDARD TRANS-FORMER has appointed ROBERT E. NESBITT CO. as sales rep in Okla. and Tex., except El Paso.

LAND-C-AIR SALES CO. has announced the Philadelphia trading area, covered by the late GIL SEGAL, will now be taken over by JERRY BALASH.

ERA, in cooperation with the University of Ill., held the first Business Management Institute directed specifically to the administrative problems of electronic reps, Sept. 18-23rd.

ARMAND-RICHARDS reports the consulting firm of HARRY A. FRIED-MAN has been contracted to handle all electronic distributor and manufacturer rep activities.

NATION WIDE RADIO Pres., JAY E. BASS, has purchased all of the capital stock of WALKER-JIMIESON and its related branches and subsidiaries. WALKER-JIMIESON will be operated as a separate entity.

CBS ELECTRONICS held a recent week-long Management Seminar at Potsdam, N. Y. for members of electronics distributors management to encourage distributors to discuss and evaluate their own businesses in the key areas of organization, purchasing, sales and budgeting.





- True VTVM 🗸 9" Multi-Colored Meter
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- ✓ AC Response to 200 MC, RMS or Peak-to-Peak
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Catalogs & Bulletins

MELTING POTS: Detailed specifications and prices covering electric melting pots for solder, lead, glues and compounds are provided in a new 8-page catalog VG-201-P. Vulcan Electric Co., Danvers, Mass.

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CB RADIO: "Radio Communications For Everyone" is a colorful, well-illustrated, 8-page brochure covering model HE-15A citizens band transceiver. Lafayette Radio 165-08 Liberty Ave., Jamaica 33, N. Y.

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LANGUAGE TEACHING EQUIPMENT: A new laboratory set-up for teaching languages is covered in a well-illustrated brochure. A new concept offers components that are new, convenient, simplified, portable and low cost. Switchcraft, Inc., 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.

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spray cleaners: A handy reference chart, the Pocket Selector Guide, lists 61 specific applications together with the best cleaner for each, and describes a simple method for determining the best product to use for applications not covered. Colman Electronic Products, Inc., Amarillo, Texas.

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PLANT & OFFICE EQUIPMENT: Pocketsized handbooks cover new equipment for increasing plant efficiency, safety equipment, unique materials handling devices, office aids, etc. Offered is a free one year subscription to this handbook service. General Industrial Co., 1760 W. Montrose Ave., Chicago 13, Ill.

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BATTERIES: A catalog covers eight new batteries for transistor radio and electronic instrument service, and provides a battery replacement guide which lists the proper battery for over 700 radios made by 63 domestic and foreign manufacturers. Bright Star Industries, Clifton, N. J.

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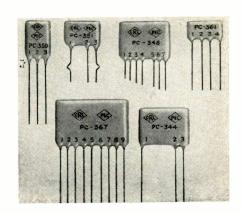
stereo & HI-FI: An illustrated 4-page booklet, "Stereo and High Fidelity," defines stereophonic sound; discusses stereo sources of live broadcasting, stereo discs and tape; describes and gives diagrams of various combinations of component set-ups; and provides design principles of stereo components, analyzing equipment as illustrations. Electronic Instrument Co., 33-00 Northern Blvd., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

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Centralab PACKAGED CIRCUITS

Announced are 27 new packaged electronic circuits, designated as part numbers PC-344 to PC-370. In addition to replacements in TV sets, part of this new group is for use in hi-fi components and hi-fi console equipment. Included are loudness contour networks a diode-triode couplate, a balanced dual capacitor, a horizontal oscillator and phase detector and additional units for specialized replacement applications. Centralab Div., Globe-Union, Inc., 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis.

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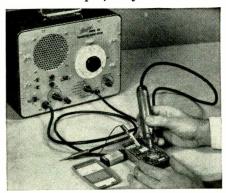
Transistor radio servicing



Problem or Profit?

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Transistor radios can be service problems

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HICKOK'S Model 810, a new Transistor Radio Tester permits high-speed signal tracing whereby elements can be checked right in their circuit—without slow disconnecting and resoldering "Guess-and-Bygosh" servicing.

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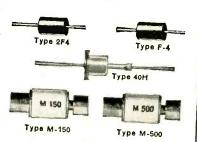


TARZIAN TUBE REPLACEMENT SILICON RECTIFIERS

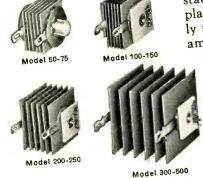
Tarzian's 9 standard models of tube replacement rectifiers are directly interchangeable with over 95% of all popular vacuum tube rectifiers. An added plus is the new Sarkes Tarzian Full Wave Silicon Rectifier (S5347), replacing 6BW4 or 12BW4 in Citizen's Band radios where maximum performance in reception quality and range is desired.

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Tarzian "Distributor Line" Rectifier Catalog

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NEW PRODUCTS

For More Information On NEW PRODUCTS Circle Code Numbers, p. 43

Pyramid CAPACITOR PACKAGE

The Vu-Pak, an entirely new concept in capacitor packaging, are clear plastic tubes packed with electrolytic twistmount capacitors. The plastic tubes are plainly labeled for quick identification; are dustproof and insure that the capacitors they contain

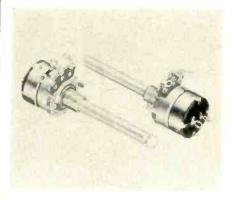


will always be fresh. Moreover, the plastic tubes are reusable as convenient storage units for small parts and tools. The Vu-Paks fit into the firm's new capacitor rack, the Capac-o-mat, 54 Vu-Paks to each Capac-o-mat. Pyramid Electric Co., Darlington, S. C.

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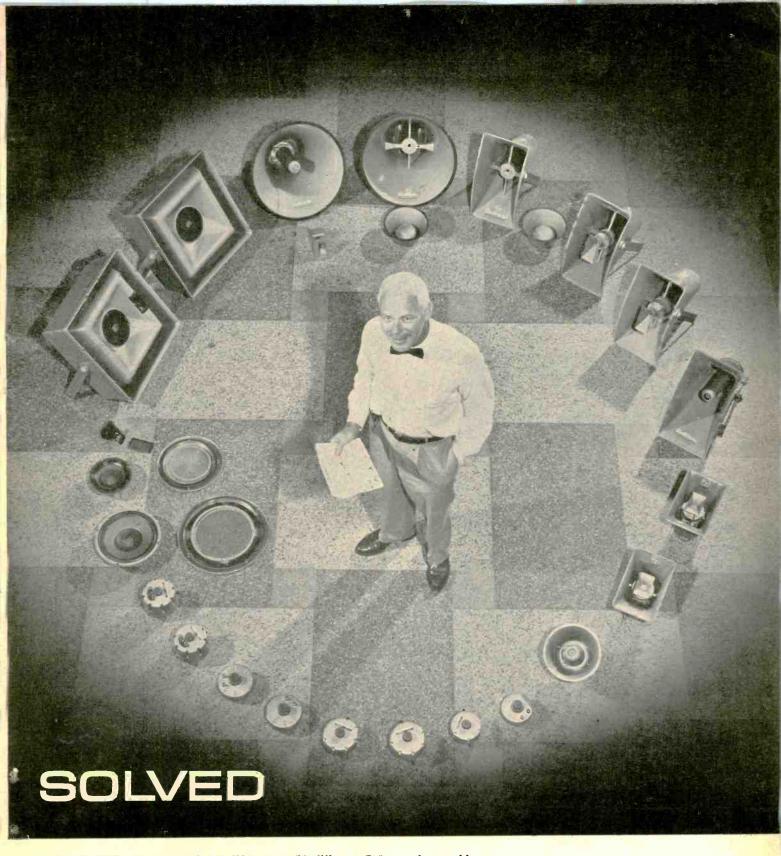
Stackpole SWITCH

Used in conjunction with variable resistors, type G-16 push-pull switch allows greater operating convenience for radio and TV receivers, hi-fi equipment, instruments, and other electronic assemblies. It can be furnished



on many single-section and dual-section Stackpole variable resistors; and operates from the same shaft that controls the resistor. Single-pole, single-throw contacts are well isolated from solder flux and the entire mechanism is free from lubricants. Rating, 5 amperes at 125v a-c. Stackpole Carbon Co., St. Marys, Pa.

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ONLY 22 ELECTRO-VOICE UNITS answer 63 different P.A. speaker problems. Take the short line to profits with Electro-Voice. Preserve working capital by cutting inventory costs, by slicing maintenance expenses to a new low. Save on time and later. . . and still provide the pest possible sound system for specific applications. These twenty-two objects are public address units encompassing varied phases of commercial sound operation—complete projectors for voice and music, compound diffraction horns, reentrand norms, paging and talkback speakers, convertible drivers, weatherproof full-range speakers and accessories. Exclusive Electro-Voice design features in both speakers and drivers offer you unparalleled installation flexibility and the option of choosing from 63 combinations of 22 basic units, the best solution to a given audio problem. For instance, E-V convertible drivers can be used on reentrant horns for maximum economy or in compound horns for lowest distortion. They

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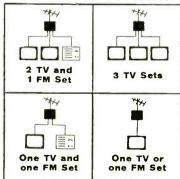
NEW HSA-43

Amplified 3 SET COUPLER

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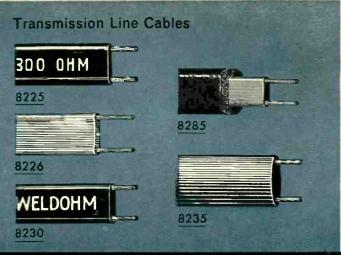
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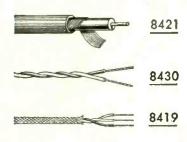


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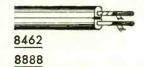
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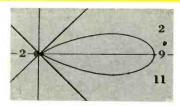
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National Election

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We live in a perilous period, with stockpiles of hydrogen bombs, nerve gas and bacterial weapons hanging over our heads like a Sword of Damocles. Famine and misery stir men's minds to violent revolution. And while we enjoy the fruits of freedom, hundreds of millions of people throughout the world are in the bondage of dictatorships.

The problems and issues of the day are domestic, as well as foreign. Individual rights, labor-management, medical care, taxes, military preparedness, care for the aged, education and government spending are among the topics being heatedly debated.

Certainly, this is no time for smug self-satisfaction, or even mild complacency. We must study the issues, and choose a leader best qualified to lead the nation.

In a few weeks we will be going to the polls to select the next President of the United States. We would not presume to influence readers to vote for one candidate over the other. However, we most emphatically urge everyone to examine the candidates, examine their own consciences, and to cast each precious vote for the man and party of their choice. The essence of democracy is the combined right and duty of citizens to select their leaders. Let us show our appreciation for our good fortune to live in a democracy by carrying out our obligations on election day.

Industry "Election"

Perhaps the most controversial issue in the electronic service industry is the question of licensing. On page 50 of this issue there is a "ballot" for readers to voice their opinions on this vital subject which can affect your livelihood and the public welfare.

This election of sorts, is the first large scale effort, to our knowledge, which is intended to survey the national attitude toward licensing of technicians and service dealers. In order for us to get a fair and democratic picture of the will of the people, we urge each and every reader to complete the entire ballot form, and return it to us immediately.

The results of the votes you cast will be published in a forthcoming issue of ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN.

Tuning In the

JAPANESE PRODUCTION of electronic products in the first quarter of this year totaled \$282.1 million, up 53% from the same period of 1959, according to the U.S. Department of Commerce, Business and Defense Services Administration. Semiconductors registered the greatest percentage increase in production of any electronic product group for the first quarter 1960 compared with the same period in 1959, up 67% to \$19.1 million, closely followed by electron tubes, up 63% to \$44.5 million. Production of consumer electronic products climbed from \$99 million in the first quarter 1959 to \$158.5 million in the first quarter 1960, a 60% increase.

closed circuit TV is finding more applications at airports and on the highway. Eight Philoo CCTV cameras will be placed in Pittsburgh's newest tunnel, Fort Pitt, so the control officer can view the traffic situation at all times on his monitor. Pye Telecommunications, Ltd., England, are showing a new radio directed TV system for airfield application, which is completely transportable and independent of cables. The system permits control tower staff observation of areas they cannot see and all assembly areas, as well as gives close observation of aircraft take-off and landing performance at test and experimental airfields.

NOISIEST SPOT IN TOWN



This Shure Brothers sound room is where the company is developing special-purpose mikes that can be used in noisy environments. For example, inside the $6\times 6'$ insulated room, engineers can duplicate the room of a jet engine at 500 feet, unbearable to the human ear except for a few minutes.



"How's it going?"

HOT STUFF at the GE Wescon booth was a micromodular electronic circuit operating under temperatures approaching 600° C, heat that would destroy most electronic components. The major advantage of TIMM circuits (thermionic integrated micromodules) is their ability to function in, and even utilize rather than waste, the high heat that is a by-product of extreme miniaturization. GE believes this characteristic makes realistic the possibility of electronic equipment with component densities equivalent to one million parts per cubic foot.

courtesy card program for radio-TV service technicians has been set up by Westinghouse to simplify purchase of radio, television and stereo high fidelity parts. The program involves issuance of a card which clears credit in advance to the holder, amount determined by the local Westinghouse credit manager. It enables the distributor to take orders for parts by mail, telephone or over the counter on the initial order without involving credit clearance.

COLOR TV now amounts to a more than \$100,000,000-a-year business, according to RCA Pres., John L. Burns. From overseas we learn that Japanese who have the yen for color TV can purchase same for 400,-000 to 500,000 yen (one Yankee dollar equals 360 yen). Japanese 21" color TV should drop to 150,000 yen by 1964.

LANGUAGE LABORATORIES are becoming increasingly popular. They enable students to hear foreign language conversation from tape recorders, and to hear the playback of their own voices.

Picture.....



CITIZENS BAND centralized marine network in the western Long Island Sound, N. Y., area has been put into operation under the sponsorship of RCA, to link 1500 yachts, six yacht clubs and a marina. Two channels are for ship-to-ship talk, the third will link the yacht clubs and marinas, and the fourth will be something like a floating interoffice communications system among club members, the clubhouse, and the launch.

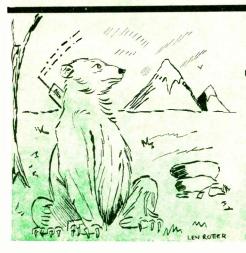
LET PUBLIC PARTICIPATE in UHF tests to take place in New York City, suggests I. S. Blonder, Chairman of the Board of Blonder-Tongue Labs. The proposed FCC test program is limited to 100 receivers of superior quality. The B-T recommendation that the public participate in the program with technical phases limited to advances that can be made in the foreseeable future, was in the belief that it would result in a climate favorable to the conversion of TV broadcasting to all UHF.

MICROPHONES used at the political conventions were made by Electro-Voice, reports the manufacturer. E-V ran a "Count the Mikes" contest among their distributors and revealed a total of 62 mikes at the Democratic convention and 111 microphones at the Republican convention. Is there a political clue in these numbers?

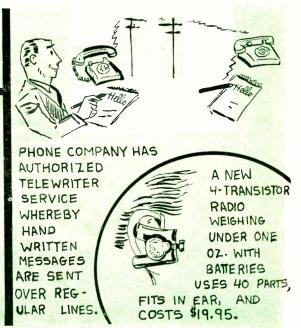
CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

- Oct. 10-12: IRE National Electronic Conference, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, III.
- Oct. 11-14: Audio Engineering Society 12th Annual Convention and Exhibit, Hotel New Yorker, New York, N. Y.
- Oct. 24-26: East Coast Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics
 Conference, Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Md.
- Oct. 26-27: Armour Research Foundation 1960 Computer Applications Symposium, Morrison Hotel, Chicago, III.
- Oct. 27-28: IRE 1960 Electron Devices Meeting, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.
- Oct. 31-Nov. 2: IRE 13th Annual Conference on Electronic Techniques in Medicine & Biology, Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D.C.
- Oct. 31-Nov. 2: IRE Radio Fall Meeting, Syracuse Hotel, Syracuse, N. Y.
- Nov. 14-16: Mid-America Electronics Convention (MAECON), Hotel Muehlebach, Kansas City, Mo.
- Nov. 25-27: Northwest High Fidelity Stereo & Music Show, Audio Div. Paul Bunyan Chapter, Electronic Representatives Assn., Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn.
- Dec. 5-8: National Conference on the Application of Electrical Insulation, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, III.
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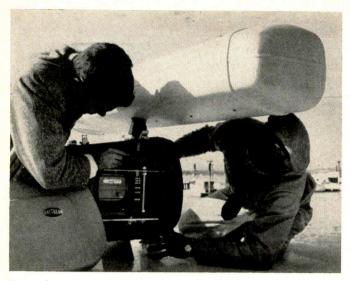
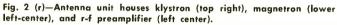
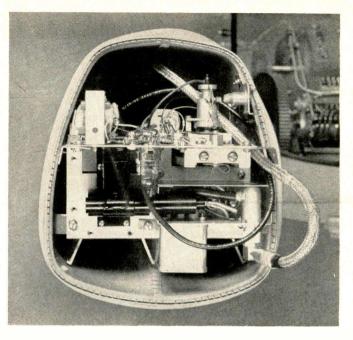


Fig. 1 (I)—Antenna unit mounted on open pedestal houses converter. Fiber gear is removed when tuning klystron.





Radar For Pleasure Boats

Operation, Installation, Adjustment, And Maintenance Procedures For Small-Boat Radar Equipment

ERNEST WILSON
Marine Products Dept.
Raytheon Company

• Improved manufacturing techniques and component miniaturization has now made radar a reality to the pleasure boat owner. It has not come too soon.

The number of boats now in use in many localities has created safety problems beyond normal navigation difficulties.

Since radar has contributed so much to the safe navigation of planes and ships, it appears to be a most logical instrument for solving the pleasure boat owner's navigation problems. It can provide definite, instantaneous information on obstructions in a boat's vicinity, including other craft, regardless of visibility.

A recent survey conducted among pleasure boat owners indicated that approximately 70% showed an interest in purchasing low-cost radar equipment. Respond-

ents in the survey indicated a high degree of awareness regarding installation problems and the necessity for periodic maintenance. 67% stated they were willing to pay \$100 or more for a yearly service contract on such equipment.

Several marine electronics manufacturers have introduced small, low-cost radar sets. The sets vary in size, with the smallest consisting of a 60 lb. antenna and a 40 lb. indicator. Prices range from about \$1400 up.

Small-boat radar expands the need for licensed service technicians, since the FCC requires that a second class radiotelephone license with radar endorsement be held by the person making repairs on a radar set.

As we already know, theory and practical functions of radar components approximates that of TV, and should pose few problems for the skilled electronic technician.

Simply stated, radar functions by radiating extremely short r-f

energy spurts or pulses from the transmitting antenna on a microwave frequency. The antenna is designed to radiate energy in a very narrow beam. When the radiated energy strikes an object a portion of this energy is reflected back to the radar location, where it is intercepted by the receiving antenna and amplified by the receiver. The reflected pulses produce illuminated areas on the radar screen. Range position is determined by time elapsed between pulse transmission and reception of the returning echoes.

Small-Boat Radar

A small boat radar, the Raytheon Model 1700, is constructed in essentially two units. Its antenna housing and pedestal is shown in Fig. 1. The antenna section houses receiving and transmitting antennas, magnetron, klystron, and receiver preamplifier as illustrated in Fig. 2. A mixer crystal is also included.

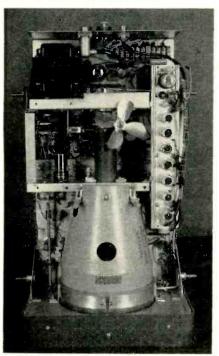
The antenna pedestal houses a rotary converter and speed reduction gear. The converter serves a dual purpose: converting d-c to a-c and turning the antenna.

The second unit of the radar is the indicator or scanning section, shown in Fig. 3. This unit houses the main electronic circuitry of the radar, including low and high voltage power supplies, video i-f circuitry, voltage regulators, synchronizing and sweep circuitry, and the 7ABP7A radar picture tube. A functional diagram of the complete set is shown in Fig. 4.

Operation of the 1700 can be briefly outlined as follows: A freerunning multivibrator oscillating at 2000 cps generates square wave pulses. Duration of the pulse is dependent on the radar's range setting. This pulse is applied to a cathode follower which provides a low-impedance driving source. Output of the cathode follower simultaneously initiates sweep on the radar, unblanks the CRT and i-f amplifier, and fires the thyratron modulator. When the modulator tube fires, it allows a charged pulseforming network to discharge, shocking the magnetron into oscillation.

The magnetron tube generates 9375±30 mc microwaves at a peak

Fig. 3—Scanning unit contains most of radar's electronic circuitry, including power supply, video i-f strip, and picture tube.



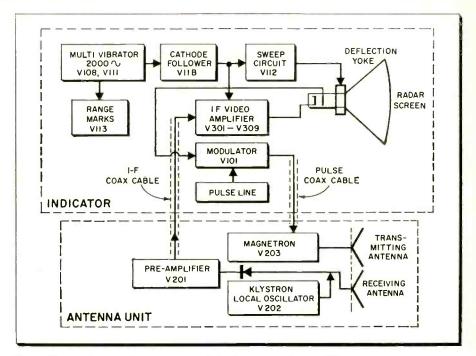


Fig. 4—Two section functional diagram of Raytheon's small boat PPI type radar.

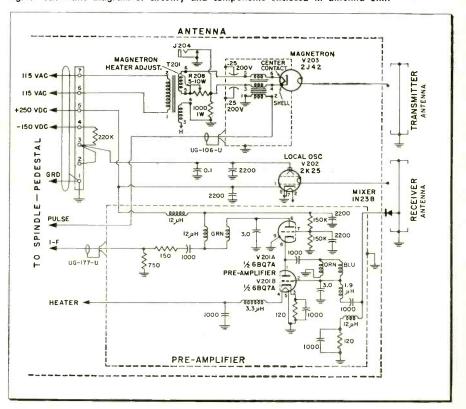
power of 7 kw. Oscillation time is determined by a 0.1 microsecond time constant network. The magnetron is physically attached to the transmitting slotted waveguide type antenna which shapes the 2° radiated beam pattern (See Fig. 5).

The klystron tube, as shown in Fig. 5, operates 45 mc above the 9375 mc magnetron frequency. Its

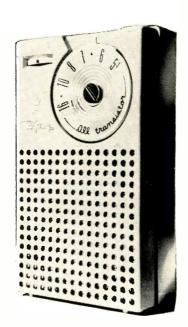
output and the reflected echoes are combined and applied to a crystal rectifier. This rectified and filtered 45 mc component is amplified by a 45 mc fixed-tuned i-f amplifier. A crystal second detector removes the 45 mc component and provides a video signal which is amplified for intensity-modulation of the CRT.

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Fig. 5—Schematic diagram of circuitry and components enclosed in antenna unit.



Servicing Transistor Radio Midgets



Formula For Extra Profits Includes Rapid, Low Cost Repairs

Louis E. Garner, Jr.

• With the fall season here, John Q. Public and his family have returned from their vacations. And they brought back hundreds of thousands of transistorized portable receivers, many of them somewhat the worse for wear. Servicing these sets can bring extra profits to the alert Radio-TV technician . . . provided he can complete the repairs quickly, efficiently, and at minimum cost.

You're unlikely to win friends and influence prospects by charging \$15.00 to repair a set costing \$19.95 (new), unless it's obviously in pretty sad shape. To tackle these sets profitably, then, you cannot waste time as a result of having improper tools, using the wrong techniques, or simply being unfamiliar with the sets. Obtain the special tools you need, make sure your test equipment is in good shape and, if necessary, bone up a little on your transistor set servicing techniques.

Since the majority of transistorized receivers are assembled on etched circuit boards, you'll need the usual complement of printed circuit repair materials and special soldering iron tips.

Adequate service data, of course, is an important "tool," but you may run into a small problem here. A high percentage of the sets you'll encounter will be imported brands (generally from Japan) and the manufacturer's service data, in most cases, will not be available for these sets. Here, you can often "make do" by using schematics of domestic (U.S. made) receivers having similar circuit arrangements. As you gain a little experience working with the sets, you'll find less need for referring to a schematic except when you encounter a "dog.'

Component Stock

Due to the wide variety of sets on the market, there is little point in attempting to stock major components . . . i-f transformers, audio transformers, loudspeakers, and so on . . . unless a particular brand of set is especially popular in your area. If the latter situation exists, it may prove worthwhile to have a few of these components on hand. Otherwise, purchase the compo-

nents needed through your parts outlets in keeping with your service requirements.

A somewhat similar situation exists with regard to transistors. Today, there are over 2,000 different types offered by domestic and overseas manufacturers. While not all of these types are used in transistorized receivers, an attempt to stock even a majority of "receiver" types could bankrupt all but the largest service shops. Again, purchase your transistor stock as your needs dictate, maintaining a permanent stock only of those types which prove popular in your area.

