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1955 Directory of the West Coast Electronic Industries

This directory contains the latest and most complete alphabetical listing of some 462 leading manufacturers in the West Coast electronic industries. Each listing contains the company name, address, name of chief engineer or key person to contact, telephone number. The principal proprietary items (p) and avionic items (a) manufactured are also indicated. Companies preceded with an asterisk are Eastern or Midwestern firms with manufacturing facilities on the West Coast. This is the fourth consecutive annual directory of the western electronic industries published by TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES.

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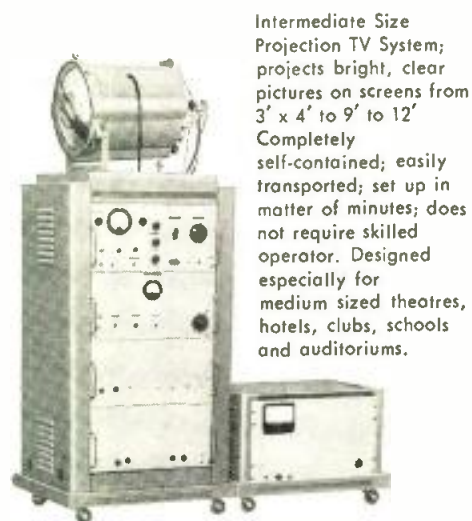
Take **TELEVISION**, for instance, and the work of General Precision Laboratory Incorporated, the GPE leader in the field. GPL's research, development and manufacturing activities

in TV are concerned with quality equipment for theatre, studio, business, industrial, institutional and military TV and do not relate to the home TV field.

- ☞ GPL equipment was used for all video recording of the Coronation, both U. S. and Canadian. It is used by 90% of the studios equipped for video recording.
- ☞ The first appearance of a President on closed-circuit TV—President Eisenhower speaking from the White House to distinguished guests at the dedication of the Ford Research Center in Dearborn—was projected on GPL theatre equipment, producing fine quality pictures up to 65 feet wide.
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- ☞ Many broadcast studios, including CBS's famous TV 61—the largest in the East, are exclusively equipped with GPL cameras and control equipment.
- ☞ New uses are developing steadily for GPL's "Bullet," the new, portable, easily operated, industrial television camera: in banks to speed service, eliminate congestion and reduce personnel costs; in railroads to better control and speed train make-up and freight car loadings; in industry to monitor and improve manufacturing processes, for surveillance and security, and to view hazardous operations.

GPL is a leader in military TV with its special and exacting requirements for airborne, shipboard and under-water uses and is also at work on color TV. A color film camera chain of high quality, for studio use, is in production and additional color equipment will be announced in 1955.

A broad description of the work of GPL and the other GPE Companies is contained in the GPE brochure, "Serving Industry Through Coordinated Precision Technology." For a copy, or other information, address:



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AND FROM THE WEST COAST

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COMPONENTS

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TEST SETS (for X, C, and Ku)

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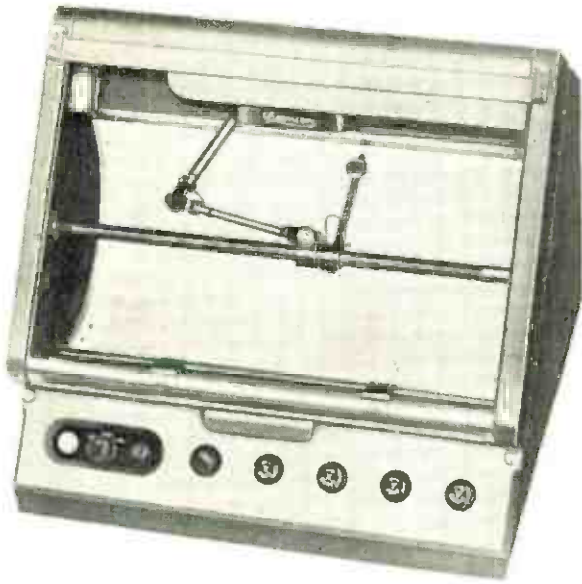
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X-Y PLOTTER AND RECORDER

A compact desk or rack-mounted instrument for recording two independent variables on standard graph paper. Two basic input sections allow continuous curve recording from low level D.C. signals with essentially infinite input impedance, or point by point plotting from a variety of digital inputs. Special inputs to meet customer applications are available.

INPUTS TO PLOTTERS OR FOR OTHER DIGITAL SYSTEMS APPLICATIONS



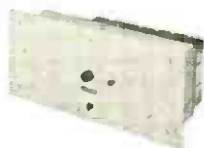
PUNCHED CARD OR PUNCHED TAPE CONVERTERS

Units available to convert output from IBM Summary Punch or any code from Punched Paper Tape Readers.



DECIMAL KEYBOARDS

For manual insertion of tabulated data.



BINARY CONVERTER

Converts 9 bit, 2 channel data from thyatron buffer storage of parallel digital computers.



SINE WAVE GENERATOR

Used in frequency syntheses to determine data on transfer functions of automatic control systems and components.

SPECIAL COMPUTERS OR DATA HANDLING EQUIPMENT

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ANALOG-DIGITAL CONVERTERS

A series of shaft position to digital encoders featuring serial/parallel time sharing, non-ambiguous brush systems. The following codes are available: Gray, Binary or Binary-Coded Decimal.



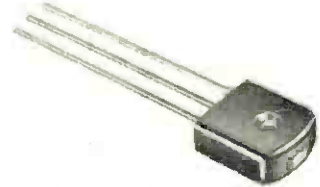
MAGNETIC AMPLIFIERS

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MAGNETIC LABORATORY DRUMS

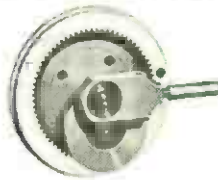
A 5" diameter drum with provisions for eight channels. Includes two machined clocks. Packing density up to 150 bits per inch. Variable speed motor, heads and adjustable mounts included. Special drums to meet your specifications.



READ AND RECORD HEADS

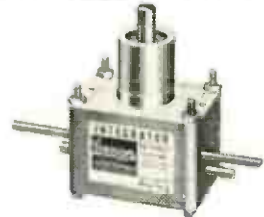
For recording or reading of magnetic drum memory systems in digital computers. High read-back signal, low noise factor. Many models.

MECHANICAL COMPONENTS



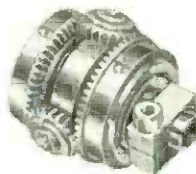
SINE-COSINE MECHANISM

Self-contained unit converts angular rotation into linear sine and cosine movements or solves many trigonometric functions.



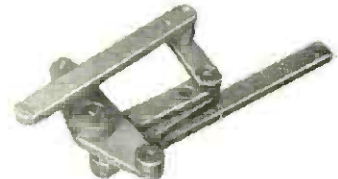
BALL & DISC INTEGRATOR

Precision unit with lifetime lubrication. Used in totalizing, rate determination, differential analysis. Also serves as closed loop servo-element or variable speed drive.



HOLLOW SHAFT DIFFERENTIAL

Precision computer component for measuring angular positions or velocity sums. May be installed or removed without disassembly of unit or differential itself.



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FRONT COVER: Radar and guided missiles are symbolic of today's great electronic activities by West Coast manufacturers. And this of course is the time of year when all eyes are focused on the Golden West. On August 24-26 it will be time for WESCON 1955! The western electronic industries continue to grow and to expand. This year we surveyed over 850 companies to develop the most complete and up-to-date Directory of West Coast manufacturers. It appears in this issue as Section Two. The Directory of West Coast Reps and Distributors is on page 122. See also pages 69, 72 and 73 for other topics of West Coast interest.

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FOR CONTROL
*proven components
now in production*

Pressure Pickups and Synchrotel Transmitters

to measure and electrically transmit

- true airspeed • indicated airspeed • absolute pressure
- log absolute pressure • differential pressure • log differential pressure • altitude
- Mach number • airspeed and Mach number.

Pressure Monitors — to provide control signals for altitude, absolute and differential pressure, vertical speed, etc.

Acceleration Monitors — for many applications now served by gyros.

Pressure Switches — actuated by static pressure, differential pressure, rate of change of static pressure, rate of climb or descent, etc.

Motors — miniature, special purpose, including new designs with integral gear heads.

SPECIAL TEST EQUIPMENT

optical and electromechanical for flight test observations.



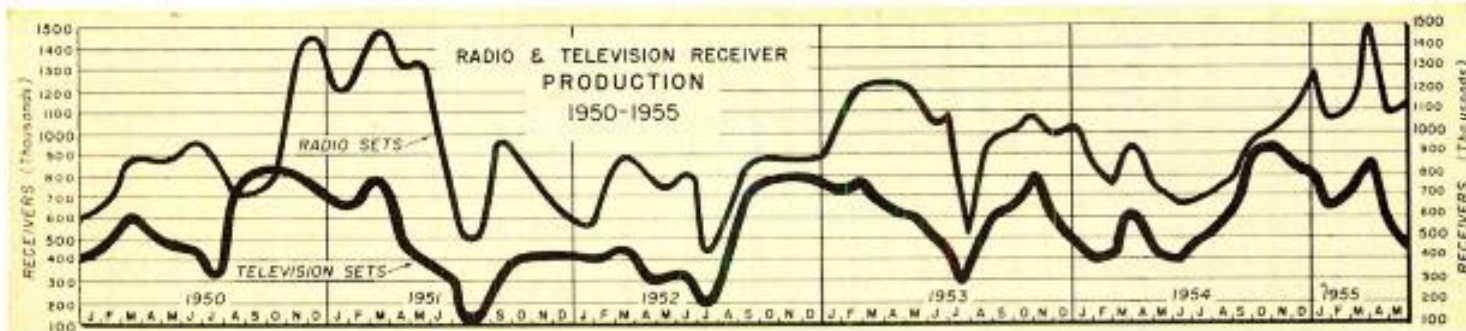
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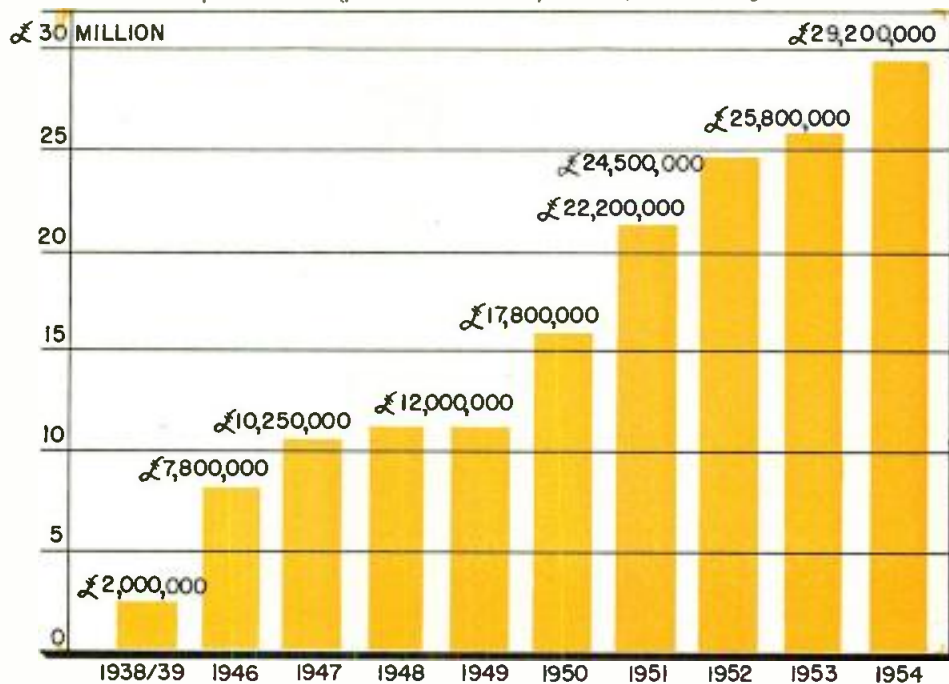
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3. We (do) (do not) manufacture electronic equipment/components for aircraft other than our own manufacture . . . 2 manufacture both; 2 manufacture equipment only; 11 do not
4. We (do) (do not) manufacture electronic equipment/components for non-aircraft applications . . . 3 manufacture both; 2 manufacture equipment only; 9 do not; 1 no reply

Total number of electronic engineers employed from all cos. 2245

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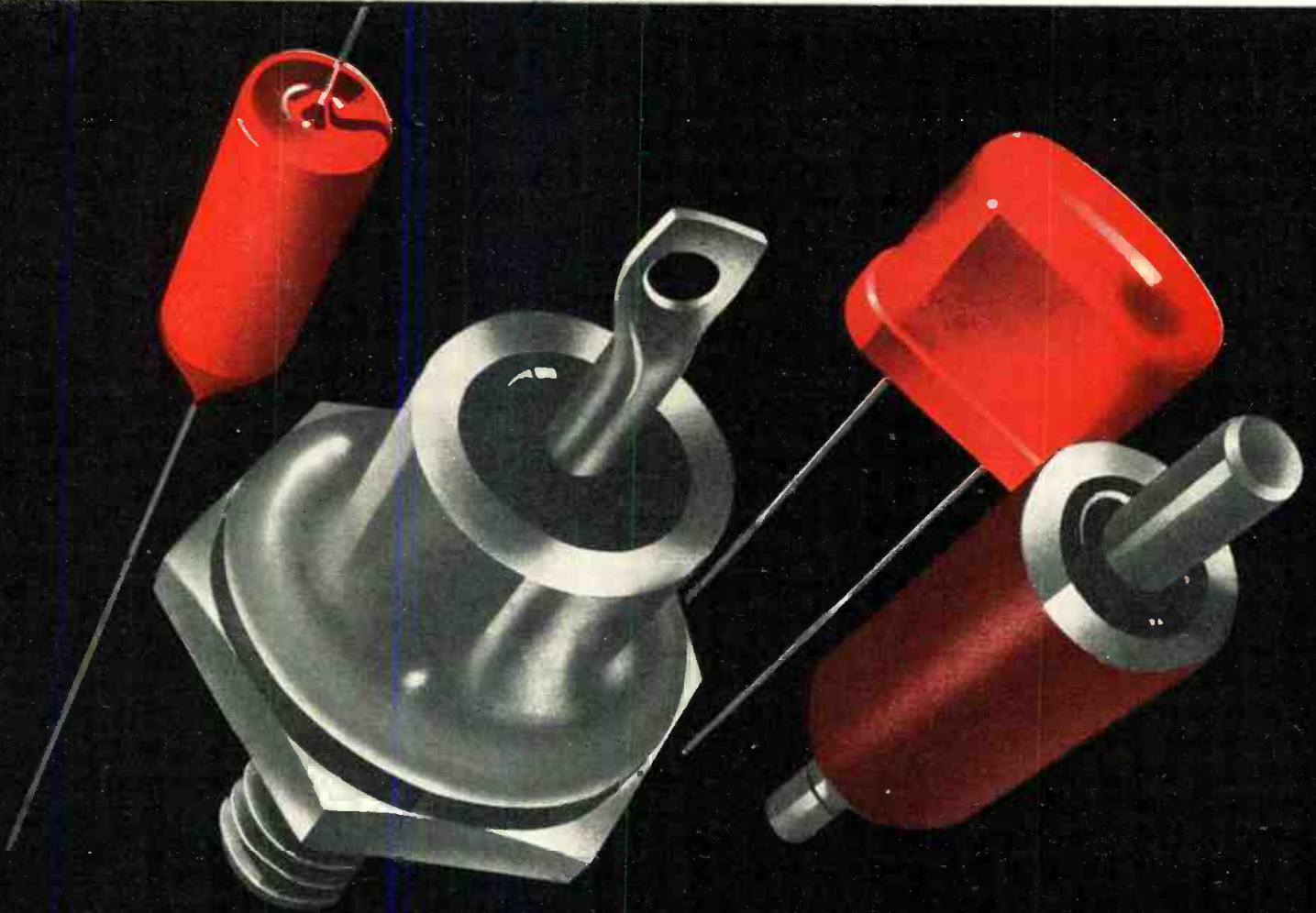
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| Actuators, etc. | 55,443 | Generators, training | 64,245 | Receiving Sets, radio | 230,643 |
| Adapters | 180,000 | Gunfire Control Systems | 3,693,887 | Recorder-Reproducers | 412,427 |
| Amplifier, indicator, etc. | 119,000 | Handset-Headset | 48,875 | Regulators and Generators | 452,792 |
| Amplifiers | 85,377 | Headset, microphone | 319,780 | Relays | 142,752 |
| Analizers, digital | 29,995 | Indicators | 1,561,268 | Repair Parts, gyro compass | 27,120 |
| Antennas | 93,134 | Indicators, control | 80,057 | Repair Parts, indicating equipment | 26,526 |
| Antenna Assys, etc. | 1,982,583 | Indicators, Spore Parts, etc. | 281,502 | Repair Parts, turbine generators | 38,050 |
| Antenna Filter Assys | 84,481 | Indicators, temperature | 192,429 | Resolver Equipment, infrared | 71,560 |
| Batteries, dry | 2,399,030 | Indicators, tachometer | 141,585 | Servos | 38,674 |
| Battery Chargers | 566,655 | Inverters | 69,888 | Sets, sound measuring | 45,105 |
| Brushes, Rotors, Shunts, generator | 420,411 | Kit, microphone, dynamic | 117,309 | Shield Assys | 82,527 |
| Cable | 225,623 | Loop Assys, Indicators, etc. | 1,176,175 | Soldering Equipment, induction | 31,808 |
| Cable Fittings, etc. | 250,000 | Loudspeakers | 40,673 | Sonobuoy Dispensers | 2,043,632 |
| Coil Assys | 98,920 | Magnetos, telephone | 51,376 | Spare Parts, etc., radar set | 1,775,725 |
| Coils | 28,200 | Magnetrons | 51,750 | Stroboscopes | 35,937 |
| Components | 4,117,511 | Meters, af power | 75,650 | Switches | 34,413 |
| Components, interphone system | 880,595 | Meters, frequency | 201,433 | Switches, tilt | 39,652 |
| Components, radio altimeter | 39,814 | Modifications, computer | 34,405 | Switchboards, telephone | 44,115 |
| Controls, radio set | 45,105 | Modifications, twin mount | 288,134 | Switch-Presses | 104,264 |
| Control Systems, rocket | | Motor Generators | 91,872 | Tapes, "Univac" | 32,125 |
| combustion chamber | 43,186 | Motors | 44,100 | Teletypewriter Sets | 88,968 |
| Covers, battery | 35,808 | Multiplexers | 564,725 | Testers | 94,690 |
| Coupler, directional | 80,304 | Oscillators | 542,217 | Testers, auto pilot | 40,897 |
| Crystal Unit | 45,991 | Oscillators, test | 150,204 | Testers, gun, bomb, rocket | 102,598 |
| Deceptive Jammers | 116,265 | Panels, Controls, etc. | 65,491 | Testers, flight direction system | 203,733 |
| Digital Reduction Systems | 33,784 | Power Meter, frequency | 150,726 | Test Sets | 412,580 |
| Direction Finder Sets | 154,894 | Power Supplies | 757,678 | Training Equipment, electronic | 191,913 |
| Dynamometers, etc. | 37,094 | Power Supplies, dynamotor | 32,787 | Transformers | 116,980 |
| Enclosure, electromatically shielded | 199,792 | Processing Equipment, pulse data | 60,000 | Transmitters | 410,281 |
| Exciter Systems | 212,153 | "Q" Meters | 27,198 | Transmitters, fuel flow | 473,970 |
| Frequency Converters | 61,582 | Radar Sets | 15,386,745 | Transmitters, pressure | 52,032 |
| Generators | 3,414,761 | Radar, Signal Simulators, etc. | 302,510 | Transmitters, radio | 30,105 |
| Generators, acft. | 192,607 | Radio Equipment | 94,475 | Transmitters, radiosonde | 29,582 |
| Generator Assys | 29,520 | Radio Sets | 1,774,328 | Transmitting Sets | 7,164,735 |
| Generators, signal | 906,750 | Radiosondes | 1,183,716 | Tubes, electron | 895,458 |
| Generators, signal and oscilloscope, CRT. | 32,068 | Radomes, arctic | 64,400 | Vibrators | 485,824 |
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| Type | Dimension Outline | Peak Inverse Volts | Average Rectified mA (max.) | Peak Rectified mA (max.) | Maximum Inverse Currents in μ A | | | | Forward mA at +1v |
|---------------------|-------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------|----------|---------------------|
| | | | | | at -5v | at -10v | at -50v | at -100v | |
| General Purpose | | | | | | | | | |
| 1N66 (CK705) | A | 60 | 50 | 150 | | 50 | 800 | | 5. |
| 1N67 | A | 80 | 35 | 100 | 5 | | 50 | | 4. |
| 1N68 (CK708) | A | 100 | 35 | 100 | | | | 625 | 3. |
| 1N294 (CK705A) | A | 60 | 50 | 150 | | 10 | 800 | | 5. |
| 1N297 (CK707) | A | 80 | 35 | 100 | 10 | | 100 | | 3.5 |
| 1N298 (CK713A) | A | 70 | 50 | 150 | | 250 μ A (max.) at -40v. (50°C) | | | 30mA (min.) at +2v. |
| CK801 | A | 60 | 50 | 150 | | | 50 | | 5. |
| CK802 | A | 80 | 50 | 150 | | | 100 | | 7.5 |
| VHF and UHF | | | | | | | | | |
| 1N82A | B | 5 | 50 | 150 | UHF mixer 14 db max. noise — see data sheet for test circuit | | | | |
| 1N295 (CK706A) | A | 40 | 35 | 125 | 200 Video detector | | | | |
| CK715 | A | 40 | 35 | 125 | Special tests for VHF to UHF freq. multiplier | | | | |
| Multiple Assemblies | | | | | | | | | |
| CK709 | C | Four 1N66 matched within 2.5% at +1.5 and -10 volts for bridge circuits | | | | | | | |
| CK711 | C | Four 1N67 matched from 0 to +3 volts, 30 μ A (max.) at -50v. for bridge circuits | | | | | | | |
| CK717 | C | Four 1N66 matched within 2.5% at +1.5 and -10 volts for common anode circuits | | | | | | | |
| CK719 | C | Four 1N67 matched from 0 to +3 volts, 30 μ A (max.) at -500 | | | | | | | |

RAYTHEON GOLD BONDED GERMANIUM DIODES

This group of diodes features small size, high forward conduction, high back resistance, and good temperature characteristics. Because junction area is increased over that of point contact types, capacity is slightly higher, transient response slightly slower.

| Type | Dimension Outline | Peak Inverse Volts (max.) | Average Rectified mA (max.) | Peak Rectified mA (max.) | Maximum Inverse Currents in μ A | | | | Forward mA | | Ambient Temperature Range °C |
|---------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|------------|---------|------------------------------|
| | | | | | at -10v | at -20v | at -50v | at -100v | at 0.8v | at 1.0v | |
| 1N305 (CK739) | D | 60 | 125 | 300 | 2.0 | | 20 | | 100 | | -55 to +70 |
| 1N306 (CK740) | D | 15 | 150 | 300 | 2.0 | | | | 100 | | -55 to +70 |
| 1N307 (CK742) | D | 125 | 50 | 300 | 5.0 | | | 20 | | 100 | -55 to +70 |
| 1N308 (CK741) | A | 10 | 100 | 350 | 500 μ A at -8 volts | | | | 300 | | -55 to +90 |
| 1N309 (CK747) | A | 40 | 100 | 300 | | 100 | | | 100 | | -55 to +90 |
| 1N310 (CK745) | A | 125 | 40 | 100 | | 20 | | 100 | 15 | | -55 to +90 |
| 1N312 (CK748) | A | 60 | 70 | 250 | | | 50 | | 30 | | -55 to +90 |
| 1N313 (CK749) | A | 125 | 40 | 100 | | 10 | | 50 | 15 | | -55 to +90 |

Note: 1N305-6-7 have very high back to forward ratio, high back resistance, sharp Zener characteristic, average transient response
1N308-13 have good transient response with good forward characteristics, high back resistance

RAYTHEON BONDED SILICON DIODES

Raytheon Bonded Silicon diodes provide high back resistance, a sharp Zener characteristic and fair transient response (large overshoot, fast recovery) over an ambient temperature range of -55 to +150°C.

| Type | Dimension Outline | Peak Inverse Volts | Average Rectified mA | Peak Rectified mA | Maximum Reverse Currents in μ A | | | Forward mA at -1v | 100°C Average Rectified mA | Max. Reverse mA at -10v |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | | at -5v | at -10v | at Volts shown | | | |
| 1N300 (CK735) | D | 15 | 40 | 120 | 0.001 | | | 8 | 15 | 0.01 |
| 1N301 (CK736) | D | 70 | 35 | 110 | 0.01 | 0.05 at -50 | | 5 | 12 | 0.2 |
| 1N302 (CK737) | D | 225 | 25 | 80 | 0.01 | 0.2 at -200 | | 1 | 8 | 0.2 |
| 1N303 (CK738) | D | 125 | 30 | 100 | 0.01 | 0.1 at -100 | | 3 | 10 | 0.2 |
| 1N432 (CK856) | D | 40 | 40 | 120 | 0.005 | | | 10 | 20 | 0.05 |
| 1N433 (CK860) | D | 145 | 30 | 100 | 0.03 | 0.3 at -125 | | 3 | 15 | 0.5 |
| 1N434 (CK861) | D | 180 | 30 | 100 | 0.05 | 0.5 at -160 | | 2 | 15 | 1.0 |
| 1N438 (CK852*) | D | 7 | 100 | 200 | 10 | | | 50 | 50 | |

*8 volt Zener regulator

Note: All ratings at 25°C unless otherwise indicated.