You should obtain a basic stock of small (1/10 watt) resistors in popular EIA values up to, say, 1 megohm. Relatively few of the higher value resistors are needed, for the majority of those used in transistor circuits are in the *under* 100,000 ohm range.

A basic stock of miniature electrolytics in 6, 12, and 15 volt ratings will prove helpful. The most popular values are 2 μ f, 8 (or 10) μ f, 20 μ f, 50 μ f, and 100 μ f. A similar assortment of low voltage (25 or 50 volt) ceramics will prove valuable . . . typical values here are

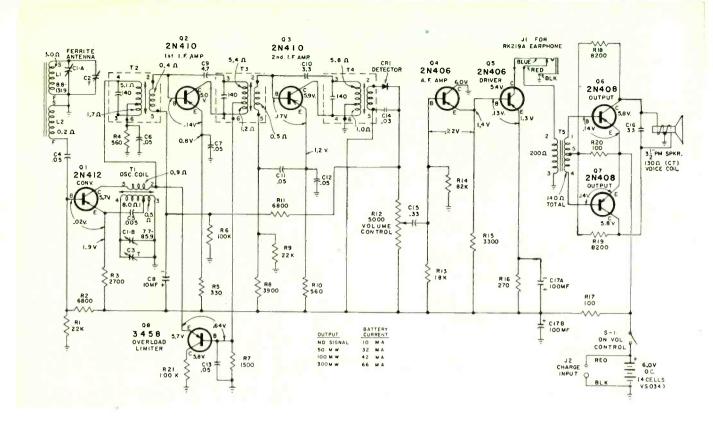


Fig. 1—Schematic of a deluxe-type portable transistor radio. Unit has a 300 mw push-pull output and uses a total of 8 transistors plus one

diode as detector. Many transistor radios employ modified versions of the RCA circuitry shown here.

.001, .01, .02, .05, and 0.1 μf . An adequate stock of replacement batteries is extremely important.

Basic Set Types

If we ignore differences in physical layout and design as well as individual circuit variations, the majority of available transistorized portables can be grouped together into four major classes . . . (a) the "Gimmick" sets, (b) "Minimum" sets, (c) "Standard" receivers, and (d) "Deluxe" sets. These classifications are arbitrary and are chosen for discussion purposes.

As a general rule, the "Gimmick" sets are two or three-transistor receivers intended for the reception of stronger local broadcast stations. They are usually designed for earphone operation only and many, quite frankly, are intended as toys. Most use TRF, regenerative, or simple tuned-circuit detector circuit arrangements.

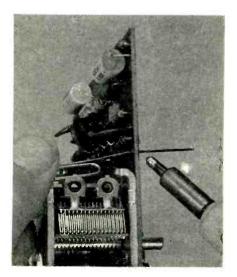
The "Minimum" sets employ three or four transistors in superhet circuits. Designed primarily for the reception of local broadcast stations, they give acceptable performance using a built-in ferrite loop.

The "Standard" receiver is one

employing five or six transistors in a superhet circuit. The overall performance is roughly comparable to that of a five tube receiver, with a smaller-than-usual speaker. A pushpull Class AB (or Class B) audio output circuit delivering about a quarter watt ((250 milliwatts) is typical.

Finally, the "Deluxe" sets are those employing more than six

Fig. 2—A partially opened paper clip is an excellent "tool" for opening a printed circuit mounting hole after heating with an iron.



transistors. Superhet circuitry, of course. Overall performance is quite good, with their sensitivity and selectivity comparing favorably with those of six tube receivers. Included in the general class are multiband sets employing seven or eight transistors. The line-up may include an r-f stage, a converter, two or more i-f stages, a detector, two or more audio "gain" stages, and a push-pull Class AB (or Class B) power stage delivering from one-third to three-quarters of a watt.

Many of the basic circuit features found in the portable shown in Fig. 1 are duplicated in other receivers. This 8-transistor pocket-sized set is operated on four 1.5 volt cells, supplying a total of 6 volts. It uses PNP transistors throughout and is capable of delivering an undistorted power output of 300 milliwatts. Employing a superhet circuit, its i-f is 455 kc. The set can serve as a guide to transistor radio circuitry design.

Diagnosing Defects

Unless there is obvious physical damage or an internal short across the power supply (customer complains, "batteries last only a few minutes"), your first step is to confirm the customer's complaint. John Q. Public is prone to lump every complaint under the general heading, "it doesn't work." To service the set properly, you'll need to know whether the actual complaint is . . . weak, distorted, noisy, dead, lacks selectivity, or any of the other basic complaints indicative of a general type of defect. Try out the set yourself, preferably in the customer's presence.

While doing this, try to get a little background history on the set . . . ask the customer a few questions—"Has the set been left in a car on a hot day?" "Has it been dropped?" "Did you install the wrong type of battery at one time?" Excessive heat or incorrect battery polarity, for example, may result in leaky electrolytics or damaged transistors, respectively.

Check the battery, both with the set "off" and under load. An appreciable drop in voltage under load indicates high internal battery resistance or a partial short within the receiver. If in doubt, try a replacement battery known to be in good condition . . . or connect to your bench supply.

A quick, but reasonably thorough, visual check is always a good idea. Watch for broken leads, charred resistors, corrosion and discoloration, or other clues.

From this point on, suit your servicing technique to the type of complaint encountered. Defects causing "weak" or "dead" complaints generally can be isolated rather quickly using Signal Tracing or Signal Injection techniques. If the individual stages all seem "live," but the set is still "dead," suspect the local oscillator in superhets.

Checking the local oscillator in a transistor set can be a sticky job . . . there is relatively little change in bias voltage whether or not the stage is oscillating. The best test here is to try to pick up the local oscillator signal, using either a Tuned Signal Tracer or another receiver (coupled loosely to the set through a 25 or 50 µf capacitor).

"Distortion," a not uncommon complaint, may be caused by a weak battery, a leaky coupling or by-pass capacitor, or by a leaky or partially shorted transistor.

With the trouble isolated to a

specific stage(s), the defective part or connection can be isolated by voltage and/or resistance checks in that stage. Watch those voltage measurements! Checks should be made between appropriate transistor electrodes (base-emitter, collector-emitter) unless specified otherwise in the manufacturer's service data for the set. Measurements to "ground" may be meaningless. Watch, too, for unusually low, nor-

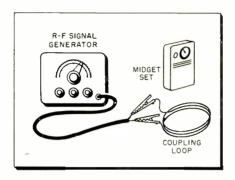


Fig. 3—Aligning a midget transistor radio can be simplified by using a three or four inch scramble-wound loop made of 12 to 18 turns of insulated wire to loosely couple r-f from a signal generator into the radio.

mal voltages . . . note the base-emitter voltage on Q1, Fig. 1.

Testing Transistors

As a general rule, it's a good idea to remove all transistors (if they are plugged into sockets rather than wired in place) before making resistance measurements. Otherwise, the internal resistance of the transistors themselves will affect your readings, leading to incorrect conclusions. The exception, of course, is where service data specifies resistance measurements with transistors installed.

If your tests lead you to suspect that a transistor is defective and you don't have a substitute to try in its place, a transistor tester is a welcome instrument to have. If you don't have access to a transistor test instrument, an ohmmeter forward-reverse resistance test may give a rough indication of the transistor's quality. However, it's foolish to depend on "rough checks" when accurate, inexpensive test instruments are commercially available; especially when the rough check can ruin a component through

excessive voltage or current.

If we ignore mechanical damage and similar physical defects, the commonest cause of trouble in transistorized portables is a defective battery.

The battery's internal resistance, if high, can have a considerable effect on set performance, causing complaints, ranging from "weak," "distorted," "lacks sensitivity," to "Oscillation," "squeals," and "motorboating." The latter defects are usually caused by common interstage coupling through the internal resistance of the power supply. In many sets, a large electrolytic (50 to 200 μ fd.) will be connected across the battery or in the common "hot" battery circuit to minimize possible coupling through the battery. Capacitor C17B (Fig. 1) serves such a function.

While transistors do not become defective as often as tubes, they can "go bad." A good rule of thumb is . . . to suspect the transistors last, unless the set has been subjected to excessive heat or other abuse. (Hence the importance of obtaining a "history" on the set.) Defects in other components may damage a transistor . . . for example, a leaky coupling capacitor in an audio stage may apply excessive base bias. In time, this may cause the transistor to overheat and become leaky.

Once the defective part has been isolated, a replacement may be made. Familiar techniques may be used here, but special care must be taken to avoid damaging nearby components or wiring. Avoid applying excessive heat near transistors or electrolytic capacitors. Watch that tiny droplets of solder do not fall on printed circuits, shorting closely spaced conductors.

When replacing individual components on circuit boards, a good practice is to cut out the defective part in such a way that its leads are left projecting. These can be used as "tie-points" for installing the new part.

Where a major component is replaced, it may be necessary to unsolder its terminals instead of cutting them. Use an appropriate soldering tip (specially shaped "desoldering" tiplets are available for pencil-type soldering irons), afterwards removing excess solder

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Difficult Service Jobs Described by Readers

Sound Normal. Intermittent Video

A Zenith 21K20-3 with agc trouble—or so I thought—was brought to the shop for repair. After the set played for a while the picture would occasionally change in contrast and eventually become kinked, turn somewhat negative, go out of sync and disappear. All during the above symptoms the sound remained almost constant.

Naturally the first thing substituted was the agc tube . . . nothing. All tuner i-f and video output tubes were replaced. Still no change. As the keying pulse is taken from the grid of $\frac{1}{2}$ the horizontal oscillator tube (6SN7) this too was replaced. Same trouble.

It was also noticed the agc control acted touchy, so we used a lubricant to clean the control. After cleaning the control the set was rechecked and there was no improvement. The only course left was extensive troubleshooting. A check for grid voltage on the first video i-f revealed that during normal operation of the set the grid voltage was normal (a few volts neg.), but during the abnormal operation this grid checked out slightly positive. I was faced with the problem of determining whether overdriven stages in the video i-f section were causing abnormal agc conditions, or whether abnormal agc conditions were allowing these tubes to be overdriven. I scoped the waveform of the keying pulse to the agc stage on both sides of the coupling condenser and it looked normal but a new condenser was temporarily tried with no results. I

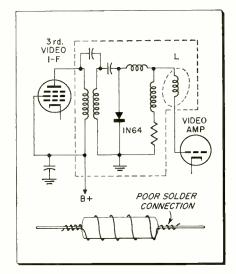


Fig. 1—Cold solder connection on peaking coil caused intermittent video, but, did not disturb 4.5 mc sound output.

checked all the voltages in the i-f strip and studied them very carefully with signal applied and without signal applied; during normal operation and during the abnormal condition. I concluded that the i-f's were 100% OK. The agc stage, given the same treatment, proved to my satisfaction that it also was OK. Components in this stage were individually checked.

By this time I had good reason to believe the tuner was all right so what was left?-The detector and video amplifier. By substitution I

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had determined the 1N64 diode was good so I began carefully checking the video amplifier. All voltages were carefully checked and found to be correct with no signal applied. However, study of the schematic reveals that the grid receives a negative voltage due to the rectifying action of the diode when signal is applied. This negative voltage seemed to be absent. In the schematic, all the parts in the dotted line are enclosed in a can, so I proceeded to disconnect the leads and disassemble the components in the detector assembly. A continuity check of the coils involved located one coil that convinced me I finally located the source of the trouble. The series peaking coil shown in Fig. 1 checked open although a visual check couldn't detect the break. This coil is wound on a form shaped like a resistor and the ends of the coil wire are coiled around the pig tail wires a few turns and then soldered. By scraping the coil wire at each end I used an ohmmeter to determine where the break was. It was a poor solder connection to one pig tail. A small drop of hot freeflowing solder put the TV set back in good operating condition.

This poor solder joint was good enough to allow the set to operate most of the time but probably developed into a high resistance connection at times. Nevertheless, it fed enough video to produce a picture part of the time, and there probably was enough capacity in the connection to pass 4.5 mc, allowing sound to get through.—Merton R. Albert, Clintonville, Wis-

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Equipment Specifications And Output Requirements For Various Installations. How To Interpret Different Output Wattage Ratings.

Hi-Fi Power Ratings

FRED BERGMAN

• In setting up a hi-fi stereo installation, the question frequently arises: "How much power is really needed?" The answer depends on program material, type of speaker, room characteristics, noise level, and even what you mean by power. An optimum amount of power is usually desired—high enough to do a good job, low enough to keep costs in hand.

Our purpose here is to present a general guide for the power needed in various circumstances, and to examine briefly the interpretation of amplifier wattage ratings.

Amplifier power output requirements to "fill" a particular room can be approximately determined by referring to Table I. The amount of power needed will vary with the size of a room, speaker efficiency, ambient noise, and musical tastes. Most audio professionals use the rule-of-thumb concept of doubling wattage requirements to compensate for equipment deterioration, extra speakers, unusual music peaks, etc.

Manufacturers generally include "power rating" figures with their equipment. Power output rating should be indicated in watts at a level where harmonic or intermodulation is not objectionable. Typical is the designated rating of a given amplifier having an output of 30 watts, for example.

A close investigation of many such specifications usually uncovers the fact that two channels have an output of 15 watts each. Ratings should include data on percentage of distortion. For example, harmonic distortion 0.3% at full rated power output.

Considerable effort has been ex-

erted by the Electronics Industries Association (EIA), and others, to establish standardized methods of rating amplifiers. The "music power rating" (MPR) which has been adopted is a step in this direction. In a simplified way, MPR means the maximum power output of an amplifier during the initial musical surge—with distortion of not more than 5%. These figures are about 30% higher than equivalent continuous power ratings, and as much as 50% lower than theoretical peak power.

Harmonic distortion % ratings, conforming to IHFM (Institute of High Fidelity Manufacturers) music power output (MPO) standards, are based on a continuous power output system. In effect, total harmonic distortion cannot exceed specifications for 30 seconds at that frequency which gives maximum power output. Power supply voltages must remain constant.

Ratings of amplifiers employing identical output tubes may also vary. Variations are anywhere from five to ten watts, and the uninformed are often perplexed by the different figures.

Some manufacturers specify maximum-signal power with 3% total harmonic distortion, employing the lower figure (receiving tube manual wattage rating) for an amplifier's output. Others specify 4% total harmonic distortion and the maximum wattage rating of an amplifier.

Before the technician selects equipment it would be considered wise to consult a tube manual in order to obtain output tube wattage ratings. Manufacturers' component specifications should also be carefully interpreted. •

Chart information compiled by Norman Crowhurst.

TABLE I

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"Vitamins" For Aging TV's

Component Defects Show Up When Heat, Cold Or Higher Voltages Are Applied

HAROLD WEST

• Much of today's service business consists of repairs made on TV receivers which were manufactured from 1950 through 1957. These repairs obviously fall into two categories: complete failures, and partial failures resulting in performance deterioration.

Many technicians repair only the fault for which the customer has called and frequently find a chassis has to be returned to the shop later for additional work (generally for faults the customer "never had until the set was fixed"). Small deviations in picture, sound, or sync which the customer became accustomed to over a long period of time, suddenly become obvious to him again when the set is returned after being absent for a few days.

Common sense prescribes that the technician call attention to these weaknesses before repairing or returning the set. An estimate for a complete overhaul often makes good sense to technician and customer alike.

It is not always easy to determine the exact cause of borderline faults arising from aging sets and deteriorating parts. Consequently, an accurate and realistic estimate for repairs is often difficult to make. Such an estimate can, of course, be arrived at only with the TV set on the work bench. Some helpful aids employed by technicians to make defects show up clearly are as follows:

1. An infra-red or regular type lamp rated from 300 to 500 watts, with an adequate reflector, for concentrating heat on a given point is employed to determine if a compo-

nent's characteristics change with increased temperature.

2. Some modern thought along these lines dictate the use of a

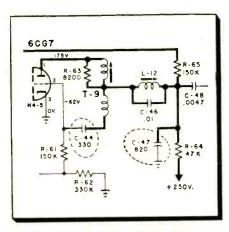


Fig. 1—Horizontal drift is often traced to a defective 330 or 820 $\mu\mu\mathrm{f}$ capacitor.

freezing agent, available in spray type cans. This method quickly reduces component temperature, frequently causing a change in set performance if the part is defective.

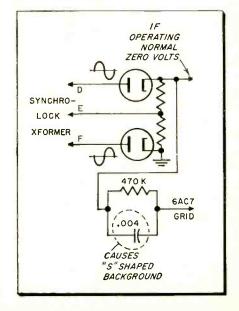
3. Many capacitors, not up to par, will break down when more than normal voltage is applied. A good capacitor is generally rated to withstand 50 to 100% more voltage than specified. Consequently, some technicians use a device to vary the a-c supply voltage above the circuit requirements. This method will often show up defective components, including some intermittent capacitors and resistors.

Vertical Problems

When the TV picture barely fills the screen vertically, vertical circuit's voltages, resistors, and capacitors should be investigated; especially its discharge capacitor. Checking the capacitor on a condenser tester may not show it to be faulty. Use the heat, cold or higher voltage test and it will either break down or indicate its changing characteristics by a quickly elongating or shrinking picture.

Vertical output, blocking oscillator transformers, and deflection yokes are not always easily obtainable for some of the older sets in certain localities. Consequently, parts may have previously been replaced by "nearly identical" components. For example, the current waveform taken from the vertical windings of a deflection yoke driven by an exact replacement output transformer, may be sharper than the waveform obtained from an "al-

Fig: 2—Shorted capacitors in synchro-lock circuit discriminators may cause "S" shaped picture background.



most exact" replacement. A technician making an earlier repair may have juggled the vertical plate load resistors and capacitors to get optimum sweep and linearity. Watch the components in old sets.

Yoke ringing, appearing as a series of bright vertical lines, is often caused by an incorrect damping network in the yoke. This should always be checked against manufacturer's specifications.

Horizontal Faults

Blocking oscillator, multivibrator, and afc circuits (synchroguide, ringing coil, etc.) generally cause most of the borderline faults in horizontal sweep sections of older TV receivers. One typical condition is horizontal picture slipping, attended by tearing, usually at the picture top. The symptom often appears when reception changes from commercial to program (and vice versa) and represents a brief, partial loss of horizontal sync. In one version of the well known synchroguide circuit, partly shown in Fig. 1, either of two components are frequently suspect. The 820 and 330 μμf capacitors shown in the schematic are highly critical and should always be replaced with 5% tolerance types.

Many older original and custom made sets are still in operation which use the highly stable sinewave (synchro-lock) horizontal oscillator. On occasion a defective capacitor in the network from one sync phasing diode to the reactance tube grid, as shown in Fig. 2, will cause an "S" shaped picture background. Its capacity is usually 4000 to 5000 $\mu\mu$ f, and replacement with a good mica capacitor rated at not less than 600 v d-c is recommended. Replacement will generally restore straight lines to the picture background.

Multivibrator circuits using ringing coils are known to deteriorate with age. A partial diagram of a cathode-coupled multivibrator circuit is shown in Fig. 3. Note the resistor in series with the ringing coil network. If the specified value of this resistor changes, either permanently or temporarily through heat variations, the ringing coil's range will be adversely affected. Differently designed circuits use different values but the resistor

should be replaced with one having a 5% tolerance.

Horizontal instability may result from a defective output tube or breakdown of a screen grid resistor (changing value when it gets hot). Obvious failures include the horizontal tube that suddenly pops in after being operative for a certain period of time—usually up to a half hour. This one is easy. Just replace the tube and sit around and wait.

But what about the horizontal output screen resistor that changes value or arcs internally in an intermittent manner? At the expense of blowing a fuse in the damper circuit, it may be advisable to arc the resistor to ground momentarily (overloading it for an instant) in which case it will usually open per-

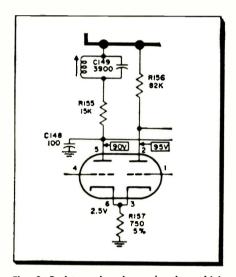
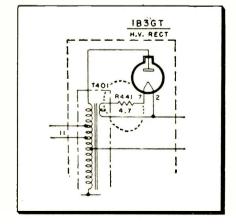


Fig. 3—Resistors changing value in multivibrator cathode coupled sync circuits play havoc with hold range.

Fig. 4—Defective current limiting resistors in high voltage rectifier circuits frequently cause picture blooming.



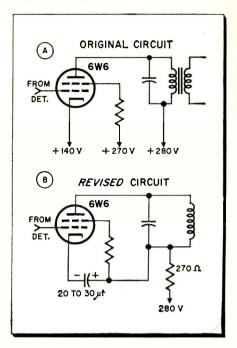


Fig. 5—(A) Hum and buzz in this audio output circuit could not be reduced. (B) When circuit shown above was modified as shown here, hum and buzz were reduced.

manently if defective.

Age problems in the horizontal section of older TV's are generally revealed by "drift" or "bending" symptoms.

Power Failures

High voltage arcing may result from "drying out" of the rectifier filament winding on the flyback, or failure of the $500~\mu\mu f$ filter capacitor. The symptom is either a visible violet corona seen in the dark, or odor of ozone when the brightness control is turned up. Replacing the old heater winding with new 20 kv wire is the normal solution.

Defective high voltage filter capacitors can cause slight picture tearing. This condition may become very annoying at times and generally appears only on damp or humid days. Filter replacement is the only practical cure and should be made with 20 kv rated components. These may be tubular oil filled, mica "door-knob" or "cart-wheel" types.

Picture blooming is frequently an age problem and this may only happen after the receiver has been on for a considerable length of time. The current limiting resistor under the rectifier socket (often 4.7 ohms or less) may change value or be-

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Tips for Home and Bench Service

Life Saver

A great many TV receivers, especially portables, have been sold which are enclosed in metal cabinets. All service technicians realize the potential shock hazard this poses, but few check to see if the cabinet is "hot" upon completing a repair. Receivers that utilize a power transformer are not as dangerous as the ac/dc variety, but even a transformer type chassis bypasses the line to chassis with capacitors which may short. The chassis in portable receivers is mounted on insulators, but a splash of solder or a chassis bolt which is too long may easily defeat their purpose. A common sight is to see portable receivers going out of repair shops in good operating condition, but missing a few knobs. These exposed shafts may be 115 volt electrodes, depending upon how the line plug is inserted.

Fig. 1 shows an inexpensive tester I constructed which will quickly locate a "hot" cabinet. The circuit is relatively simple and needs no explanation. To use the tester with toggle switch in position #1, the test probe is simply brought into contact with the metal cabinet and the pushbutton pressed. This is repeated with the toggle switch thrown to position #2. If the indicator lights in either position it indicates a "hot" cabinet. The set's line plug does not have to be reversed as this is, in effect, accomplished by the tester switch. I suggest using a 3 watt 115 volt bulb as an indicator as this will show a leakage as low as 10 ma. I used a bulb as an indicator rather than an a-c voltmeter not just because it's cheaper, but because a voltmeter sometimes gives an ambiguous indication on sets which have the chassis connected to the cabinet through an R/C network.

This tester can be built in a three inch square housing and permanently attached to the test bench. For safety the press-to-close push-

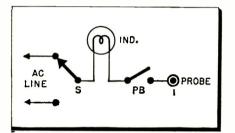


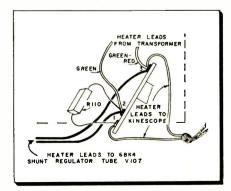
Fig. 1—"Hot chassis" checker helps unmask those 115 volt electrodes. Parts list: Ind.—3watt, 115v bulb; J—probe jack; S—SPDT toggle; PB—normally open, press-to-close switch.

button switch in series with the probe allows a-c on the probe only when in use. This tester can also be used with radios and appliances where there is a possible shock hazard. The tester can be constructed for less than \$2, but if you find just one "hot" cabinet with this tester it may become the most priceless piece of equipment in your shop.—Albert J. Krukowski, West Springfield, Mass.

CRT Heater Resistor

All future production of RCA 210-CK-855 series color TV receivers, using a 21CP22 type CRT, will include a 0.56 ohm resistor in series with one of the heater leads, as shown in Fig. 2. The resistor is used to reduce heater voltage, thus low-

Fig. 2—Resistor R-110 is added to the heater circuit in all 21CP22 CRT's. This is used to reduce cathode temperature.



ering the cathode temperature of the CRT. The resistor is only effective if placed in the circuit simultaneously with the replacement 21CP22 CRT.

In the event the 21CP22 CRT is later replaced with a new CRT type, 21CP22A, this resistor must be shorted out. This may be conveniently done by twisting the resistor leads together and soldering the junction securely.