RAYTHEON SILICON POWER RECTIFIERS

This new Raytheon silicon rectifier is the first to give high current rectifying capacity in extremely small volume. The rectifiers operate to 175°C, to 200 volts peak and to over 99% efficiency. Back to forward resistance ratio is over 100,000.

| Type | Dimension Outline | Maximum Voltage | | Maximum Current | | Typical Dissipation Watts | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----|--|
| | | RMS Volts | Peak Volts | Peak Amperes | Average Amperes | | | |
| CK775 | E | Case Temp. 30°C* | 40 | 60 | 50 | 15 | 40 | |
| | | Case Temp. 170°C* | 40 | 60 | 15 | 5 | 10 | |
| | | No Heat Radiator | | | | | | |
| | | Ambient Temp. 25°C | 40 | 60 | 6 | 2.0 | 3.0 | |
| CK776 | E | Ambient Temp. 170°C | 40 | 60 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | |
| | | Case Temp. 30°C* | 125 | 200 | 50 | 15 | 40 | |
| | | Case Temp. 170°C* | 125 | 200 | 15 | 5 | 10 | |
| | | No Heat Radiator | | | | | | |
| Ambient Temp. 25°C | 125 | 200 | 6 | 2.0 | 3.0 | | | |
| | Ambient Temp. 170°C | 125 | 200 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | | |

ADDITIONAL RATINGS (25°C)

Both CK775 and CK776 have maximum drop at 5 amperes of 1.5 volts

CK775 has maximum reverse current at -60 volts of 25 mA

CK776 has maximum reverse current at -200 volts of 25 mA

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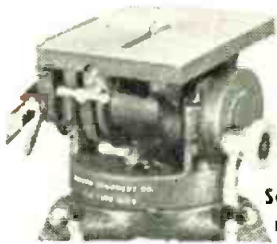
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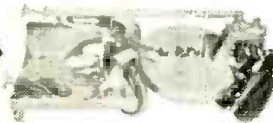
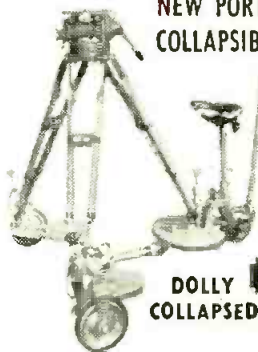
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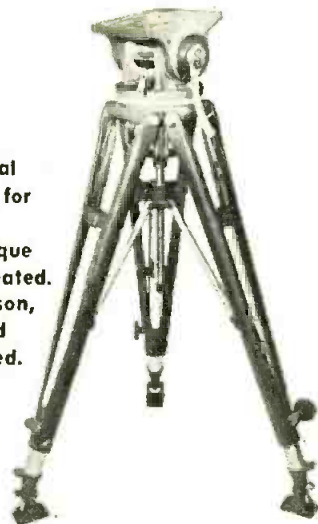
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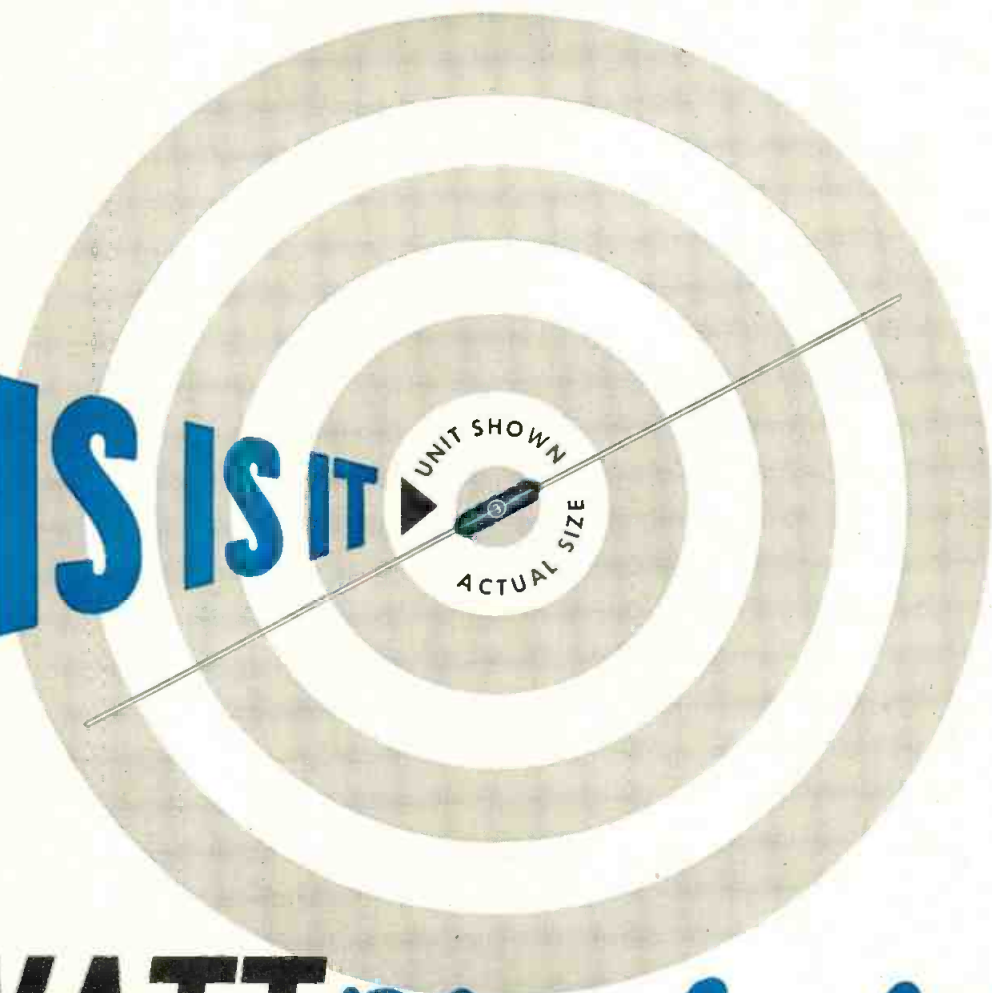
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As We Go To Press...



Ariz. Electronic Industry Hit by Tax Ruling

In a decision immediately greeted as a blow to development of Arizona's budding electronics industry, the Arizona Tax Commission upheld (June 28) a state sales tax assessment against AiResearch Manufacturing Co., producer of electronics devices, on the contention that sales to the federal government are taxable.

Stanley Womer, manager of the Arizona State Development Board, predicted there would be a "tendency for electronics firms, planning to move here, to remain where they are until the law is changed." The assessment of 2% sales tax on sales to the federal government will put Arizona firms on a "competitive disadvantage" with companies from other states.

The state agency's assessment was based on a 1954 state law which omitted a previous exemption on sales to the federal government. The firm must now pay about \$14,000 for the sales period starting July 9, 1954, when the new law went into effect until Dec. 31, 1954. Amount of sales taxes AiResearch must pay this year have not yet been determined. Some 200 machine shops in the Phoenix area have been supplying the firm with tax-free parts, and the company presumably will have to absorb the taxes.

Automatic Transistor Factory At Westinghouse

A new Westinghouse Electric Corporation manufacturing plant, described as "the most highly automatic of any of the company's plants," will be built at Youngwood, Pa. and will employ between 400 and 500 persons by the end of 1956. Bruce D. Henderson, Westinghouse vice president, said the multi-million dollar plant is expected to be completed by late 1955. It will be devoted to the manufacture of semi-conductor devices such as transistors, power rectifiers, high frequency detectors, and photocells.

Manager of the new semi-conductor department and plant will be L. R. Hill. Other key appointments announced include: Dr. S. J. Angello, manager of engineering; Dr. L. L. Friend, manager of manufac-

turing; W. L. James, manager of sales; and C. H. Hildebrand, purchasing agent.

Britain's Commercial TV Opens Next Month

On Sept. 22 the first independent commercial television station in Britain will start transmitting its programs. At Beaulieu (pronounced Bewley) Heights, Croydon, a suburb of London, the new station will serve an area in which about 10 million people live. By March, 1956, two other commercial stations will open, in the Midlands and Lancashire. These three commercial stations will bring almost 60% of the total population of the United Kingdom within reach.

Bendix Expands

Construction of a new \$2,000,000 engineering building at Towson, Md., devoted to expanded research and development on commercial and military radar and other communications and navigation devices, has been announced by the radio division of Bendix Aviation Corporation. The ultra-modern structure is designed to accommodate 500.

GE Pushes Broadcast Sales

An all-out sales push in the highly competitive television-broadcasting-equipment industry is promised by the General Electric Co. with disclosure of the reorganization of its national sales force. The reorganization involves creation of three new positions, northeast, southern and western regional sales managers, appointment of men to fill two of these positions, and naming of three new district sales managers. Territorial sales assignments have also been changed to increase sales effectiveness.

The new appointments are John Wall of Cincinnati as northeast regional manager; Charles T. Haist of San Francisco as western regional manager; Lewis F. Page of Washington, D. C. as district manager in the Virginia-Maryland area; Earl H. Platt of Syracuse, New York, as district manager in the Kentucky-West Virginia area; and Vernon H. Russell of Seattle, Washington, as district manager for the northwestern states.

GE Producing Image Orthicons



Factory production of image orthicons is now under way at GE's Schenectady tube plant. Here operator is shown adjusting target and mesh section in tube using 17-in. screwdriver. Previously RCA was sole producer.

As We Go To Press . . . (Continued)

Thompson \$\$\$ for Ramo-Wooldridge

The Ramo-Wooldridge Corporation, 8820 Bellanca Avenue, Los Angeles 45, California, electronic and guided missile affiliate of Thompson Products, Inc. announces a \$20 million financial arrangement between the two companies. Through preferred stock and long term revolving credit, made available by Thompson Products this money will finance the continued rapid expansion of the Los Angeles firm, which in less than two years has grown to an employment level of nearly 1000.

With 150,000 sq. ft. of completed laboratory space in Los Angeles, two new buildings under construction, and plans already drawn for a manufacturing plant in the midwest, Ramo-Wooldridge appears destined to move rapidly into such commercial and military fields as automation, electronic computers, guided missiles, transistors and semi-conductors, weapons control systems, and advanced communications. While majority ownership and control of Ramo-Wooldridge remains in the hands of its key employees, terms of the new agreement provided Thompson Products with option rights which in the future could increase the Thompson interest in Ramo-Wooldridge to 84%.

High Accuracy Tube-Tester

A tube-testing instrument reportedly with versatility and accuracy approaching that of factory tube testing equipment, has been introduced by the RCA Tube Division.

Intended primarily for production-line and laboratory tube testing of receiving and small industrial and transmitting tubes, the WT-100A MicroMhoMeter makes it possible for the user to test tubes under actual operating voltage and current conditions. This feature permits a direct correlation of test results with data supplied by tube manufacturers. In addition, the WT-100A can be set up to provide the operating voltages of a circuit of specific design to determine quickly and accurately the performance of a tube under desired voltage conditions.

The new instrument measures transconductance with an accuracy of better than 5%. Measurements can be made up to 100,000 micro-mhos in 6 ranges. In addition, the WT-100A permits the measurement of ac heater currents including 600-ma series-string tubes at rated voltages. The meter, which is protected electronically from burnout, measures electrode currents up to 300 ma in 11 ranges, including an ultra-sensitive range of 0 to 3 μ amp, and voltages up to 300 volts in 15 ranges.

New Color-TV Dolly



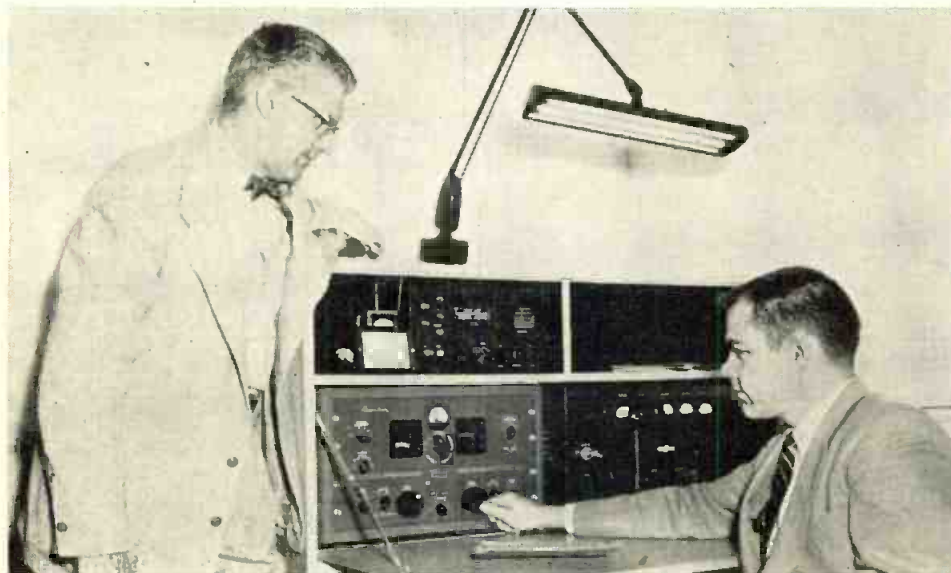
Under the guidance of Chief Engineer Lindsey Riddle, (left), WDSU-TV, New Orleans outlet is now broadcasting with complete color TV facilities. John Newton, (right) representing Studio Television Products Sales Corp. of New York, inspects the new pneumatic color-dolly manufactured by his firm, used in conjunction with one of the studio cameras. The new unit reportedly has held programming costs down significantly. One man can achieve the effects of a two-man dolly shot and simulate the "boom" action of a camera crane. A 33-in. wheelbase and wider steering guide, plus an electric column brake for pre-selected or free-wheeling elevation adjustment, combined with the inherent advantage of pneumatic-balance, make the dolly versatile.

Cabinet TV Antenna

A lesson learned in the development of radar has been applied profitably in television set design. Faced with the old problem of overcoming the shielding action of metal television cabinets on built-in antennae, GE engineers have come up with the simplest type of solution. Not only have they overcome the original problem, but the solution offers superior built-in antenna performance.

Rather than installing the familiar loop antenna in their metal cabinet TV sets in such a way as to minimize the shielding action of the cabinet, they have made the entire cabinet an integral part of the antenna system. Thus, the table and console models in metal cabinets, just announced, have a much larger antenna area than had ever been thought possible. Radiation from the set, engineers say, presents no unusual problem. The final solution was suggested by the cavity resonators used in radar equipment.

Western Gear Personnel Form Electronic Club

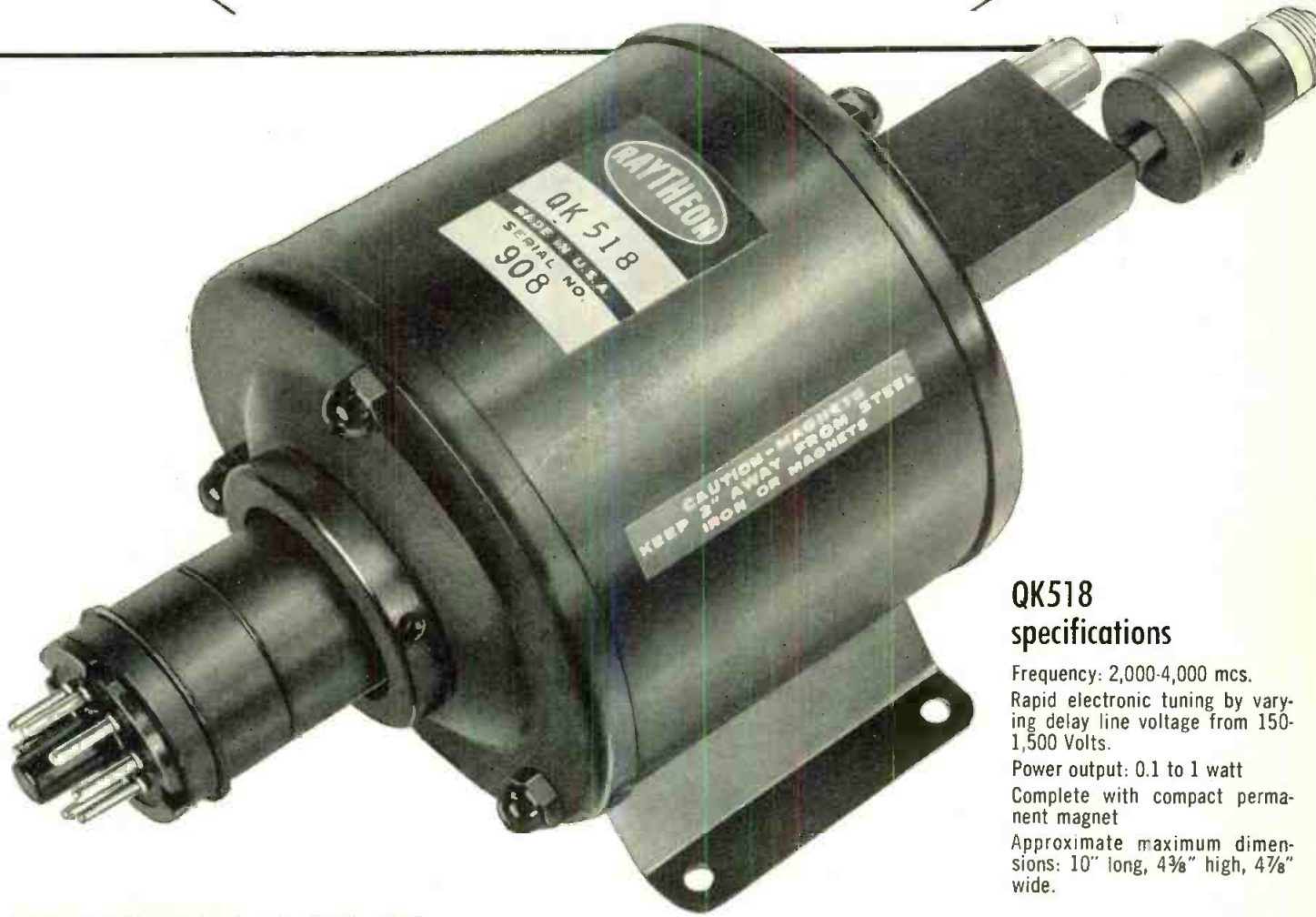


The Western Gear Electronic Club has been formed to provide amateur liaison in emergency civil defense programs as well as participation in normal "ham" activities. The club will also tie in with appropriate Army and Navy amateur activities. Jennings David, chief engineer of Western Gear's Electro Products Div., has been named president. Glenn W. Malme is at left.

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Electronic Golf Ball

Latest in the way of inventions to ease the burdens of modern man is a non-loseable "golf ball" used by Dan Noble, vice-pres. of the Communications and Electronics Div. of Motorola, Inc., to demonstrate the possibilities of transistors.

Mr. Noble had his engineers produce a complete broadcasting set using one of the standard transistors manufactured by Motorola. The set was designed to fit inside a plastic "golf ball" just about the size of a regulation ball.

Bouncing the ball on the floor demonstrates the shock resistance of transistors. The size feature is obvious, for a single tube used in a standard transmitter is larger than the golf ball, transmitter and all.

Despite its size, this unit transmits a sufficiently strong radio frequency signal to be picked up by a portable, pocket-size receiver. By merely rotating the receiver as a direction finder, the location of the lost "electronic golf ball" can easily be determined.

New Ocean Cable

HMTS Monarch has left Clarenville, Newfoundland, laying the world's first transoceanic repeater telephone cable at the rate of about six nautical miles an hour following the Great Circle course eastward over a 2,000 nautical mile route to Oban, Scotland. The telephone cable system, scheduled for service late in 1956, is a joint undertaking of American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the British Post Office and the Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation.

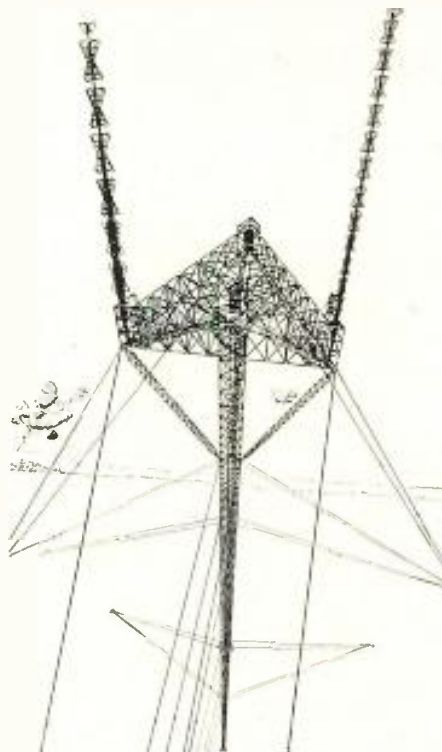
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Next summer the laying operation will be repeated in reverse, from Scotland to Newfoundland, to provide the second cable needed for the first physical voice link between this continent and Europe. Transatlantic telephone service is now provided by radio circuits.

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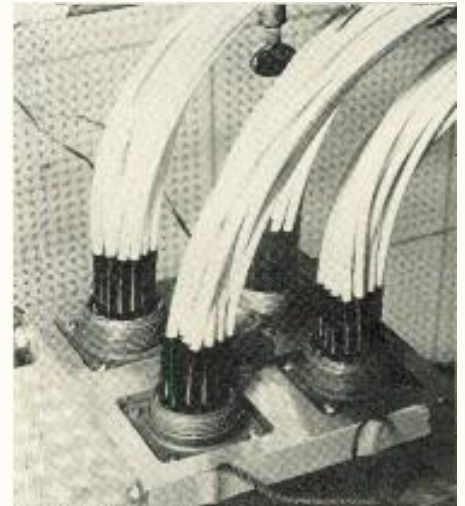
New TV Tower



Here is an artist's conception of a helicopter view of the 1521 foot tall TV antenna tower now under construction for stations WFAA-TV and KRLD-TV at Dallas, Texas. When completed in August, the structure will be taller than the Empire State. It was designed and fabricated by the Dresser-Ideco Company of Columbus, Ohio, one of the Dresser Industries.

Aircraft Firms Test Solderless Connectors

A series of tests was recently conducted over a two week period at the Aircraft Marine Products plant in Harrisburg, Pa. to provide the nation's five major airframe manufacturers with information on how to determine the applications of connector devices equipped for taper pin solderless connectors.



Connectors undergoing vibration test

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The taper pins, which have already received military approval for use in guided missiles, are now being considered for more widespread applications.

Computer Automates At Allstate Insurance



Allstate Insurance Co. has announced installation of a "Datatron" digital computer at its Skokie, Ill. home office to simplify the paperwork involved in automobile, personal liability and fire insurance operations for over 3,000,000 policyholders. Manufactured by ElectroData Corp. of Pasadena, Calif. the quarter-million dollar data processing machine has been operating at Allstate for four months.

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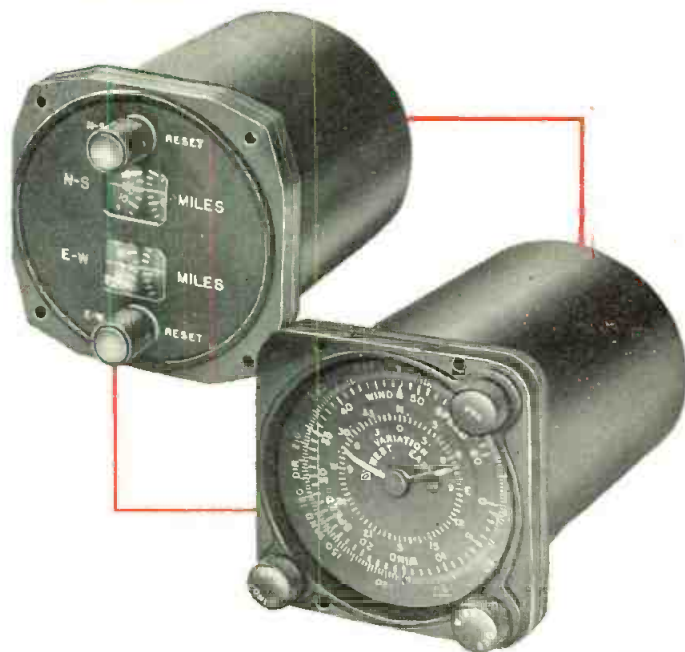
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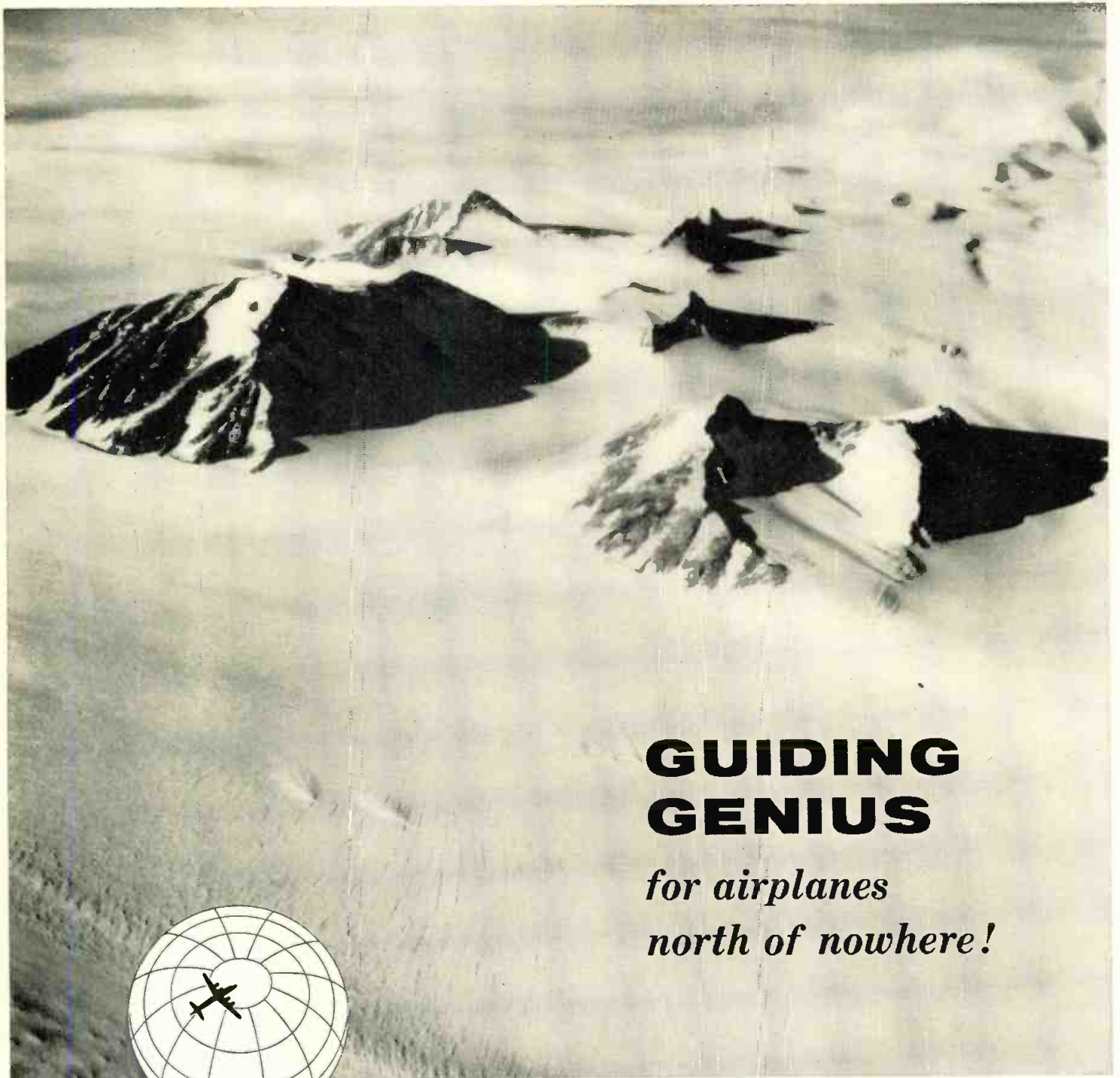


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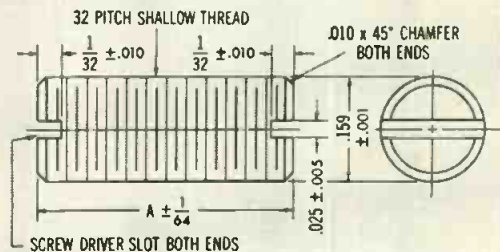


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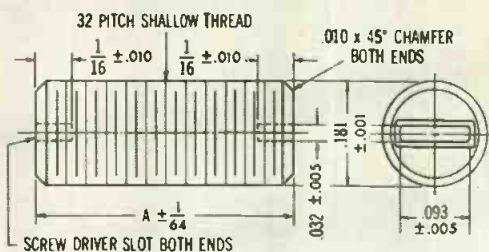


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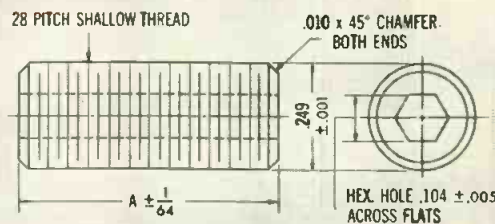


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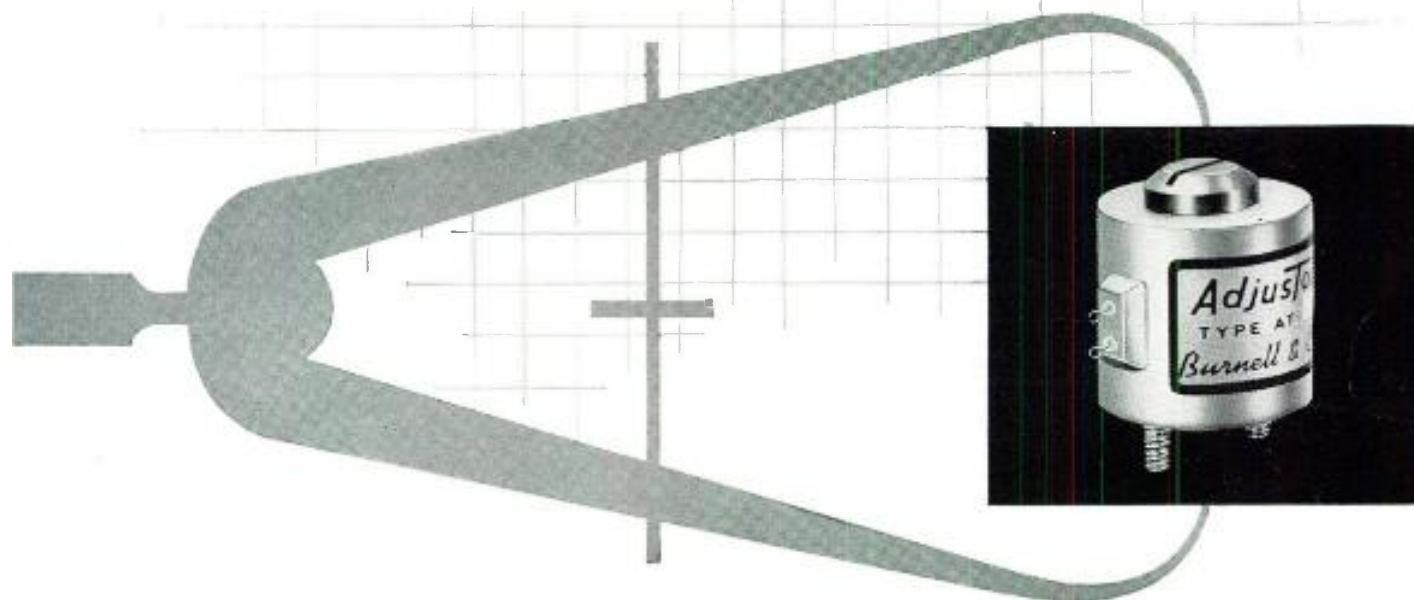
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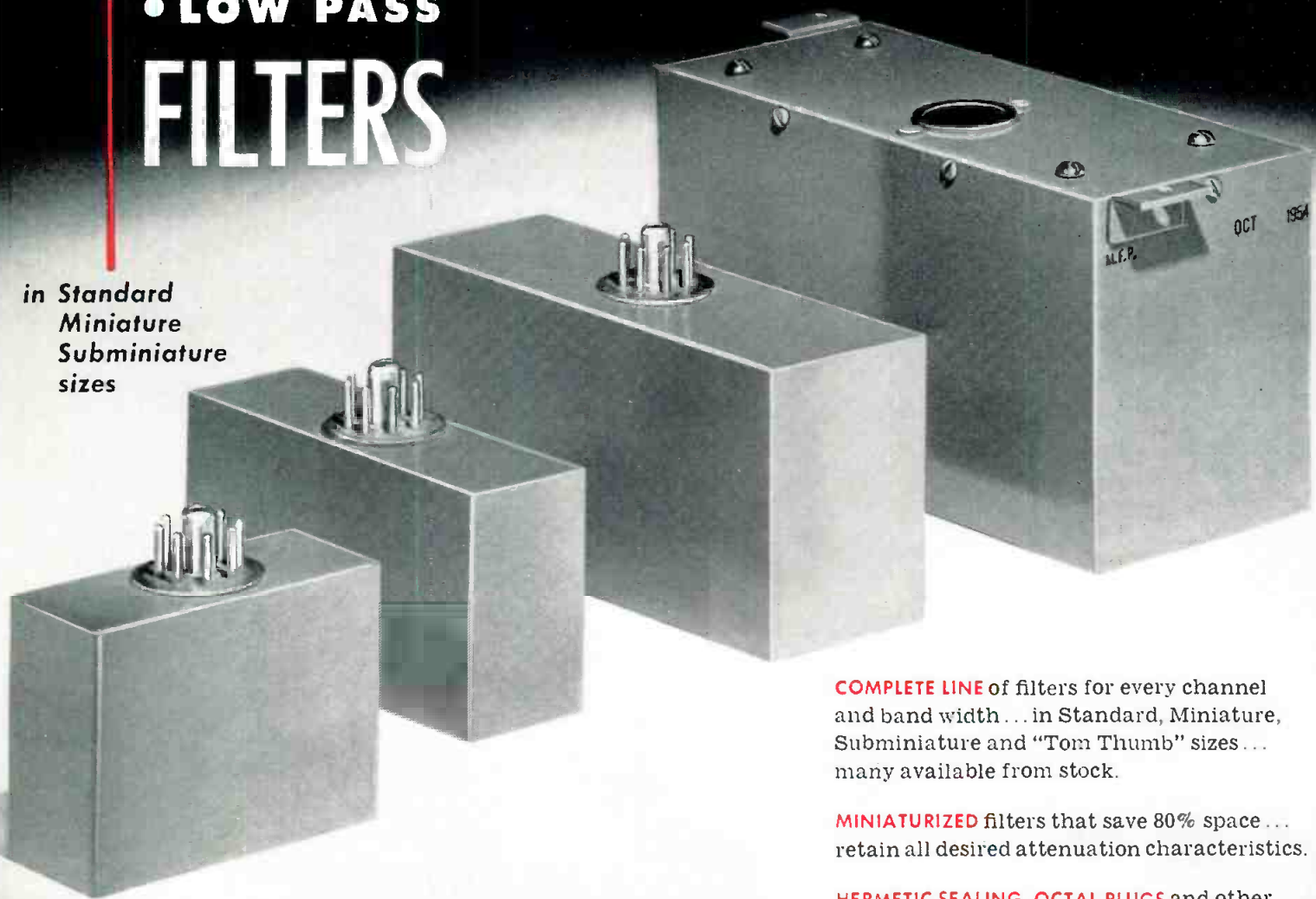
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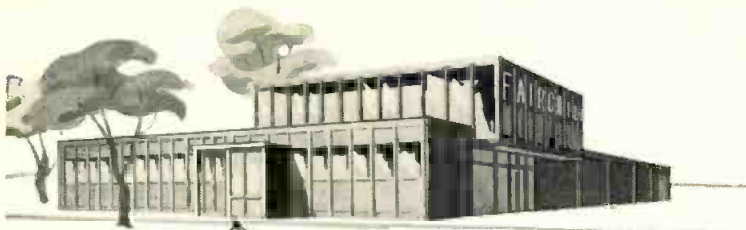


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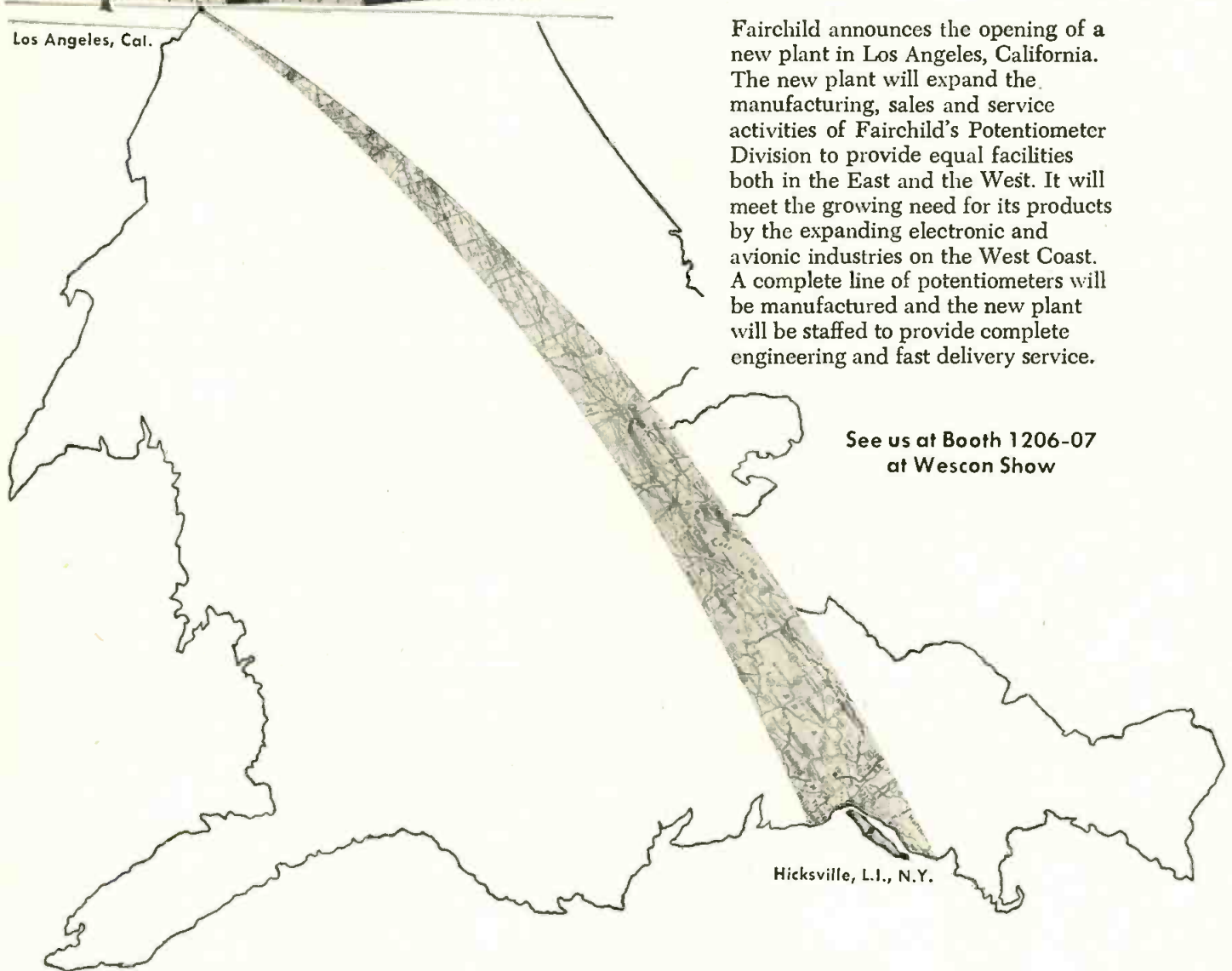
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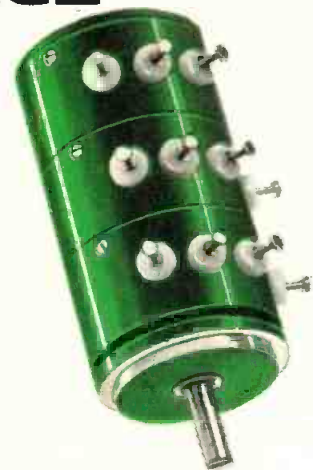
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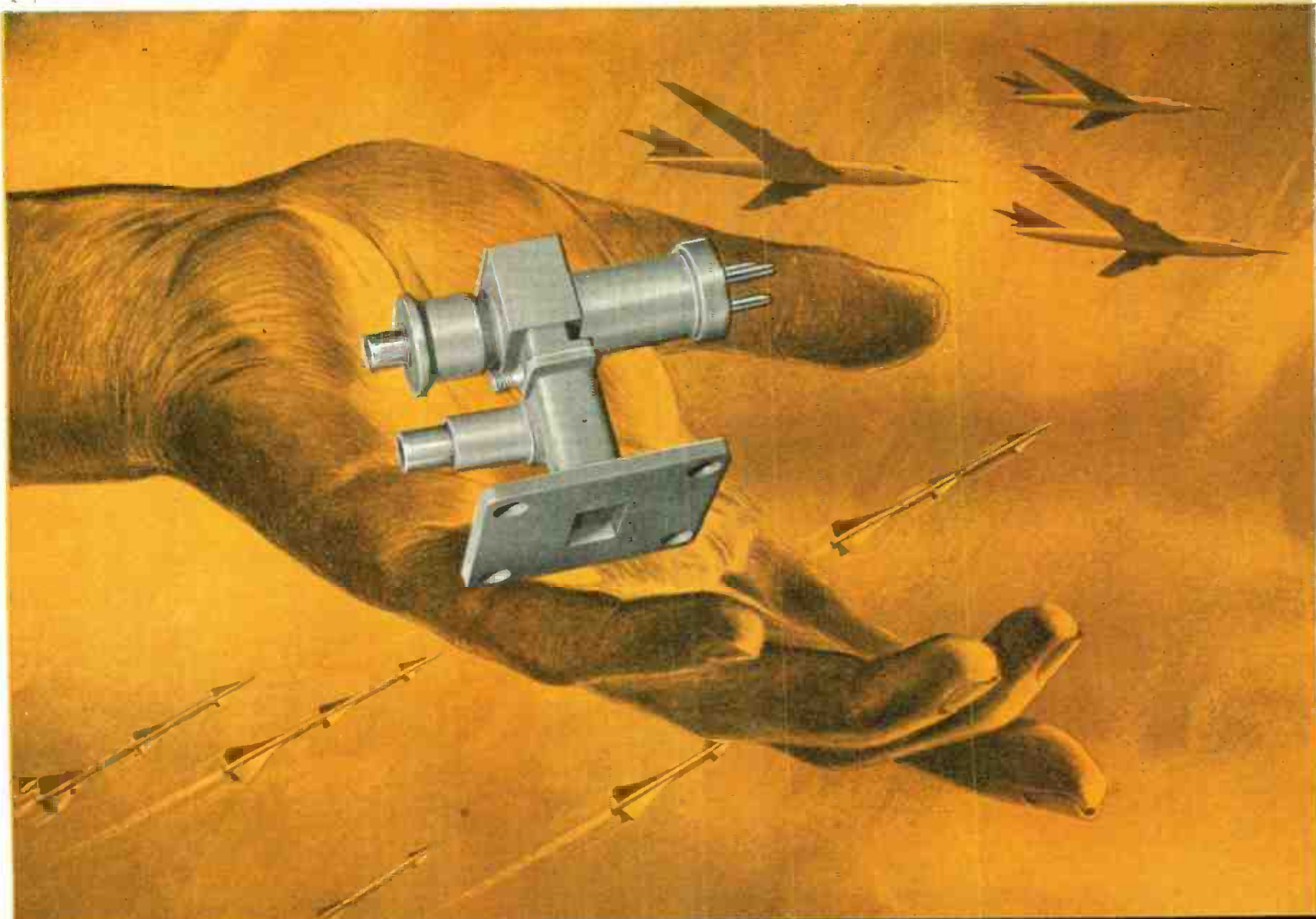
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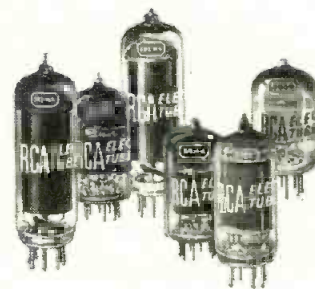


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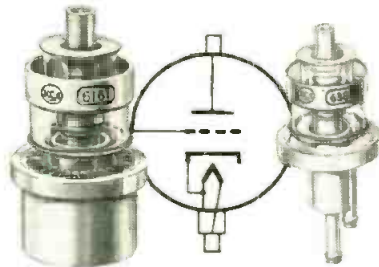
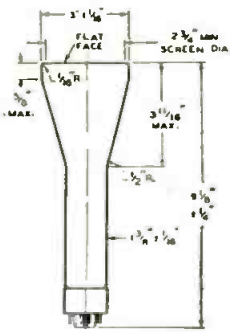
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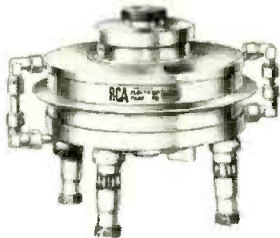
GENERAL-PURPOSE 3" FLAT-FACE OSCILLOGRAPH TUBE

RCA-3RP1-A . . . has small, brilliant, focused spot and high deflection sensitivity for its relatively short length. The screen is of the medium-persistence, green-fluorescence type. This tube provides a trace having high brightness when operated with an ultor voltage near the maximum of 2500 volts, and good brightness at relatively low ultor voltage. The flat face facilitates use of an external calibrated scale and minimizes parallax in readings.



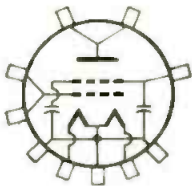
TWO UHF POWER TRIODES FOR FREQUENCIES UP TO 2000 Mc

RCA-6383 . . . liquid- and forced-air-cooled for UHF transmitter service. Has 600 watts plate dissipation and can be operated at full input ratings at frequencies up to 2000 Mc. RCA-6161 . . . forced-air-cooled, with radiating fin construction. For UHF service in TV and cw applications. Has maximum plate dissipation of 250 watts. Operates at full input ratings up to 900 Mc, reduced ratings up to 2000 Mc. Both types for circuits of the coaxial cylinder type. Particularly suited for cathode-drive circuits. For service in aircraft and other applications where light weight, compactness, and high power output are prime design considerations.



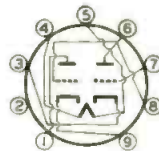
12 KILOWATTS OUTPUT AT 900 Mc

RCA-6448 . . . a water-cooled beam power tube with a unique design—is intended for operation as a grid-driven power amplifier at frequencies up to 1000 Mc. In color or black-and-white TV service, it is capable of delivering a synchronizing-level power output of 15 Kw at 500 Mc or 12 Kw at 900 Mc. The 6448 is also capable of giving useful power output of 14 Kw at 400 Mc or 11 Kw at 900 Mc as a cw amplifier in class C telegraphy service.



NEW DUAL TRIODE WITH TWO DISSIMILAR UNITS

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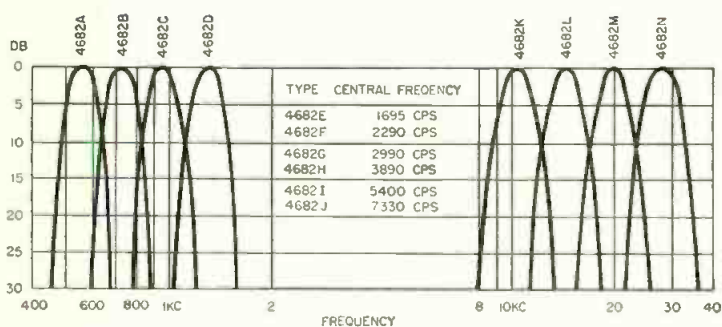
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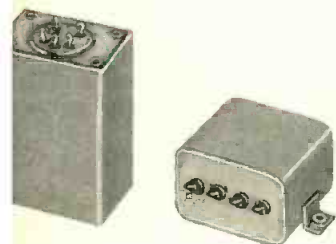


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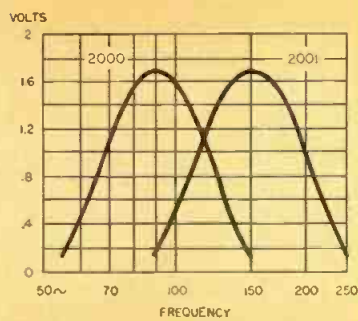
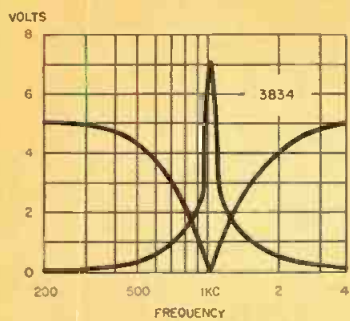
UTC manufactures a wide variety of band pass filters for multi-channel telemetering. Illustrated are a group of filters supplied for 400 cycle to 100 KC service. Miniaturized units have been made for many applications. For example a group of 4 cubic inch units which provide 50 channels between 4 KC and 100 KC.



Dimensions:
(4682A) 1 1/2 x 2 x 4"



Dimensions:
(434) 1 1/4 x 1 3/4 x 2-3/16".
(100, 1) 1 1/4 x 1 3/4 x 1 5/8".



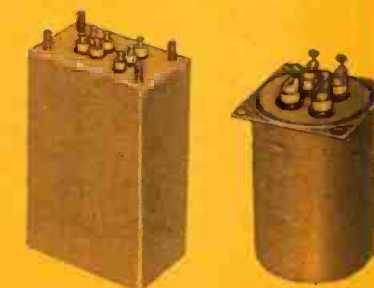
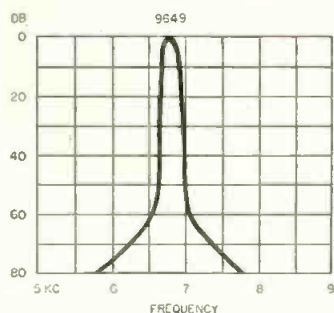
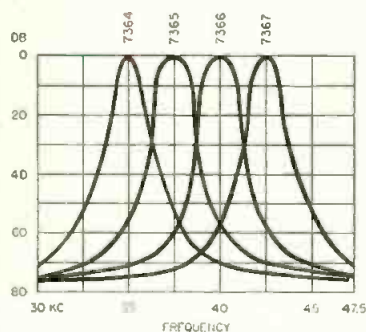
AIRCRAFT FILTERS

UTC has produced the bulk of filters used in aircraft equipment for over a decade. The curve at the left is that of a miniaturized (1020 cycles) range filter providing high attenuation between voice and range frequencies.

Curves at the right are that of our miniaturized 90 and 150 cycle filters for glide path systems.

CARRIER FILTERS

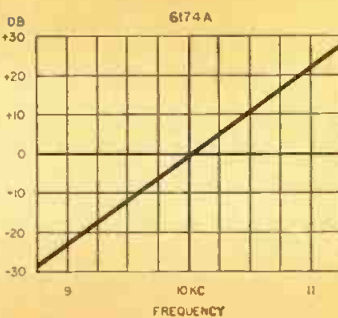
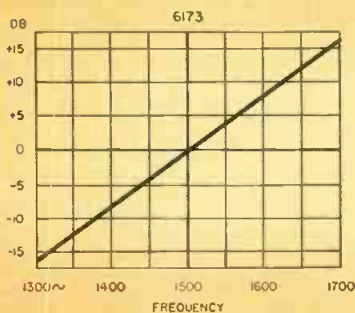
A wide variety of carrier filters are available for specific applications. This type of tone channel filter can be supplied in a varied range of bandwidths and attenuations. The curves shown are typical units.



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Electronic Industries News Briefs

Capsule summaries of important happenings in affairs of equipment and component manufacturers

AERONCA MANUFACTURING CORP. of Middletown, Ohio, is looking into unexplored fields in the aircraft industry to build the company into a major producer. Aeronca will expand its services to the U.S. Armed Forces into new fields of maintenance and electronic development.

AIRBORNE INSTRUMENTS LABORATORY, INC., Mineola, N.Y. has announced its entry into the metal-working and machine-tool industry with the appointment of the **BURLEIGH** and **STOCKER MACHINE TOOL CO.** of Pleasant Ridge, Mich., as Sales Agents.

BELL TEL LABS, New York, N.Y., announced recently the establishment of a fellowship program through which it will grant funds for students doing graduate study in electrical communications. To be known as the Bell Telephone Laboratories Fellowships, the awards are for study of one or two years, leading to a doctorate. It carries a grant of \$2,000 to the fellow, and an additional \$2,000 to cover tuition, fees and other costs to the institution at which he chooses to study.

CARGO PACKERS, INC., Brooklyn, N.Y., specialists in climate-proof and shock-proof packaging, has leased 65,000 square feet of new space in the three-story industrial building at 3720 14th Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y. to permit further expansion of its shipments of extra-heavy industrial machinery overseas.

CHEM-ETCHED CIRCUITS, INC., 121 S. Cowen St., Garrett, Indiana, has been formed to develop and manufacture etched circuits by the photoengraving method.

CINCH MANUFACTURING CORP. of 1026 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill. have announced the purchase of Graphik Circuits, located at 221 S. Arroyo Blvd., Pasadena, Calif. The addition of this plant enlarges the Cinch coverage of the electronic industry to include today's most talked of phase, printed circuits.

DU MONT closed-circuit television was recently used as an aid in welding operations at a demonstration at the American Welding Society & Allied Industry Exposition in Kansas City, Mo. The Du Mont cameras televised closeup views of latest types of welding techniques and relayed them by cable to television viewing screens.

EATON ASSOCIATES, INC. of Moodus, Conn., is already in production as a newly organized company for the manufacture of printed circuit assemblies.

ELECTRO DATA CORP., computer affiliate of **CONSOLIDATED ENGINEERING CORP.** of Pasadena, has established a Southwestern Regional sales and service facility located at 4515 Prentice St., Dallas, Texas.

EMERSON RADIO AND PHONOGRAPH CORP., New York 19, N.Y., has organized the Emerson Associate Management Committee in a move designed to strengthen and broaden the base of executive operations by discovering and developing executive talent within the company.

ETHYL CORP. of Detroit has given permanent protection to their 850,000 research records, and have condensed these vital documents into one filing cabinet through microfilming. The entire operation is described in a 2-page folder released by **REMINGTON-RAND, INC.**

THE HEILAND DIVISION of **MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL REGULATOR CO.** recently announced plans for the construction of a new \$1,000,000 manufacturing plant in Denver. The plant's 45,000 sq. feet will house general sales offices and manufacturing facilities.

ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY and **ARMOUR RESEARCH FOUNDATION**, in cooperation with a group of engineering societies and nearly 100 industrial organizations, will demonstrate the use of electronic analog computers in the solution of hydraulic problems at the 11th annual National Conference on Industrial Hydraulics to be held Oct. 27 and 28 in the La Salle hotel in Chicago.

KESTER SOLDER CO. of Chicago has recently expanded its plant facilities at Newark, N.J. by more than 50%. All phases of the factory have been enlarged—manufacturing operations, warehouse, and shipping areas. The plant is located at 88 Ferguson St. in Newark.

THE KULJIAN CORP., Philadelphia engineers and constructors, have constructed five Mass Vibrometers of unique design for **E. I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS & CO. INC.**, which can automatically check the uniformity of thread over the entire range from 10 to 5700 denier in textile operations.

MAGNAVOX, Fort Wayne, Ind., president Frank Freimann recently announced that the company has consummated new contracts in the amount of \$5,900,000 for its industrial and defense products division.

MAGNETICS, INC., Box 230T, Butler, Pa. is now offering molybdenum permalloy powder cores, graded according to inductance and color-coded to facilitate assembly. Color-coding allows the proper numbers of turns to be put on individual cores without special testing.

MAGNETIC TAPE STORY and its contributions to the growth of radio industry are told in new book "Brand of the Tartan." 250-page volume traces history of Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. Published by Appleton-Century Crofts Inc. at \$3.50.

NEW HAMPSHIRE BALL BEARINGS, INC., Peterborough, N. H., has announced plans for the construction of a new 40,000 sq. ft. plant for bearing manufacture. It will be erected on a twenty-seven acre site south of the business section at an estimated cost of \$350,000.

NORDEN-KETAY CORP. and **SCIENTIFIC SPECIALTIES CORP.** recently reached an agreement for the acquisition of all of the stock of Scientific Specialties Corp. of Boston, Mass. by the Norden-Ketay Corp. Scientific Specialties is engaged in the design, development, and manufacture of precision laboratory and testing instruments used in the medical field and by electronic and precision laboratories.

NORTHERN ENGINEERING LABORATORIES, 434 Wilmot Ave., Burlington, Wisc., has recently been formed in Burlington, Wisc. to manufacture quartz crystals, specializing in glass-sealed, low frequency and high precision types. The company was organized by John D. Holmbeck, formerly Chief-Engineer at James Knights; Ernest E. Overbey, formerly Production Engineer at Knights and Robert F. Holzrichter, formerly Operations Manager at Knights.

D. W. ONAN & SONS, INC. of Minneapolis, Minn. have announced two new series (25EC, 25,000-watt and 35ED, 35,000-watt) of Ford-powered electric generating plants. These new generators have been specially designed to handle the many unusual electrical requirements demanded of modern emergency equipment.

PANELLIT, INC., Skokie, Ill. has announced the formation of a Canadian affiliate, **PANELLIT OF CANADA, LTD.** The new affiliate will be located at 60 Newcastle St., Toronto 14, Ontario.

PERFECTION MICA CO. of Chicago, manufacturers of a new magnetic shielding material, has announced the creation of a new division, the **MAGNA-SHIELD DIVISION**, to handle its product, Magna-Shield. The company is located at 1322 No. Elston Ave., Chicago.

PYRAMID ELECTRIC CO., 1445 No. Bergen, N.J., has made available in the solid dielectric glassed capacitor line capacitors capable of withstanding vibrational stresses of high acceleration and frequency as well as severe shock conditions.