Caution should be observed that the resistor, terminal strip and heater leads are properly secured and isolated to prevent the heater circuit from shorting to the chassis.—
RCA Service Co., Camden, N. J.

PM Tape Eraser

Here is a method of erasing tape with the aid of a permanent magnet speaker. (See Fig. 3.)

Take the roll of tape to be erased

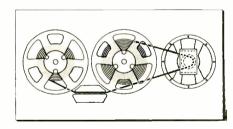


Fig. 3—Using the permanent magnet in a PM speaker to erase tape information.

and place it on either side of the tape recorder on a box or tape boxes so that the magnet will be in line with the tape travel. Thread the tape around the permanent magnet of a speaker (the magnet has to be one that is exposed and smooth) and back to the take up spool. Set the tape recorder to fast forward or fast rewind, as the case may be, and your tape will be erased.—Paul S. Segars, Jr., St. Petersburg, Florida.

• This is not recommended for precise applications where retained magnetism on tape may have an undesired d-c bias effect.—Ed.

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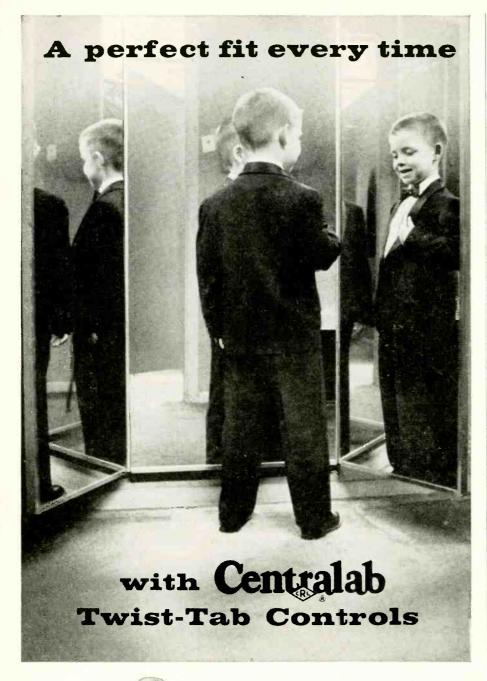
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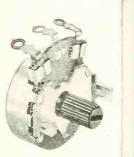
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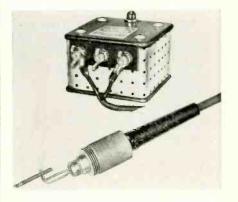


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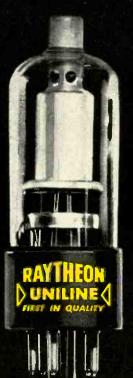
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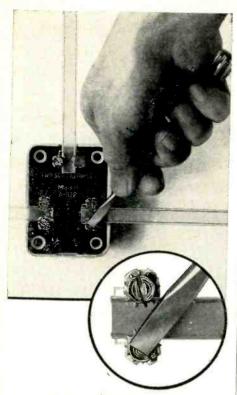
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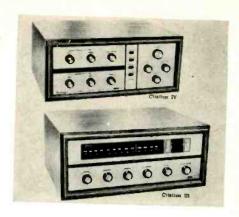
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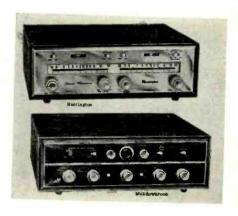
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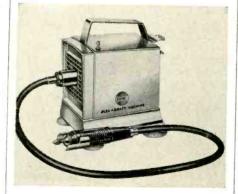
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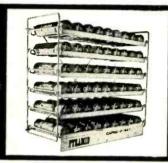
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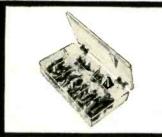


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OXFORD names Edwin A. Schulz Co. as rep in Ind. and Ky.

STROMBERG-CARLSON appoints Howard W. Hibshman sales mgr., consumer prod.

ATLAS SOUND appoints Harry Paston and Neal Hunter as reps for upstate N. Y.

SHURE issues a 20-page booklet called "The Art of Selecting, Playing & Preserving Recordings," available at 25¢ each.

HARMAN-KARDON announces the Festival II, Model TA260 AM-FM stereo receiver @ \$299.95 less enclosure. Rating is 30 watts/channel.

GARRARD introduces the SPG3 stylus pressure gauge @ \$2.95. This swivel balance type scale comes with 5 gram brass standard weight.

UTAH names Fred Neubauer, ex-Majestic & Warwick, as asst. to pres. Al Altenhof, ex-Allied, has been named product manager for distributor sales.

PICKERING publishes "Tech-Specs," a pocket guide to aid audiophiles plan the space and selection requirements for a stereo hi-fi system.

ELECTRO-VOICE production facilities for Featheride Cartridges, formerly made by Webster Electric, have been readied at the Eureka, Ill. plant.

WESTINGHOUSE unveils its TV & stereo products at New York's National Design Center. Accent is on furniture styling. Units are shown in 20 imaginative settings by seven leading interior designers.

SHELL announces new products. Hampton Model 800 FM tuner features sensitivity of 1.5 μv for 20 db quieting, distortion of less than 1%, \$79.95. Manhasset Dual 20 Watt Stereo Amplifier, 30-20,000 cps \pm 1 db, \$129.95.

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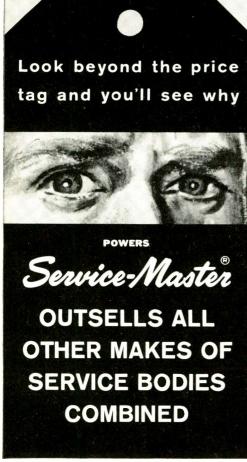
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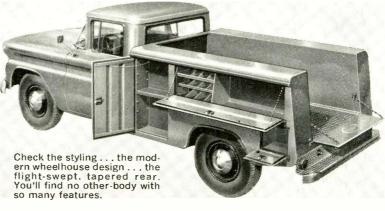






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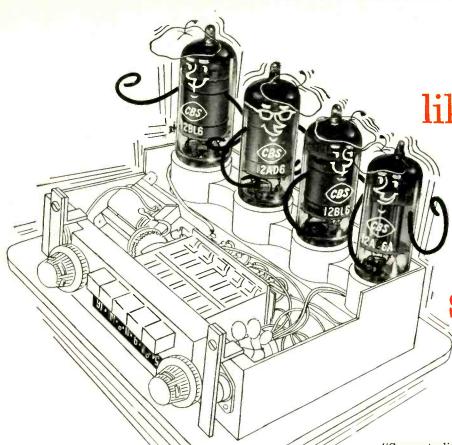
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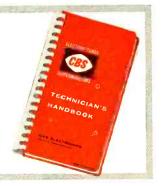
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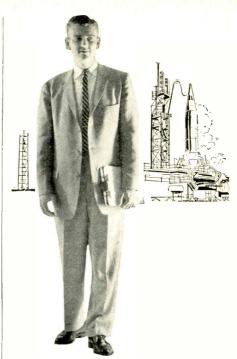
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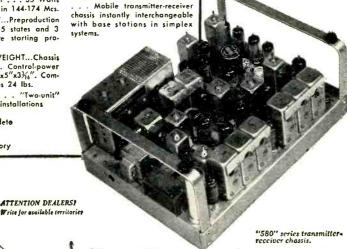
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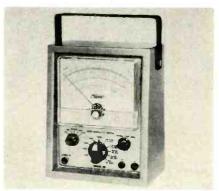
G-E RADIO

Claimed to be the smallest six transistor radio made in the U.S., model P8501 features: a four volt mercury cell of standard type; class B pushpull audio output; and vernier tuning and on-off volume controlled by thumbwheels. It can be carried or hung up by a metal ring secured in the top. The "camera-type" case is die-cast in black and chrome. It measures 35%" high, 23%" wide and 1" thin. Weight, with battery, 101/2 ounces. With carrying case, earphone and battery, packed in leatherette box, \$39.95. General Electric Co., Radio & Television Div., Syracuse, N. Y.

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Mercury VOM-CAPACITY TESTER

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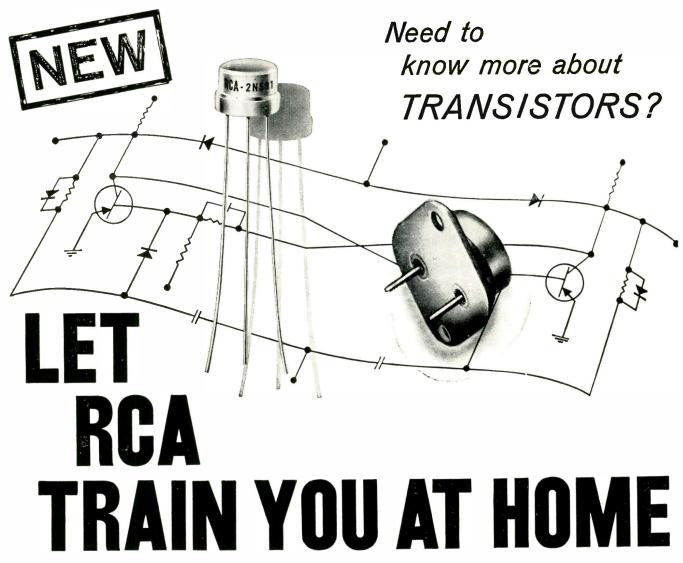
a rest when the instrument is used in a tilted position. The unit's specifications allow for a wide range of operation, and it is designed with only 3 knobs and 3 jacks to speed up operation. The 4½" meter has easy-to-read scales. \$39.95. Mercury Electronics Corp., 77 Searing Ave., Mineola, N. Y.

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HI-FI WARRANTY AND SERVICE PRACTICES

• The Publicity and Public Relations Committee of the Institute of High Fidelity Manufacturers conducted a survey of hi-fi component manufacturers to determine their warranty and service policies. A total of 48 companies replied.

Presented below are some of the key questions and the replies received.

What period of time is covered by the warranty?

Total Replies

1	10 days
21	90 days
22	1 year
1	5 years
1	Indefinit

Amplifier-Tuner Manufacturers Only

19	Replies*		
	11	90	days
	7	1	

7 1 year 1 5 years

*In all cases, tubes are guaranteed for only 90 days.

Tape Recorders Manufacturers Only
4 Replies

4 90 days

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repires	
8	1 year
2	2 years
1	Indefinite

Accessories, FM Antenna, etc. Manufacturers Only

		Manufacturers Only
6	Replie	s
	1	90 days
	4	1 year
	1	10 days implied to one year
		Record Changers and Arms
		Manufacturers Only

6 Replies

4	90	day:
2	1	year

Cartridge, Microphone Manufacturers Only

2 Replies

1	90	day
1	1	year

- Are labor costs on units in warranty paid by the factory? 42 yes. The consumer? 3 yes. If shared, please state percentages: 1 indefinite statement, 1 cost is shared by consumer and factory, 1 has no policy.
- 3. Are service facilities available to the consumer at the factory?

R	eplies	Yes	No
Amplifiers-Tuners	19	19	_
Tape Recorders	4	4	
Speakers	11	9	1*
Accessories, FM			
Antennas, etc.	6	5	1**
Record Changers & Arms	6	6	_
Cartridges, Microphones	2	2	_
		_	_
Tota	i	46	2

- * 1 only if returned by the dealer
- ** none required
- 4. Are service stations available where warranty work is of the same caliber as that available at the factory?

	Replies	Yes	No
Amplifiers-Tuners	19	13	4*
Tape Recorders	4	4	_
Speakers	11	2	9
Accessories, FM			
Antennas, etc.	6	_	5**
Record Changers & Arm	s 6	4	2
Cartridges, Microphones	2	_	2
			_
To	tal	25	23

- * 2 according to area
- ** 1 not required
- Are freight charges to the service station or factory paid by the consumer? 25 yes; or the factory? 6 yes. If shared, please state percentages: 12 shared 50/50, 5 indefinite.
- 6. If a unit in warranty is serviced at a service station, are the parts and labor paid for in total by the factory? 26 yes. If not, please state policy: 4 parts are paid by factory, labor by consumer. 18 not applicable, no service stations.
- 7. Do all units of your manufacture carry the same warranty?

	Replies	Yes	No
Amplifiers-Tuners	19	16	3
Tape Recorders	4	4	_
Speakers	11	8	3
Accessories, FM			_
Antennas, etc.	6	3	3
Record Changers & Arms	s 6	6	_
Cartridges, Microphones	2	2	_
		—	_
To	tal	39	9

8. Are schematic diagrams included with your units? 41 yes 7 no. If not, are they available? 48 yes. (If a nominal charge is made, please state amount): 35¢ to \$3.00. ●

Audio-Empire TURNTABLE

Empire 208 transcription turntable features include hysteresis synchronous motor, belt coupling, three speeds (33-1/3, 45 and 78 rpm), variable speed adjustment, illuminated push-button power control, heavy (6 lbs.) individu-



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V-M RECORD CHANGERS

Announced is a new line of deluxe record changers which incorporate a diamond needle and stereo cartridge with no increase in price. Equipped with an 11" turntable with microprecision bearing system and extra long, dynamically balanced tone arm. Model 1572 has 4-pole motor and plug-

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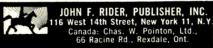
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New Books

Books marked with an asterisk (*) may be obtained prepaid from Electronic Marketers, Book Sales Division of Electronic Technician

RECEIVING TUBE MANUAL. Prepared and published by Electronic Tube Div., Radio Corp. of America, Harrison, N. J. 434 pages, soft cover. \$1.00.

The new edition RC-20 of a long established reference contains technical data for more than 760 receiving tubes and 173 picture tubes, including color. Informative sections are also contained explaining TV circuits, hi-fi, and radio.

This popular manual is a handy and important addition for the tube caddy or shop library.

* VIDEO TAPE RECORDING. By Julian Bernstein. Published by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc. 272 pages, hard cover. \$8.95.

Time delay programming in TV broadcasting created the need for video tape recording. This book is a thorough treatment of the system that is used to rebroadcast live programs at a later time. It is written at a level understandable to all interested in video recording, with mathematical formulas absent. The text outlines the methods used and the circuitry employed.

Subjects covered include: waveforms and signals, electronic photography, mechanics of recording, electronics of tape recording, video recording, servo systems, video and servo circuits.

Abundant with photographs and drawings, this volume is an interesting and authoritative reference.

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF VACUUM TUBES. By Robert B. Tomer. Published by Howard W. Sams and Co., 160 pages, hard cover. \$3.50.

Using a reverse approach, the author presents the rhyme and reason for catastrophic, degenerative and subjective tube failures. Information contained reveals the author's feelings about selected and premium tubes, predicting tube performance, tube testers, special purpose tubes and methods to lengthen the life of tubes.

Absent is the usual mathematical formula and graphic explanation for tube failures. This text makes interesting, informative reading for all who want to know the reasons both old and new tubes break down . . . and that should certainly include every man who makes his living in electronic service.

TRANSISTORS CIRCUITS AND SERVICING. ByB.R.A. Bettridge, M.Brit. I.R.E. Published by Trader Publishing Co., Ltd., Dorset House, Stamford St., London, S.E.1, England. 28 pages, soft cover.

This pamphlet, written in England, is a descriptive presentation of transistor theory and servicing with mathematics left out. American readers will find vacuum tubes referred to as valves, but other than the touch of unfamiliar terminology, the small yet informative manual contains useful information.

Jammed into 28 pages is information about transistor theory, common base operation, common emitter operation, low frequency amplifier circuits, complete transistor receivers, and general servicing notes.

*USING AND UNDERSTANDING PROBES. ByRudolf F. Graf. Published by Howard W. Sams & Co., Inc. 192 pages, soft cover. \$3.95.

Here is a practical and informative book on many different types of test probes and their uses. Chapters include: Direct & Isolation Probes, High-Voltage Probes, Low-Capacitance Probes, Rectifier Probes, Signal-Tracer Probes. In addition, chapters on special purpose probes are thoroughly discussed from a technician viewpoint, such as: Medical Probes, Radiation Detector Probes, Industrial Probes (leak detector, vibration pickup, proximity pickup, etc.). Over 200 illustrations assist the reader in understanding how to use test probes advantageously, thereby advancing his test capabilities. The important subject and excellent presentation should meet with technician approval.

* INSTALLING HI FI SYSTEMS. $By\ Jeff\ Mar$ kell and Jay Stanton. Published by Gernsback Library. 224 pages, soft cover. \$3.20.

The authors present the stereo story in 14 informative chapters. Topics include client needs and preferences, legal and insurance considerations, hi-fi components, electrical and electronic interconnection, noise and interference, acoustic factors and problems, and esthetic appeal and effect.

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Arizona

Code of Ethics Adopted

BEST, Phoenix, reported a code of ethics has been adopted by members of the television service industry. The nine point platform pledges each member to "uphold integrity in advertising and business conduct." The pledge requests employers to use only qualified personnel, approved business methods, adequate service equipment, and advertise in a manner fair to both customer and competitors. Other provisions included: itemized service charge, prompt and proficient service, advanced estimates, perform only authorized repairs, install parts of similar or better quality, issue an itemized bill, give valid specific guarantees and warranties, and provide adaquate protection of customer property in the process of service.

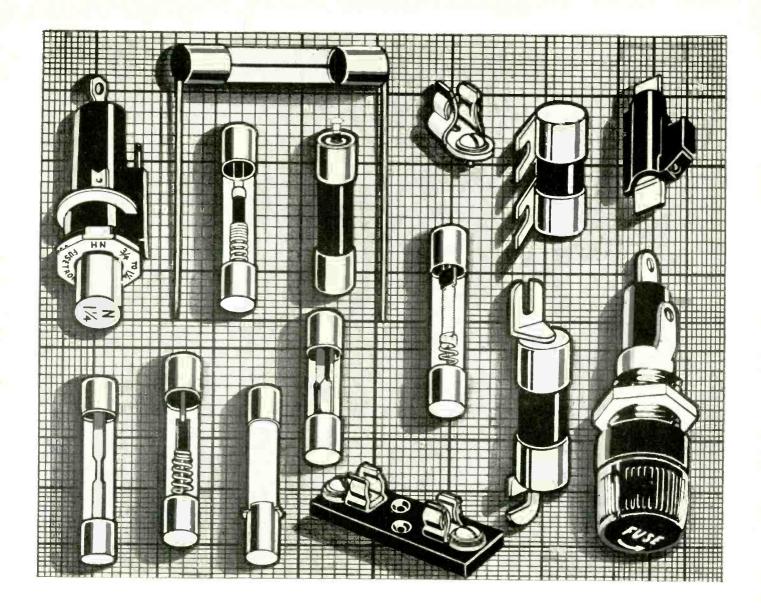
Repair Costs

ACTRA, San Jose, reported results of a survey illustrating TV business operating costs in California. A California state official quoted the New York average dealer cost of making a house call as \$5.62, in comparison to the California rate of approximately \$6.32. Facts and figures were based on information compiled after interviewing small shops (one or two men). Average monthly costs reported by the California firms were as follows:

Rent	\$120.00
Utilities	30.00
Phone	29.00
Employee	350.00
Truck	43.00
Insurance	27.50
Federal Taxes	14.00
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Bookkeeper	17.50

The New York breakdown was not reported. In addition, costs represented in these figures are the extra burdens of interest on loans, depreciation, advertising, and association dues. The figures do not include owner's salary, nor his wife's time, but they represent an accurate accounting of the bare costs of maintaining the door open for business. Naturally the per call cost varies with the number of calls made.

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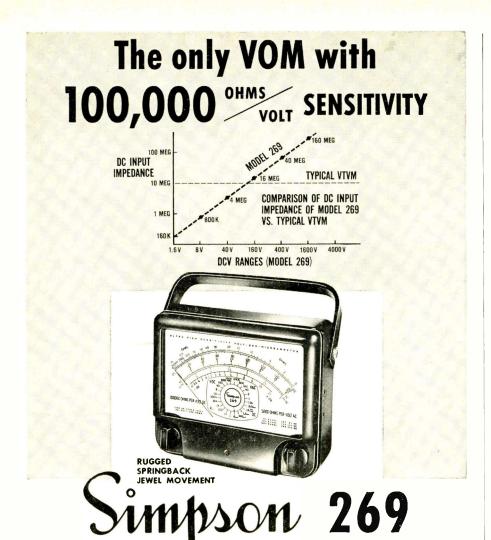
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center); 0-20K ohms (180 ohms center); 0-200K ohms (1800 ohms center); 0-2 megohms (18K ohms center); 0-20 megohms (180K ohms center); 0-200 megohms (1.8 megohms center).

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APA, Los Angeles, announced completion of appliance technician testing in Northern California. Also reported was a shift of testing operations to Southern California with base headquarters at the Phineas Banning High School. Technicians from the Long Beach, Southeast cities, and South Bay Cities chapters of APA, are being urged to take the aforementioned tests.

Georgia

SETA, Savannah, announced the following officers have been elected: Pres., Frank Semken; V. P., Curtis Hoffman; Sec'y, Leo K. Thomas; Treas., M. Boyette.

Illinois

NATESA, Chicago, reports election of the following: Pres., Alphonse Benoit Jr; Sec'y-General, W. O. Hirshberg; Treas., Nelson Burns. Association also announced recipients of the 1960 annual "Friend of Service" awards will be ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN Magazine and the Finney Antenna Company.

Louisiana

TESA, New Orleans, reports bill HB 761 licensing all technicians in the state has been signed.

Missouri

TESA, Southwestern section, reports election of the following officers: Pres., J. J. Gulliford; V.P., Lee Hopkins; Sec'y, Earnest Moudy; Treas.. Ed Muhleman.

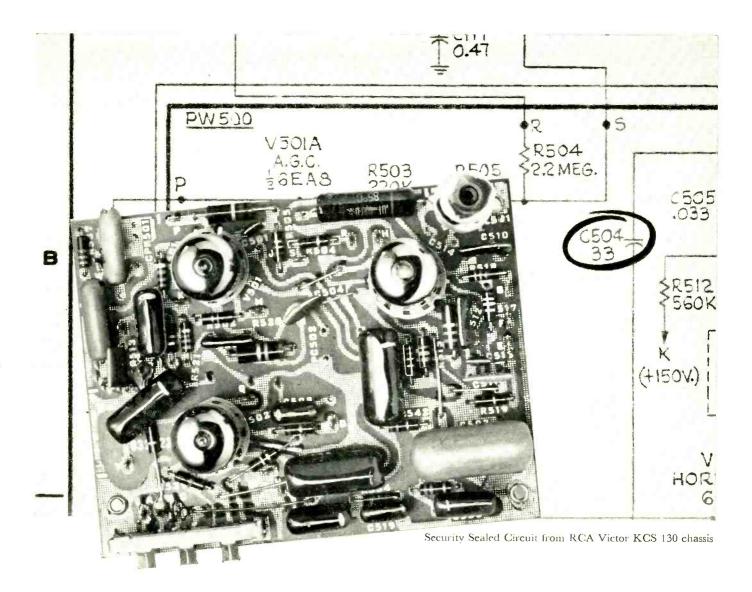
North Carolina

RTSA, Durham, has elected the following officers: Pres., Norman Schultz; V. P., Walter Cobb; Sec'y, J. J. Bralley; Treas., Willie Hester. Catawba Valley, has elected the following officers: Pres., Bob Patton; V. P., Walt Stewart; Sec'y-Treas., Gene Pittman.



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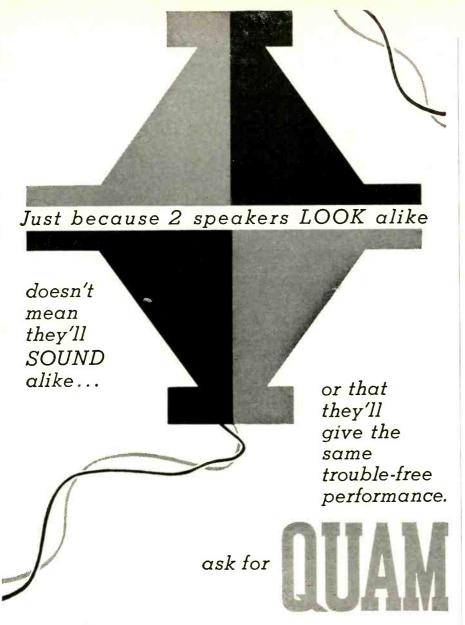
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dispenser. Choice is given with each 8 oz. can of Tun O Lube tuner cleaner, or Trol Aid volume control and contact cleaner. Dealer net, including "Spray Aid" and choice of premium, is \$1.98. Chemtronics Inc., 870 E. 52nd St., Bklyn,

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Want A Christmas GIFT IDEA? See page 64

Ray-O-Vac BATTERY TESTING STATION

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for \$30.00 and the firm gives free batteries with a retail value of \$39.50 to offset the cost of the tester. The unit, complete with batteries, is dealer priced at \$49.20 and is said to bring back \$66.85. Ray-O-Vatic Co., 212 E. Washington St., Madison 10, Wis.

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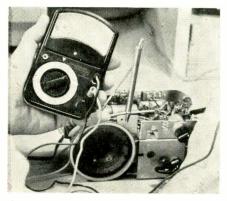


0-2 megohms; 0-20 megohms (20 ohm center scale on 0-2000 range). Tester, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " x $4\frac{1}{4}$ " x $1\frac{1}{16}$ " fits into the palm of the hand and has back mounted elastic strap and control knob. Triplett Electrical Instrument Co., Bluffton. Ohio.

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Audiotex POCKET METER

A new test meter that combines versatility and small size, "Pocket Meter" (Catalog No. 30-240), is reported to serve as a d-c voltmeter, a-c rms voltmeter, ohmmeter, decibel meter and



d-c micro-milliameter. In addition, the meter reads inductance, capacitance and relative signal output. Size, 6" x 4". Complete with a pair of test prods and full instructions, \$24.95. Audiotex Mfg. Co., 400 S. Wyman St., Rockford,

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Pearce-Simpson **CB TWO-WAY RADIO**

The new citizens band two-way radio, model CBD-1 is compact in size. has a 5-watt power input; and offers a dual power supply for 12v d-c or 115v a-c current. It has high level modulation and comes complete with a pressto-talk microphone and crystals. \$159.50. Pearce-Simpson, Inc., 2295 N.W. 14th St., Miami, Fla.

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Transistor Radio Midgets

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by brushing with a small wire brush. The mounting hole(s) may be re-opened by using a piece of stiff wire . . . a straightened paper clip is an excellent "tool" for this job. See Fig. 2.

A small receiver may have to be realigned if r-f or i-f transistors or frequency determining components (coils, i-f transformers, neutralizing capacitors, etc.) are replaced, or if the set has been subjected to tampering or to unusual vibration and shock.

The basic alignment procedure used with transistorized receivers is essentially the same as that applied to more familiar sets. The i-f transformers are adjusted for peak output at their i-f value (usually 455 KC, although auto sets use 262 KC), the local oscillator trimmer for dial tracking at the upper end of the Broadcast Band (1500 to 1600 KC), the r-f trimmer for peak

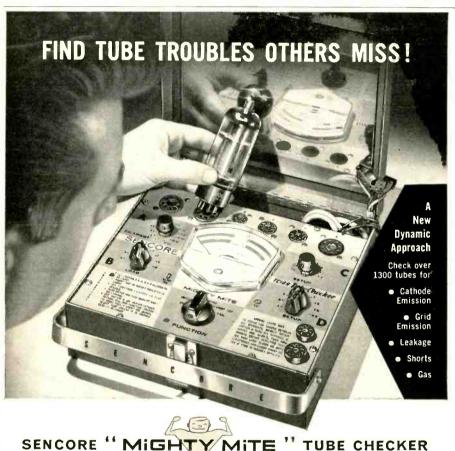
response at about 1300 or 1400 KC, and the padder (or oscillator coil slug) for peak response near the low frequency end of the band (about 550 to 600 KC) while "rocking" the tuning capacitor.

There are a few modifications of the basic technique which may be employed, however. First, it is not always necessary to "kill" the set's local oscillator before aligning the i-f stages. Second, the modulated i-f signal, as a rule, is coupled through the set's regular "loop" antenna coil rather than applied directly to the input of the converter stage. Third, since the avc circuits of most transistorized receivers are not as effective as their tube-operated counterparts, common practice is to use the audio signal heard through the loudspeaker as an indication of output level rather than attempting to measure avc voltage. For best results using this last technique, turn the set's volume control to its maximum volume position and use the lowest level r-f signal which will give a useable output tone.

A coupling loop for applying a signal generator's r-f (or i-f) signal to the receiver may be made up by coiling 12 to 18 turns of common hook-up wire in a scramble-wound loop about 3 to 4 inches in diameter. See Fig. 3. This coupling loop may be placed relatively close to the receiver's antenna coil during initial alignment steps, but should be moved back as far as possible (while maintaining an acceptable output level) as alignment progresses.

With all repairs completed, the set should be given a quick performance check before being reinstalled in its case. Check relative output level, see if distortion levels are acceptable, note sensitivity, selectivity, and dial tracking. Make sure, too, that the control is not noisy.

One useful final check is to measure the set's d-c requirements, comparing the current drawn to that specified in the manufacturer's service data. In the case of receivers having Class AB (or Class B) output stages, the battery current drawn should vary with loudspeaker volume level. As a check on this, try adjusting the set's volume control, watching for changes in current requirements.



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Ask your distributor for the "MIGHTY MITE" with the mirror in the cover



Aging TV's

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come intermittent. This component may arc internally and cause unstable raster or blooming picture. Position of this resistor in the circuit is shown in Fig. 4.

In sets using a high voltage doubler circuit with two rectifiers, a voltage regulator resistor defect often causes arcing or blooming after the set has been operating for two or three hours. Many manufacturers used high resistance low wattage components, and others used 1 or 2 watt 470 k resistors in series. Replacement should be made with a single heavy duty precision type, mounted with the shortest possible leads, and dressed away from all uninsulated points.

normal circumstances Under damper circuit faults are usually of a definite nature. Here again, however, annoying troubles do arise as a direct result of a previous "patch-up" repair job where an "almost correct" component was used. Incorrect damper boost capacitors, linearity coils, etc. are the usual offenders. Boost capacitors in most damper circuits should be replaced with exact values rated at 1000 v d-c. Exact value linearity coils, properly tuned to resonance, is a must in many TV designsotherwise short lived horizontal output tubes and overheating flybacks will result.

Most low voltage fault symptoms are obvious either on the CRT screen or by the smells arising from B+ shorts. But some unusual and misleading symptoms do appear for various reasons. For example, a set with full horizontal sweep shows insufficient vertical sweep. No fault can be found in the vertical section. Overall B+ is slightly low, but does not affect horizontal sweep or any other section of the set. In this case, the selenium rectifiers may prove to be slightly weak. When replaced with two new units, the problem is often solved.

One particularly troublesome problem which arises in all types of low voltage power supplies should be mentioned here. It is well known that the original voltage rating of electrolytic filter capacitors can fall below normal, or "reform," when operated over an extended period at lower than normal rating, as when a set operates for some time with a weak rectifier. In a high percentage of cases when the rectifier is replaced one or more of the filter capacitors will break down shortly thereafter.

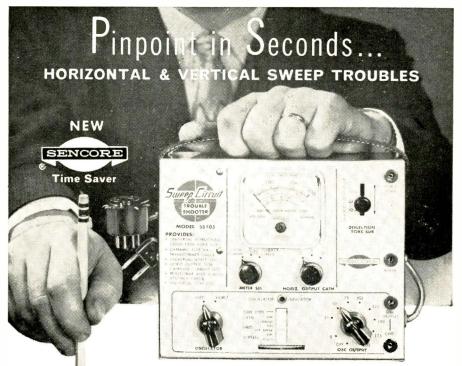
Video Problems

Picture clarity and CRT control latitude varies as a TV ages. Most

often the technician is faced with no video, or a very weak, washed out picture. Partial video detector, i-f, and output failures may change picture quality slightly, and the defective component is seldom replaced. Examples are small value capacitors opening or developing high resistance shorts.

An open capacitor or peaking coil in the crystal detector circuit can cause deterioration of picture quality—but in a strong signal area

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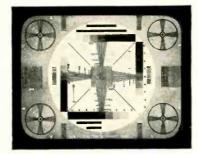
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"Did you, by any chance," asked Bill, "buy a replacement with all the parts wired in?"

"The counterman said it was an 'exact' replacement," answered Joe defensively. "But why was it perfect in one case, and like this in the second?"

"Hm," said Bill, as he looked, "did you notice where the leads came out of the first yoke when you had it mounted?"

"Out the bottom," said Joe promptly.

"Well, they come out the top the way this one is mounted," said Bill. "If I remember correctly they used different mountings in different runs. When you installed this yoke you had exactly the right anti-ring network on exactly the wrong terminals, because you had to reverse polarity to make the picture read 'right.' If you follow my system, use new parts to duplicate the wiring (and mounting) of the original, you would never know about this kind of trouble.

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Primary Power

Most boats provide power in either 12, 24, 32 or 110 v d-c, or 110 v a-c. The Model 1700 is normally furnished with a rotary converter in the antenna pedestal, as previously mentioned. The converter changes d-c to a-c and also rotates the antenna. When a boat uses 110 v a-c, an a-c motor is used to drive the antenna.

Installation Considerations

Installation of small boat radars should be performed by reliable and thoroughly experienced marine electronic communications and contractors. Installation and initial "fire-up" of the equipment should be supervised by a licensed radar technician.

Selection of an adequate location for the radar's antenna is highly important. Large super-structure masses should not appear in a horizontal plane with the antenna. Otherwise blind areas and false targets will result. On larger boats, installation near the top of a stack must be avoided to prevent damage by stack gases, soot and possibly by excessive heat. Sufficient space should be allowed for antenna serv-

To eliminate possible confusion in radar presentation, the indicator unit should be mounted so that the operator is facing the boat's bow when observing the screen.

The indicator and antenna units are connected by coax, multiconductor, and power cables. Since most boat owners are generally meticulous about their boat's appearance, care should be taken to make cable runs as neat and shipshape as possible.

Synchronizing Antenna

A plan position indicator type radar (PPI) requires the picture tube's deflection yoke to be rotated in sync with the antenna. This system provides a "map" on the radar screen of all objects within a

360 degree radius of the boatwithin a given range. Information appearing on the screen is related to the bow of the vessel, with the top of the radar screen representing the bow. In the model 1700, a synchronous motor rotates the yoke, obtaining its a-c power from the converter.

To ensure synchronization between antenna and sweep, a relay circuit is provided. A manually operated switch in the indicator and a normally closed sensing switch in the antenna are in series with this relay. The sensing switch is actuated at a point when the antenna is in line with the boat's bow. If the antenna and sweep are out of step, the manual switch in the indicator is operated. This completes the relay circuit, thus energizing the relay. The relay will stop and hold the deflection yoke when the sweep reaches the top of the radar screen. As the antenna passes the bow line, the antenna sensing switch operates, breaking the circuit and allowing the sweep to rotate in synchronism with the antenna.

Klystron Tuning

The tunable velocity modulated klystron local oscillator supplies a 9420 mc signal to the crystal mixer circuit. It employs a resonant cavity which functions as follows:

The tube's electron beam is directed through the built-in cavity and then is reflected back "in phase" to sustain oscillations. The integral cavity is tuned mechanically by adjusting the bowed struts. This adjustment tilts the tube's top, flexes a portion of the upper cavity wall, and changes the spacing between the cavity grids. Output power is taken through a small diameter coaxial line. The line is loop coupled to the cavity and terminates in the antenna.

Tuning the klystron can be accomplished with a 20,000 ohm/volt VOM. To facilitate tuning, a jack and a potentiometer are located on top of the antenna pedestal. A jack and a tuning adapter is also located beneath one end of the antenna housing. The jack on the pedestal provides a monitor point for voltage produced by returned echoes, and the pot provides a coarse adjustment for the klystron repeller



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voltage. This pot is in series with another (for fine tuning) which is mounted on the indicator unit front panel. The jack on the antenna housing bottom is used for monitoring mixer crystal current. The tuning adapter under the antenna housing allows mechanical tuning of the klystron with a screwdriver.

Tuning procedure is as follows:

- 1. Set the fine "tune control" pot on the indicator front panel to its mid-position.
- 2. Turn antenna motor power off.



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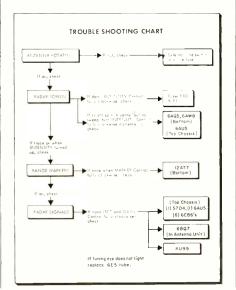
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- 3. Remove the fiber gear that mates with the bull gear in the antenna pedestal (See Fig. 1). This allows power to be applied to the antenna without its rotating.
 - 4. Turn radar power on.
- 5. With an extension plug attached to the VOM, plug meter into mixer current jack at bottom of antenna housing. Set meter to the 10 ma or lower scale.
- 6. Rotate the klystron cavity tuning screw clockwise for maximum mixer crystal current. Two points of maximum current should be noted on the meter. Adjust to the most counter-clockwise peak, since this peak occurs when the local oscillator is 45 mc above the transmitter frequency.
- 7. Plug the VOM into the jack atop the antenna pedestal. Set on volt scale and adjust the local oscillator pot for maximum voltage indication.
- 8. Turn off power and replace the fiber gear.
- 9. Turn on equipment and test for satisfactory operation. It may be necessary to readjust klystron cavity tuning (mixer current) and coarse potentiometer (klystron repeller voltage) so that each is at maximum at the same point on the potentiometer.

The top and bottom cover of the indicator unit are easily removed by unsnapping the hinges. The signal-mixer assembly, which includes the local oscillator tube and preamplifier, is completely removable from the end of the antenna housing. To facilitate troubleshooting refer to Chart I. General service



procedures are similar in many ways to those of regular TV equipment.

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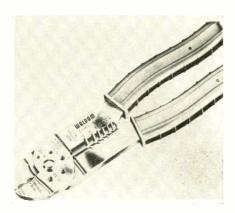
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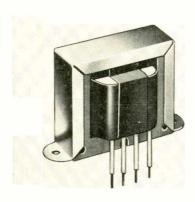
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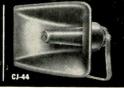
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the failure may never be noticed by the customer. The coupling capacitor feeding to the output tube grid may leak and cause a critical condition in contrast control adjustment. Unless completely shorted, the circuit is seldom thoroughly checked and the partially shorted capacitor goes unnoticed.

An open resistor in the 1st video i-f control grid may go undetected in high signal areas. Stage gain may not be reduced sufficiently to require circuit troubleshooting, and the only visible change is a different setting of the contrast and brightness controls to suppress vertical retrace lines.

Leakage in the video output circuit can change the CRT brightness and contrast levels. Plate circuit resistor value changes and leaky video coupling capacitors can cause unbalance in picture contrast and brightness values.

Some years ago the writer discovered an original resistor of incorrect value in the CRT circuit of a TV chassis which had not previously been removed from the cabinet. The set was in the shop for high voltage repairs. The customer had operated the set for two years in this condition. After high voltage repairs were made, the picture appeared dull with little contrast, although the CRT was an aluminized type. A careful check of the CRT circuitry against manufacturer's specifications revealed the assembly-line faux pas. It was difficult to convince the customer that we had returned the same set. He wanted to know if the picture tube had been replaced.

Sound Defects

Hum and "buzz" constitute most of the causes for audio complaints in older TV's. Poor filtering, quadrature coil and ratio detector defects are general. In one group of sets with a typical circuit as shown in Fig. 5A, hum could not be reduced until the audio output circuit was revised as shown in Fig. 5B.

Many older sets (as well as new) employ gated-beam FM detector

type circuits with a quadrature coil. Intermittent distortion in the sound is usually caused by a defective screen bypass capacitor.

Tuner Weaknesses

Snowy pictures and blank rasters are often caused by bad tubes or a definite breakdown in the tuner. But normal aging can create annoying "drift" problems that require constant re-tracking of the signal with the fine tuner adjustment, usually after the set has been on a few hours.

A tuner may drift because of a defective 10 or 12 $\mu\mu$ f capacitor in the oscillator section. Many tuner complaints, however, are of a different nature—usually requiring only a thorough cleaning to eliminate the complaint. Cleaning should be done with commercially available cleaning agents designed for this purpose. Under no circumstances should carbon tetrachloride (carbon tet) be used. Chemical research tests have proven carbon tet to be dangerous to health and

an inadequate electronic contact cleaner. It leaves a film deposit which promotes oxidation and may do more harm than good.

The Standard Coil type tuner at times develops intermittent faults caused by a poor ground connection at the center spring contact. With the drum removed, the center contact spring can be carefully reshaped outward to restore normal operation.

The technician cannot guarantee life or death to a customer's old TV. He can, however, augment his reputation in the community and serve his customers well by selling a thorough job-rather than a series of "patch-up" deals that cost the customer more in the long run. •

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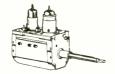
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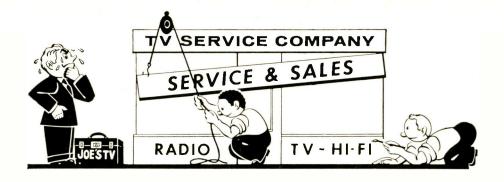
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Begin planning as quickly as you can—preferably the very day you first learn of the new shop (usually one can have a month or more in which to carefully work out a business plan).

Where action is taken after the opening of a new competitor, we are apt to do things in haste. Advance planning enables us to intelligently plan our actions.

Put your own house in order. Whatever competition looms it's a good time to self-examine your own business methods.

You can lose business permanently to new competition when we fail to satisfy the needs of our present customers. On the other hand, the shop owner offering his customers every courtesy and service they would obtain anywhere else is giving them very little reason to take their business elsewhere.

Spruce up, clean up, paint up—for in all probability you are going to have to do business against a brand new spic-and-span shop, trucks, etc. This, in itself, will attract some customers. If your own shop is clean, freshly painted and as modern in appearance as it can be made—then the new one will have far less effect on your customers.

Remind employees to take stock of the manner in which they treat customers. Courtesy, consideration and a policy of always showing customers how much their business is appreciated is important. It is very easy to become complacent and particularly so when local competition doesn't exist. Neat clothing and clean shaves are imperative.

What sort of a shop will the new one be? Will it handle services, accessories, etc., that you are not making available to your customers? Why not beat him to the punch and make these new services and soles available right now? Do it weeks before he can open up.

Find out in advance what premium offers the new competitor will make as part of his grand opening. Make your own plans to match his offers.

As soon as you learn of such nearby competition carefully study your customer lists and pick out those very good customers who keep you in business. Concentrate on giving these particular customers the maximum possible service they could obtain from any shop anywhere. You've worked too hard and long to lose them. They are the nucleus of your business; retain them and nothing the competitor does can affect your business to any great extent.

Be prepared to lose some business during the first few months. No matter what steps you take some business will go to the new shop simply because it is new and many people are curious. Most such customers, if they have been treated properly, will return to you.

Have you had to tell your customers during the last few weeks that you could not fulfill some requested service? These are the things you may wish to handle right now to make your own shop a more complete operation and become a better adversary in the competitive battle ahead. When you take this step be sure you do some advertising to tell

your present customers what you have done.

Don't get panicky about the new competition. It is very difficult to do any constructive competitive planning in such a frame of mind. No matter how big or elaborate the new competitor or how he will dwarf your own enterprise remember, you have been in business for a long time while he has yet to start. It is also a proven fact that an additional shop will often attract more business to the area than exists at present. It could very well be that if you match his services your own business will be increased by the presence of this shop; it has happened many times.

Make some promotional efforts, either house-to-house within your immediate location area or by mail. This can be done through house-tohouse circular distribution or by a simple post card.

Such promotional efforts, in advance of the new competitor's opening, will take the edge off any publicized methods he uses. Remember also, that he cannot afford to start such promotional efforts two or three weeks in advance of his opening since he cannot take immediate advantage of the interest it will arouse. You can.

Finally, spare no effort in improving window display space you may have with attractive signs calling attention to your services and premiums. Neglect these steps and this competitor will have easy sailing in establishing his business. Give them big emphasis and his chances of hurting your own business enterprise become additionally remote. •

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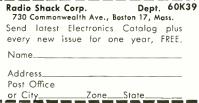
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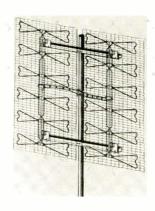
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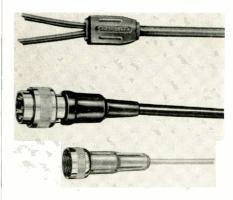
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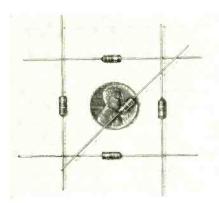


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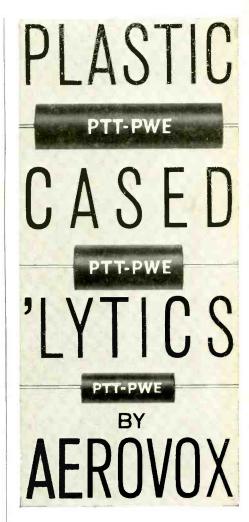
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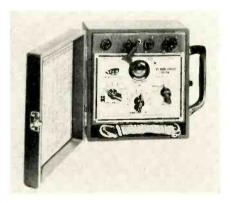


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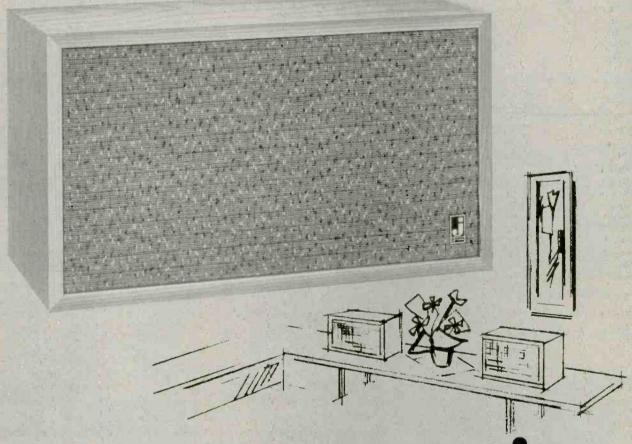
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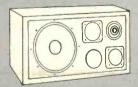
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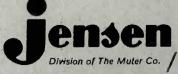
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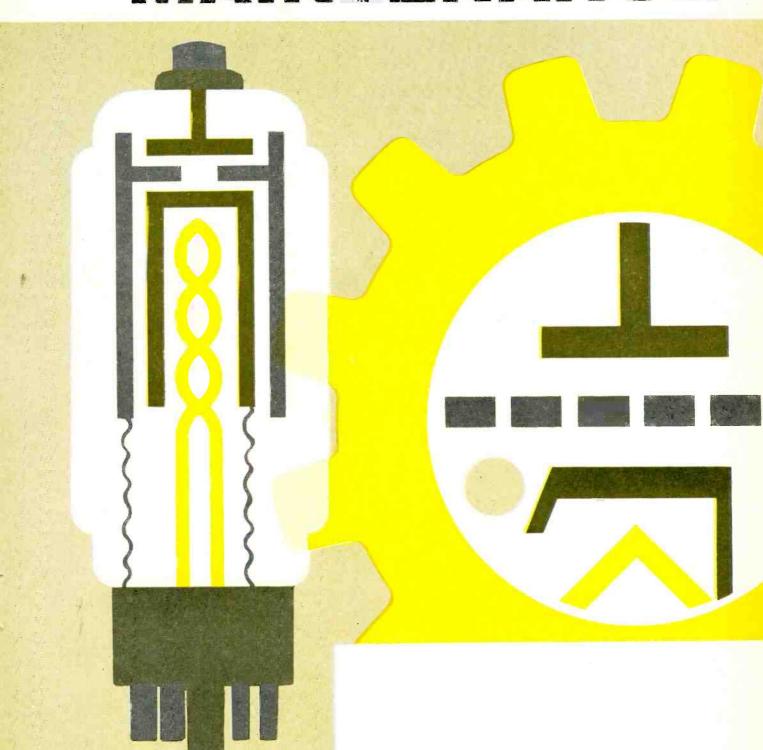
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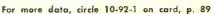
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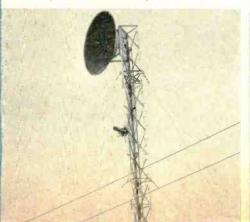
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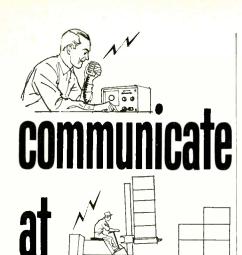
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LETTERS

To the Editor

Uncooperative Manufacturers

EDITOR, IEM:

First, let me state my personal appreciation of INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONIC MAINTENANCE. As a company primarily engaged in service of medical and industrial, and less in radio and television, this fills a particular need that has never before been published. Information for industrial electronic maintenance had to come (before your magazine) by empirical guess, since rarely did one even have a diagram to go by. This brings us to a highly delicate question, that of cooperation by the manufacturer. While there are many factories which gladly give you information and parts to service their instruments, there are still many who seem to think that their service men alone (at the factory level) are capable of servicing their instruments. This often leads to bad taste on the part of the owner of the equipment, who must get the instrument in operation as quickly as possible, and cannot afford the delays involved in shipping and waiting for overloaded service facilities of the factories to decide to make necessary repairs. Oftentimes the repair involved is a simple replacement of a special power transformer, which, unfortunately, cannot be obtained from the usual electronic supply centers.