SANDERS ASSOCIATES, INC., Nashua, N.H., designers and manufacturers of electronic and hydraulic servo components and systems, have purchased new office and plant facilities totaling almost 500,000 sq. feet of space in Nashua.

SOLAR ENERGY CORP. OF AMERICA has been formed to explore the commercial possibilities of solar energy. Its address is at 103 Park Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

SPERRY GYROSCOPE CO., Great Neck, N.Y., was recipient of an order for 2K25 klystron tubes, totaling more than \$200,000, placed with them by the U.S. Army Signal Corps.

TELREX, INC., Asbury Park, N.J., recently signed two patent license agreements involving their conical antennas. The agreements were signed with **C-O MFG. CO.**, Brockton, Mass., and **LA POINTE ELECTRONIC, INC.** of Rockville, Conn.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, INC., 6000 Lemmon Ave., Dallas 9, Texas, is planning to open a Los Angeles sales office as the first step in establishing marketing headquarters throughout the U.S. The Los Angeles office will be headquarters for the Western district and will be the first of several to be opened this year.

JAMES VIBRAPOWER CO. is currently constructing a new one-story factory building which will triple the present Chicago manufacturing space they now occupy. The new plant will be located at 4060 No. Rockwell St. in Chicago.

VIBRO-CERAMICS CORP., an affiliate of **GULTON INDUSTRIES, INC.**, Metuchen, N.J., has inaugurated a comprehensive consulting service in all phases of ultrasonics for industrial and scientific programs of any scope.

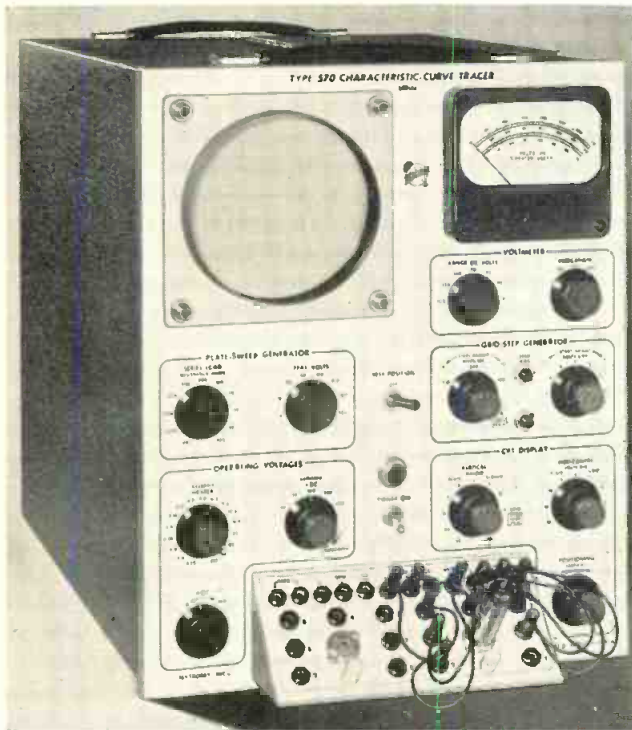
WESTINGHOUSE RESEARCH LABORATORY, Pittsburgh 30, Pa., scientists have developed a new insulating enamel for copper wire. Tests on electric motors insulated with the new enamel show that the motors can operate continuously for 10 years at a temperature of 325 degrees F. without damage to the insulation.

WHEELCO DIVISION'S Chicago office will soon move into new and expanded facilities to be located at 6610 No. Sheridan Road, Chicago 26, Ill. This was announced recently by R. A. Schoenfeld, sales manager of the Wheelco Instruments Div., Barber-Colman Co.



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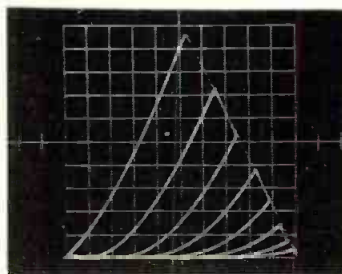


Fig. 1—Plate current plotted against plate voltage for one triode section of a 12AU7. Plate load is 5 k, peak plate-supply voltage is 500 v. Grid voltage is changed 5 v between curves, from -35 v. to zero. Vertical sensitivity is 5 ma/div, horizontal sensitivity 50 v/div. Calibrated controls permit accurate current and voltage readings directly from the screen.

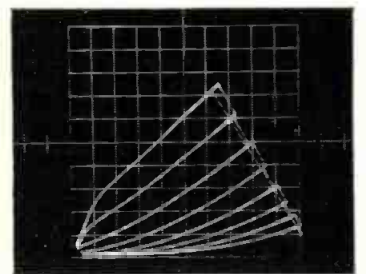


Fig. 2—Same triode section of 12AU7 with only 20-v peak plate supply and sensitivities increased to 0.2 ma/div vertical and 2 v/div horizontal. Grid voltage is changed 2 v between curves, from -14 v to zero. This is essentially a 25-times magnification of the lower left portion of Fig. 1, showing the operating characteristics at low plate-supply voltage.

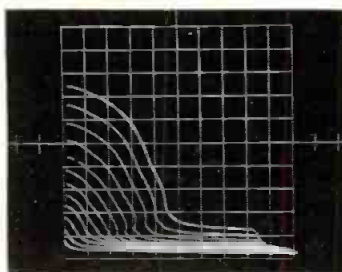


Fig. 3—Screen current plotted against plate voltage with positive grid bias on a 6AQ5. Plate load is 300 ohms, peak plate voltage is 100 v, screen-grid voltage is 100 v, with grid voltage changing 2 v/step from $+16$ v to below zero. Vertical scale is 10 ma/div, horizontal scale 10 v/div.

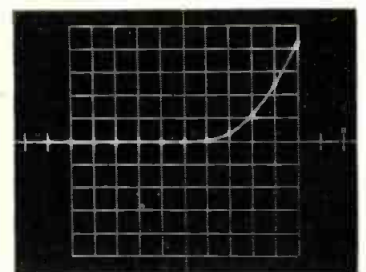


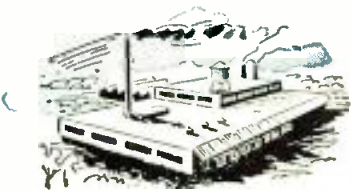
Fig. 4—Typical Germanium Diode curve. Inherent flexibility of the Type 570 permits accurate evaluation of diode characteristics and detailed examination of any part of the curve. Calibrated scales above are 0.2 v/div horizontal, 0.5 ma/div vertical, with zero points at center of screen.



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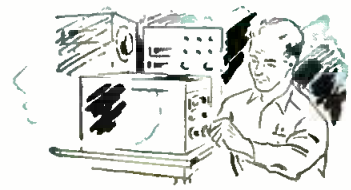
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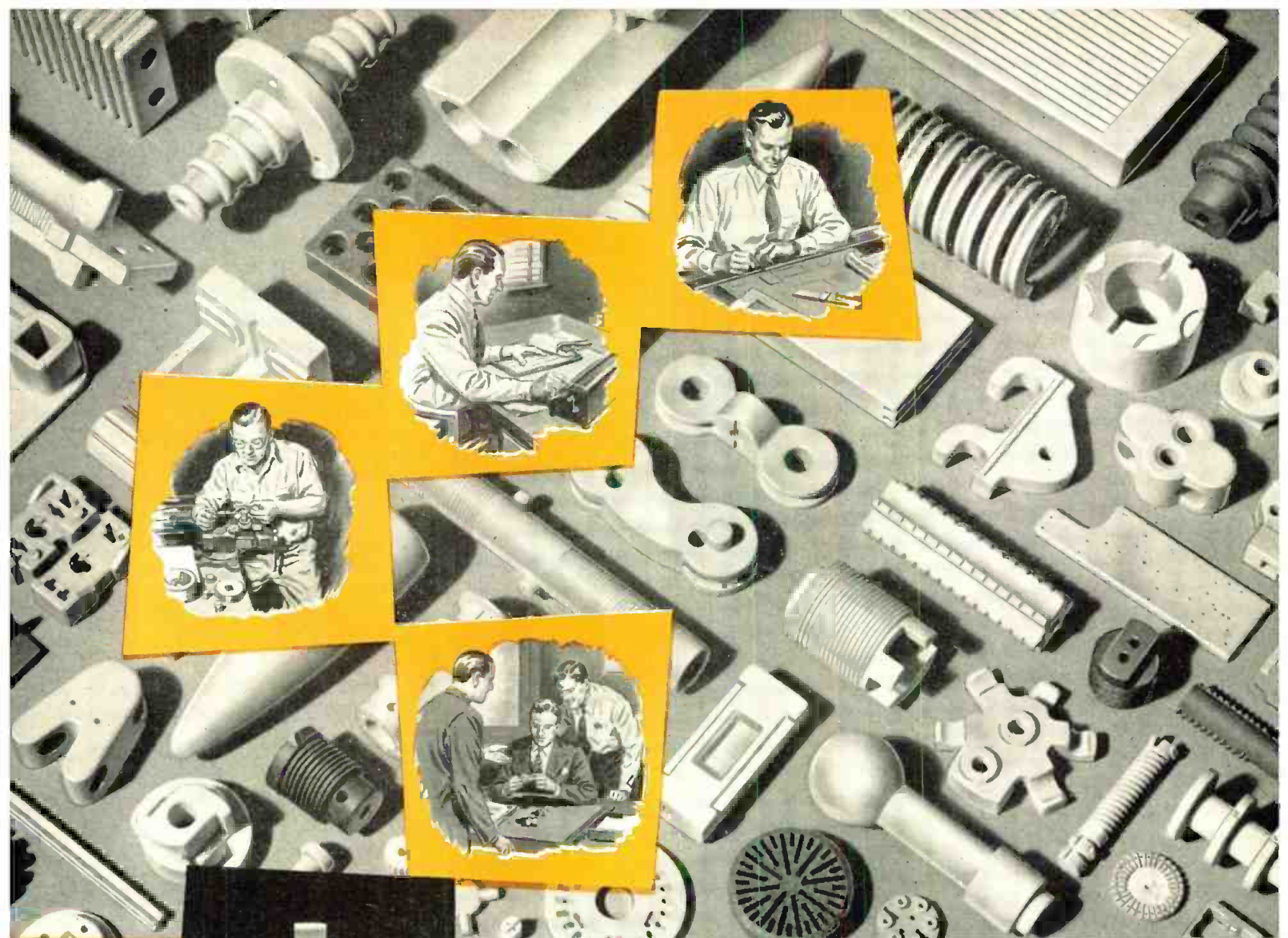
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New Tech Data for Engineers

Resumes of New Catalogs and Bulletins Offered This Month by Manufacturers to Interested Readers

Turret Punch Press

Bulletin No. 61, a 15-page booklet, presents the construction details, operation features, and time-saving principles of the R-61 turret punch press made by the Wiedemann Machine Co., 4272 Wissahickon Ave., P.O. Box 6794, Philadelphia 32, Pa. Gives performance specifications. (Ask for B-8-1)

Curve Tracer

A 7-page brochure, issued by Tektronix, Inc., Sunset Highway and Barnes Road, P.O. Box 831, Portland 7, Ore., gives a technical description of the Type 570 characteristic-curve tracer. Illustrates the unit and its curve displays; gives specifications and modifications notes. (Ask for B-8-2)

Paper Capacitor

A 4-page brochure, released by Astron Corp., 255 Grant Ave., E. Newark, N.J., presents the "Comet" Type MBP, molded-plastic, tubular, metallized-paper capacitor with performance characteristics, test specifications, and price list. (Ask for B-8-3)

Power Supplies

Bulletin RMPS-854, "Radar & Missile Power Supplies," illustrates and describes low-voltage, high-current, tubeless, magnetic-amplifier-regulated types of power supplies for ground and airborne missile and radar applications made by Perkin Engineering Corp., 345 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif. (Ask for B-8-4)

Motor-Gear-Train

A new catalog sheet issued by John Oster Manufacturing Co., 1 Main St., Racine, Wis., gives technical data, including dimensional drawings, performance features, and a table of motor and gear train lengths with related data. (Ask for B-8-5)

RF Connectors

A new D3 catalog devoted entirely to radio frequency connectors has been released by American Phenolic Corp., 1830 South 54th Ave., Chicago 50, Ill. The 64-page catalog contains the following r-f connector series, N, BN, C, LC, UHF, BNC, HN, between series adapters, coaxial cable fittings, push-on and "Subminax." Dimensions, mounting holes, weights, impedance, materials, and matching cable types are given for each connector. (Ask for B-8-6)

Channel Recorder

Bulletin 327, and attached statement of recent improvements and changes, illustrates and describes the 200-channel, automatic strain gauge recorder made by Beckman Instruments, Inc., Fullerton, Calif. Presents the instruments operation and applications. (Ask for B-8-7)

Electron Tubes

A 24-page booklet on the Advisory Group on Electron Tubes can be obtained on request to the New York University, Advisory Group on Electron Tubes, 346 Broadway, New York 13, N. Y. The booklet describes the purpose, organization, membership, operation, and history of the group, an agency of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development. (Ask for B-8-8)

Diplexer

Bulletin No. 429, announced by Prodelin Inc., 307 Bergen Ave., Kearney, N. J. contains application features, and electrical and mechanical specifications covering the Type DNTV-25 single line VHF high-band notch diplexer (Ask for B-8-9)

Lighting Arrangements

Technical information and prices covering the "C-lector" remote, preset, lighting arrangements control is available at Century Lighting, Inc., 531 W. 43rd St., New York, N. Y., and 1820-40 Berkeley St., Santa Monica, Calif. The new brochure describes the unit's operation and hookup method. (Ask for B-8-10)

Induction Motor

Design data sheet released by Dalmotor Co., 1373 Clay St., Santa Clara, Calif., describes the Type AC-93 miniature, subfractional, 400 cps induction motor. Illustrates the unit, gives detailed and dimensional outlines, and technical specifications. (Ask for B-8-18)

Transducers

"A Procedure for Transducer Evaluation." Bulletin KCE-491, is available from Crescent Engineering and Research Co., Electronics Div., 11632 McBean St., El Monte, Calif. (Ask for B-8-19)

Motors

A 14-page booklet issued by El Ray Co., Inc., 1747 Vose St., North Hollywood, Calif., gives characteristics and performance data on their line of fractional horsepower motors in permanent-magnet, field wound, and induction types. (Ask for B-8-20)

Electronic Equipment

Four technical literature releases issued by Consolidated Engineering Corp., 300 N. Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena 15, Calif., present the following electronic equipments: Bulletin 1402D presents the amplifier system D. Explains the system, gives operational principles, component specifications and prices. Bulletin 1537C illustrates and describes the Type 23-109 oscillograph processor, and gives technical data and prices. Bulletin CEC-1517 C illustrates and describes the coupling system "B" class, comprising the Type 8-201 matching network and Type 7-353 integrating galvanometers. Bulletin CEC-1556 covers the Type 4-315 pressure pickup. (Ask for B-8-21)

Microwave Equipment

A series of data sheets released by Cascade Research Corp., 53 Victory Lane, Los Gatos, Calif., illustrate and give dimensions and performance data covering the power, ruggedized, and standard "Uniline" isolators, the "Gyraline" variable attenuators, and other ferrite microwave equipment made by the company. (Ask for B-8-22)

Panel Instruments

A data sheet issued by Phaostron Co., 151 Pasadena Ave., Pasadena, Calif., presents mounting dimensions and technical data covering the company's metal-cased 4 1/2 in. custom panel instruments. (Ask for B-8-23)

AN Electrical Connectors

A bulletin describing the complete line of AN electrical connectors manufactured by the Deutsch Co., 7000 Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. is available to users in the electronic and allied industries. Describes application fields and performance requirements, sizes and capacities, basic parts, and numbering system. (Ask for B-8-24)

Metals

A booklet released by Metal Control Laboratories, Inc., chemical and metallurgical engineers, 2735 East Slauson Ave., Huntington Park, Calif., describes the ferrous and non-ferrous chemical analyses, quantitative analyses, physical tests, and metallurgical tests the organization is staffed and equipped to make. (Ask for B-8-25)

Material Impregnators

Bulletin 2550 describes the "Red Point" dual impregnators, made by Red Point Products, Inc., 1907 Riverside Drive, Glendale 1, Calif. Gives detailed description, drawing, parts and terminology. Tells how the unit simplifies deep impregnation of porous articles and laminates under vacuum. (Ask for B-8-26)

Magnetic Amplifiers

Bulletin MA, released by Hycor Company, Inc., 11423 Vanowen St., North Hollywood, Calif., describes the company's standard type magnetic amplifiers of toroidal construction. Also gives information regarding special designs for individual requirements. (Ask for B-8-27)

Digital Pressure Gauges

Bulletin BJE-606 describes the miniature digital pressure gauges developed by the Byron Jackson Co., Electronic Division, 2010 Lincoln Ave., Pasadena 3, Calif. Gives specifications for "Vibrotron" model gauges and lists other electronic testing and control instruments. (Ask for B-8-30)

Printed Circuit Connectors

Bulletin SR-DX2, issued by Cannon Promotion Dept., 3207 Humboldt St., Los Angeles 31, Calif., contains complete information on five new "Cannon" connectors ranging through 10, 18, 22, 28 to 44 contacts. (Ask for B-8-31)

Detector Cells

A 4-page illustrated brochure covers the "Servotherm" thermistor heat detector cells produced by Servo Corp. of America, 2020 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, N. Y. One, #1317, is a low-price commercial model. Model #1312 is a laboratory unit, and #1340 is for use where high ambient vibrations are present. (Ask for B-8-32)

Data Printers

Two new folders describe specifications and applications of two Clary Numerical Data Printers. Folders list six models of Parallel Entry and four models of Serial Entry Printers. Electronic Div., Clary Corp., San Gabriel, Calif. (Ask for B-8-33)

Breadboards

Four page catalog describes a flexible breadboard chassis system based on plate-modules. U. M. & F. Mfg. Corp., 10929 Vanowen St., N. Hollywood, Calif. (Ask for B-8-34)

Testing Facilities

Four-page brochure outlines the environmental and type-testing facilities and services offered by American Electronic Laboratories, Inc., 641 Arch St., Phila. 6, Pa. (Ask for B-8-35)

Spectrum Analyzer

Type LA-17 Spectrum Analyzer, with a calibrated range from 10 to 16,000 mc and usable range from 3 to 34,000 mc, is described in a 2-page folder from Lavoie Laboratories, Inc., Morganville, N. J. (Ask for B-8-36)

Microwave System

Bulletin 3-206, released by the Equipment and Marketing Div., Raytheon Manufacturing Co., Waltham, Mass., describes the Model TCR-12 "Teletelink," an automatic, two-way telephone, telegraph, "Teletype" and telemetering microwave communications system operating in the common carrier or industrial bands. (Ask for B-8-11)

Analyzer

A brochure released by DIT-MCO Inc., 505 W. 9th St., Kansas City 6, Mo., describes the Model 200 universal automatic electrical circuit analyzer. Presents several models of the analyzer with applicable specifications and gives an example of various circuits and components with which the analyzer is used in different tests. (Ask for B-8-12)

"Rotoroids"

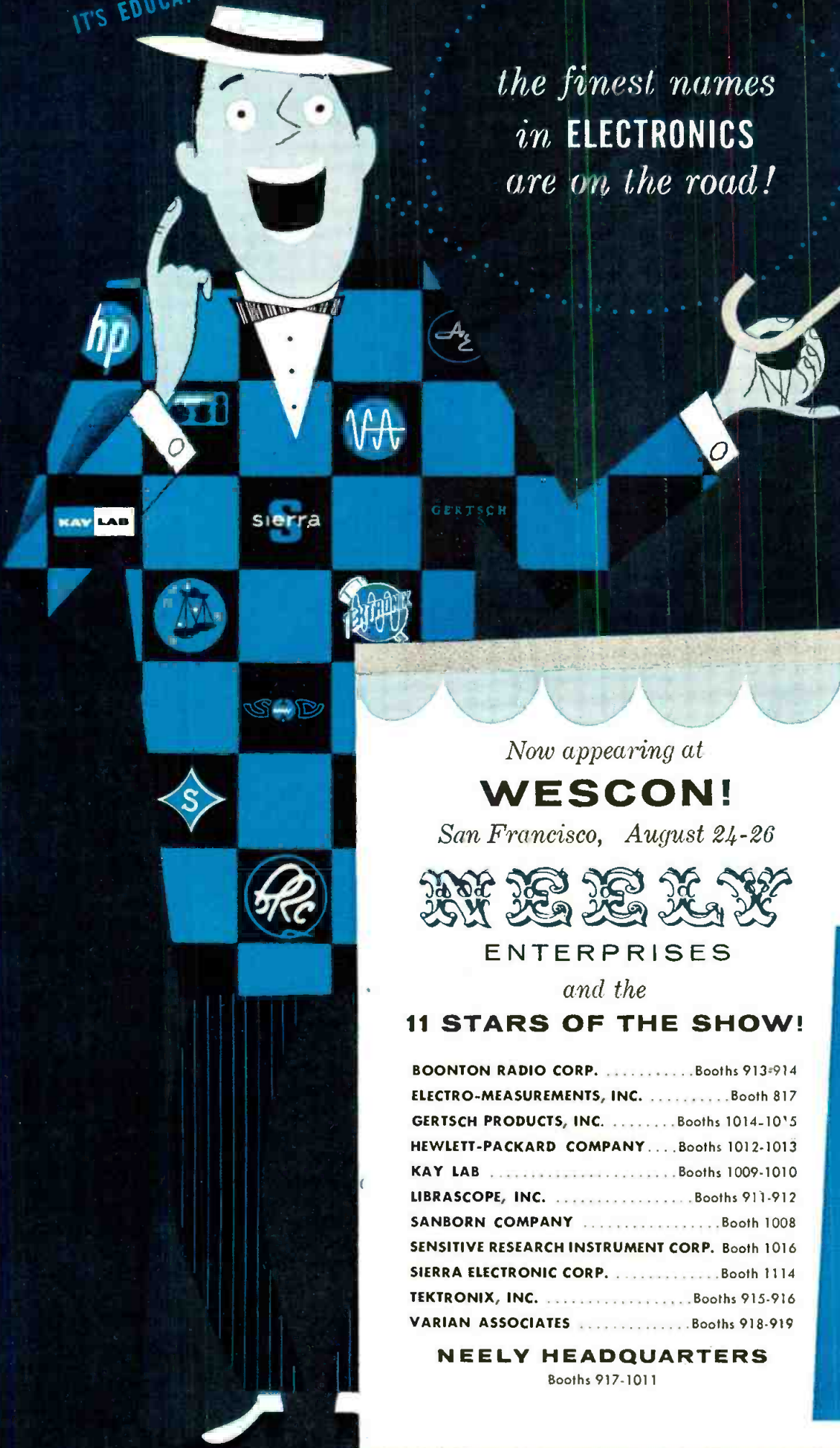
Burnell & Company, Inc., Yonkers 2, N. Y., (Pacific Division, 720 Mission St., South Pasadena, Calif.) has revisions for pages 3 and 4 of the recently released "Rotoroid" technical data sheet. Gives values for mass and shaft torque for standard units and other data. (Ask for B-8-13)

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Coming Events

A listing of meetings, conferences, shows, etc., occurring during the period Aug. 1955 through Oct. 1956 that are of special interest to electronic engineers

- Aug. 15-19—AIEE Pacific General Meeting, Butte, Montana.
- Aug. 22-23—Symposium on Electronics in Automatic Production, sponsored by Stanford Research Institute and the National Industrial Conference Board, Sheraton Palace, San Francisco, Calif.
- Aug. 23-Sept. 3—British National Radio Show, Earls Court, London, England.
- Aug. 24-26—WESCON Western Electronic Show & Convention, San Francisco Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, Calif.
- August 26-28—Sixteenth Annual Summer Seminar, sponsored by the Emporium Section of the IRE, Emporium, Pa.
- Aug. 26-Sept. 4—German Radio, Television, Gramophone and Radiogram Exhibition, Dusseldorf, Germany.
- Sept. 6-17—Production Engineering Show and Machine Tool Show, Navy Pier and International Amphitheatre, Chicago, Ill.
- Sept. 12-16—10th Annual Conference and Exhibit, sponsored by ISA, Shrine Exposition Hall and Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Sept. 14-16—ACM General Meeting, Moore School of Electrical Eng., Univ. of Pennsylvania, Phila., Pa.
- Sept. 14-16—The Second National Annual Meeting of the IRE Professional Group on Nuclear Science (PGNS), Oak Ridge, Tenn.
- Sept. 17—Symposium on Automation, sponsored by the Cedar Rapids section of the IRE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
- Sept. 20-22—10th Anniversary Industrial Packaging and Materials Handling Show, Kingsbridge Armory, New York, N. Y.
- Sept. 23-24—Annual BTS Meeting, sponsored by IRE, Hamilton Hotel, Wash., D.C.
- Sept. 26-27—6th Annual Meeting and Conference of the IRE Professional Group on Vehicular Communications, Multnomah Hotel, Portland, Ore.
- Sept. 26-27—RETMA Symposium on Automation, University of Pa., Philadelphia, Pa.
- Sept. 26-28—Prof. Gp. on Communications Systems, IRE, Symposium, Utica, N. Y.
- Sept. 26-30—The First Trade Fair of the Atomic Industry, Sheraton-Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- Sept. 27-Oct. 1—Int'l. Analog Computation Meeting, Brussels, Belgium.
- Sept. 28-29—Industrial Electronics Conference, sponsored by the AIEE and IRE, Detroit Rackam Memorial Auditorium, Detroit, Michigan.
- Sept. 30-Oct. 2—High Fidelity Show, Palmer House, Chicago, Ill.
- Sept. 30-Oct. 2—International Sight and Sound Exposition, Inc., Palmer House, Chicago.
- Oct. 3-5—National Electronics Conference, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Illinois.
- Oct. 3-7—AIEE Fall General Meeting, Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.
- Oct. 3-7—78th Semi-annual Convention of the SMPTE, Lake Placid, New York, N.Y.
- Oct. 11-13—AIEE Aircraft Electronic Equipment Conference, Los Angeles, California.
- Oct. 12-15—Convention of the Audio Engineering Society, Hotel New Yorker, N. Y.
- Oct. 17-19—RETMA Radio Fall Meeting, Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y.
- Oct. 21-23—New England Hi-Fi Show, Hotel Touraine, Boston, Mass.
- Oct. 24-25—Annual Technical Meeting sponsored by the IRE Professional Group on Electron Devices, Washington, D. C.
- October 24-26—Sixth National Conference on Standards, sponsored by the American Standards Association and the National Bureau of Standards, Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- Oct. 31-November 4—East Coast Conference on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics, Baltimore, Md.
- Oct. 31-Nov. 4—World Symposium on Applied Solar Energy, conducted under leadership of Stanford Research Institute, Phoenix, Arizona.
- Nov. 3-4—The Eighth Annual Electronics Conference, sponsored by the Kansas City section of the IRE, the Town House, Kansas City, Kansas.
- Nov. 7-9—Eastern Joint Computer Conference and Exhibition, sponsored by the AIEE, the IRE, and the Association for Computing Machinery, Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass.
- Nov. 14-16—IRE/AIEE/ASA Electronic Techniques in Biology and Medicine, Shoreham Hotel, Wash., D.C.
- Nov. 14-17—Second International Automation Exposition, Chicago Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois.
- Dec. 10-16—International Atomic Exposition, Cleveland Public Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Dec. 12-16—Nuclear Science and Engineering Congress, sponsored by the Engineers Joint Council, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Jan. 9-10, 1956—Second National Symposium on Reliability and Quality Control in Electronics, sponsored by the Professional Group on Reliability and Quality Control of the IRE, co-sponsored by the American Society for Quality Control and the RETMA.
- Jan. 19-21, 1956—National Simulation Conference, sponsored by the Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter of the IRE Professional Group on Electronic Computers (PGEC), Dallas, Texas.
- Jan. 30-Feb. 3, 1956—AIEE Winter General Meeting, Statler Hotel, New York, N.Y.
- Feb. 2-3, 1956—Symposium on Microwave Theory and Techniques, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Phila., Pa.
- April 15-19, 1956—The 34th annual convention of the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
- April 17-19, 1956—Fourth National Conference on Electromagnetic Relays.
- May 14-16, 1956—National Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics Conference, Dayton, Ohio.
- Aug. 15-17, 1956—IRE/AIEE/IAS/ISA National Telemetry Conference, Statler Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Aug. 21-25, 1956—WESCON
- Oct. 1-3, 1956—National Electronics Conference.
- Oct. 15-17, 1956—IRE/RETMA Fall Meeting, Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, New York.