Factories which make electronic products and appoint service centers, either their own, or independent service companies, and keep these people supplied with information concerning the servicing of their products, usually end up with the bulk of the business. Factories which crawl into their shell and do not allow the individual to maintain his apparatus, usually end up having their equipment shoved in a corner by the owner, who purchases from a competitor when the time is ripe for him to replace the instrument. Especially is this true in the deep South, where "factory service" is sometimes 300 miles away, involving the slow and expensive expedient of shipping, with the necessary dangers of improper packaging for shipping, and subsequent shipping damage, delays due to damage claims, and etc. Isn't it easier to airmail a set of points or a power transformer, and get the instrument back in the hands of the customer immediately, leaving a train of good will, than to insist that only they and God can repair the equipment, with the permission of the shipping companies?

It is high time that factories realize their prime responsibility is to build proper and adequate equipment, and to maintain an adequate supply of parts to keep this equipment working, and to leave the job of servicing to their logical representatives in the entire country, the man who makes his living on servicing. These people are not his competitors, but rather are his repair department, leaving him (the manufacturer) with adequate repair facilities but without the expense of maintaining a repair department in every little city and town in the country. If the manufacturer wants to insure himself of having the best man for the job, all he has to do is send a representative around the different cities and towns and appoint maintenance centers for his apparatus. Those who have done this are very happy with the results, and make more sales than do their competitors who insist that only the factory can provide serv-

CHARLES R. MADUELL, JR. Electronic Physicist

Delta Electronics, Inc. New Orleans, La.

Tunnel Diodes Symbol

EDITOR, IEM:

I have been reading articles on tunnel diodes. The tunnel diode is as different from a convential diode as a transistor is. Therefore, I find that a separate schematic symbol would be helpful to avoid confusion with conventional diodes. I enclose a sugges-



tion for the consideration of those interested. The conventional symbol for a diode is shown unchanged on the left. The suggested symbol for tunnel diode is shown on the right.

J. THOMAS McCrary

Brooklyn, N.Y.

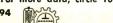
Ultrasonic Welder Source

EDITOR, IEM:

On page 75 of your August issue, there is a brief article on the International Ultrasonic Spot Welder. Our Engineering Department is interested in this machine and would appreciate receiving more information on it. Would you please forward any literature you may have or indicate where I may write in regards to this welder. Thank you.

B. F. TANNER, Buyer Sigma Instruments, Inc. Boston, Mass.

• You may contact the company at the following address: Mr. Thomas Scarpa, Pres., International Ultrasonics, Inc., 1697 Elizabeth Ave., Rahway, N.J.



News of the Industry

FAIRCHILD has named Dr. ALLEN B. DU MONT as Group Gen. Mgr. of the ALLEN B. DU MONT LABS. Divs.

BECKMAN INSTRUMENTS announces the appointment of ROBERT J. BAUMANN as Mgr. of the Systems Div.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS Semiconductor Components Div. has named RICHARD J. HANSCHEN as Mgr. of Marketing.

RAYTHEON has appointed HAR-OLD T. ASHWORTH as Dir. of Manufacturing. Price reductions up to 58% in 24 silicon transistors were announced.

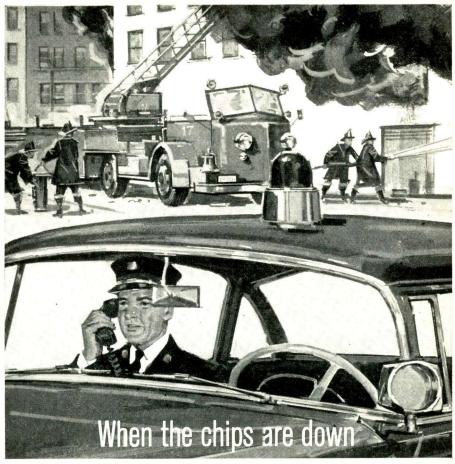
MEASUREMENT CONTROL DE-VICES, wholly-owned subsidiary of SCHAEVITZ ENGINEERING, reports the election of PAUL CHERKAS as Pres.

EITEL-McCULLOUGH reports the appointment of EARL J. SHELTON as Mgr. of the newly-formed highpower tube div. Also announced is establishment of a regional sales office in Belleville, N. J. with BILL RATE as Regional Sales Mgr. of the N.Y.-N.J. metropolitan area.

JOHN F. RIDER has announced an agreement with BERNARD T. LEWIS and WILLIAM W. PEARSON to coauthor 11 titles in the field of Industrial Management. The Industrial Management Guide Books will carry a list price to permit mass distribution and will deal with subject matter in a practical manner.

GENERAL ELECTRIC Power Tube Dept. has formed two new product sales planning operations for microwave tubes and devices as follows: Palo Alto, Calif. subsection is based at the Microwave Lab. under BERNARD L. PFEFER; and the other is at department headquarters in Schenectady, N. Y. under A. C. ROWE.

RCA Industrial Semiconductor Products Dept. announces entry into the medium power rectifier market with the immediate commercial availability of seven new 20-ampere stud-mounted diffused junction silicon rectifiers. Also reported is the appointment of C. WESLEY MICHAELS to the newlycreated post of Mgr., Planning and Market Research for Industrial Electronic Products.



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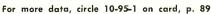
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807	30	60	
812A	65	60	
815	25	125	
829B	45	200	
832A	20	200	
5763	13.5	50	
5933	30	60	
6146	25	60	

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ALNOR INSTRUMENT CO., DIV. of Illinois Testing Labs., Inc., will be the new name of ILLINOIS TESTING LABS., INC.

HUGHES AIRCRAFT Semiconductor Div. has announced a price reduction of 10-55% on its complete line of diodes, transistors, and rectifiers.

CANNON ELECTRIC announces opening of a new Central Service Store at 107 Gateway Rd., Bensenville (Chicago area), Ill., under the supervision of EDWIN E. LOGAN.

MOTOROLA has named DONALD R. SMITH Mgr. of Distributor Sales for Motorola Semiconductor Products, Inc., Phoenix, Ariz.

DAYSTROM announces the appointment of HARRY CHADWICK as Mgr., Repair Service, of the new Weston Instrument Div's. repair station in Red Wood City, Calif.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL announces appointment of new general mgrs, for two of its Industrial Products Group divs.; KENNETH BRIERLEY, Fall River, Mass.; and JOHN H. HAGEN, Rubicon Div.

SYLVANIA announces the election of ARTHUR L. B. RICHARDSON as a Senior Vice Pres.; WILLIAM R. RUEGER has been elected Secy. of the company. The Electronic Tubes Div. has named HENRY K. KINDIG as General Manufacturing Mgr. for Picture Tube Operations.

Reps & Distributors

SYNTRON Semiconductor Div. has named P. J. ENGINEERING SALES CO. as New England area sales rep.

STANDARD RECTIFIER announces the appointment of HUDSON RADIO & TV CORP. as industrial distributor.

SCHWEBER ELECTRONICS has announced relocation of its Eastern Sales office to Perpetual Bldg., 8710 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, Md.

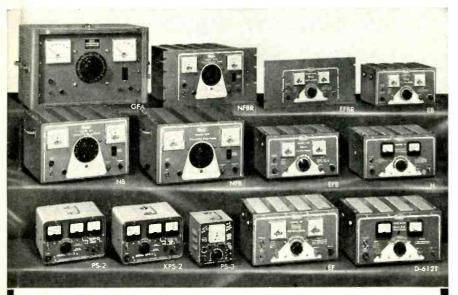
WESCON'S sixth annual Distributor-Representative Conference attracted an anticipated crowd of more than 600 persons at the Los Angeles show.

WARD LEONARD Electronic Distributor Div. has announced the following two industrial distributor appointments: EAST COAST RADIO OF ORLANDO, INC. and INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONIC SUPPLY of Grand Rapids, Mich.

OSBORNE ELECTRIC CORP. reports appointment of the following four new reps: MYRON SMITH, Wash. and Ore.; CARLSON SALES CO., Ill., Wisc. and northern Ind.; WAYNE B. PALIOCA CO., New England; and ROBERT FINLAY for metropolitan N. Y., N. J., Pa., Dela., Md., Washington, D. C., and Va.



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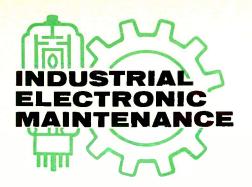
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NFB	0-32	0-15	0-50, 0-25	1	235.00
NFBR	0-32	0-15	0-50, 0-25	1	265.00
EB	0-32, 0-16	0-4, 0-8	0-40/20, 0-10	5	95.00
EFB	0-32, 0-16	0-4, 0-8	0-40/20, 0-10	0.1	120.00
EFBR	0-32, 0-16	0-4, 0-8	0-40/20, 0-10	0.1	145.00
EF	0-28, 0-14	0-5, 0-5	0-50, 0-6	1	86.50
PS-3	0-25, 0-15	0-100 ma; 0-200 ma	0-25, 0-100/200 ma	1 mv	69.50
PS-2	0-20, 0-16	0-75 ma, 0-5	0-20, 0-10, 0-75 ma	0.15, 0.5	49.95
KPS-2	0-20, 0-16	0-75 ma, 0-5	0-20, 0-10, 0-75 ma	0.15, 0.5	43.50
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COMMENTARY

Computer Field Servicing by Remote Control

Here's an interesting approach aimed at eliminating some of the expensive field servicing of electronic computer control and data logging equipment.

Under a program called Systems Service, users of Daystrom equipment throughout the country can put their installations under the hand of an expert, and have him aid in programming or troubleshooting simply by a telephone call. Once connected to the central console in La Jolla, Calif., the plant operator could cut his system into the telephone line and run his program off the console.

If the system were doing square root and the operator noted, for example, that it was dropping digits, he would report this trouble, and the expert at La Jolla would observe the functioning of various parts of the system. When the trouble point was located, he would direct the plant operator by voice phone to put in an oscilloscope at that point in the system and how to proceed with repairs.

This plan should prove helpful, but no doubt it has the same limitations as a doctor would have in diagnosing a patient from afar.

Ready for Numerical Control?

Like the delicate little lady who steals the show from the big muscle men, electronics proved to be the most fascinating attraction at the recent Machine Tool Exhibition in Chicago.

In particular, the pros and cons of numerical machine control were debated. At the Production Engineering Show in the same city, William C. Moog, President of Moog Servocontrols, Inc., came up with the following questions which fac-

tory management should ask itself when deciding whether numerical control is worth it or not:

- 1. In terms of sales and plant efficiency, is it vital that lead time be cut to a minimum?
- 2. Are the operations of your machine tool section complex and varied?
- 3. Are there several operations involved in your machine set-up?
- 4. Is the running time of your machines out of proportion to machine set-up time?
- 5. Are your products so diverse, in type and dimension, that it is impractical to maintain a large inventory of finished parts?
- 6. Is there excessive wear on your machine tools?
- 7. Are you frequently required to produce highly complicated parts in short production runs?
- 8. Is the hazard of possible human error or gaging error a continual threat, due to high precision requirements of complex parts?

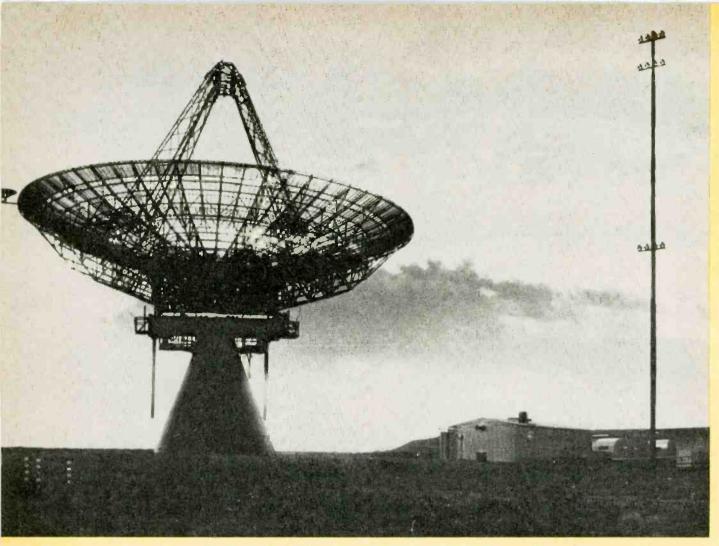
If your answer is "yes" to several or all of these questions, it may be a wise step to investigate any of more than 40 different types of numerical control systems that can automate machine tools from programmed tape, says Moog.

Nuclear Instrumentation

The Atomic Industrial Forum, the association of the nuclear industry, has issued an interesting report, "Business Statistics on the Atomic Industry, 1954-1958." It is available for \$3.50 from the Forum at 3 E. 54th St., New York 22, N. Y.

This 36-page report points out that nuclear instrumentation and related electronic equipment sales in 1959 reached \$47.1 million. This was about 7% of total industrial nuclear sales of \$659 million.

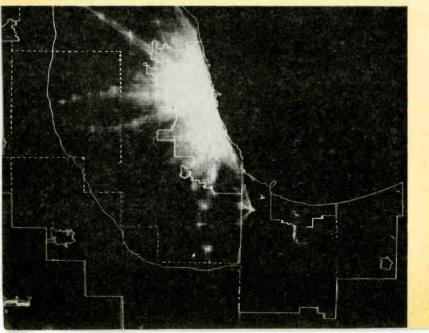




This 200 ton, 110 ft. high equatorially mounted antenna built by Blaw-Knox, and located at Goldstone Tracking Station, Calif., was used in the "Project Echo" experiment. Signals were bounced off an orbiting balloan satellite. This antenna was used to transmit the 2392 ma west-east signal, and to pick up the 960 ma east-west signal. Cal Tech, Bell Labs, NASA, Collins Radio, and IBM were among the participants. Ultimately, a chain of tracking stations around the world is expected to make single-hop microwave communications possible over thousands of miles.

This sample map made on a Cartographatron shows the pattern for automobile trips in the Chicago area. The electronic device, designed by Armour Research, processes thousands of trip cards, and plots "trip desize lines" between origin and destination. Data is stored on magnetic tape. Trip records are read and displayed at a rate of 48/second, an aid to troffic study.

Computers communicate in machine-to-machine telephone calls. This IBM 1009 data transmission unit allows 150 numbers per second to flow from a Model 1401 computer over dial or leased telephone or telegraph lines. The operator is calling a similar computer at a distant office to establish direct connection from the computers' memory.



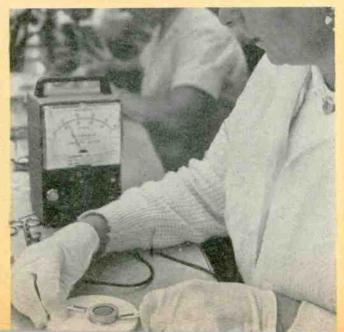


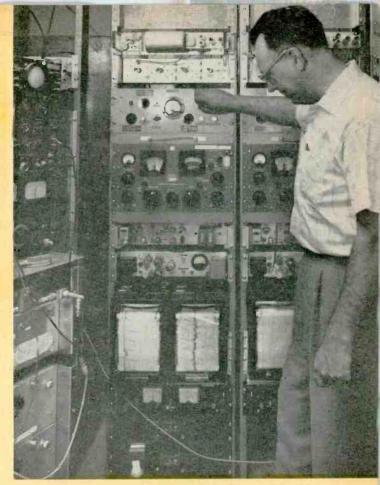


Avco shock test machine for electronic components tests a relay with a 30 g, 31 millisecond half-sine shock. It can test up to 3000 g. There is no superstructure, and the machine relies on air pressure to propel it down during test.

VIEWS in the NEWS

Production worker at General Electric tests vacuum thermionic converter, which can produce 1 watt of electrical power from an 1100° C. heat source. Cesium vapor overcomes space charge effect between cathode and anode. Thermal efficiency of 2.5% is increased to 8-12% when cathode temperature rises to 1300° C.





Modulation systems engineer, Harry Petrie, adjusts fading rate recorder developed at National Bureau of Standards. A strip chart records received radio signal fade-rate, the number of times per second that a signal envelope crosses the average level with a positive slope.

The attractive young lady is comparing a smaller resistor with what is claimed to be the largest precision resistor voltage divider built, according to the manufacturer, Resistance Products Co. The giant 30 meg, 100 to 1 divider operates at 30 kv with 0.05 accuracy. Ratio division was maintained within 0.01%.



Industrial Control With Strain Gages

Voltage And Resistance Checks With VOM Usually Reveal Faults In Temperature Compensated Bridge And Associated Circuitry

HENRY A. SCHWARTZ

• Industrial processes usually involve the determination and proportioning of several variables to aid or control the process. Though the techniques employed are new, the theory of industrial control can be related to our everyday lives.

Measurement and control by

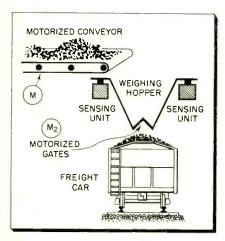


Fig. 1—Strain gages under ore hopper stops conveyor belt when proper ore weight is reached. Hopper discharges ore automatically and loading cycle is repeated.

weight is a common occurrence in both our daily experiences and in industry. The local vegetable vendor who selects and weighs a few pounds of tomatoes is performing a function of measurement and control by weight. The measuring instrument in this instance is a mechanical scale which indicates total weight of the tomatoes on the scale face. The price is determined, or controlled, by the weight of the tomatoes and computed (usually without the aid of pencil and paper) by the vendor.

This simple process is repeated in some degree with additional complexities, in commercial weighing. In the industrial variety of weight measurement we may have to deal with heavy, bulky quantities. In addition, the material to be measured may not be easily removed from an assembly, chemical, or food processing line. To make our problems even more difficult, the measurement may have to be accomplished without disrupting the process while the material to be weighed is "flowing" or moving in the process line.

Applications

New techniques have been developed for solving the problems of measurement and control. A weight control application example is shown in Fig. 1. A freight car is loaded with the proper amount of ore for transportation to the second phase of an ore refining process. Since the entire operation depends upon the right amount of ore being delivered by the freight car, the ore loaded into the freight car must be accurately measured. Since the weight of the ore is proportional to the quantity of the ore, proper control by weight will provide required results.

The ore is moved to the loading hopper with a motorized conveyor belt. The hopper is mounted on top of several sensing elements which provide an output voltage directly proportional to the weight of the hopper plus its contents. The ore is dropped into the hopper and when a predetermined weight is reached the sensing elements initiate operations causing the conveyor motor to stop. Thus, the flow of ore into the hopper ceases. After a short time delay the hopper gate motor is automatically energized, allow-

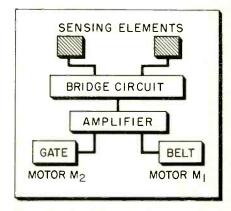
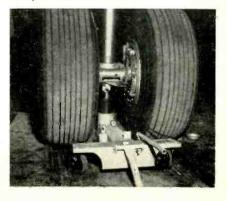


Fig. 2—Functional diagram of components involved in ore loading operations.

ing the hopper to discharge its contents into the waiting freight car. A block diagram of the basic control elements involved in this process is shown in Fig. 2. As shown in Figs. 3 and 4, electronic weighing of an entire aircraft is easily performed by mounting load cells on three jack rams and lifting the plane off the ground. An aircraft's center-of-gravity can also be determined by this method. Cables leading from each load cell feeds readings to a digital indicator. Readings are generally accurate to 0.1 of 1%, plus or minus.

Fig. 3—Close-up of strain gage mounted on ram jack under aircraft wheel.





Load Cells

The sensing transducer elements are essentially a group of strain gages mounted within a supporting body (see Fig. 5). The completely encased strain gage and supporting body is commonly referred to as a load cell, one of the many strain gage forms which are used for measurement (see Fig. 6). Essentially, a strain gage is a special wire bonded to a solid material. When force (either weight or pull) is applied to the solid carrier material, it changes shape. The strain gage wire attached to the solid material will also change its shape. The strain gage wire is selected and physically coiled on the carrier material in a manner that provides a measurable change in its resistance with a small change of weight or pressure on the carrier material. Resistance changes in strain gage wire is very nearly linear with weight change on the carrier material.

Specifically, strain gages are composed of wire from 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ mils in diameter. Sufficient wire is used in the gage so that overall resistance is from 100 to several hundred ohms. Resistance of the strain gage is large compared to that in the external control circuit so that little or no error is introduced by external wiring.

The Carrier

The carrier material of a strain gage, usually a high quality steel, is divided into two sections which provides distortion of the strain gage wire in both the horizontal and vertical planes. The wires are securely tied to a terminal strip within the load cell and the incoming control wires are firmly connected to the reverse side of the terminal block (see Fig. 6).

Bridge Circuits

A bridge circuit is commonly used in several industrial measurement and control processes for accurate resistance measurement. Ideally, a bridge can be used to develop an unbalanced voltage or current in the strain gage application. The bridge shown in Fig. 7 consists of four arms, one of which is the strain gage. The other three arms



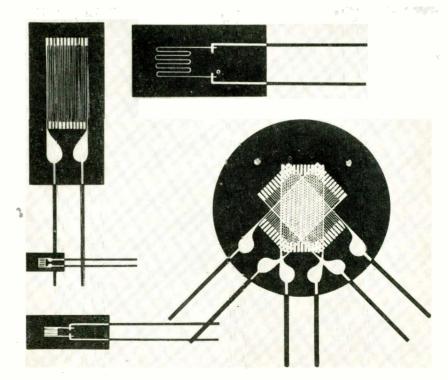
Fig. 4—Heavy aircraft is weighed by mounting strain gages on ram jacks under each wheel. Aircraft's center-of-gravity can also be determined in a similar manner.

are selected and adjusted so that the bridge is "balanced" when in a quiescent state—a condition of zero weight. In this condition no voltage appears at the bridge's output terminals. When weight is applied and increased at the strain gage arm of the bridge, the bridge becomes unbalanced and an output voltage proportional to the weight appears at the output terminals. By selection of the proper driving voltage for the bridge (either a-c or d-c), the bridge output may be used for direct reading on a millivoltmeter or milliammeter. Output voltage may also be amplified and used to correct or control the weight by means of solenoids, gear drives, and valves. Selection of bridge driving voltage, as well as selection of a strain gage type, is determined by a particular type of application or control function needed in a process.

Unfortunately, strain gage wire changes dimensions when there is a change in ambient operating temperatures. This change in dimension is reflected in a change of strain gage resistance, indicating an apparent strain or weight under static or zero weight condition. Therefore temperature compensation is required to prevent erroneous readings.

By substituting an additional strain gage for one of the bridge arms, as indicated in Fig. 8, any change of the strain gage in the





bridge's measurement arm due to temperature variations will cancel an equal change in resistance occurring in the strain gage in the second arm of the bridge. When the load bearing strain gage, and the "dummy" strain gage are exposed to the same temperature variations, the bridge will remain balanced even though the measuring strain gage may develop apparent strain because of ambient temperature variations. Thus, bridge output will be a true reflection of

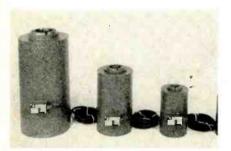


Fig. 6—Three sizes of strain gage load cells with terminal blocks and cables attached.

the load applied to the measuring strain gage.

Gage Factor

Of course, as previously mentioned, consideration must be given to the specific application before selecting a strain gage. Every strain gage has a "gage factor" which is the fractional change of resistance of the element divided by the fractional change of its element length. Average gage factors fall between 1.7 and 3.2, and their millivolt output range varies between 2.5 and 80 millivolts.

Servicing

Strain gage systems can be serviced by normal application of a good VOM. Since all specification data is furnished with each gage, a point by point analysis of the strain gage and associated bridge circuitry will determine whether or not the gage and its associated circuitry is defective. The schematic in Fig. 8 indicates points for making resistance measurements. The functional strain gage and the "dummy" should be physically disconnected from the bridge circuit before attempting resistance measurements. Voltage measurements

across A and B will determine if source voltage is being applied to the bridge. Failure of the source voltage would, of course, result in a zero output as will an internal failure in the strain gage. From a practical servicing standpoint therefore, source voltage should be measured before disconnecting the strain gage elements, and before making point to point resistance measurements. If the source voltage is normal, the strain gages should be disconnected from the bridge circuit and measured for continuity and proper resistance based upon manufacturers specifications. A similar procedure should be used with the "dummy" strain gage.

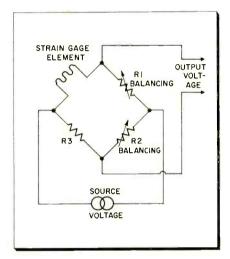


Fig. 7—When weight is applied to the strain gage (as one bridge arm), the bridge becomes unbalanced and its output can be employed for measurements or for initiating a variety of control operations.

After completing a resistance analysis of the strain gage elements, connecting leads to the strain gage terminals should be replaced. The service engineers attention should now be directed to the opposite end of the lead wires-namely, that point where the lead wires enter the bridge circuit. This terminal point is usually at a control panel. By disconnecting the lead wires at the bridge circuit, an ohmmeter measurement can be accomplished through the lead wires and through the previously measured strain gages. Since the strain gage has a magnitude of resistance much greater than the lead wire resistances, the ohmmeter should read essentially the same resistance as previously measured at the strain

gage terminals. An open circuit (infinite reading) or a vastly different reading than that previously obtained, would be indicative of a lead wire defect.

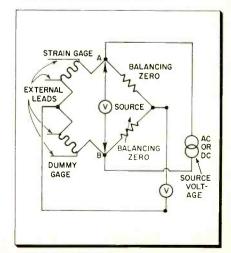
Resistance analysis can indicate proper electrical functioning of a strain gage network. Each strain gage should have its gage factor checked periodically. This can only be done by applying a known calibrated load to the strain gage or load cell. This is usually accomplished in a plant's standards laboratory or at an outside standards laboratory.

In addition to load and force applications, including torque, pressure, displacement and acceleration measurements, strain gages are finding increased applications in industry. Their stability and low cost is a distinct advantage. Their continuously variable characteristics, with no practical resolution limitations, permit versatile and easy application.

The plant or service engineer will find strain gages being employed more and more in industry and should quickly become familiar with their general classifications and possible specific equipment applications which he may shortly be called upon to maintain.

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Fig. 8—An additional "dummy" strain gage can be inserted in the bridge to compensate for temperature errors. Proper source voltage is measured across A and B with a regular VOM after disconnecting gages.



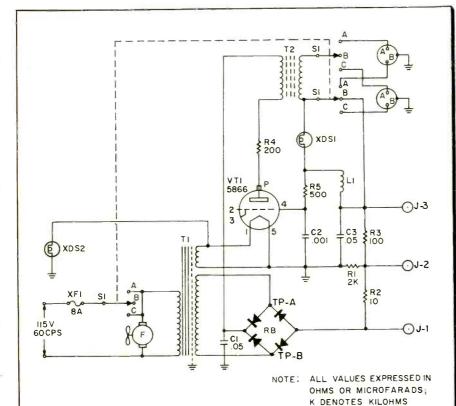


Self-Tuned Ultrasonic Cleaner Requires Minimum Operator Attention

• An ultrasonic cleaner which employs a piezo-electric type feedback transducer for automatically maintaining maximum cavitation, under varying conditions, has been developed by Powertron Ultrasonics Corp. of Garden City, N. Y. The unit, shown in Fig. 1, was designed primarily to eliminate some objectionable features of conventional ultrasonic cleaning systems.

The transducer employed in the Autosonic unit measures the tank's ultrasonic energy level, and feeds this information back to the generator to tune it electronically. Thus, it is claimed, maximum cleaning action is constantly maintained regardless of load changes, liquid level, solution temperature, or any other factor. Automatic tuning of the generator eliminates the

Fig. 2—Schematic diagram of Autosonic generator, including test voltage and current data.



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FROM	TO	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	REMARKS
TP-A	TP-B	3KV RMS (AC)	2.6KV RMS (AC)	
TP-B	J-1	2.8KV DC	2.4KV DC	
J - I	J-2	.IGA DC	.07A DC	VARIES WITH TANK LOAD
J-2	J 3	.06A DC	.03A DC	VARIES WITH TANK LOAD
J-2	GRD	330 V DC	I3OV DC	VARIES WITH TANK LOAD
FILA	MENT	6.5V RMS (AC)	6.IV RMS (AC)	



Fig. 1—Components of self-tuning ultrasonic cleaner which has single switch control.

necessity for panel meters; tuning, load, and other controls, and reduces operator attention and training to a minimum. The self-tuning feature also makes it possible to locate the generator at a considerable distance from the tank.

A schematic diagram of the unit's oscillator section appears in Fig. 2. Drive and feedback transducer units, mounted in the tank's bottom, are not shown. The oscillator operates on 105 to 120 volts, 60 cycles, single phase a-c power, and generates 300 watts average output at 28 kc. Heavy duty industrial components are used throughout the unit.



Microwave Communications

Growing Microwave Terminal & Repeater Stations Include Multi-Hop Systems, Multiplex, Telegraph and Service Channels

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• Now that anyone eligible for a mobile radio system license is also eligible for a license to operate a point-to-point microwave radio relay system, new microwave systems will be popping up all over. As of February 12, 1959, there were already 2,428 privately-operated fixed microwave stations (see Table I) authorized by the FCC.

All of these microwave stations require servicing, as will the thousands of new microwave stations that will be installed soon. Most of the existing microwave stations are being serviced by salaried employees of the owners. The equipment manufacturers do not have enough field personnel to install all the new microwave systems they hope to sell. Because most of the prospective users do not have electronics experts in their employ, there will be a demand for outside maintenance and installation service.

The biggest potential opportunities for the independent service man looking for industrial business lie in mobile radio, data processing, closed circuit television and microwave.

Circuit-wise, a microwave repeater or terminal is not as complicated as a TV set. Almost anyone who can master TV circuits can easily become expert in microwave equipment circuits.

When approached broadside as a whole, a microwave system appears complex. But, if we examine it step-by-step, it appears much less complex.

Hop Systems

Ignoring actual transmitting frequency for the moment, let's examine Fig. 1. Considering TR1, 2 and RE1, 2 only, we have two one-way radio links side by side for a single-hop system. Let us assume that transmitter TR1 transmits on 30 mc and its signal is picked up by the receiver RE2; and that TR2 transmits on 40 mc to RE1.

If we connect the receiver end of a telephone handset to RE1 and the microphone end to TR1, and we also connect a handset in the same manner to TR2 and RE1, we have a full duplex telephone circuit. Both stations can transmit and receive at the same time over the radio link which is equivalent to a four-wire telephone circuit.

If we want to extend the radio link to enable communicating over a greater distance, we can interpose a repeater station between two terminal stations. RE3 and TR3 would then be a terminal station. The repeater station consists of two transmitters and two receivers for a two-hop system. For each direction of transmission, a transmitter and receiver are connected back-to-back; the demodulated signal from the receiver output is fed to the modulator input of the associated transmitter.

Now, we need four radio frequencies. TR1 transmits to RE2A on 30 mc. The information picked up by RE2A is retransmitted by TR2A to RE3 on 40 mc. In the other direction TR3 transmits to RE2B on 45 mc, and TR2B relays the information to RE1 on 35 mc.

To extend the system further, more relay stations are needed. However, the number of frequencies need not be increased. They can be reused as shown in Fig. 1. Terminal station D is beyond the range of terminal station A so the A frequency can be used by C. In the opposite direction, B can transmit on the same frequency as D since A is out of the range of D.

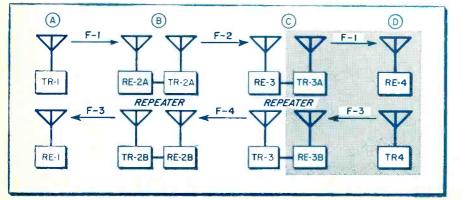
Regardless of the number of repeaters, the system looks like a four-wire circuit over which information may be transmitted simultaneously in both directions.

If the modulation bandpass of the transmitters and receivers is only 3 kc wide, the circuit may be used for transmission of one twoway telephone conversation.

To allow transmission of more than one telephone conversation at the same time, the system bandpass must be wider. The bandpass of typical so-called *thin-route* microwave systems is around 100 kc to 150 kc. The bandpass of *heavy density* microwave systems sometimes is several megacycles wide.

A microwave system may carry from one to as many as 720 simultaneous telephone conversations.

Fig. 1—Two-hop microwave system, allows simultaneous transmission in both directions, and is equivalent to a four-wire telephone circuit.





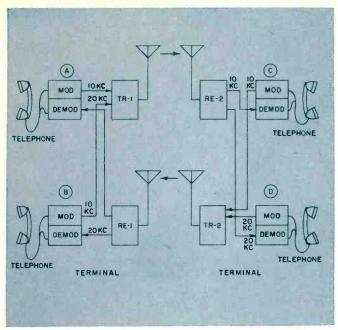


Fig. 2—In a frequency-division multiplier system, voice channels are applied as subcarriers via transmitter-receive combinations.

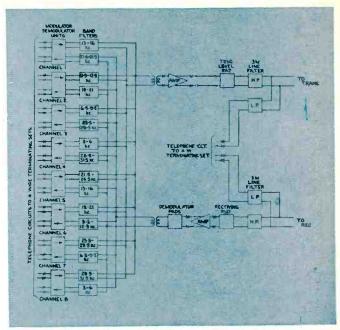


Fig. 3—Functional diagram of a typical eight channel frequency division carrier type terminal.

Most industrial and business microwave systems, however, will fall into the thin-route category, carrying from 3 or 4 up to 24 voice channels.

Multiplex Equipment

There are two basic systems for dividing a microwave system into individual voice channels, *time division* and *frequency division*.

There are various kinds of time division systems, PTM, PAM, PWM and PCM. Of these, PTM (pulse time modulation) and PWM (pulse width modulation) are most widely used in privately-operated systems.

In PTM a train of pulses is transmitted, each pulse representing a voice channel, and each separated from the other by a variable time interval. As each pulse is modulat-

ed by a voice signal, the pulse moves back and forth in relation to time. At the distant microwave receiver, each pulse is looked at sequentially and any variation in its time of occurrence in relation to a sync pulse is detected. In PWM systems, the width of each channel pulse is changed with modulation and this change in width is detected at the distant receiver.

The individual voice channels of a frequency-division multiplexing system are applied to the radio circuit as subcarriers by means of transmitter-receiver combinations called carrier terminals. As shown in Fig. 2, the output of carrier terminal A is fed to the radio transmitter as a 10-kc amplitude modulated signal. The output of carrier terminal B is fed in as a 20-kc AM signal. Both signals are transmitted

over the radio link to the distant terminal where carrier terminal C demodulates the signal from A, and D demodulates the signal from B.

To provide two-way voice communication, the reply is transmitted as a 10-kc AM signal from C to A, and from D to B as a 20-kc AM signal. Additional channels may be derived by adding carrier terminals operating at frequencies other than those used by earriers already in service. An 8-channel terminal is shown in Fig. 3.

A typical carrier terminal consists of a transmitter and a receiver, which may operate on the same or different frequencies between 3 kc and 140 kc or higher. The carrier terminal often has a self-contained a-c power supply and typically consumes about 25 watts of power.

The carrier transmitter is often

Fig. 4—One voice carrier microwave channel can handle 18 keyed tones simultaneously, with speeds up to 100 words per minute.

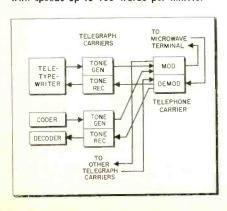
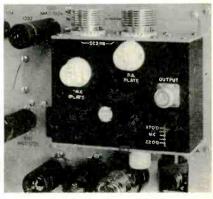


Fig. 5—Moore Associates fault alarm device interrogates each station in the microwave system automatically.



Fig. 6—Budelman mone-bloc used in 2000 mc microwave transmitter, provides a stable, broadband, and high Q output circuit.





called a modem, and the receiver a

Carrier terminals are produced in various types including those that transmit and receive AM signal sideband, AM double sideband or narrow band FM signals.

In addition to transmission of voice or coded signals from one end of a microwave system to another, the individual channels may be dropped out at various repeater stations. New channels can also be inserted at repeater stations for transmission to another repeater or terminal station in either or both directions.

Telegraph Channels

In addition to voice, microwave systems may also be used to convey tones which are keyed on and off, or shifted abruptly from one frequency to another, for transmission of digital Morse telegraph, telegraph printer, data, control or telemetering signals. For some telemetering applications the tone is varied continuously in amplitude to enable transmission of analog signals.

The tones are generated by an audio oscillator and the coded intelligence is demodulated at the distant end of the circuit by a tone receiver.

The tone signals may be applied directly to the radio transmitter as a subcarrier at any frequency within the system pass band, or to a voice carrier or PTM or PWM voice channel as a sub-subcarrier, when the tones are within the 300-3000 cps voice band. As many as 18 tone channels may be conveyed by one voice carrier channel when keyed at speeds of up to 100 words per minute. When keyed at higher speeds, the number of tones that a single voice channel can carry is reduced. See Fig. 4.

Service Channels

In the case of a typical thin-route microwave system with a bandpass of 300 cps to 100 kc, the region from 300 to 3000 cps is usually reserved for what is known as the service channel or order wire. The through voice channel carriers operate at the frequencies between 3000 cps and 100 kc.

The service channel is used for intercommunication between microwave terminal and repeater sta-

tions. It is in this band that the fault alarm system operates. (See Analyzing The Microwave Service Channel, Industrial Electronic Maintenance, March 1960.)

A fault alarm system provides automatic indication to the main control point that all is well or that something is wrong at each of the stations.

The fault alarm device shown in Fig. 5 automatically interrogates

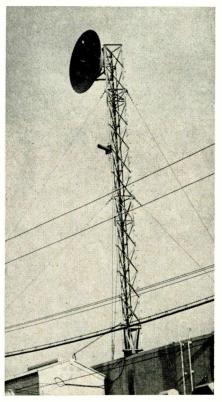


Fig. 7-450 mc helical and 6000 mc parabolic antennas mounted on the same mast.

each station in a microwave system. A Monitron encoder at each station repeatedly transmits a train of 8 pulses. When all is well, the pulses are of the same width. But, if something goes wrong, such as a power failure, the pulse associated with that particular monitoring function becomes wider. This causes a lamp to light on the panel of the decoder at the main control point. The lamp identifies the fault and the station.

Up to 8 functions (transmitter failure, receiver failure, tower lights out, unlawful entry, power failure, etc.) can be monitored at each station. The encoder steps sequentially from one monitoring function to another, repeating the sampling cycle repeatedly. Instead

of a stepping relay, the encoder utilizes an all-transistor pulse generator and a diode matrix.

The main control point is equipped with a decoder for each station so that all stations can be monitored simultaneously. A different audio tone is required for transmitting fault alarm pulses from each station.

Alternatively, stations can be monitored sequentially, one after the other, in which case only one tone and one master decoder are required.

Transmitters/Receivers

Microwave systems are operated in the so-called 450, 960, 2000, 6000 and 1300 mc bands, not in the 30-50 mc band as indicated in the example discussions earlier.

Techniques, similar to those used in mobile radio equipment, are used in 450, 960 and 2000 mc band transmitters. A transmitter could typically employ, for example, a crystal controlled oscillator, followed by a phase modulator (to produce an FM signal), several frequency multiplier stages and a 5-watt r-f power amplifier. When required, a booster r-f amplifier may be added to enable transmission over a longer distance.

Since the crystal controlled carrier frequency is multiplied up to 216 times, depending upon output frequency, the small deviation of frequency, at the crystal frequency, is also multiplied. In a 2000-mc band model, the output frequency is deviated ± 200 kc; the output frequency of a typical FM mobile unit is deviated only ± 5 kc.

While conventional coils and condensers are used in most HF and VHF transmitters, cavity resonators are used in the UHF band. The Mono-Bloc shown in Fig. 6 is used in a 2000 mc transmitter to achieve great stability and a high-Q, broadband tuned output circuit.

Microwave equipment for the 6 000 and 13.000 mc bands employ klystron tubes for generating the r-f signal at the output frequency, and do not require frequency multiplier stages. Frequency stability is obtained by carefully regulating klystron voltages and keeping the klystrons at a constant temperature.

The subcarrier modulating signals are fed directly to the klystron



tubes to obtain an FM signal. Power output of 6000-mc transmitters runs from 100 milliwatts to one watt.

Receivers for the 450, 960 and 2000 mc bands are similar to mobile radio receivers, except for their much wider i-f bandwidth. A receiver may employ a double-conversion superheterodyne circuit. The two local oscillators are frequently fixed-tuned and crystal controlled. Receivers for the 6000 and 12,000 mc band also use superheterodyne circuits, but must employ klystron tubes as local oscillators.

Antennas

Directional antennas are used at microwave stations to obtain power gain and to beam the signals in the desired direction.

Helical antennas are often used when operating in the 450-mc band, while parabolic antennas are most widely used when operating in the 2000, 6000 and 13000 mc bands. Fig. 7 shows a 450-mc band helical antenna and a 6000-mc parabolic antenna on the same tower. The helical antenna is used with a single-hop thin-route system; the paraboloid is used with a heavy density system.

A parabolic antenna focuses the microwaves into a narrow beam in the same manner that light is concentrated in a spotlight. The larger the reflector dish, the higher the antenna power gain, and the narrower the beam. An antenna with 20 db. gain, for example, increases the effective radiated power of a 5-watt transmitter to 500 watts. At the same time, the strength of incoming signals is made 100 times stronger at the receiver input.

While Fig. 1 shows separate transmitting and receiving antennas, it is customary to employ only one antenna for simultaneous transmission and reception. A terminal station requires only one antenna, whereas a repeater requires two antennas.

An antenna multiplexer, like the one shown in Fig. 8, is used for simultaneous transmission and reception on a single antenna. The multiplexer is a directional filter which blocks entry of the transmitter's signal into the receiver, but allows the transmitter's signal to feed into the antenna transmission

line, and incoming signals into the receiver.

Ordinary solid dielectric coaxial cable (RG-8/U or RG-17/U) or hollow transmission line is used for interconnecting 450, 960 and 2000 mc equipment to the antenna. The type of cable used depends upon the length of cable required.

Waveguide is required for interconnecting 6000 and 13,000 mc equipment with the antenna. Since

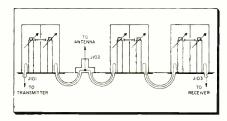


Fig. 8—Antenna multiplexer enables simultaneous transmission and reception on one microwave antenna.

TABLE I

Band (mc)	Microwavi ludostrial	Public Safety SS	Land Transportation o	Other	Total
952-960	179	241	19	15	454
1850-1990	780	130	4	5	919
2110-2200	3	0	0	0	3
2500-2700	38	39	0	0	77
6575-6875	788	144	29	14	975
Total	1,788	554	52	34 2	2,428

waveguide is expensive and requires careful handling, many systems employ passive reflectors.

The antenna is connected to the microwave equipment through a short length of waveguide. The antenna is mounted horizontally, pointed upwards toward a passive reflector at the top of the tower.

The passive reflector is a flat piece of metal, metallized fiber-glass or metallic mesh, which acts like a mirror. The signal is radiated vertically to the passive reflector which reflects it in a horizontal direction.

Larger passive reflectors are also used in lieu of an active repeater station. The Southern Pacific Railway, for example, has installed a passive reflector on the side of Mount Shasta to provide a signal path from Dunsmuir to Black Butte (both in California).

It is necessary to have line-ofsight conditions between the antennas of adjacent microwave stations since microwaves, like light, travel in a straight line. Therefore, it is often necessary to install a tall tower to get the antenna up high enough. The tower must be rigid so that the beam will not be deflected by twisting of the tower in a high wind.

Microwave terminals are generally installed at the locations where the services of the system are to be utilized. But, the repeater stations must often be installed on high ground, and the owner must therefore acquire the property at these locations.

Often there is no electrical power at a desirable repeater site. A power line must be run in, or an electric power plant must be installed.

Sometimes the microwave equipment is installed in weatherproof outdoor-type equipment cabinets. More often, a shelter is constructed for housing the microwave equipment and stand-by power generator. In such cases, a workbench is often provided for use by the field engineer.

A remote repeater station is often provided with standby microwave equipment to assure continuity of service. When the main microwave equipment fails the standby equipment is automatically turned on, and the fault alarm system informs personnel at the main control point of the fact.

Like any other kind of electronic equipment, a microwave system must be serviced. Terminal stations are usually easily accessible. But, repeater stations may be at hard-to-get-to locations, such as mountain tops.

It should be more economical to have a technician living near the location of a repeater station available to service such a station than to have the system owners send out a man from a distant operating center. A technician interested in this kind of business should make it known to owners of nearby microwave stations.

Servicing microwave equipment is not difficult once the principles are understood. It is also necessary to become somewhat familiar with telephony. Studving the service instruction manual for various makes of microwave equipment is also helpful preparation for this type of work. •



Field Interview

Computer Blends Ice Cream Electronically

Automated Control System At H. P. Hood & Sons Provides Uniform Products, Increased Capacity, And Minimum Production Costs

IEM FIELD STAFF

· Electronic computer and control equipment which employ advanced application design concepts have been installed to direct blending and mixing operations of the Boston ice cream plant of H. P. Hood & Sons. The entire automated system, shown in Fig. 1, and engineered by Brown Instruments Division of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., provides uniform quality products, attains maximum plant productivity, and eliminates much of the heavy manual labor normally involved in large scale ice cream production. The electronic system was designed to complement the automatic methods used by the ice cream company.

Uniform mix proportioning of ice cream's dairy and other necessary ingredients is a highly complex process, primarily because of unpredictable daily and seasonal variations occurring in dairy raw materials. The computer, shown in Figs. 2 and 3, simplifies this task by automatically selecting proper amounts of various raw ingredients for a specific mix 20,000 times faster than it takes a human to do the same job—and with a much higher degree of accuracy.

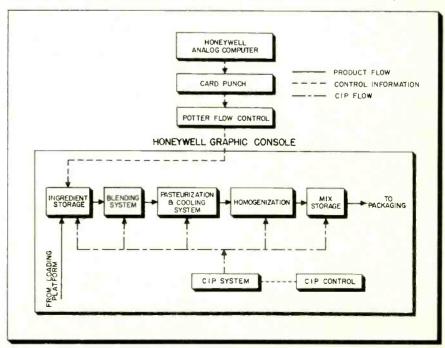
The system also incorporates a pushbutton programmed automatic sequential washing and rinsing system (CIP) which simplifies

cleaning of pipelines, pasteurization lines, raw product and mix storage tanks. One feature of this process is an automatic cycling system which employs the final rinse of one tank for the pre-rinse of the next tank to be cleaned.

The automated process is begun by manual programming of the analog computer, inserting percentage information of ingredients involved: (butter-fat and non-fat solids) previously derived from laboratory analysis. The computer automatically selects the proper amounts of other ingredients—sugar, flavorings, etc. Proportional amounts of all mix ingredients are obtained by electronic solution of algebraic simultaneous linear equations which are performed by the computer in less than a second. A group of chopper stabilized d-c amplifiers and associated switching circuitry are employed to control and monitor these operations.

A digital voltmeter translates the analog solution and settings to

Fig. 1—Complete functional diagram of Hood's electronically automated ice cream plant.





digital form for ease of readout. This readout is then scanned by a card punch control module which operates the card punch equipment, recording all information on a punch card. The card is then placed in a slot on the control board, as shown in Fig. 4, after which the mixing process is ready to begin.

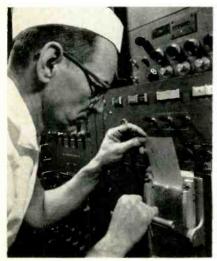
Control System

Heart of electronic control is the Potter flow control console which regulates the flow of ice cream mix ingredients from raw material storage tanks to blending tanks. This system was manufactured by Pottermeter Aeronautical Corporation of Union, N. J.

Turbine flow-meters generate electric pulses for actuating electronic control equipment in the console, including identifying lights, such as "normal," "supplement," "step 1," "step 2," etc., which is remotely displayed to keep the operator informed of blending operation progress. Totals of each ingredient being delivered pounds) plus accumulated totals for accounting purposes, are automatically displayed and recorded. After completion of a batch the system allows time for pipe drainage, after which the "ready" button can be pressed for delivery of an identical batch, or a new card can be inserted for a different formula.

A recessed service control panel with switching circuitry allows amplifier outputs and calibration test points to be conveniently

Fig. 4—Punched card ice cream recipe is inserted to begin automated operations.



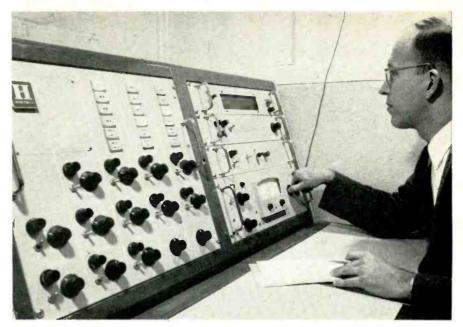


Fig. 2—Analog computer rapidly selects ice cream raw materials in correct proportions.

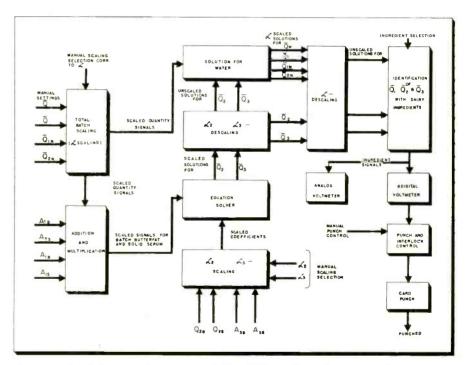


Fig. 3—Functional diagram of computer, including digital card punch control section.