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TELE-TIPS

THE RUGGED INDIVIDUAL who hates to work with others has no place as an electronic engineer, pointed out Dr. Mervin J. Kelly, Bell Labs' president, recently in a magazine article, "Should Your Child Be An Electronic Engineer?" More and more, Dr. Kelly said, electronic engineering has become dependent on teamwork. He added that the following characteristics should be looked for in youths choosing the science field: a scientific bent, a liking for math and physics, a fascination for experiments and a painstaking, intelligent, honest and open mind.

ELECTRONIC DICTIONARIES

which turn months of problem preparation time into a matter of minutes have been developed for Remington Rand's Univac system. Actually an automatic programming system, the new development is claimed to do away with the tedious and time-consuming work of coding, writing and checking programs of instruction for electronic computers.

NEW GUNFIRE CONTROL equipment manufactured by Daystrom Inc. for the U.S.S. New Jersey weighs 11 tons, incorporates more than 32,000 parts and require more than 18,000 electrical connections. Navy sees it as the answer to tracking high speed jets.

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system that operates by means of electronic controls is being demonstrated at the Colmar, Pa. plant of Link-Belt Co. In response to signals from punched cards, the carriers of an overhead trolley conveyor are tripped to discharge packages to any number of chutes in which are accumulated orders for various customers.

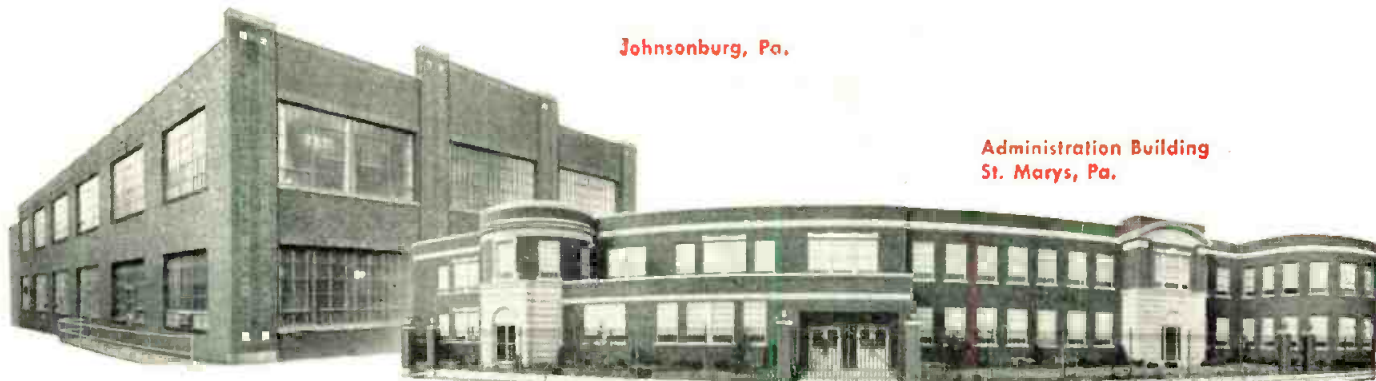
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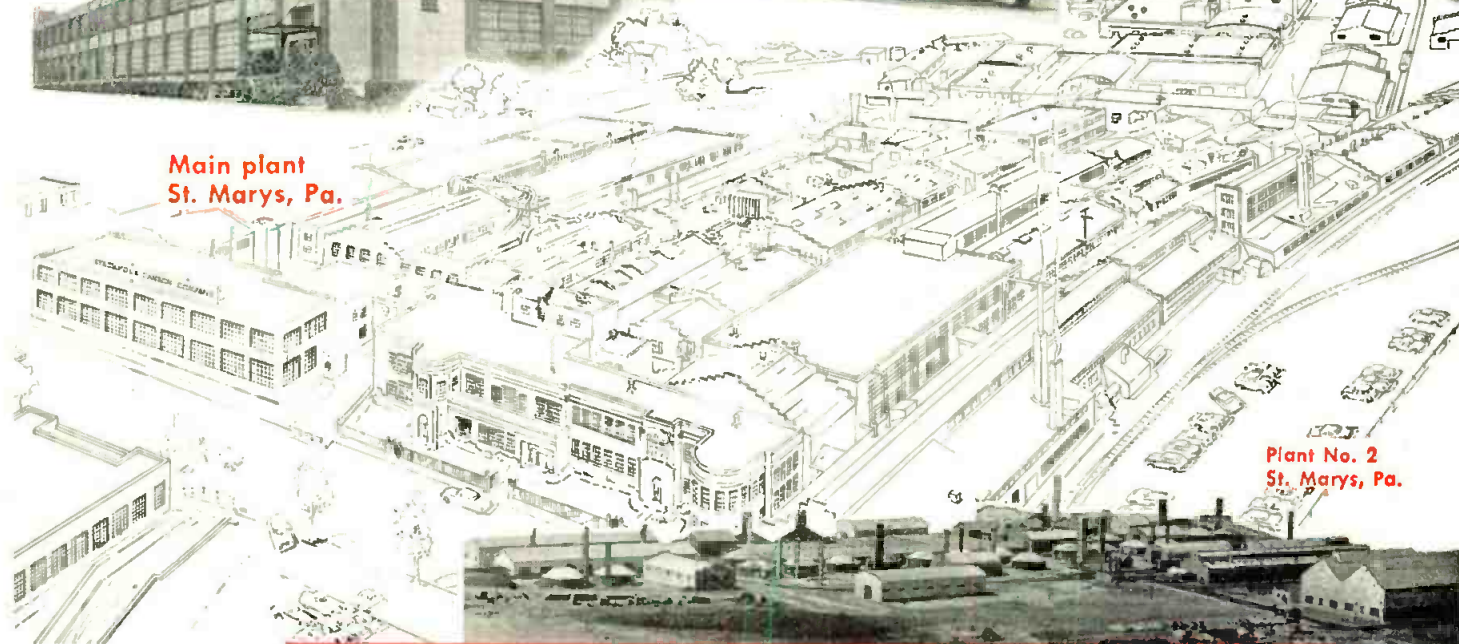
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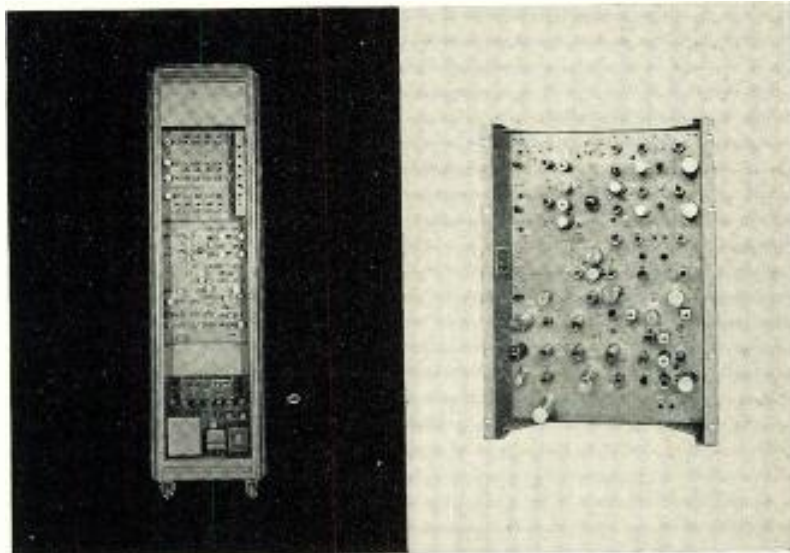
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Output Signals: NTSC Composite
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Output Signal Information:
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Black to White
Dots—White dots on a black field
External Video—Positive or
negative (Provision for mixing
ext. video with above).
System Bandwidth: Luminance
Channel 6 mc
Chrominance: "I" and "Q"
Channel per NTSC standard
Subcarrier balance stability: Drift
not greater than 6 mv (1.4
v. pk-pk signal), 8 hour operation.
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1% Signal Level
Power Requirements: AC 105-125
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Output Signals: NTSC
Composite Video 2 Outputs
0–1.4 v. pk-pk
Available Test Signals: I, Q, Y,
R-Y, B-Y, (Neg. and Pos.) Video
Input Signals: Subcarrier
20-30 v. pk-pk, 3.579545 mc
Sync. 3.0 v. pk-pk, negative
Vertical Drive 3.0 v. pk-pk
negative, R, G, B; 1 v. pk-pk
System Bandwidth: Luminance
Channel 6 mc
Chrominance: "I" and "Q"
Channel per NTSC standard
Subcarrier Balance Stability:
Drift not greater than 6
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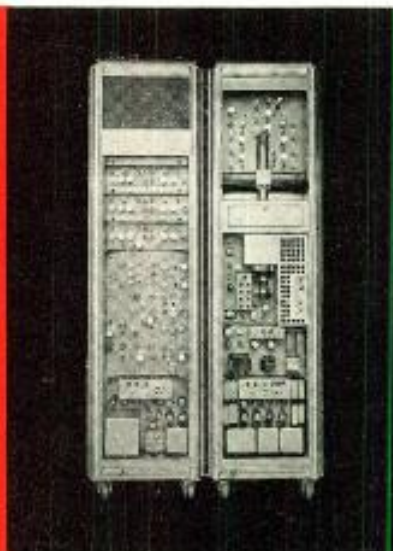
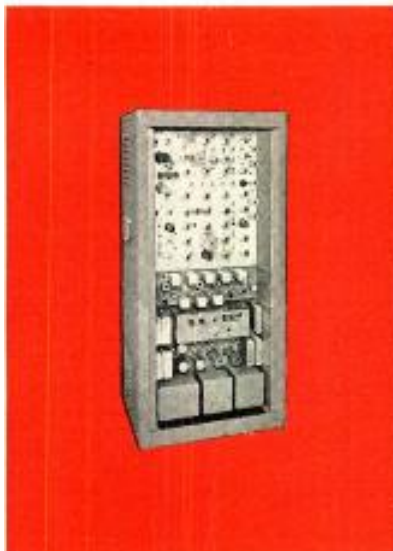
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COLOR TV VIDEO MONITOR — MODEL M-200

Two portable units supplied with brackets for standard rack mounting. High definition color picture with exceptionally good color rendition is displayed on a 15 inch tri-color kinescope. Excellent for checking the quality of NTSC color video signals in the studio, on transmission lines or in the receiver factory. Special test jacks and switches are provided for analyzing R, G, B signals, matrixing and phase of color signals. Exceptionally good synchronizing capabilities over a wide range of signals. Special convergence circuits are employed to give maximum utilization of color kinescope. Model M200 has good color stability and is relatively insensitive to line voltage changes. Excellent dynamic circuit linearity assures good color stability over a wide range in signal level.



SYNCHRONIZING GENERATOR— MODEL PT-201

Output Signals: Sync. (Neg. and Pos.) 4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Blanking (Neg. and Pos.) 4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Horiz. Drive (Neg. and Pos.) 4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Vert. Drive (Neg. and Pos.) 4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Composite Video Output (Neg. and Pos) 1.4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Internal Dot Pattern or External Video—1.4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Input Power: 105-125 v. 4.5 amps., 60 cps.

COLOR SLIDE SCANNER— MODEL PT-210

Output Signals: NTSC Composite Video 2 Outputs 0—1.4 v. pk-pk
Optical Head: Lens—F. 2.0
50 mm, Xenon lens in tractorica mount
IN-LINE dichroic mirrors
Color Slide 2 x 2 color Transparencies
Gamma Amplifier:
Three Channels (R, G, B)
Input Signal—1.4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Output Signal—1.4 v. pk-pk across 75 ohms
Colorplexer: (See Model PT-205 above)
Deflection and High Voltage Unit:
Kinescope type 5AUP24;
Operating Voltage: 27 KV regulated
Linearity: 2% across raster
Horizontal and Vertical
Photomultiplier Power Supply:
Electrically regulated. Filament Supply—AC line Regulated
Input Signals: Hor. Drive—3 v. pk-pk
Ver. Drive—3 v. pk-pk. Blanking Drive—3 v. pk-pk Sync. 3 v. pk-pk
Power Requirement: AC 105-125 v., 16 amp., 60 cps.

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Subcarrier Frequency Dual Output:
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with maximum rate of frequency change not exceeding 1/10 cps./sec.
Subcarrier Output Voltage: 25 to 40 volts
Frequency Divider Output:
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Divider Output Voltage: 0 to 100 volts
Ambient Temperature: 40° F. to 110° F.
Power Requirements: AC 105-125, 2A, 60 cps.

COLOR VIDEO MONITOR—MODEL M-200

Input Video Signal: 0.5 to 2.0 volts, pk-pk
Signal Polarity: Pos., Neg., Bal.
Input Impedance: 66 mmf across 2.2 megohms or 75 ohms
Resolution: 250-300 lines min. (Full utilization of NTSC Color Signal Bandwidth)
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Focus: Electro Static
Net Weight: 175 lbs.
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TELE-TIPS

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LEARNING TO LISTEN. A group of ambitious adults in Philadelphia are going back to school to learn how to become better listeners. Listening, according to school director C. L. Scheetz, is the most abused and neglected tool of man-to-man communication. So 100 employees of Minneapolis-Honeywell's Industrial Division are participating in a comprehensive training program which covers all phases of communications: listening, writing, reading and speaking.

THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STANDARDIZATION, at a five-day meeting held recently in Stockholm on Cinematography, adopted several proposals to help further international exchange of film products. Safety film definition and methods of testing were agreed upon as well as a U.S. proposal for the cutting and perforating of 35mm film for use in Cinemascope.

SUPERSONIC VIBRATIONS may be the answer to a problem which has intrigued scientists for many years—how to tap the ocean's supply of plankton, microscopic sea life. The plan, proposed by a young Worcester Polytech Inst. student, is to pump sea water through a cylindrical crystal at the precise frequency necessary to cause the tiny particles to collide with one another, to bunch up and to stick together.

KODAK OPAL PAPER, V, is proving to be a real boon to photographers making prints for reproduction on TV. Suede surface on this paper adds to the illusion of depth and provides a surface which is virtually reflection-free. The latter is of prime importance when a print is to be placed in front of the camera.

TV TUBE SURVEY of 150 different TV receivers used in 1954 and 1955, revealed 119 different tube types found to be in use in these sets. This was the result of a survey conducted recently by G. E. Co. to insure availability of replacements in the G.E. tube line.

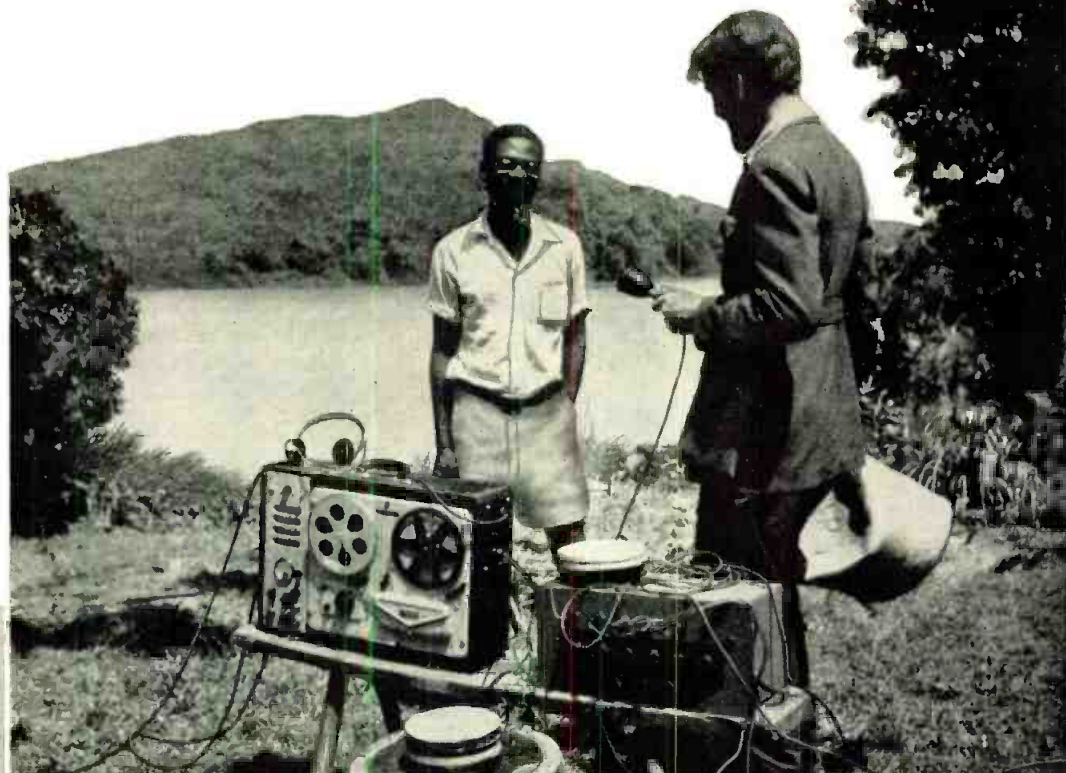
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African Torture Test

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"The Ituri Forest provides the worst possible conditions for recording work. Our camera lenses grew mushrooms, even on the inner surfaces. All leather molded in four days. Our acetate-base tapes became unuseable. But the LR Audiotape always unwound without sticking and showed no tendency to stretch or curl."



COLIN M. TURNBULL, noted explorer, made the above comments on his recent return from a year-long recording expedition through the arid deserts and steaming jungles of Africa, where Audiotape on "Mylar" polyester film was subjected to the "worst recording conditions in the world." Its performance speaks for itself.

Here's positive proof that all hot-weather recording problems can be entirely eliminated by using the new LR Audiotape on Mylar* polyester film.

During his trip from Morocco to East Africa, through the Gold Coast and the Congo, Mr. Turnbull recorded 45,000 ft. of Audiotape on 1 and 2 mil "Mylar". Not an inch of it gave any trouble, either in desert sun (125° temperature, 25% humidity) or in the Congo forests (85° temperature, 90% humidity).

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Table I TESTS AT 75°F, 50% RELATIVE HUMIDITY

| | Yield Strength | Breaking Strength |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 mil Acetate | 3.7 lb. | 3.9 lb. |
| 0.9 mil "Mylar" | 4.2 lb. | 7.6 lb. |
| 1.45 mil Acetate | 5.0 lb. | 5.5 lb. |

Table II TESTS AT 75°F, 90% RELATIVE HUMIDITY

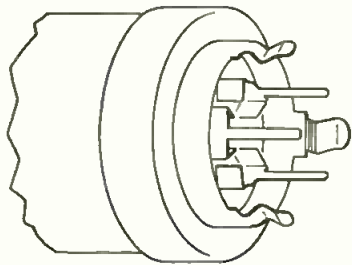
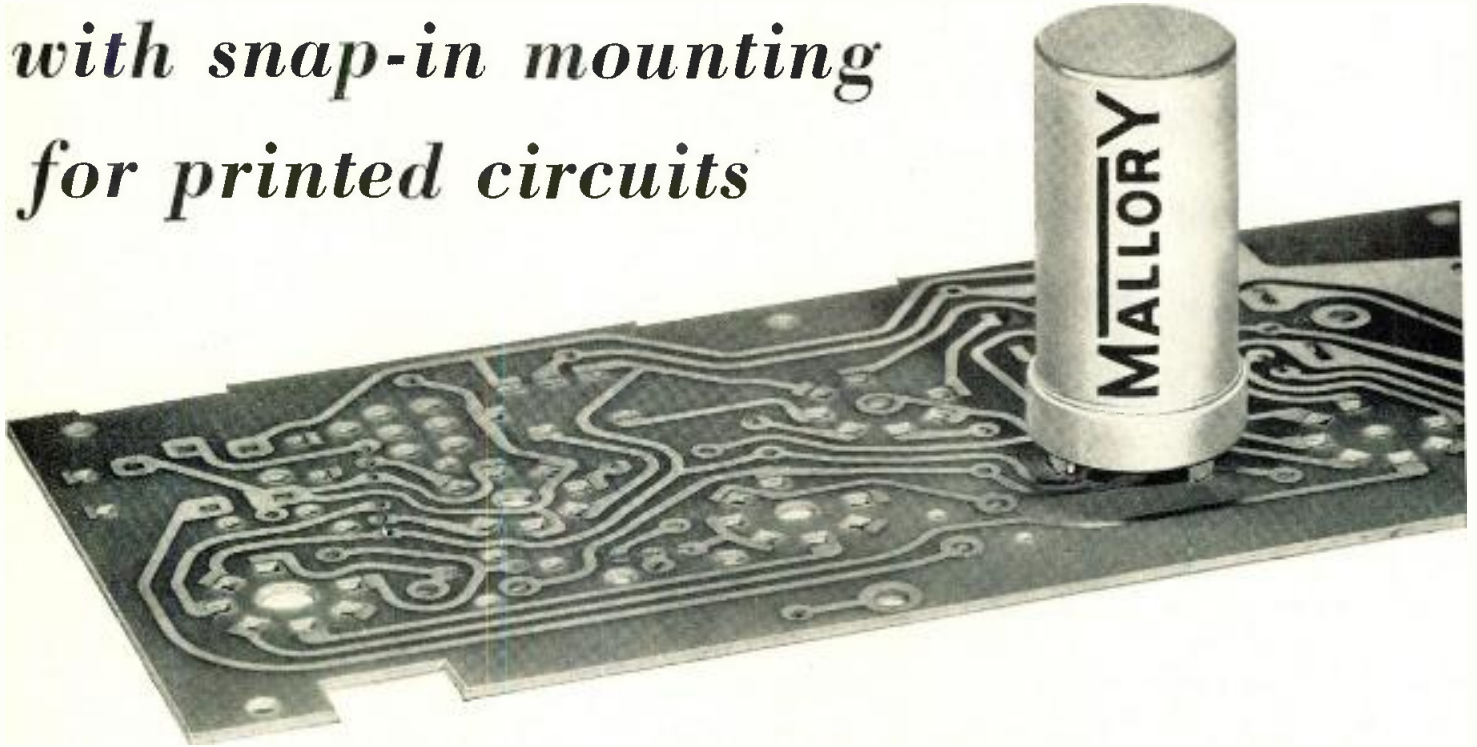
| | Yield Strength | Breaking Strength |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 mil Acetate | 1.8 lb. | 2.5 lb. |
| 0.9 mil "Mylar" | 4.1 lb. | 7.6 lb. |
| 1.45 mil Acetate | 3.0 lb. | 4.1 lb. |

The above test data, taken under conditions of both winter and summer humidity, show the marked superiority of 1-mil "Mylar," not only over the thin cellulose acetate base, but over the standard 1.45-mil acetate as well.

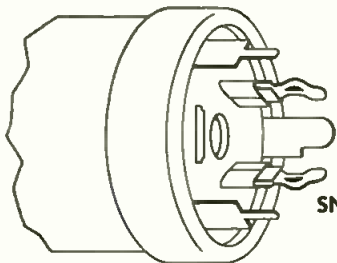
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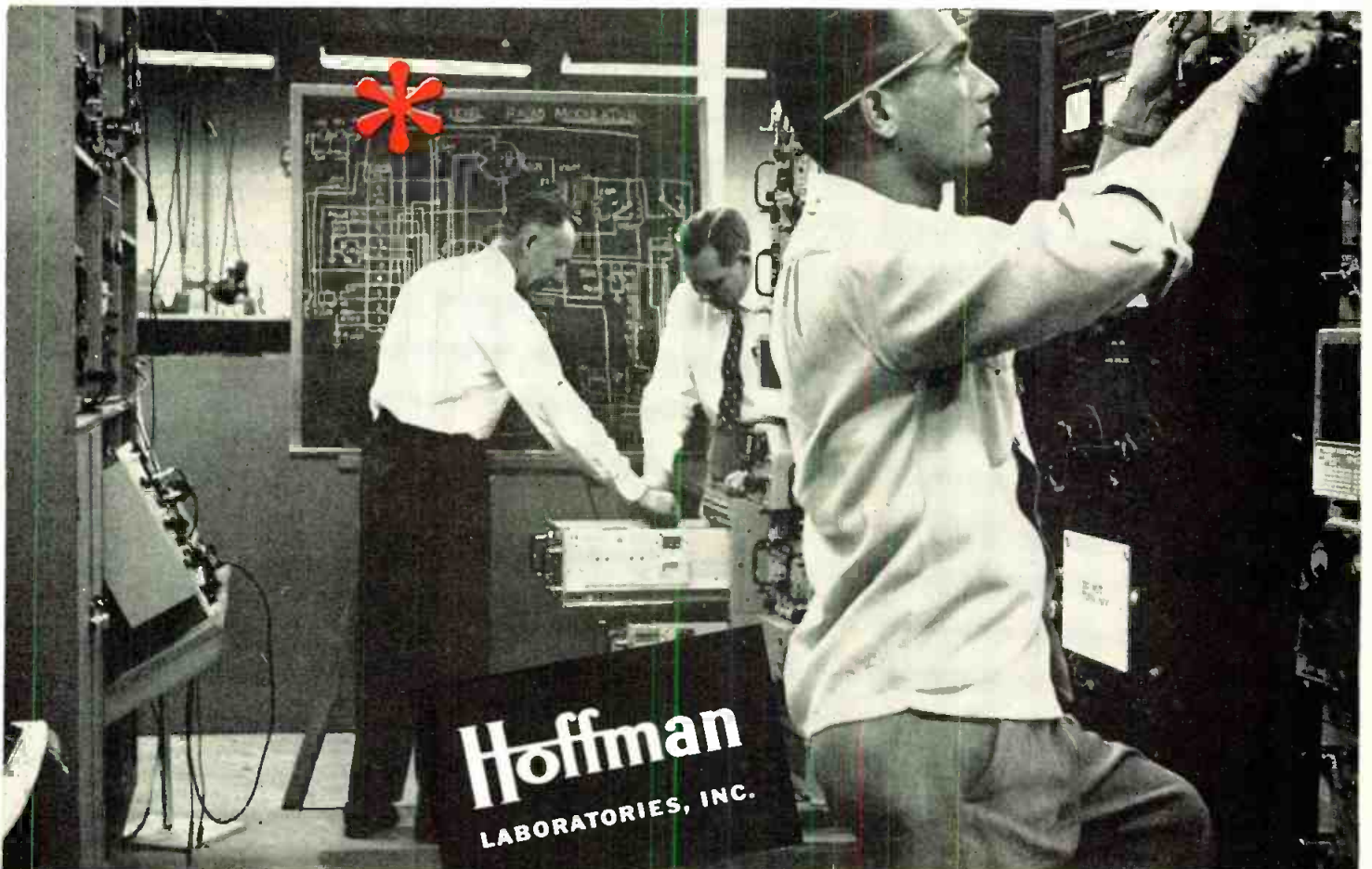


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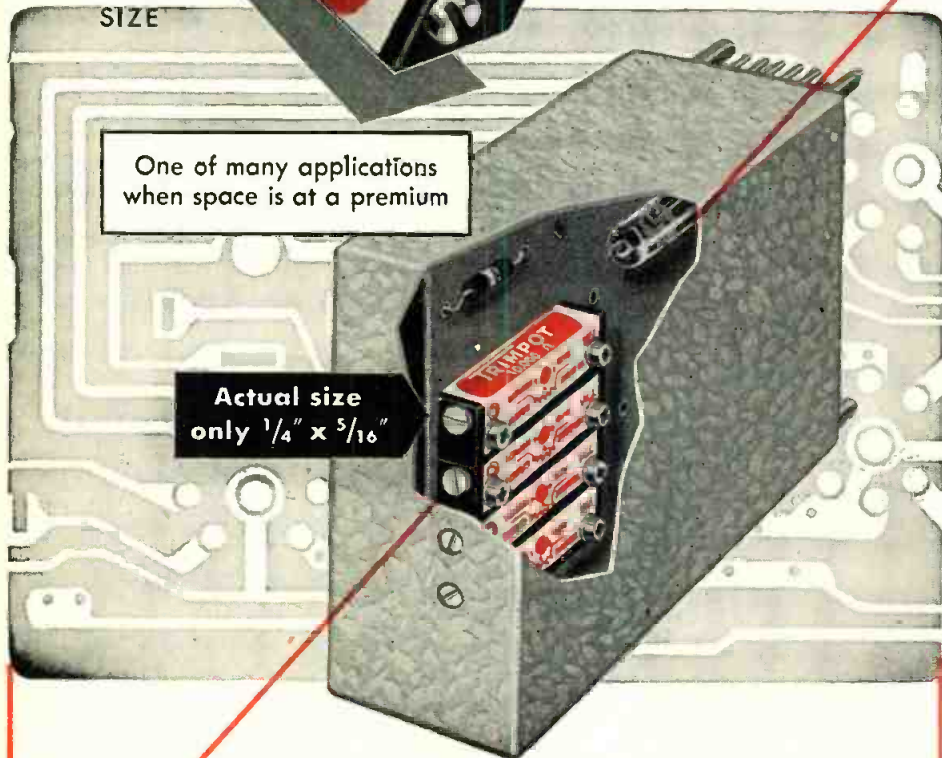
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PRINTED CIRCUITS assembled by automation have eliminated 425 hand soldered connections from Admiral Corp's new TV receivers.