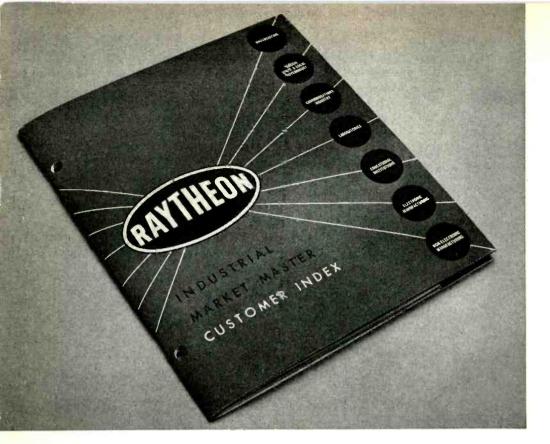
scanned. The panel contains eight calibration adjustments.

The computer is modular in design and all amplifiers and individual networks are plug-in units. Networks are sealed to avoid the effects of temperature change and atmospheric conditions.

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International Rectifier SUPERPOWER SILICON

Modular silicon high voltage rectifier columns rated @ 1000 watts of power per cubic inch of volume have been announced. Voltages range from 10,000 to 120,000 volts, current capacity ranges from 1 to 50 amperes. Basic rectifier column module is a polyester glass board containing two rectifier cells, voltage dividing circuitry, connectors and heat dissipating shield. Standard type 1HV column made up of 50 basic modules mounted on an 18" central beam. International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.

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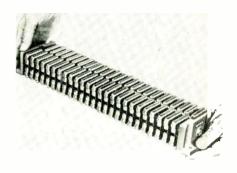
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Installing A Signal-Controlled Tape Clutch

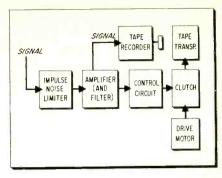


Fig. 1—Block diagram of signal-operated clutch drive circuitry.

Device Can Cut Operating Costs

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• Use of magnetic tape to record observational data telephoned to a central station from field stations has become common practice. Results indicate a considerable saving in time, money, and reduction in errors. When field observations are received at widely-spaced intervals, tape consumption becomes excessive, as does the cost of tape editing, transcription, and data reduction.

A special tape drive will eliminate these problems. This drive must function only when a signal is being received and must automatically stop the tape transport during "dead" intervals. Since drive motors are not

instant starting, the best drive control mechanism is an electro-magnetic clutch. This clutch couples the drive motor to the tape transport when energized. Suitable clutches are standard servo components, readily available in a variety of arrangements, voltages and current ratings. Installing a clutch in a transport mechanism is a relatively simple mechanical job.

Circuitry for controlling this tape transport clutch is shown in Fig. 1. The tape runs when a signal is being received, and remains stationary during no-signal intervals. A signal, coming from the phone line or a radio receiver, is passed through an impulse noise limiter into a suitable amplifier and filter. These two com-

ponents, specifications of which depend upon conditions at a given installation, remove impulse noises and undesired frequencies from the incoming signal. They deliver a "clean" signal of suitable amplitude to the tape recorder input. Another "clean" signal, having an average peak-topeak amplitude of 200 or more volts, is delivered to the clutch control circuit. A push-pull amplifier output simplifies control.

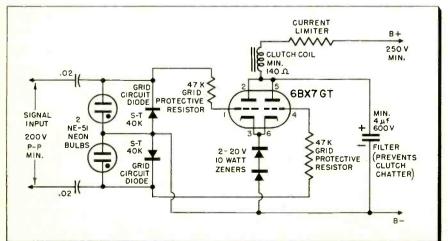
Control circuitry is shown in Fig. 2, and the constants shown are for operation of a 140-ohm 170 milliampere direct current clutch (IBM 435 M1).

When no signal is incoming to this circuit, the cathodes of the dual triode are held to +40 volts by the Zener diodes. Grids of the tube are substantially at ground potential. In consequence, the tube is cut off, no plate current flows, and the clutch coil is deenergized. The plate capacitor attains a charge equal to the plate supply voltage.

When a signal arrives, positive half waves are clipped to about 55 volts by the neon tubes, and this voltage is applied to the tube grids through protective resistors (47k ohms). This drives the grids positive with respect to the cathodes, heavy plate conduction takes place, and the clutch coil is energized. The transport starts immediately since the drive motor runs continually.

Negative half waves of the signal are blocked by the grid circuit diodes, and have no important effect on tube operation.

Fig. 2—Clutch drive circuit using 6BL7 duo-triode. Filter capacitor prevents clutch chatter and supplies carry-over voltage during intersyllabic pauses.





The current limiting resistor in the plate circuit is so chosen that the current rating of the clutch coil is not exceeded when a normal signal is incoming. The plate capacitor filters the pulsating signal in the plate circuit, preventing clutch chatter. It also supplies a short "carryover" period, so that the clutch will not release during intersyllabic pauses in the signal. If the operators talk very slowly, this capacitance should be increased, a value of about 20 µf being found optimum.

A slight modification of the grid circuit, shown in Fig. 3 for one tube, permits release delays of up to several minutes if desired. Here, the positive half cycles charge the capacitor

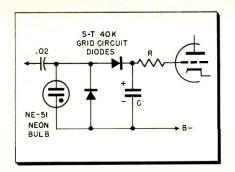


Fig. 3—Grid circuit modification for release delay. If "C" is very large with respect to the input capacitor, a start delay will produce a loss of part of the incoming signal.

C, which now discharges slowly through the resistors R, to the tube grids. If the capacitor C is very large with respect to the input isolating capacitor, a start delay will be produced, causing the loss of the first few syllables of an incoming signal.

Experimentation with clutch coils showed that if the coil in this clutch is rewound with finer wire (so that its resistance is 1,000 ohms) it would then operate on about 30 milliamperes. This would permit a 12AU7 tube to be used, a single 27-volt 3.5 watt Zener diode, and a much higher value of current limiting resistor. Because this change reduces the plate and filament power needs, as well as reducing parts costs and heat production, use of a high-resistance clutch coil is recommended whenever possible. •

NBS Develops Scanning Photometer

• The National Bureau of Standards has developed an improved scanning photometer to aid in measuring accurately and rapidly the wavelengths of lines appearing on a spectograph plate. The image of the lines in a 0.5 mm scanning area is electronically converted and display on an oscilloscope as a density versus wavelength curve.

Devised by M. L. Kuder, of the Bureau's electronic instrumentation laboratory, the instrument replaces the tedious conventional method of reading spectographic plates by microscopic examination of the spectral lines.

Operation

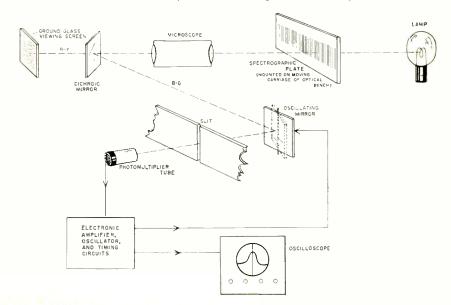
A spectographic plate is mounted on an optical bench and scanned by manually shifting the position of the moving carriage. The plate is illuminated on one side; on the other side a 10-power microscope is trained on a limited area of the spectrum. Immediately behind the microscope is a dichroic mirror that splits the image into two components: one, red-yellow and the other, blue-green.

The red-yellow image is reflected to a ground glass viewing screen, providing the operator with a visual check of that portion of the spectrum being scanned. The blue-green image is transmitted to a vibrating mirror, which reflects an oscillating image through a narrow slit to an end-on photomultiplier tube. The vibrating mirror provides the scanning action of the system, and the phototube "sees" only a 13-micron width of the spectrum at any given time.

Output of the tube is fed to amplifying, timing, and positioning circuits. The resulting density-versus-wavelength curve is presented together with a reference line on the oscillo-

scope. The horizontal sweep of the oscilloscope, the vibrating mirror, and the reference line generator are all driven by the same oscillator. Phase relation between the three is constant, therefore, the display holds steady and is completely free from drift. The only time this curve moves is when the carriage carrying the plate is manually shifted on the optical bench to examine another portion of the spectrum. •

Functional set-up of components employed in the integrated electronic photometer.



FREE LITERATURE

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OSCILLOSCOPE: Current literature covers type 561 oscilloscope. Basically an indicator unit, it powers any two of the five presently available modules which drive the crt deflection plates directly. Tektronix, Inc., P. O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

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MINIATURE RECTIFIERS: Bulletin SR-353 covers seven new miniature "Thyrode" silicon controlled rectifiers weighing as little as ½0 of an ounce. International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.

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SILICON CARTRIDGE RECTIFIERS: Technical data is available covering a standard line of high voltage silicon cartridge rectifiers, designed for applications including missile, radar, X-ray and other power supplies. General Instrument Corp., Semiconductor Div., 65 Gouverneur St., Newark 4, N. J.

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CIRCUIT BREAKER: Application Note HV-603 describes an electronic "crowbar," which functions as a circuit breaker or thyratron, yet does not use vacuum tubes, heated cathodes or moving parts. Sorensen & Co., Richards Ave., South Norwalk, Conn.

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ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT: New 452-page industrial electronics catalog, 1961 No. 71, lists more than 60,000 parts and components, representing over 500 manufacturers. Illustrated. Indexed. Newark Electronics Corp., 223 W. Madison St., Chicago 6, Ill.

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TOWER ERECTION SERVICE: Current literature describes a new tower erection service for complete towers and tower systems for communication and industrial purposes. Rohn Systems, Inc., 6718 W. Plank Rd., Peoria, Ill.

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MEASUREMENT CONTROL DEVICES: Product brochure, designated as catalog No. G-100, is a 4-page, 3-color, illustrated brochure describing systems and components for the continuous indicating and monitoring of minute changes in dimensions for control usages. Measurement Control Devices, P. O. Box 505, Camden, N. J.

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BRIDGES: Two current data sheets cover model 868B direct reading universal bridge and model 1342 lo-capacity bridge, respectively. Specifications, illustrations and diagrams included. Marconi Instruments, 111 Cedar Lane, Englewood, N. J.

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DC RELAYS: Specification sheet for new RSH relay provide operating conditions, type designation and coil data, and mounting variations. Diagrams included. Allied Control Co., 2 East End Ave., New York 21, N. Y.

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ELECTRON TUBES: A colorful, 16-page booklet covers "vacuum tube" equipments required in induction heating. Lists names of equipment manufacturers, oscillator tube and rectifier tube types used in the equipment, as well as other data. Machlett Laboratories, Springdale, Conn.

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CERAMIC CAPACITORS: A new Special Purpose Capacitor catalog complements the firm's general purpose capacitor catalog. Feed-thru, trimmer, transmitting and flat plate are some of those covered. Centralab, 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis.

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phasis on electronic equipment for industry, the firm's 1961 catalog lists over 48,000 items in its 576 pages. Allied Radio Corp. 100 N. Western Ave., Chicago 80, Ill.

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RESISTORS: Catalog sheet CE-2.04 covers high power resistors that have low inductance at high frequencies, designed for circuit loading, damping and terminating. Corning Glass Works, P. O. Box 544, Corning, N. Y.

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ELECTRONIC COUNTERS: Five-page application note (No. 2) presents detailed methods of frequency measurement by using high speed electronic counters and various accessories. Charts and diagrams summarize equipment applicable to various frequency ranges. Hewlett-Packard Co., 1501 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif.

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METER RELAYS: Catalog sheet covers a new line of front adjustable meter relays, model 29XA. Stock ranges, suggested circuits using slave meter relay, power supply and suggested components included. Simpson Electric Co., 5200 W. Kinzie St., Chicago 44, Ill.

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wire wound resistors: Literature covers a new power wire wound resistor line including 2, 3, 5, 7, and 10 watt units rated at 125° C ambient. International Resistance Co., 401 N. Broad St., Philadelphia 8, Pa.

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FREQUENCY CONVERTER: Two-color data sheet offers detailed technical data on a fully transistorized frequency converter. Includes specifications, block diagram and a complete circuitry description. Gertsch Products, Inc., 3211 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

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VOLTMETERS: A colorful, illustrated 8-page folder covers the firm's precision electronic voltmeters. Specifications and prices included. Ballantine Labs., Boonton, N. J.

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electronic product lines, which the company stocks for industrial customers, are listed in a ready-reference directory. Arrow Electronics, Inc., 525 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, L. I., N. Y.

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TRANSISTORS: An "Application Note" suggests methods and circuits to protect regulator transistors against overloads caused by transients and load malfunctions. Protection by current limiting and protection by load switching are covered. Includes circuit diagrams. Texas Instruments, Inc., Semiconductor Components Div., P. O. Box 312, Dallas, Texas.

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TRANSISTOR TEST INSTRUMENTS: A colorful, 4-page brochure covers model 870 dynamic beta transistor tester and 850P portable transistor analyzer. Specifications and schematic diagrams included. Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., 10514 Dupont Ave., Cleveland 8, Ohio.

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CAPACITORS: Literature is available covering four new high reliability capacitors, types MLE, CQM, TAK-H, and TAD. Pyramid Electric Co., Darlington, S. C.

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PUSH-BUTTON TIMER: Model 309 Atcotrol timer, available in 16 standard dial ranges, is covered in current literature. Automatic Timing & Controls, Inc., King of Prussia, Pa.

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POWER SUPPLY: A compact battery substitute, "Batt-Sub," replaces short-life dry cell in potentiometers. Covered in a technical data sheet. Dynage, Inc., 75 Laurel St., Hartford, Conn.

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INSULATION TESTING EQUIPMENT: Manual G-65, a new manual on methods and equipment for testing insulating materials is available. Associated Research, Inc., 3777 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.

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TUBE: Technical information, illustration, diagrams and graphs covering the NL-6989/C6J/KL thyratron tube are furnished on a current catalog sheet. National Electronics, Inc., Geneva, Ill.

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AC TO DC CONVERSION: Technical data sheet, "Applications Notes on AC to DC Conversion," describes a new conversion method. Diagrams included. Adage Inc., 292 Main St., Cambridge 42. Mass.

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TELEPHONE RELAYS: A 4-page, full color folder covers the firm's full line of telephone relays. Enclosures with the folder are: a chart showing all the electrical and mechanical characteristics of the seven basic types of relays; and data on coils. Potter & Brumfield, Princeton, Ind.

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circuit breakers: A new 8-page catalog gives information necessary for the proper selection of circuit breakers for large aircraft and industrial electronic systems. Standard and miniature thermal units are covered as well as push-pull and toggle types. Wood Electric Corp., 244 Broad St., Lynn. Mass.

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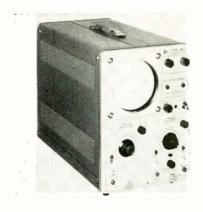
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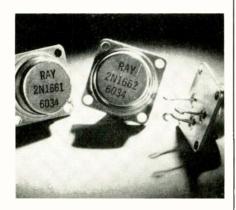
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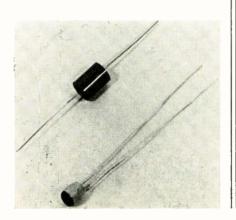
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The first two sets of comments received by the FCC supporting the agency's proposed rulemaking to split public safety radio channels between 150.995 and 151.475 mc and assign the 16 channels derived to the local government radio service were submitted by Oakland County, Mich., Department of Public Works and Drain Office and Communications Engineer Robert E. Brooking of the City of Burbank, Calif.

The large number of comments previously received by the Commission were either from forestry conservation radio interests asking that the new split channels between 151.145 and 151.475 mc be allocated to the forestry conservation service, or from highway interests asking that the new split channels between 150.995 and 151.115 mc be assigned to the highway maintenance radio service.

The FCC invited comments to a notice of proposed rulemaking which would amend the manufacturers radio service rules to permit base stations in the service operating on 152-162 megacycle frequencies to be located beyond the boundaries of the plant, factory, shipyard, mill or other manufacturing area, and to allow such stations to operate with power in excess of 60 watts.

The rule proposal follows FCC action of July 8, 1959, when the Commission partially granted the request of the National Association of Manufacturers Committee on Manufacturers Radio Use, to permit base stations on frequencies above 450 mc to be located outside the boundaries of the licensee's plant or other manufacturing area. At that time, last year, the agency said it would give additional study to questions involved in extending the same relaxation to 152-162 mc manufacturers stations, and to the power question.

The FCC approved a total of 8717 new "authorized stations" in the industrial, public safety, citizens, and land transportation radio services during the month of August, according to statistics compiled by the agency's Safety & Special Radio Services Bureau. Of the total, 6449 were in the citizens radio category.

The American Hospital Association, outlining its efforts over the past three years to get the FCC "to adopt specific rules to accommodate the important radio communication needs of hospitals and to reserve frequencies for hospital use," asked the Commission to "proceed expeditiously" with whatever "additional consideration" is necessary "to establish a medical emergency radio service" meeting the needs of hospitals.

The "request for expeditious action" follows the FCC's recent report and order allocating 25 new frequencies for police radio use and 17 new frequencies for fire radio use, but describing the medical emergency service proposal as requiring "additional consideration before a proper determination may be reached."

The general subject of the coming shortage of frequencies for the land mobile radio services, as the field continues its rapid growth, was discussed at length by the Land Mobile Section of the Electronic Industries Association during EIA's quarterly meeting at French Lick, Ind.

The EIA ad hoc committee which has been considering the problem during the past several months reported a number of recommendations which the full EIA section now has under active consideration, it is understood. Among the recommendations are suggestions as to further channel splitting in some of the land mobile radio bands.

Four of the public safety radio licensees who had been granted extensions of time to comply with the FCC's requirements that the frequency deviation of their transmitters must be reduced to plus or minus 5 kilocycles were advised by the Commission that "administrative sanctions" may be invoked by the agency unless the terms of the rule waivers are met quickly by the licensees.

The 12th annual convention of the National Mobile Radio System started Sept. 16, at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco. Miscellaneous common carriers began registering for the meeting Sept. 15, in numbers indicating the possibility of a record turn-out for the conference.

Subjects of discussion during the conference included interconnection of MCC facilities with those of the telephone industry; MCC regulation by state public utilities commission; MCC frequency prospects; methods for improving sales and profits for the industry; and FCC rulemaking activity, including the finalization of rules establishing a new category of "dispatch station" to permit an MCC customer to dispatch his vehicles via a radio link between his offices and the MCC's control point.

The Federal Aviation Agency has proposed the adoption of a new regulation which it said "for the first time, would establish within a single regulatory document" the FAA requirements applying the construction or alteration "of all structures affecting the safety of aircraft in flight"—including radio towers.

FAA invited interested persons to submit their comments on the proposed regulation (Airspace Docket No. 60-WA-159) within 45 days after publication of the proposal in the Federal Register. Final date for comments is Oct. 31.

New Books

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Written in an easily read style, aided by numerous photographs and drawings, the text most capably presents the how and why of magnetic amplifiers. Approaching the subject on an intermediate technical level, the book covers magnetism, electromagnetism, saturable reactors, core, compensating and polarized magnetic amplifiers with the aid of the tried and proven picture/text style of presentation. Considering how increasingly important magamps have become in control and related industrial electronic applications, this excellent volume should receive a rousing reception.

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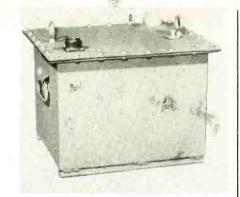


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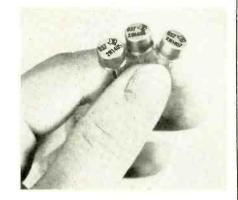
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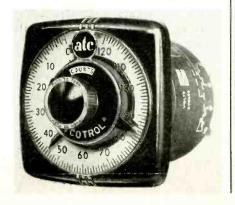
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ATC COUNT CONTROL

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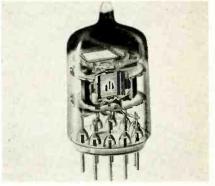
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Amperex "AMRLIFRAME" TUBES