AN EARMUFF that fits over the head like a phone set and covers each ear to muffle sound of every frequency, has been developed at Worcester Polytechnic Institute by Prof. William D. Wadsworth, several graduate students, and the David M. Clark Co. It is useful in jet engine testing where sound alone can vibrate the leather soles on a man's shoes.

PARACHUTES are in great demand today if they can withstand the pressures for which they are being put to use in the aviation industry, according to a report of the Air Force's Wright Air Development Center. Used in the recovery and operation of guided missiles, and used for deceleration of near sonic and supersonic aircraft, the present so-called "marginal" materials are fast creating the need for better and stronger parachute materials.

MATHEMATICIANS ASSOCIATED with Cook Labs had this to say on earthquakes and music: "If 5000 Earthquake records are sold each week for 50 weeks per year for 5 years, a statistical analysis will show that the moment must arrive when exactly 97,256 hi-fi systems or more will play the earthquake together. At this time, if the woofers are in phase, the western hemisphere should disintegrate. This is High Fidelity's answer to the Hydrogen bomb.

SCRAP-HAPPY Poles are a headache to their Communist government officials. The Voice of America quotes a Polish provincial newspaper as reporting that unknown parties in the small seaport city of Szczecin (Stettin) are cutting up telephone cables and selling them for scrap. Particular damage is being done to the local government's inter-agency phone system.

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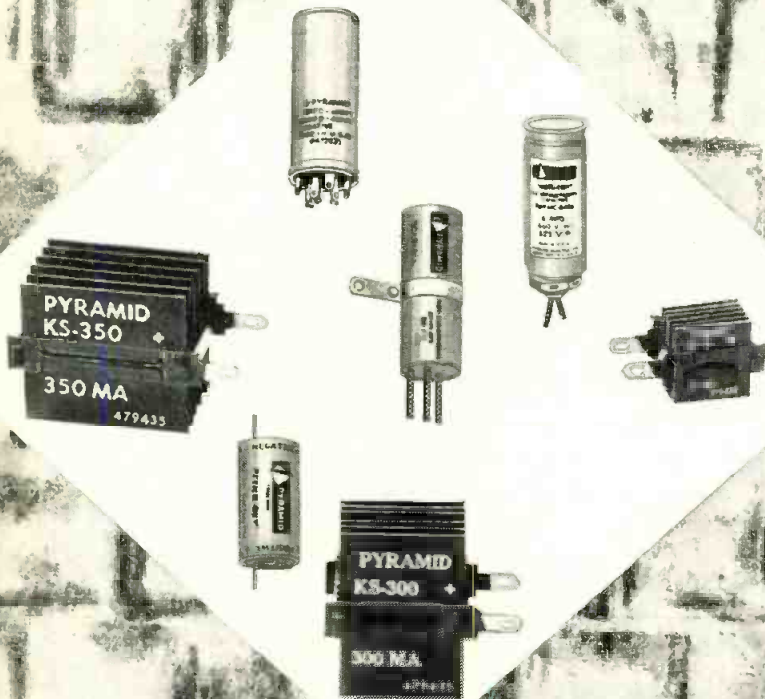
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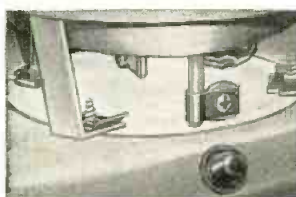
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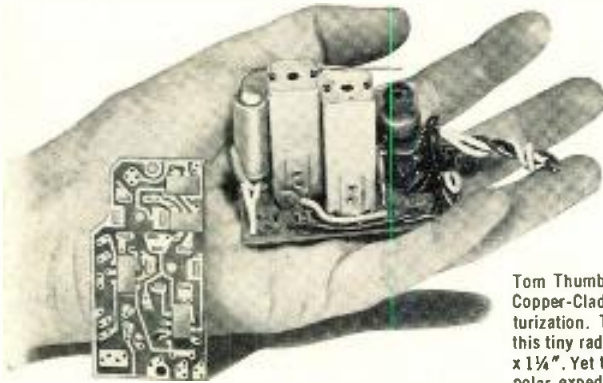
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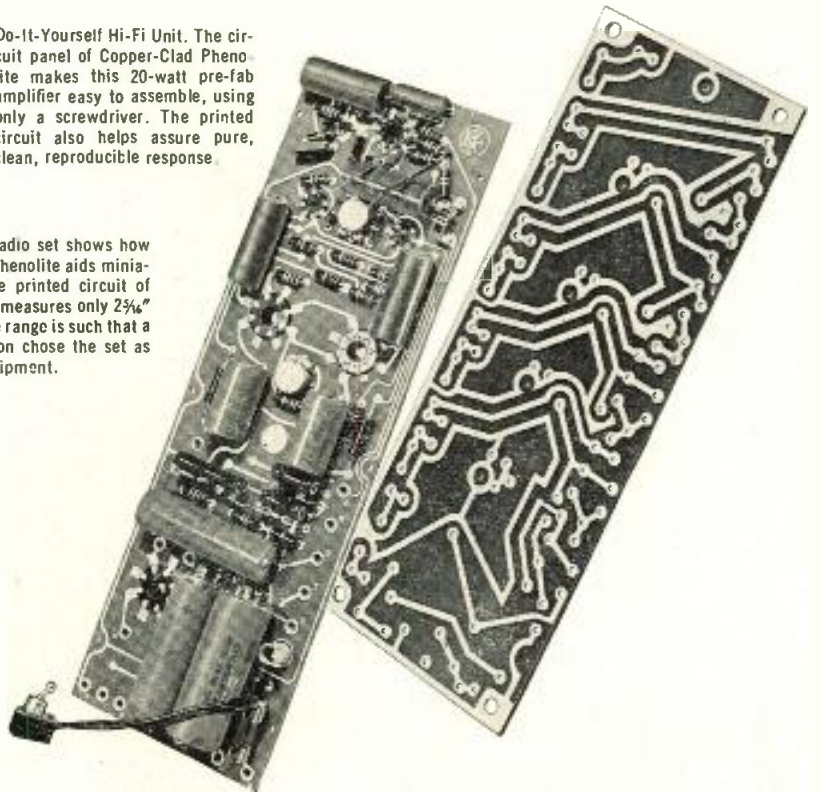
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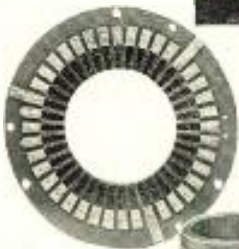
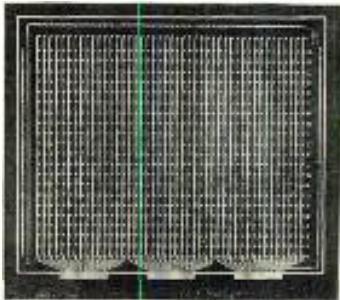


Do-It-Yourself Hi-Fi Unit. The circuit panel of Copper-Clad Phenolite makes this 20-watt pre-fab amplifier easy to assemble, using only a screwdriver. The printed circuit also helps assure pure, clean, reproducible response.

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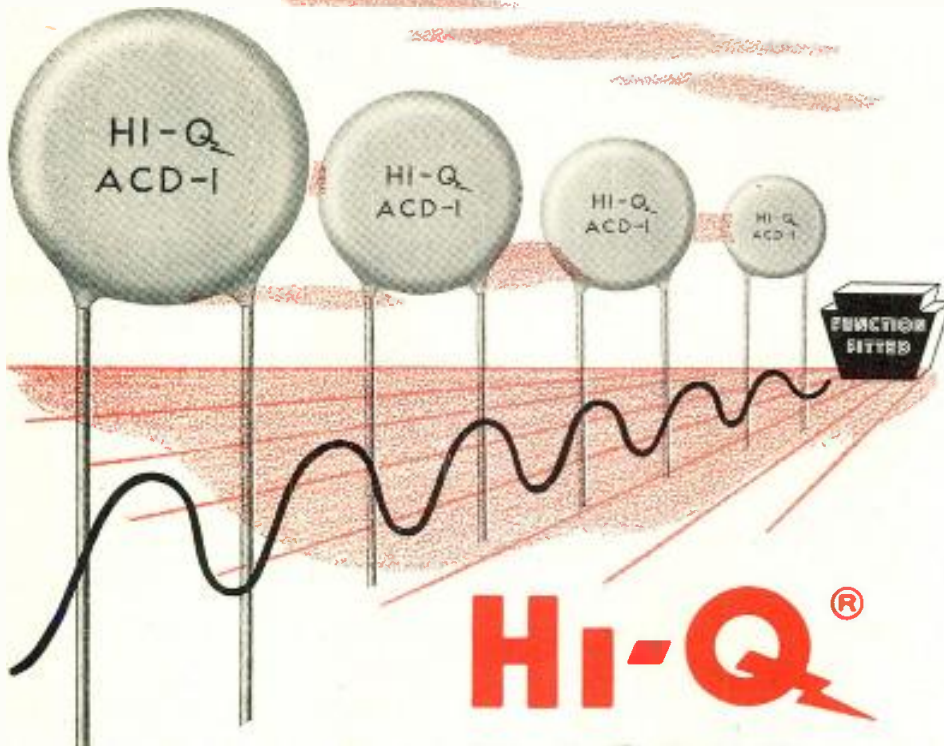
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TELEMETERED INFORMATION from high-flying balloons is providing Air Force scientists with a picture of the electrical fields and currents produced by thunderclouds, and also on the changes caused by lightning discharges to the ground or other charged centers. The balloons are being launched from Orlando AFB, Florida.

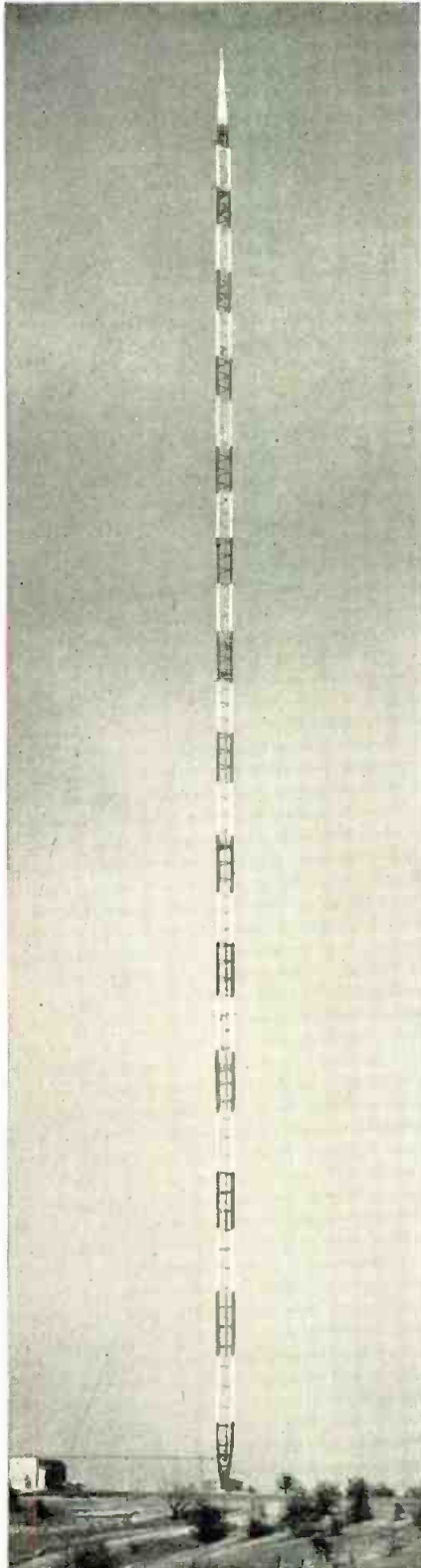
RADIOACTIVE DIRT is being used by scientists at Westinghouse Research Labs to determine what physical and chemical forces hold dirt to cloth and how detergents, agitation and water temperature break down these forces. Dirt is "tagged" by incorporating radioactive carbon as an ingredient, then radiation is measured before and after washing.

NUCLEAR ENGINEERING specialists of Minneapolis-Honeywell have designed and built a working mock-up model of an automatic electronic control system for nuclear reactors which they will exhibit at the International Atoms-For-Peace Conference to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, Aug. 8 to 20.

THE AUDIO BUG is breeding its own type of petty larceny. Cook Labs reports a number of cases in which customers are paying for diamond cartridges or stylii but are actually receiving sapphire. The report warns that only an expert in precious stones can distinguish the difference, then advises: avoid "bargains," and trade at a reputable dealer.

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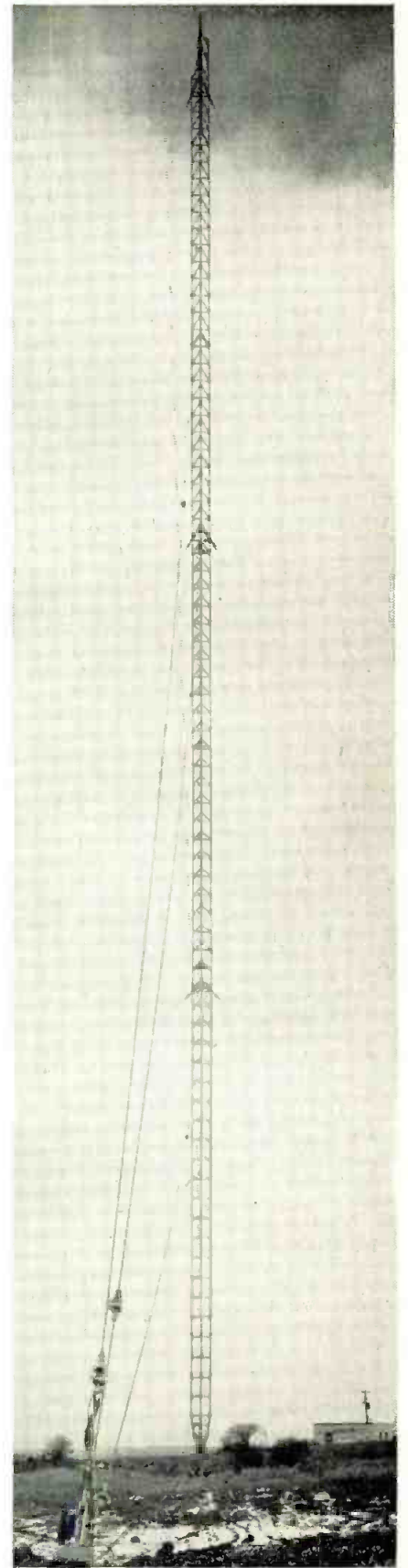


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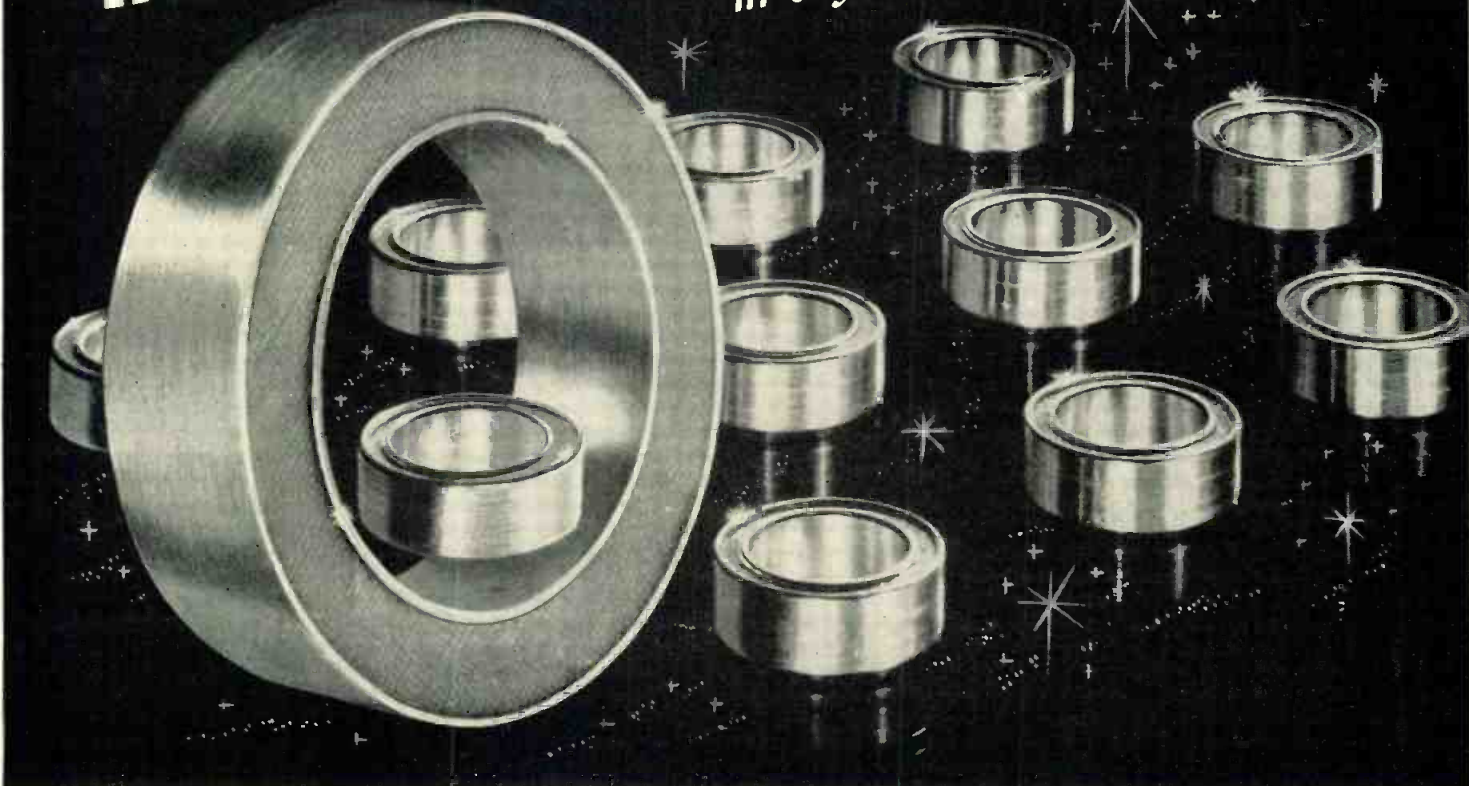
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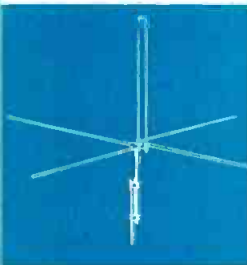
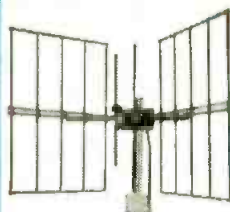
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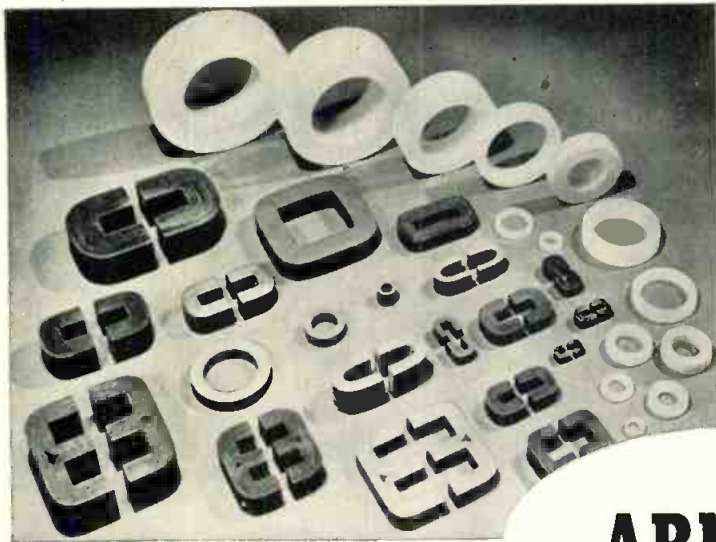
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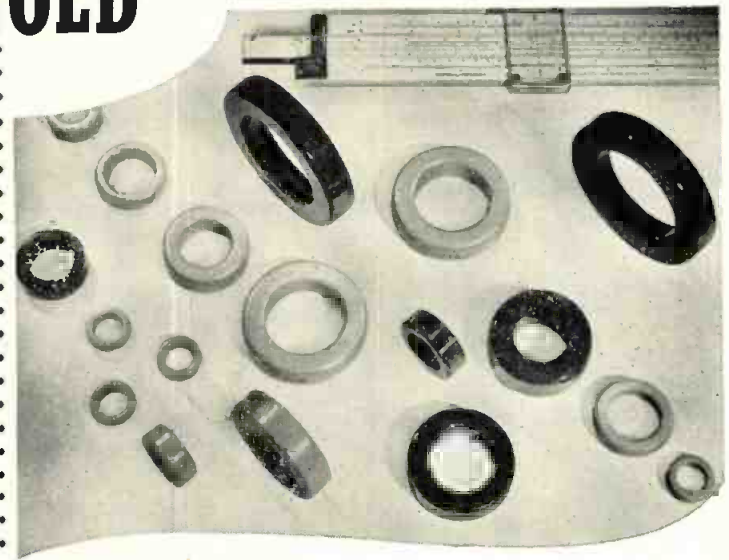


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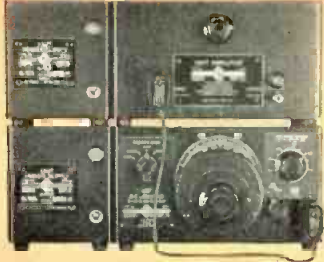
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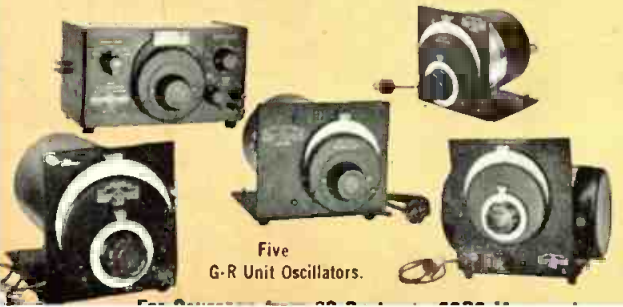
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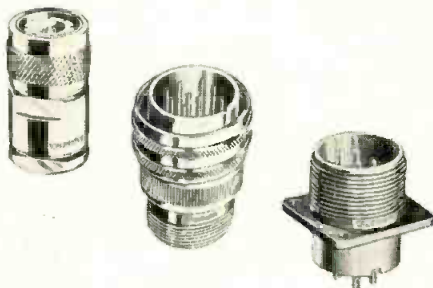
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TV and Radar Encyclopedia

By W. MacLanachan. Published 1954, second edition, by Pitman Publishing Corp., 2 W. 45 St., New York 36, N.Y. 216 pages, price \$6.00.

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Fundamental Formulas of Physics

By Donald H. Menzel. Published 1955 by Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 765 pages, price \$10.65.

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By Stephen A. Knight, F.R.S.A. Published 1954, second edition, by Pitman Publishing Corp., 2 W. 45 St., New York 36, N.Y. 150 pages, price \$3.00.

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Dictionary of Television, Radar and Antennas

By W. E. Clason. Published 1955 by Elsevier Publishing Co., New York, N.Y. Price \$21.50.

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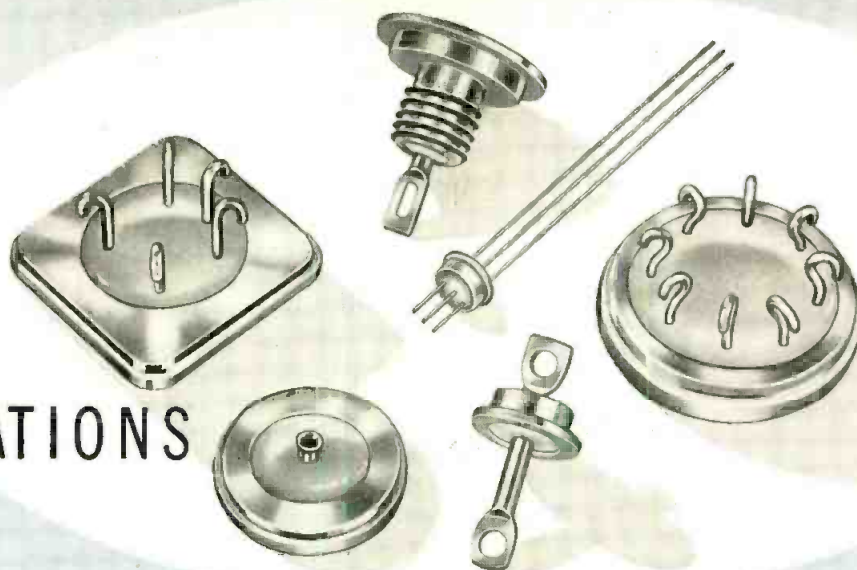
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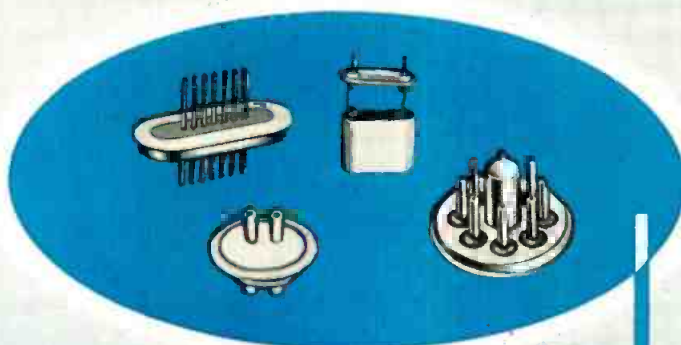
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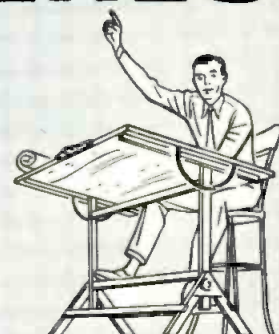


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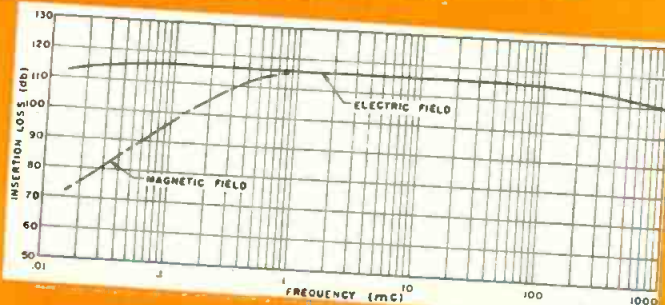
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Techniques for Application of Electron Tubes in Military Equipment

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**Sonic Treatment and Wood
Testing Application of Ultrasonic
and Sonic Vibrations for
Improvement and Testing
of Wood**

(Final Report 1951). PB 111556, OTS, U.S. Dep't. of Commerce, Wash., 25, D.C. 59 pages, price \$1.50.

**Formulas for Computing
Capacitance and Inductance**

By Chester Snow, National Bureau of Standards Circular 544, 37 figures, 69 pages, price 40c. (Order from the Gov't Printing Office, Wash., 25, D.C.)

Books Received

**Servomechanisms and
Regulating System Design**

By Harold Chestnut and Robert W. Mayer, published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N.Y. Vol. II, 384 pages, price \$8.50. This volume blends the practical and theoretical information needed by the designer and branches off into more advanced material.

**Properties of
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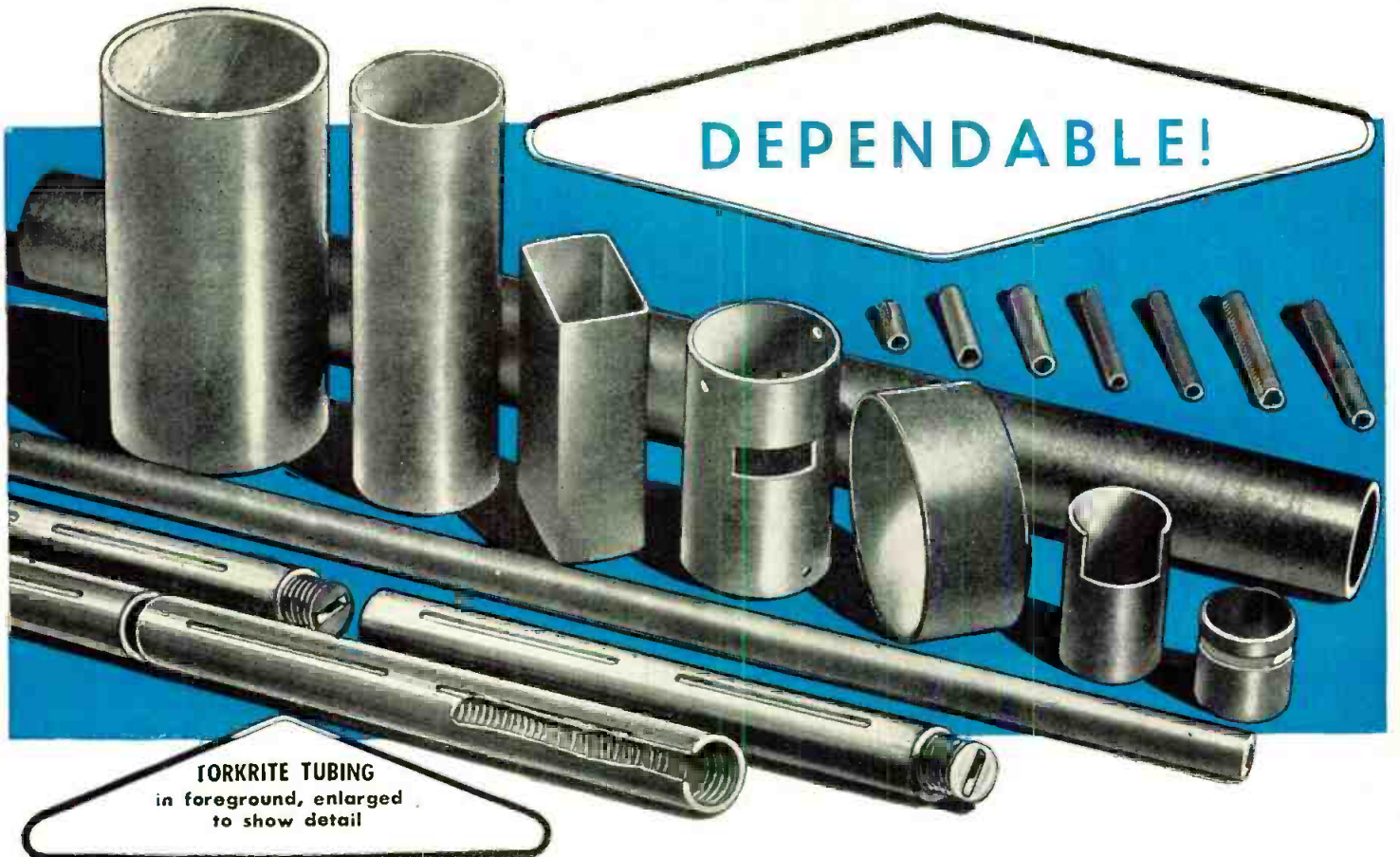
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**Basic Vacuum Tubes
And Their Uses**

By John F. Rider and Henry Jacobwitz. Published by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., 480 Canal St., New York 13, N.Y. 208 pages. Price \$3.00 paper bound, \$4.50 cloth bound. Well illustrated with comprehensive line drawings, charts, curves, etc., this book contains chapters on electrons & electron emissions, diodes, triodes, and multielectrode tubes.

**Summary of Joint Nomenclature
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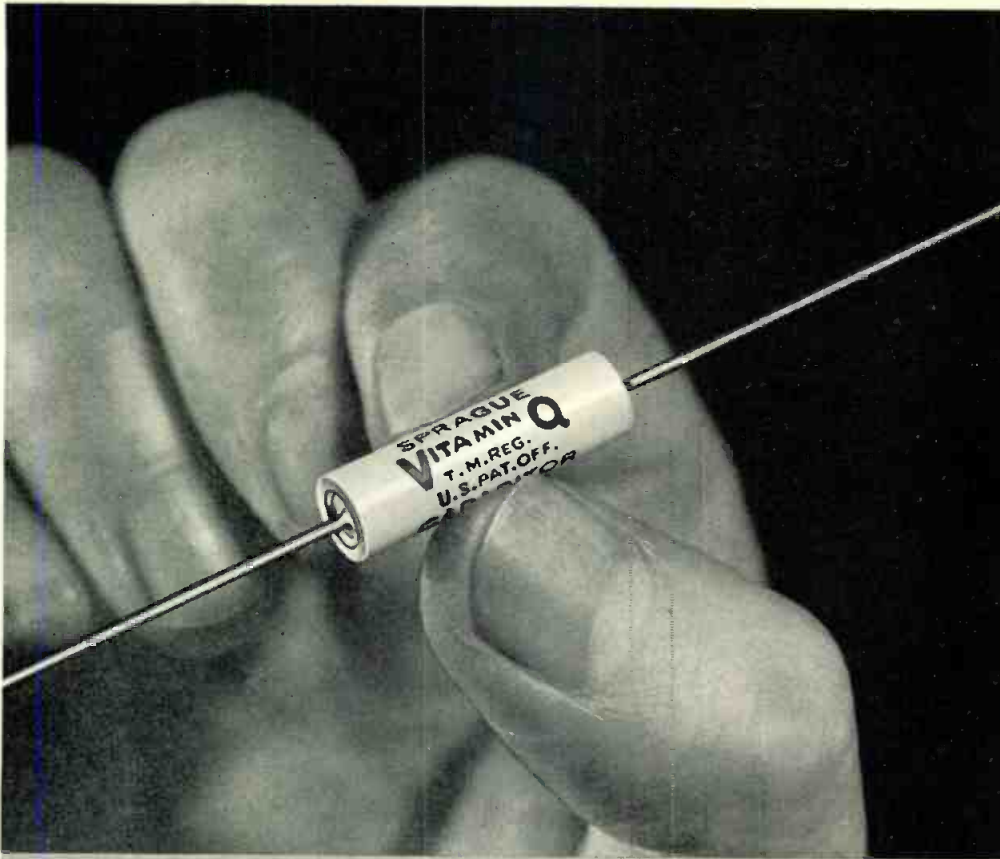
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On Conventions and Shows

This month, August 24-26, WESCON holds its fifth annual show and convention in San Francisco, Calif. The phenomenal growth of this event over these last few years (22,396 registrations in 1954) leaves little doubt that WESCON has now become one of the important annual functions for the electronic industries. To the co-sponsors of this event, WCEMA (West Coast Electrical Manufacturers Association) and IRE (Institute of Radio Engineers—7th Region) our congratulations for a job well done and best wishes for even bigger (but we doubt better) conventions in the future. WESCON and the present IRE National Convention are regional events that serve the basic needs of the industry. One additional regional event . . . in the midwest . . . would be most desirable.

Too Many Shows?

Our suggestion for another show and convention may seem somewhat incongruous because from time to time industry executives have voiced the opinion that there are too many shows and conventions taking place during the year now . . . that many of these events are a costly drain of company funds for sometimes very questionable returns. In some instances, organizations have been known to enter an exhibit at a show, not because they wanted to, but because they feared becoming conspicuous by their absence. Then there is the constant upheaval in every-day business routine occasioned by the delegates or those assigned leaving to attend the event.

Conventions and shows have long been recognized as being very necessary. The personal contacts made at these events and the interchange of technical information is lifeblood to our electronic industries. But too much is not good either and we are inclined to agree with those gentlemen who say that we have too much now!

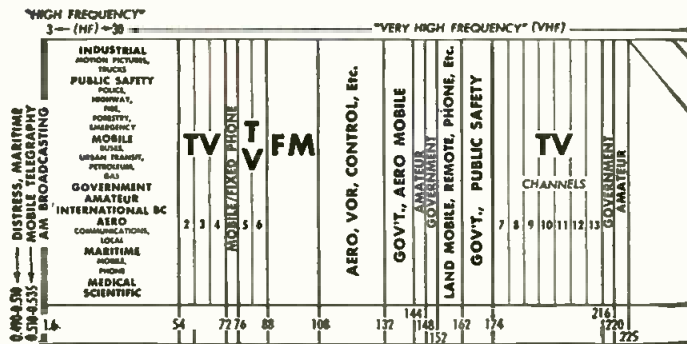
Regional Shows

We checked the 1955 Roster of Associations Serving the Electronic Industries (Tele-Tech April 1955) and found that of the 62 associations listed, 48 had conventions or major annual events. Of this number, 20 listed themselves as having both conventions and exhibits. Note too that these figures do not include the annual functions of the professional groups in the Institute of Radio Engineers. There are 23 such professional groups listed and we can be sure that each will seek, if it does not now have, a major annual event of its own. And then, of course, the end of the number of professional groups is still not in sight. Three regional shows and conventions each year, eastern, mid-western, and western would, we feel, render a maximum service to the electronic industries and offer plenty of conventioning for all!

We believe that many readers feel as we do and your comments on this topic are cordially invited. In future issues we will print views and feelings of our readers in this connection.

RADARSCOPE

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ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES IMPORTANCE in the Nation's defense was underlined recently by Frank D. Newbury, Asst. Secretary of Defense. He points out that the Department of Defense buys almost one-half of all electronic equipment now produced. He estimates dollar volume of the electronic industries at \$9 billion for 1955 and to rise to \$20 billion in another ten years.

MICA FABRICATORS ASSOC. reports that Congressman Frank M. Karsten has introduced HR-6299 which would reduce the duty on unmanufactured block mica to 4¢ per pound regardless of value and would put on the free list uncut mica condenser films and splittings regardless of thickness. Anyone interested in passage of this bill should write and so inform their own congressman.

SOLAR BATTERY



Bell Telephone Labs engineer, W. D. Gerdson, with a model of the Bell Solar battery mounted on a section of telephone pole. The solar battery is receiving its first practical test as part of the telephone system this summer in an experimental unit—essentially identical to the model shown—installed in Americus, Ga., to supply power to terminal equipment on rural telephone lines. During daylight hours the battery will power terminal equipment directly, and at the same time charge a storage battery to provide power for nighttime operation.

RETMA INTERNATIONAL DEPT. is currently working with the Dept. of States to arrange for a program whereby members traveling abroad will receive all possible assistance through Embassies and Consulates.

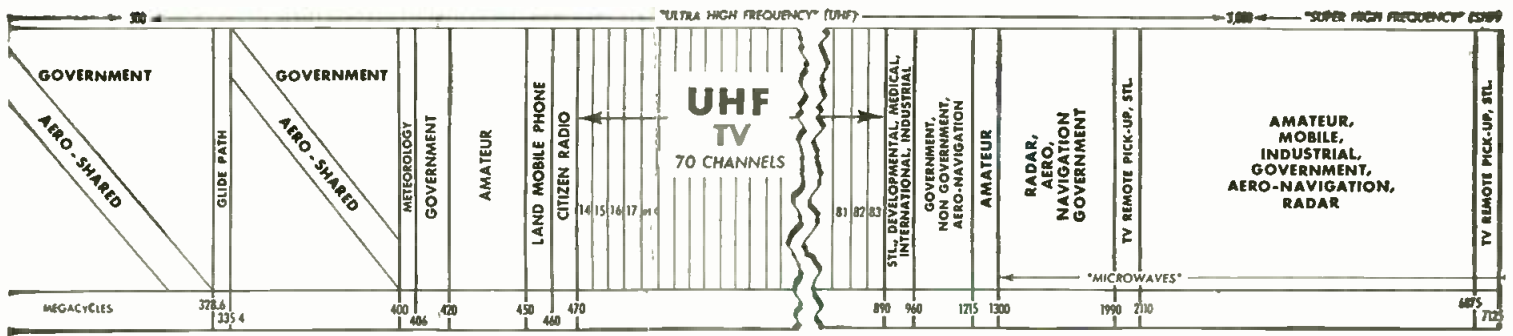
AIRCRAFT NOISE has been recognized by the Air Force as a national problem in scope. 120 officers have been attending a special class at MIT studying "Noise Problems in Aircraft." They are to "pass-on" information at home bases.

STATUS OF EDUCATIONAL TV in the United States will be surveyed the Educational Television & Radio Center, Ann Arbor, Mich. during the 1955-56 academic year. This detailed appraisal was made possible by a grant from the Fund for Adult Education. Richard B. Hull, Radio-TV Director of Iowa State College has been named director of the project. During the course of the year, Hull will gather first-hand information on the operations of all ETV stations now on the air and those scheduled to begin broadcasting in the near future. He will also meet with leading educational and civic authorities in an effort to appraise the successes, failures and potentialities of the medium to the field of education.

CERMETS to find important new industrial applications. This was a keynote in Dr. Paul Schwarzkopf's opening address at the recent International Assembly of Powder Metallurgists in Ruetze, Tyrol, Austria. Cermets are composite materials consisting of two components, one being either an oxide, carbide or boride or similar inorganic compound, and the other a metallic binder. They originated as a result of a government-industry program for the development of high temperature materials using the techniques of powder metallurgy. New cermet materials (bordies) feature excellent corrosion resistance at high temperatures.

STANDARDS

NEW RETMA STANDARDS of interest to the electronic industries include: REC-145—Packaging Tests for Television Receivers; TR-119A—Minimum standards for Land-Mobile Communication PM or FM Receivers; TR-139—Audio Transmitter Input Impedances; ET-106-C—Gauges for Electron Tube bases. A standards proposal is now being circulated on the subject "High Voltage Ceramic Dielectric Capacitors Class 2, above 7500 Volt Rating. The RETMA Engineering Department is now located at 11 West 42 Street, New York 17, N.Y.



TRANSISTORS

COMMERCIAL APPLICATION of transistors in home receiver and entertainment products appears to be moving forward at an ever increasing pace. Several manufacturers have already announced completely transistorized portable radio designs. Philco is making a portable phonograph in which three transistors are used. RCA uses a transistor in a high fidelity design as a phono-pickup preamplifier. A western transistor manufacturer is circulating a printed portable receiver chassis design that uses four transistors to set makers as engineering samples. Costs of transistors are also declining and becoming more comparable to receiving tube costs. For a four transistor portable design, the transistors can be provided for about \$7.50.

INDUSTRY PRODUCTION

PRODUCTION OF ELECTRONIC products in 1955 is expected to reach \$6.2 billion, just a shade under the 1953 record of \$6.3 billion but above last year's \$5.8 billion, a forecast for the last half of this year by the Electronics Division of the Department of Commerce's Business & Defense Administration stated. Television receiver production bulks large in this year's manufacturing operations with a total value of factory production for 1955 estimated to exceed \$1 billion, but the BSDA division pointed out that production of color television sets is not expected to become a major factor in the total output of TV receivers. Color TV receiver sales for this year with increased demand in the fall will reach an estimated \$15 million, but 1956 will provide a substantial increase in production. In the first half of 1955 the number of black and white TV receivers was at a near record level—3¾ million units, and the BSDA noted that the average unit price declined because savings from improved production techniques have been passed on to the consumer. Production of radio receivers continues at a high level for the rest of this year. Military equipment such as radar, sonar and guided missile electronic systems, together with tubes and other components, formed major segments of the industry's total production, BSDA cited.

MAGNETIC RECORDING

RADICALLY NEW PIONEER INVENTION of an automatically self-aligning magnetic playback head will be revealed in the near future by Julius Konins of The Dubbings Sales Corp. It will reportedly increase the operating efficiency and accuracy of tape recording operations employed in computers and telemetering systems, and may eventually be a contributing factor in the development of high quality audio recording at

3¾ psi. As is widely known, moving tape oscillates, and also has different tensions near the beginning and end of the reel, causing a continuously changing series of small, yet critical, misalignments. The new development has the head azimuth adjusted by a piezoelectric crystal fed by a correction voltage. This voltage, which is a measure of the alignment, is derived from either a binaural head which detects tape misalignment, or from the high frequency component on the tape, whose output is a function of alignment.

UNDERWATER SOUND

SONAR and other types of sonic gear used for underwater exploration have been severely limited in their applications by the "phantom layers" of reflective material that are found at depths of 500 to 1500 ft. throughout the ocean. The most prominent theory holds that these layers are composed of millions of marine organisms. Experimentation with different sound frequencies and underwater cameras is being undertaken to clear up the mystery.

STRENGTHENING OUR DEFENSES



Radar technicians of the Royal Canadian Air Force, all veterans of service in northern radar "fence" installations, receive instruction in erection and operation of powerful U.S. Air Force MPS-14 mobile height finder radar, at Syracuse, N.Y. General Electric plant. The Canadians are studying types of G-E radars used by U.S. forces and now purchased by the Canadian government through U.S. Air Force.

WESCON 1955



THE 1955 Western Electronic Show and Convention will be officially opened on Aug. 24th in San Francisco with a send-off, via a coast-to-coast TV link, from Gen. Douglas MacArthur in N. Y. The 3-day festivities that will follow are expected to attract some 20,000 of the nation's scientists, engineers and industry representatives.

The Show itself will consist of more than 580 exhibits, representing the products of more than 650 manufacturers.

Convention activities will feature a technical program consisting of 160 papers and 32 technical sessions, an All-Industry Luncheon, at which Dr. E. W. Engstrom of RCA will be the principal speaker, and an ambitious program of field trips and activities for the distaff side.

WESCON (Western Electronic Show and Convention) which is held in alternate years in Los Angeles and San Francisco, is sponsored by the West Coast Electronic Manufacturers Assoc. (WCEMA) and the San Francisco and Los Angeles Sections, representing the 7th Region, Institute of Radio Engineers. NEDA, "The Reps," and other industry groups lend their active support.

Field trips have been arranged this year to Beckman Instruments plant, the Radiation Lab. of the Univ. of Calif., the tube plant and facilities of Eitel-McCullough, Ampex, Stanford Research Inst. and the Hewlett-Packard plant.

Special airline accommodations have been arranged for with United Airlines. Mainliner flights are being arranged for WESCON visitors and exhibitors from major cities to San Francisco.

San Francisco conclave will feature more than 580 exhibits, and the presentation of 160 technical papers. Attendance of 20,000 expected

Technical Papers Program

SOLID STATE DEVICES

- "Transistors Today," by J. A. Morton
- "Large Signal Semi-Conductor Devices," by John Saay
- "High-Frequency Power Gain of Junction Transistors," by R. L. Pritchard
- "Recent Developments in Germanium Alloy Junctions," by C. W. Mueller
- "A New High-Ambient Transistor," by R. R. Rutherford and J. J. Bowe

INFORMATION THEORY

- "Limiting Frequency-Modulation Spectra," by N. Blachman
- "The Definition of a General Metric of Information," by N. Abramson
- "An Analysis of Optimum Sequential Detectors," by J. J. Busgang and D. Middleton
- "Analysis of Automatic Bias Control for Threshold Detectors," by E. Ackerlind
- "Generating a Gaussian Sample," by S. Stein and J. E. Storer
- "Proof of the Sampling Theorem for Stationary Processes," by A. Rosenbloom and J. Heilfron

RELIABILITY AND QUALITY CONTROL

- "Engineering and Testing for Reliability," by H. G. Romig
- "Parts Versus Systems: The Reliability Dilemma," by David A. Hill
- "An Effective Reliability Program Based Upon 'A Triad for Design Reliability'," by F. E. Drete
- "A Basic Study of the Effects of Operating and Environmental Factors on Electron Tube Reliability," by W. S. Bowie
- "Surface Contamination of Dielectric Materials," by Saul Chaikin

PROPAGATION

- "An Explanation of Fading in Microwave Relay Systems," by H. Magnuski
- "Some Notes on Propagation over a Spherical Earth," by S. J. Fricker
- "Radio Power Received via Tropospheric Scattering," by A. Waterman
- "Atmospheric Attenuation of Microwave Radiation," by G. R. Marnier
- "Theory of Deviative Absorption in the F₂ Layer and Its Relation to Temperature," by R. Gallet

BROADCAST AND TV RECEIVERS

- "A Thin Cathode Ray Tube," by William R. Aiken
- "Beam Focusing and Deflection in the Aiken Tube," by R. Madey
- "Radiation Measurements at VHF and UHF," by A. B. Glenn

- "An Experimental Automobile Receiver Employing Transistors," by L. A. Freedman, F. O. Stanley and D. D. Holmes
- "High-Efficiency, Unipotential Post Focus, Tri-Color Picture Tube," by Wilfrid F. Niklas

TRANSISTORS AND BLOCKING OSCILLATORS

- "Advantages of Direct Coupled Transistor Amplifiers," by Richard Hurley
- "Junction Transistor Blocking Oscillators," by J. G. Linville
- "The Design of Blocking Oscillators as Fast Pulse Regenerators," by F. K. Bowers
- "Stability of Multi-Mode Oscillating Systems," by R. W. De Grasse
- "Experiments with Radio Controlled, Dynamically Similar Models," by E. G. Stout
- "Role of Electronics in Engineering Flight Testing," by W. L. Howland
- "Instrumentation for Rocket Engine Testing," by R. F. Gompertz

ANTENNAS I

- "Recent Developments in Microwave Antennas," by L. C. Van Atta
- "Printed Surface Wave Antennas," by H. W. Cooper
- "Circularly-Polarized Slot Radiators," by A. J. Simmons
- "Radiation from Ferrite-Loaded Slot Radiators," by D. J. Angelakos and M. Korman Korman
- "A Large Aperture Differential Polarization Antenna for Radio Astronomy Use," by V. H. Goerke and O. D. Rennler

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- "Measurement of Parameters Controlling Pulse Front Response of Transformers," by P. R. Gillette, K. Oshima and R. M. Rowe
- "Development of MIL-T-27-A: Transformers and Reactors," by E. M. Wiler

HIGH POWER TUBES

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- "Considerations of Various Structures for High Average Powers in the UHF Region," by D. Preist
- "Design Information on Large Signal Traveling-Wave Amplifiers," by J. E. Rowe
- "A New Beam Power Tube for UHF Service," by W. B. Bennett
- "An Ion Trapped High Voltage Pentode," by R. E. Hellers

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- "Air-to-Ground Propagation over Desert Terrain at Telemetering Frequencies," by G. L. McCone
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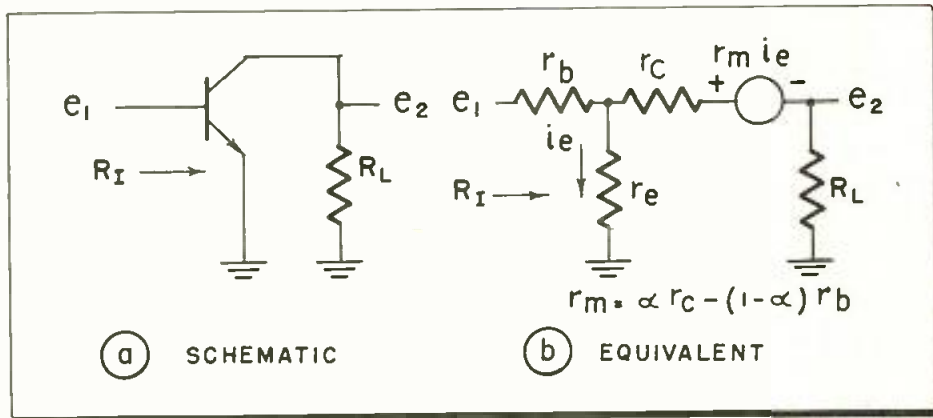


Fig. 1: Basic circuit of transistor amplifier with equivalent circuit

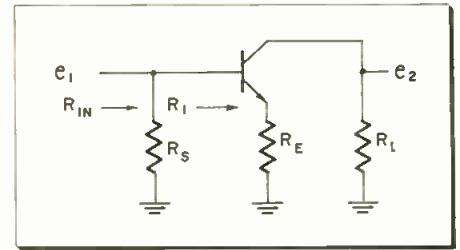


Fig. 2: External emitter resistance added

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Predictable Design Of Transistor Amplifiers

Problems associated with the predictable and stable design of transistor amplifiers, with attention focused on the common-emitter, junction transistor as a low-frequency amplifier



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■ The design of a system or circuit is often complicated by the lack of precise knowledge of the characteristics of devices employed. Further complications result if the characteristics of the devices used vary with time or

under changing environmental conditions. Thus, in order to obtain initial desirable and predictable performance with such devices, the designer may be required to resort to the selection of particular samples or the experimental tailoring of each circuit to accommodate the particular device used. To allow for aging effects, he may have to incorporate adjustable components within the circuit. Furthermore, non-linear compensating elements may be required to automatically adjust for environmental effects upon the characteristics of the principal circuit devices. An alternate design philosophy that is sometimes practicable is to design the circuit such that the

exact characteristics of the main devices are relatively unimportant to the overall system performance. For example, the characteristics of an active device may be submerged by the use of degenerative feedback, circuit configurations, and linear stabilizing techniques.

Currently available transistors fall into the category of principal circuit devices whose parameters are subject to many severe variations.¹ Here the designer must account for the following deviations of the small-signal parameters from their nominal values:

1. Variations from one transistor to another of the order of as much as 50% or more in critical parameters.
2. Variations with changes in emitter current as strongly as an inverse law.
3. Variations with changes in collector voltage to as much as a 1/2-power law.
4. Variations directly with temperature to a linear or even an exponential degree.

In addition to the above deviations, the designer must recognize that the reverse collector-base diode current (I_{co}) varies approximately exponentially with temperature (doubles every 10 to 20° C.).² I_{co} will, through its interaction in external circuitry,

affect the bias levels of the transistor.³ Thus I_{co} will create indirect temperature variations in parameters due to its variations with temperature and its effects, in turn, upon emitter current and collector voltage. Also, I_{co} varies from transistor-to-transistor even more strongly than do the small-signal parameters. It also is probably the characteristic most prone to vary with time, creating an aging problem.

Other pertinent considerations that must be given by the designer include medium and large signal aspects of performance. If, say an input voltage is to be amplified by a transistor, the approximately exponential relationship of resulting transistor currents to applied input voltage must be dealt with.⁴ Also large-signal distortion and clipping must be properly evaluated, suppressed, or avoided.