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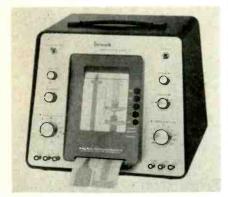
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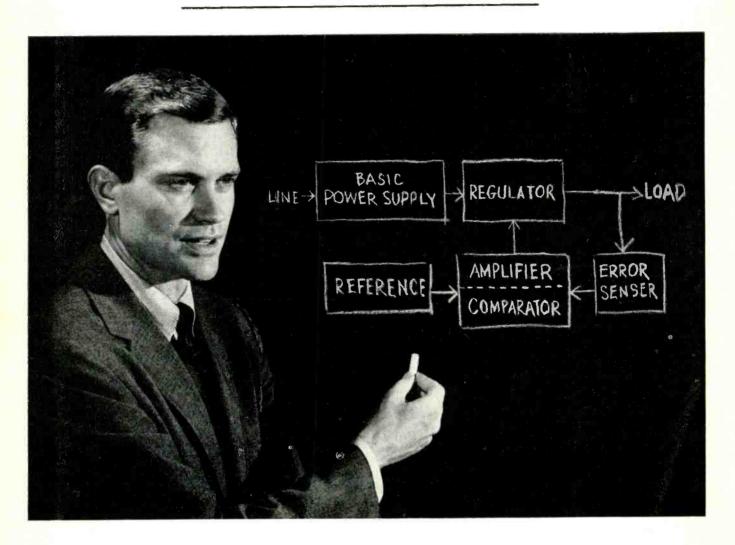
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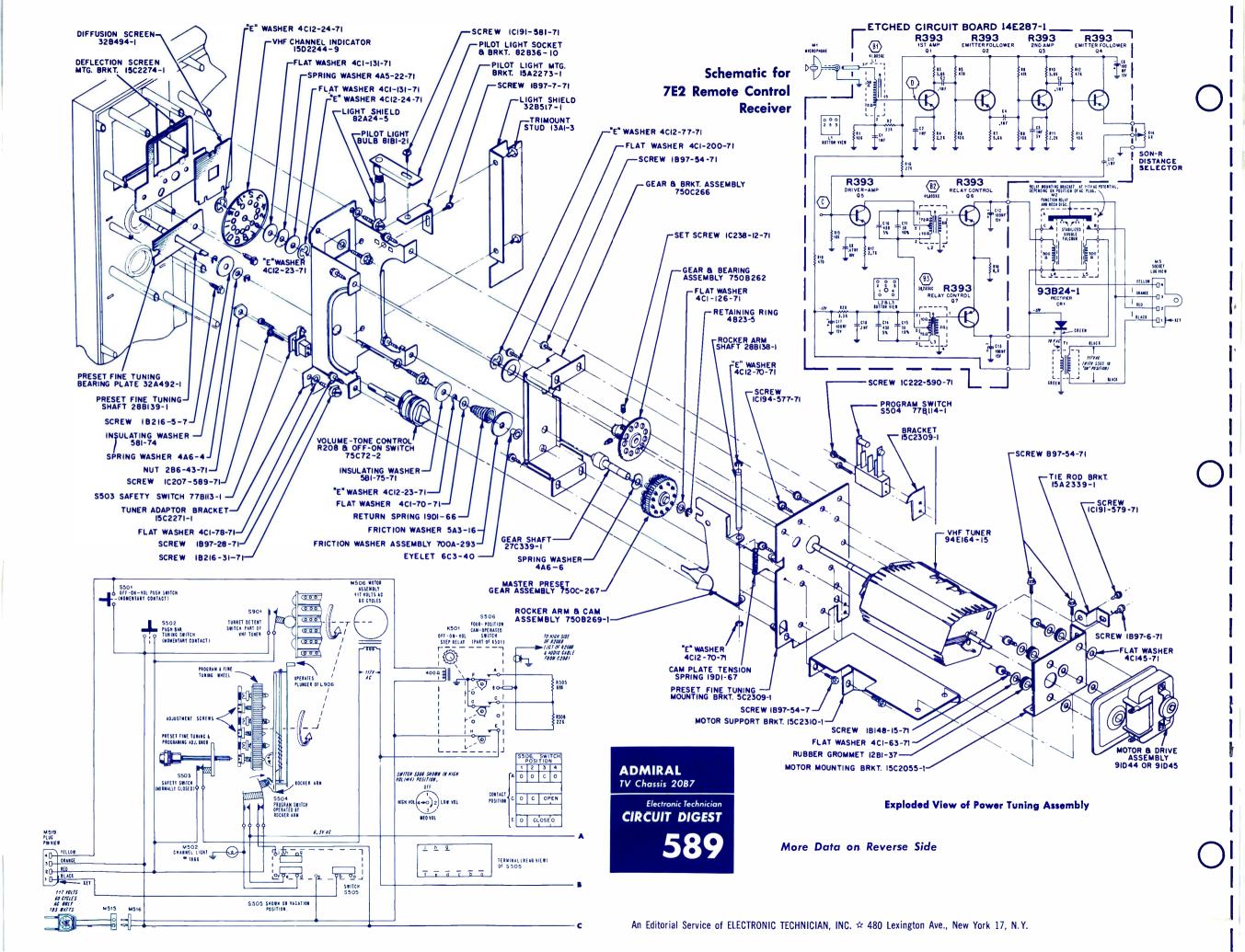
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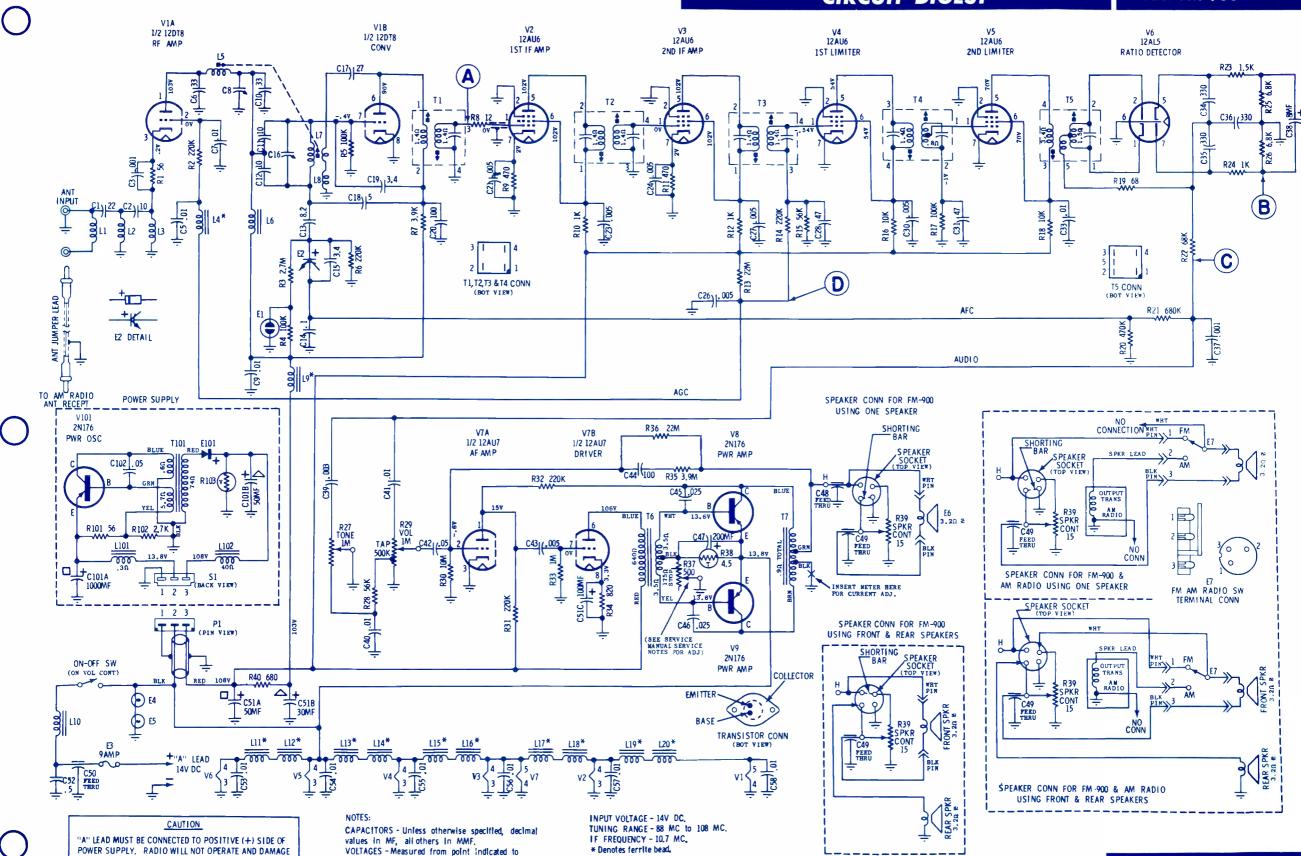
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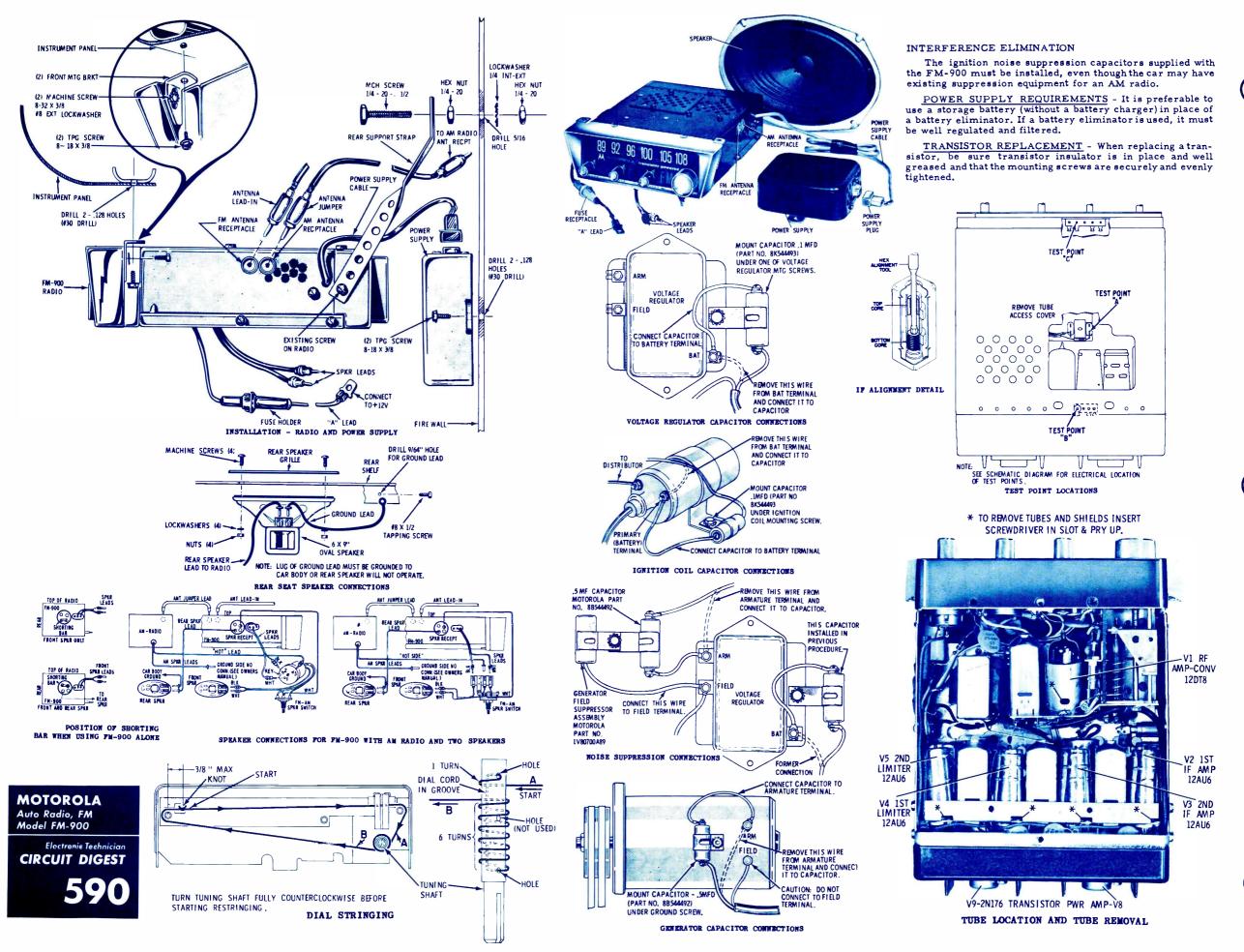
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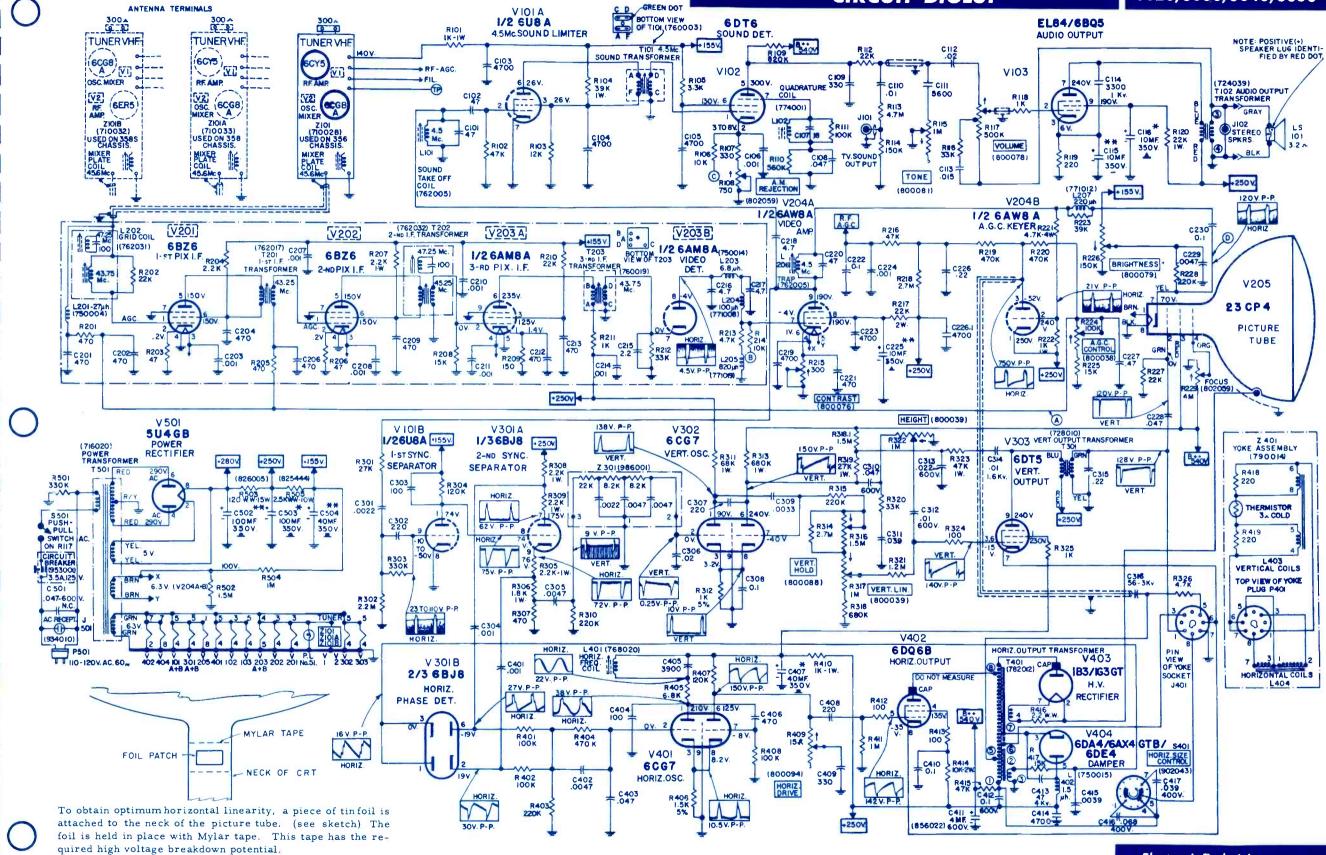
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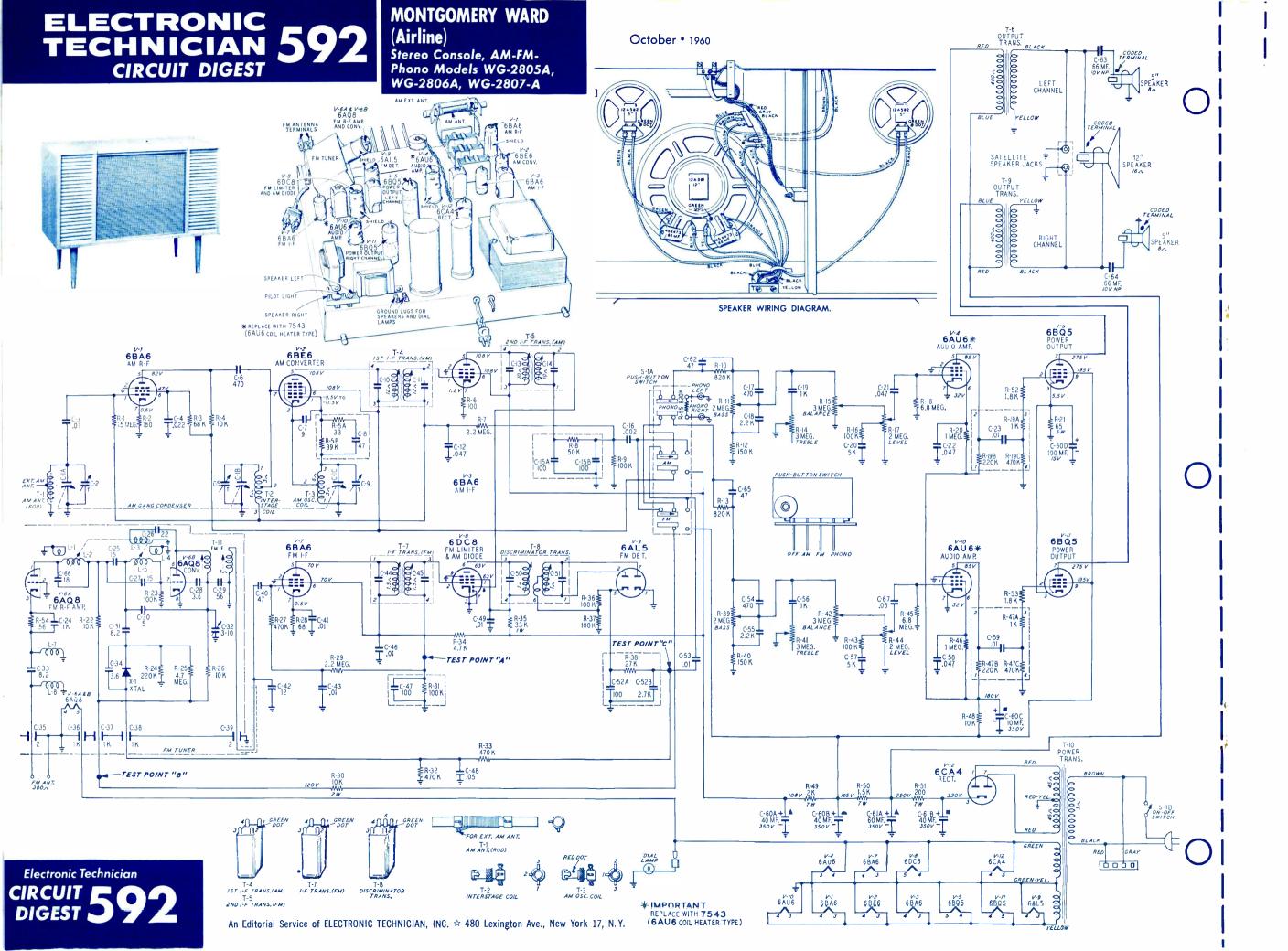


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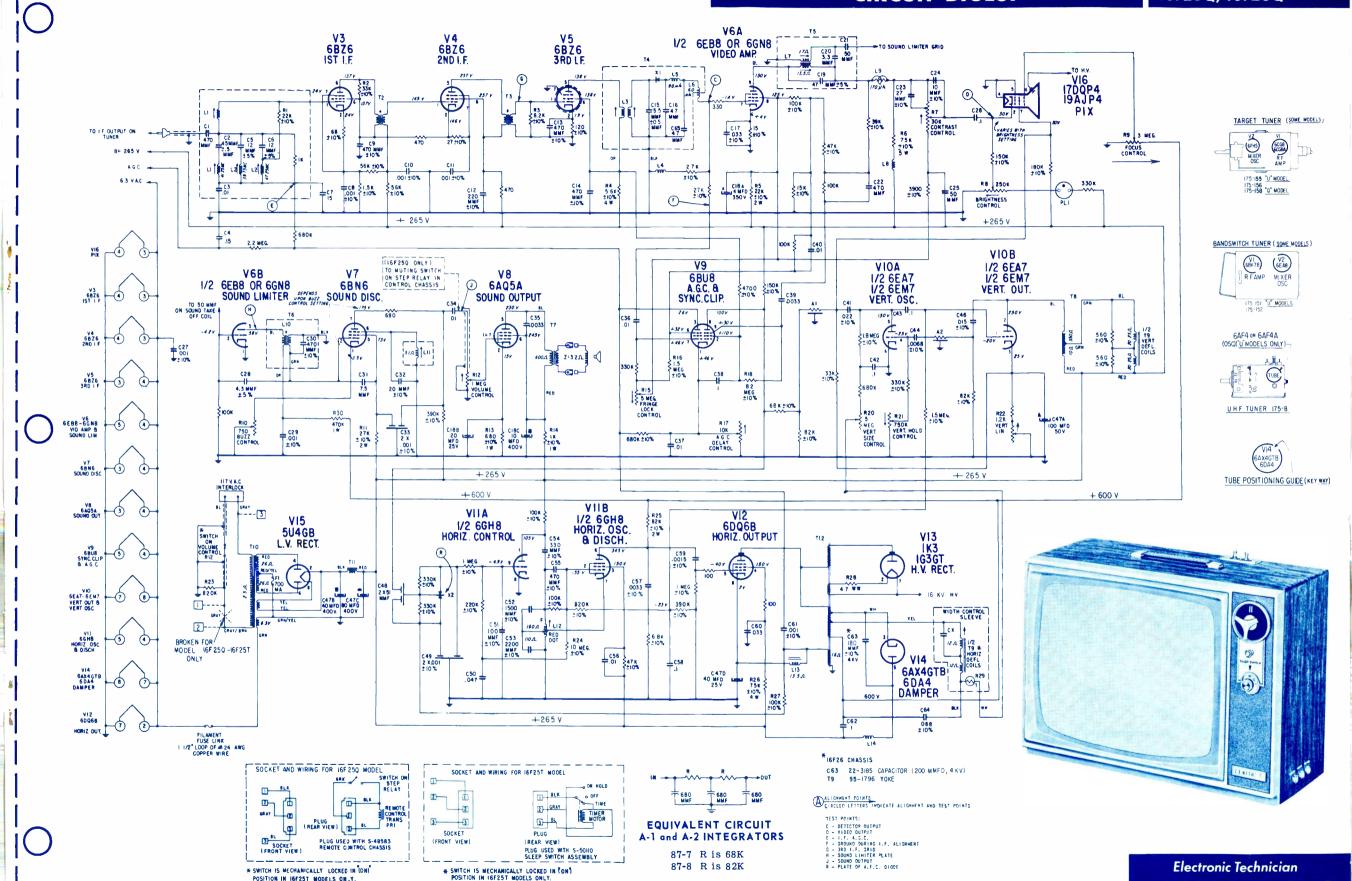
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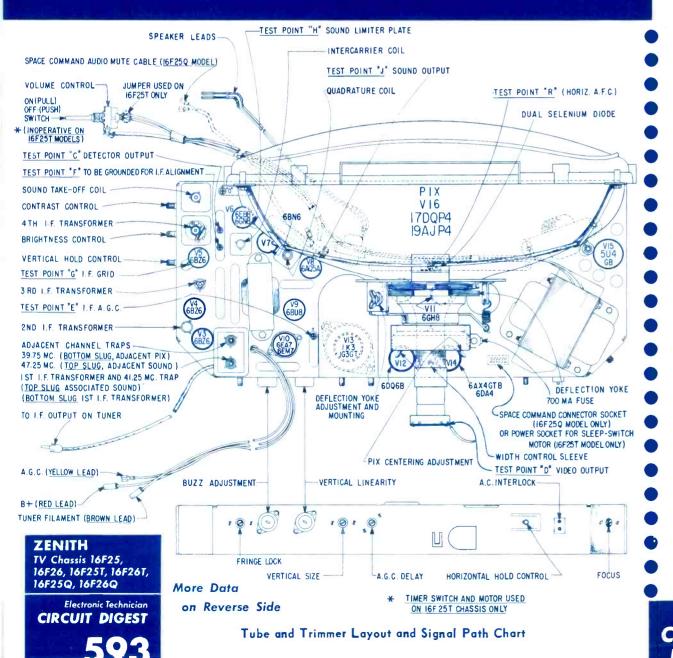
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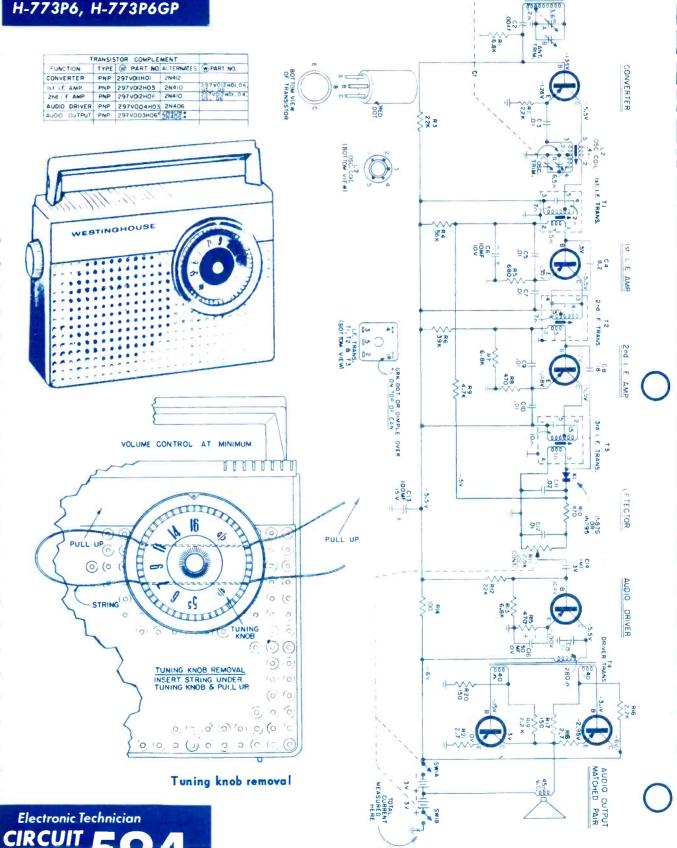
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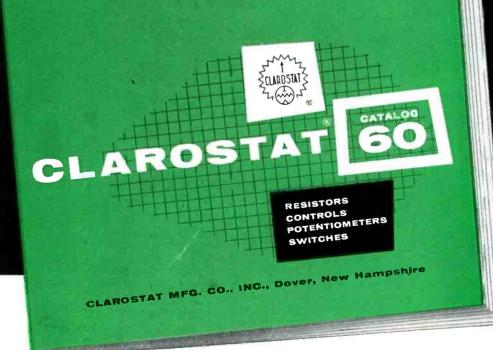
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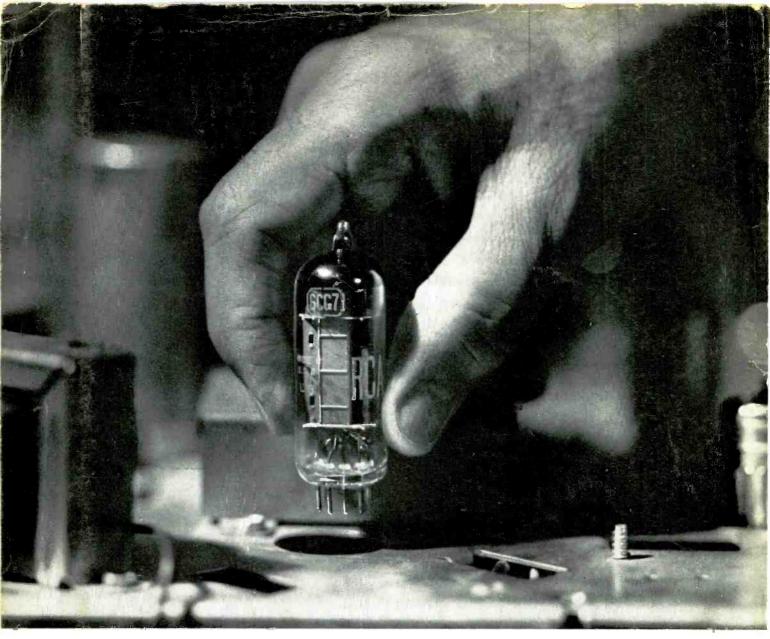
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