The case to be treated here is that of the low-frequency junction-transistor amplifier in common-emitter orientation. While this may appear to be a rather restricted case, it does represent the most popular type transistor, orientation, and application. Furthermore, the biasing techniques to be discussed are independent of the orientation, and both the biasing and signal techniques are to a large extent transferable to other types of circuit applications. Fortunately, many of the better quality junction transistors are capable of voltage gains of the order of 1000 and power gains of the order of 10,-

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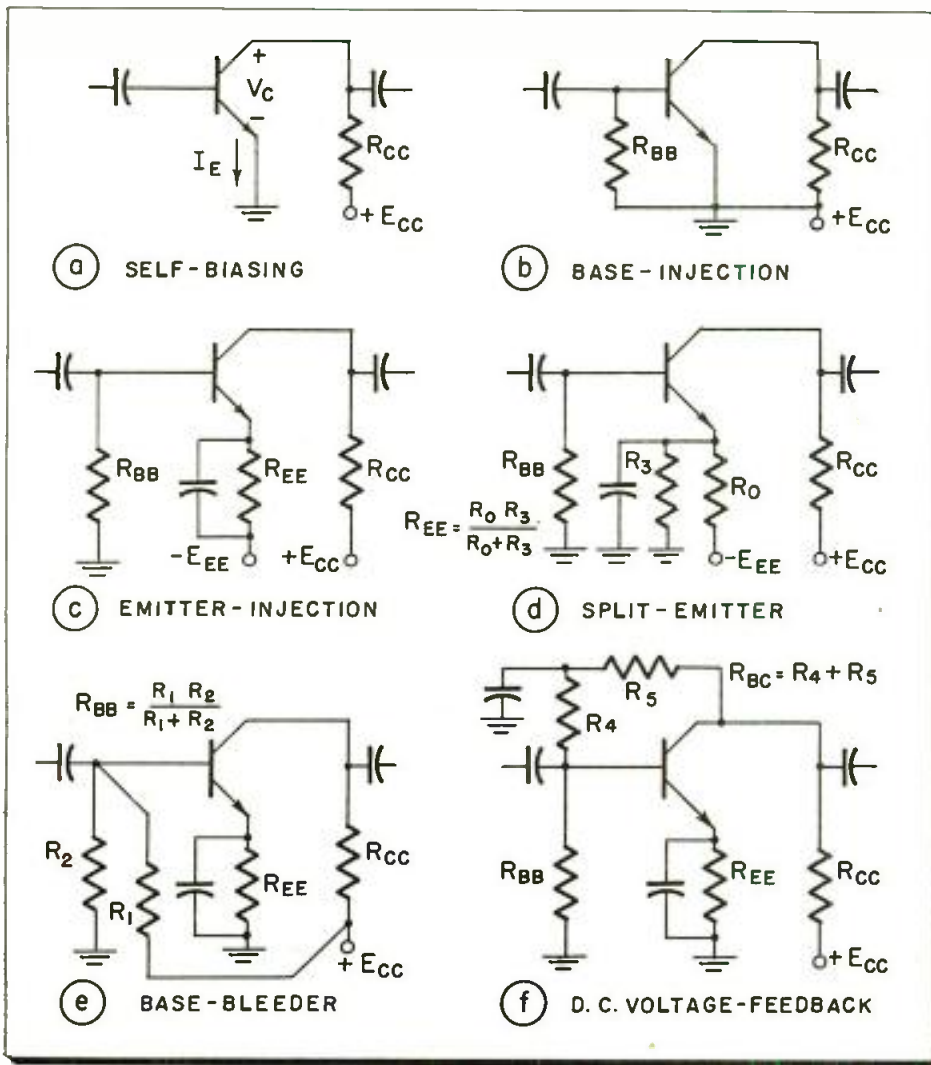


Fig. 3: Representative sampling of biasing circuits used with transistor amplifiers

000. Thus faced with a serious parameter variation problem but equipped with "gain to spare," the alternate design philosophy of submerging the importance of the exact device characteristics will be pursued.

Consider the simple amplifier of Fig. 1. The voltage gain of such an amplifier is⁵

$$\frac{e_2}{e_1} = \frac{-R_L \left[\alpha - \frac{r_c + r_b}{r_c + r_b} \right]}{r_c + r_b (1 - \alpha) + \frac{r_c + r_b}{r_c + r_b} R_L} \quad (1)$$

Properly designed junction transistors are generally such that

$$\begin{aligned} r_b &<< r_c, \\ r_e &<< r_c, \text{ and} \\ 0.90 &< \alpha < 1.0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus Eq. 1 reduces to

$$\frac{e_2}{e_1} = \frac{-\alpha R_L}{r_c + r_b (1 - \alpha) + \frac{R_L}{r_e} (r_c + r_b)} \quad (2)$$

Now if an external emitter resistance, R_E , is inserted between the emitter terminal and ground (Fig. 2) and if R_E is much larger than the denominator of Eq. 2, the voltage gain becomes

$$\frac{e_2}{e_1} \cong -\alpha \frac{R_L}{R_E} \rightarrow \frac{-R_L}{R_E}, \text{ for } \alpha \rightarrow 1.0. \quad (3)$$

The limiting form of Eq. 3 shows the voltage gain to be independent of the transistor characteristics. The success of the method is dependent upon obtaining transistors with consistently small values for r_c and r_b , large values for r_e , and α 's very near unity. Through the quality control efforts and selective procedures of manufacturers, such transistors are readily available. R_E must generally be made large enough and R_L small enough so that the assumptions leading to Eq. 3 will remain valid for the net effects of all variations, especially those due to temperature.

More than one stage of amplification may be required, thus making the input resistance of one stage constitute part of the load resistance of the preceding stage. Also power

gain or current gain may be of importance. Therefore it is necessary to consider some additional signal function of an amplifier. Again referring to Fig. 1, the input resistance is⁵

$$R_i = r_b + r_e \left[\frac{\frac{r_c + R_L}{r_c + r_b}}{(1 - \alpha) + \frac{r_c + R_L}{r_c + r_b}} \right] \quad (4)$$

For

$$r_b << r_c \text{ and } R_L << r_c,$$

Eq. 4 becomes

$$R_i = r_b + \frac{r_e}{(1 - \alpha) + \frac{r_c + R_L}{r_c}} \quad (5)$$

If an appropriate external emitter resistance is employed for voltage gain fixing,

$$r_e << R_E << R_L,$$

then the input resistance becomes

$$R_i \cong \frac{R_E}{1 - \alpha} \rightarrow \infty, \text{ as } \alpha \rightarrow 1.0. \quad (6)$$

Certainly one cannot expect the limiting form of Eq. 6, nor is the expression independent of the transistor characteristics. One can, however, make the input resistance large enough, however, that an external resistance, R_E , can be shunted across the input (Fig. 2), thus achieving a degree of input fixing. That is, the circuit input impedance, R_{iN} , would become

$$R_{iN} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_E} + \frac{1}{R_i}} \rightarrow R_E, \text{ for } R_E << R_i. \quad (7)$$

A method has been presented for making the low-frequency small-signal transfer characteristics of a transistor amplifier reasonably independent of the characteristics of the transistor itself. It will be noted that the use of an external emitter resistance was essentially dictated by the normal relative sizes of transistor parameters and by the form of the transistor equations. It should also be noted that R_E creates degenerative current feedback. Thus R_E also yields a first-order solution to the large-signal distortion problem by tending to suppress the harmonics indicated by non-uniformity of typical grounded-emitter collector characteristics.^{6,7} R_E , while decreasing the voltage gain of an amplifier, increases the input impedance; thus it is conceivable that the power gain might decrease as the first power rather than the second power of the

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Instrumentation for

In the engineering and production of aircraft engines, electronic and allied measuring instruments play a vital role. This chart shows the various instruments and the quantities they measure in a typical jet engine and a typical reciprocating engine with power recovery turbines such as the Curtiss-Wright Turbo Compound engine.

JET ENGINE

| Instrument | Function Measured | Range |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| A. Thermocouple, null balance indicator | Front bearing temperature | 150°F |
| B. Potentiometer, null balance indicator and counter | Throttle position | |
| C. Thermocouples, null balance indicators, recorder strip charts | Compressor oil temperature | 200°F |
| D. Thermocouples, null balance indicators | Compressor air temperature | over 500°F |
| E. Thermocouple, null balance indicator | Center and rear bearing temperatures | over 150°F |
| F. Thermocouple, direct-writing oscillograph | Exhaust cone temperature | Over 1200°F* |
| G. Thermocouples, direct writing oscillographs | Metal liner temperature | Over 1200°F |
| H. Borden tube | Metal skin temperature | Over 400°F |
| I. Platform and load cell, null balance indicator | Fuel pressure and oil pressure | 50 to 60 lbs. |
| J. Frequency type electronic flowmeter | Engine thrust | Over 7220 lbs. |
| K. Rotating coil, tachometer pulse generator and EPUT meter | Fuel flow | |
| L. Thermometer and barometer | Main shaft speed | Over 6000 rpm |
| M. Pressure drop nozzle | Input air temperature and atmospheric pressure | Ambient conditions (Classified) |
| | Air flow input | (Classified) |

*After burner temperature, and variable nozzle position measured by potentiometer and null balance indicator, are classified.

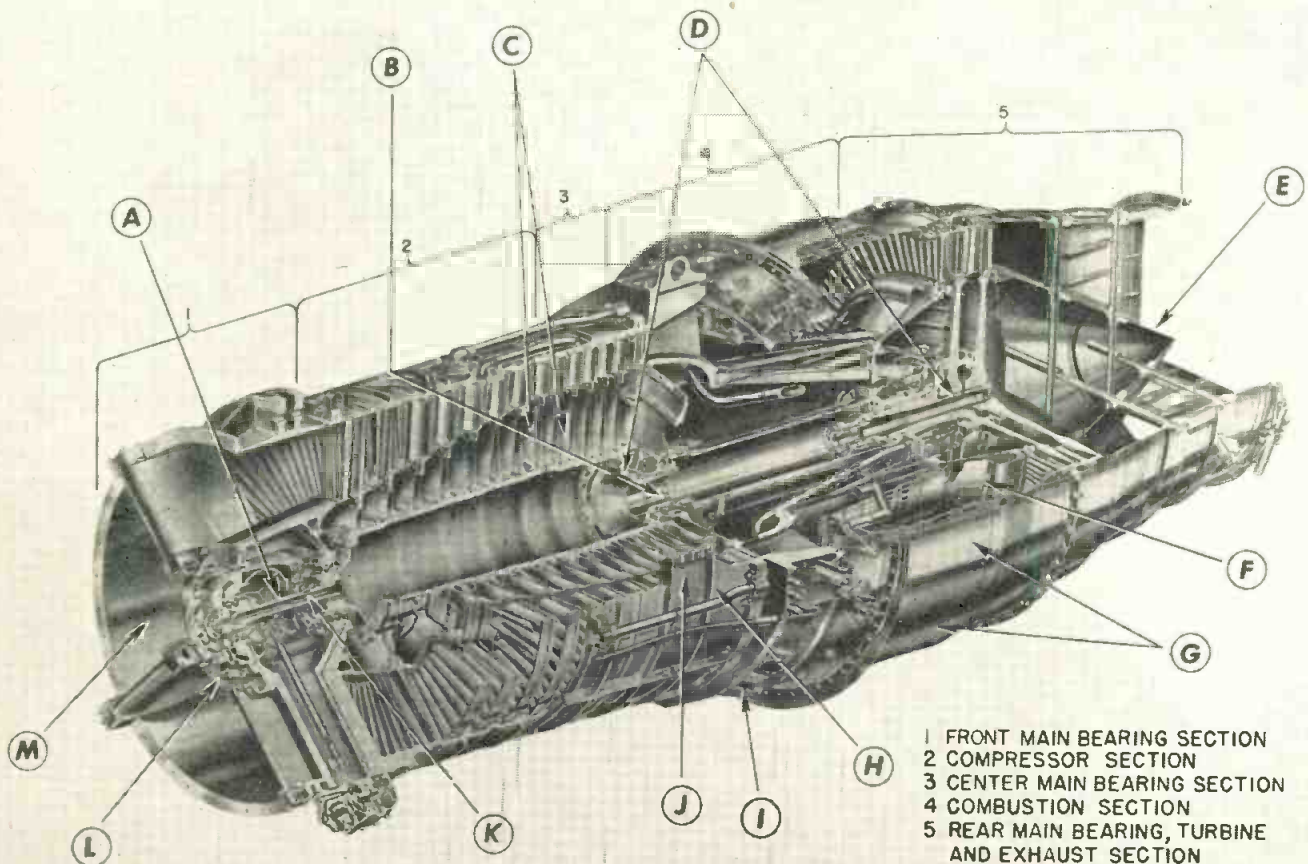


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Aircraft Engines

CURTIS-WRIGHT TURBO COMPOUND ENGINE

| Instrument | Function Measured | Range |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| A. Pressure-torque meter | Horsepower measurement | 250 psi |
| B. Thermocouples, null balance indicators | Cylinder temperature | to 600°F |
| C. CRT, detonation detector-analyzer | Cylinder ignition and detonation firing sequence and waveform | |
| D. Velocity pickup, oscillograph | Engine vibration | Several mils at a few hundred cps |
| E. Electrical tachometer | "Booster" turbine speed | 17,000 rpm |
| F. Thermocouple, null balance indicator | Turbine temperature | |
| G. Manometer | Manifold pressure | 0-80" Hq absolute |
| H. Orifice nozzle | Air flow | 40,000 lbs./hr. |
| I. Thermocouple, null balance indicator | Air temperature | Ambient |
| J. Barometer | Air pressure | Atmospheric |
| K. Electrical tachometer-counter | Shaft speed | 150 to 3000 rpm |
| L. Borden tube | Oil pressure | 75 lbs./in. ² |
| M. Rotometer | Fuel flow | to 2600 lbs./hr. |
| N. Velocity pickup, oscillograph | Engine vibration | Severals mils at a few hundred cycles |
| O. Bonded strain gages | Crankshaft stress | |
| P. Electrical dynamometer | Propeller shaft power | 3250 to 3700 hp |

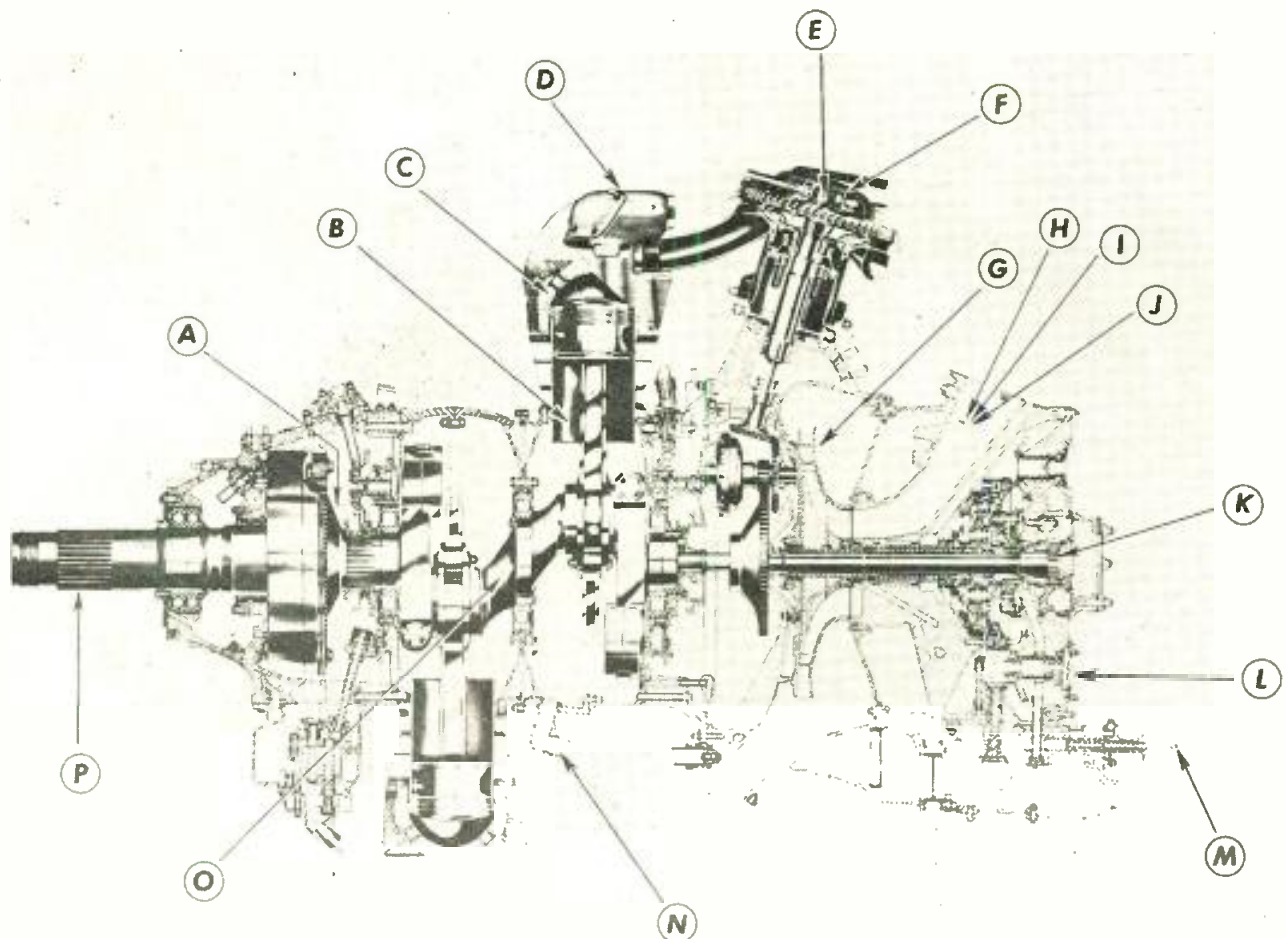


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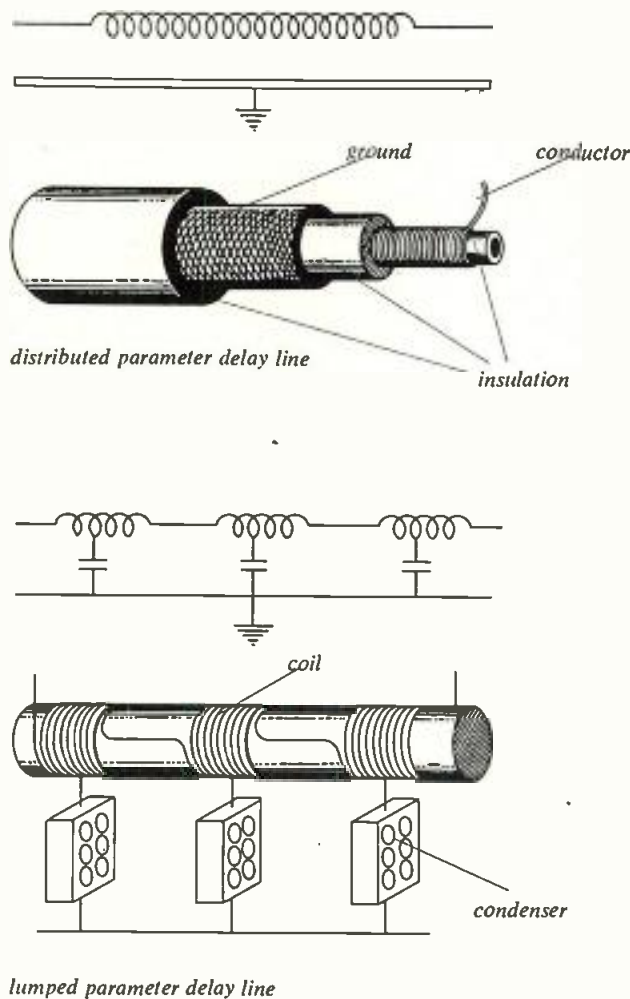


Fig. 1: The two basic types of electromagnetic delay lines

THE electromagnetic delay line should be thought of as a T or time-storage component which might be applied in the same manner as a simple R, L, or C component. Yet, unless properly understood, it could appear to be complex and difficult to apply. The increased application of many new delay-line types has caused a measure of confusion among users and manufacturers. The intent of this article is to contribute a common understanding by analysis of distortions, definitions of terminology, and description of test methods. It is hoped that this might instigate the formation of standards for electromagnetic delay lines.

Delay lines are available in a wide variety of shapes and sizes. However, in spite of apparent differences,

all electromagnetic delay lines are of two general types, as illustrated in Fig. 1. In the distributed or coaxial type of line, the geometry of the two conductors is arranged to take optimum advantage of the delay characteristics of a transmission line. In the lumped line, discrete reactive elements are arranged in the form of a multiple-section filter.

Two separate approaches to delay-line design have been taken; the first derived from transmission-line and the other from filter theory. Yet it can be shown that the properties of a distributed line are approached as the number of sections of a lumped line is increased. Kimbark¹ has shown that a transmission line presents a limit case of filter theory. Therefore, by equivalence, all delay lines may be similarly evaluated and tested.

The ultimate in design is to accomplish time delay with complete free-

dom from distortion. However, since all circuit elements have performance limitations, this is not possible. The best of delay lines, properly applied, must necessarily suffer from distortions due to (1) deterioration of rise-time and (2) loss of amplitude.

The upper part of Fig. 2 shows an ideal pulse (dotted lines) applied to such a line, and the resultant stored signal. In comparing these two curves, note:

1. The increase in rise-time.
2. The decrease of amplitude.

Shortcomings in design and misapplication could lead to other distortions. If many should appear at once, an extreme degradation of signal would result, as shown in the lower part of Fig. 2. In spite of the complex disfiguration, a trained observer could easily distinguish the contribution made by each basic distortion illustrated in Fig. 3:

Phase distortion: Characterized in the

(a) Underequalized state by a leading ring.

(b) Overequalized state by a lagging ring.

Both suffer rounding of pulse leading-edge. Underequalization refers to a decrease of delay at the higher frequencies. Too much delay-compensation results in overequalization.

Input-output coupling: Characterized by distortions occurring at one delay time preceding and one delay time lagging the pulse rise. These are due to intercoupling of the higher-frequency portions of both applied and delayed signals.

Discontinuity: Characterized by waveshape irregularities occurring within two delay periods after the pulse rise. These are due to non-uniformities in the construction of the line.

Mismatch: Characterized by an abrupt change in step level occurring two delay periods after pulse rise. This effect is due to incorrect termination. The curves indicate the separate effects which are due to resistive and reactive mismatch.

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for Electromagnetic Delay Lines

Designed to provide users and manufacturers of delay lines with a common basis of understanding, this article defines terminology, and describes test procedures for pulse and sinusoidal testing

The manufacturer strives to minimize all distortions, but is often required to compromise certain qualities to effect savings in size and/or cost. As with any other component, the manufacturer's specifications indicate the extent of such compromise.

Terminology

In order to evaluate fully such specifications, the language must be understood. Certain terminology is most often used throughout the industry:

(a) *Time delay* is the time in which an electrical signal is stored by a system or component. Pulse delay is measured at the half-amplitude point of the leading edge of the input and output pulses:

$$T = \sqrt{LC} \text{ where: } T = \text{total delay}$$

$$L = \text{total inductance}$$

$$C = \text{total capacitance}$$

(b) *Phase shift* is a measure of delay at a given frequency:

$$\Phi = 360 T f \text{ where:}$$

$$\Phi = \text{phase shift in degrees}$$

$$T = \text{total delay in microseconds}$$

$$f = \text{frequency in megacycles}$$

(c) *Temperature coefficient of time delay* is expressed as the decimal value of total delay change per degree C.

(d) *Phase distortion* is the change of signal waveshape due to non-equal delay of its various frequency components.

(e) *Phase equalization* refers to the methods which are employed to compensate for phase distortion.

(f) *Linearity* is the time deviation from the desired value to which a tapped or variable delay line may be set. This is usually expressed as a percentage of total delay.

(g) *Pulse width* is the time duration of a pulse signal and is measured between the half-amplitude points of the leading and trailing edges (see figure 2).

(h) *Rise-time* is the time in which a unit step changes from its initial to its final amplitude level; measured from the 10% to 90% points (see figure 2).

(i) *Bandwidth* is the band of frequencies which a delay line attenuates uniformly or within 3 decibels of equality.

(j) *Insertion loss*¹ is the inverse ratio of: the power received by a receiving circuit directly connected to a source of power; to: the power received by the same circuit when an additional 4-terminal network is inserted between it and the source.¹

(k) *Characteristic impedance*¹ is (1) the input impedance of a line of infinite length, or (2) the input impedance of a finite line terminated in an impedance of such value as to make the input impedance equal to the termination impedance:

$$Z = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} \text{ where:}$$

$$Z = \text{characteristic impedance}$$

$$L = \text{inductance/unit length}$$

$$C = \text{capacity/unit length}$$

(l) *Matching* refers to the termination of the line in its characteristic impedance and to the adjustment of the signal-source impedance to equal the characteristic impedance of the line.

(m) *Standing-wave ratio* refers to the change of RMS voltage or current at various points along the line caused by reflections due to improper matching. It is defined as the ratio of the maximum to minimum RMS value of this voltage or current.

(n) *Amplitude distortion* refers to the change of signal waveshape to the non-equal attenuation of its various frequency components.

The theory underlying delay-line test procedures is rather simple, but elaborate precautions are sometimes required to obtain conclusively accurate results.

High-frequency measurements

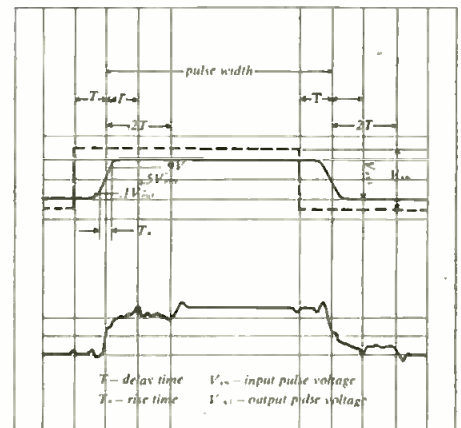


Fig. 2: Distortions common to all delay lines (top) and extreme distortions (bottom)

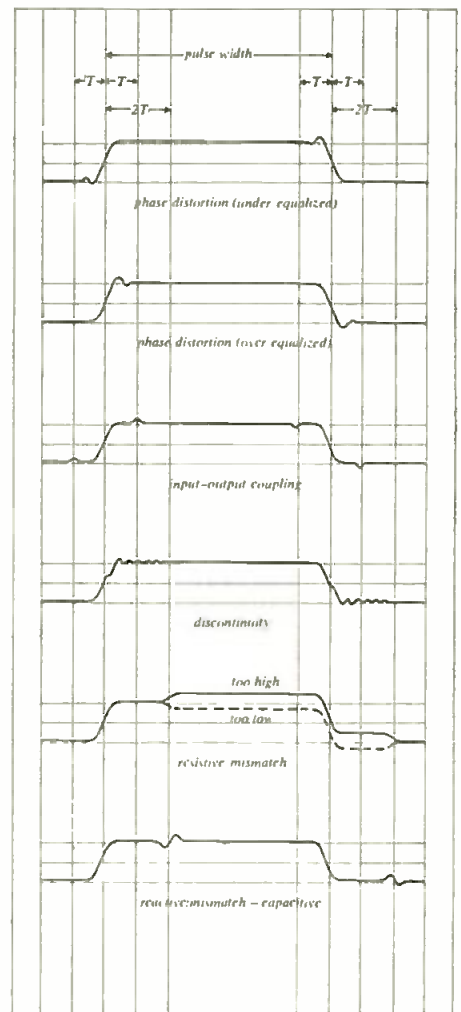


Fig. 3: Various basic distortions identified

normally require some special care.² In addition, to minimize distortion, special precautions must be taken regarding the manner in which the delay line is employed in test circuitry, regarding:

Delay Lines (Continued)

1. Proper impedance matching.
2. Decrease of loading effect, resistive and reactive, particularly in a variable or tapped delay line.
3. Isolation and decoupling between those portions of the test setup which, because of the delay line, are not in phase.

Either pulse or sinusoidal testing may be used to supply comprehensive test information, with each offering particular advantages:

1. Pulse techniques are most often used to determine rise-time, pulse delay, distortion, pulse attenuation, and characteristic impedance.
2. Sinusoidal techniques will more readily yield bandwidth and phase response. Greater accuracy may be achieved in the measurement of delay and delay linearity at a particular frequency.

Pulse Testing

Fig. 5 illustrates a pulse-testing set-

up: A high-quality pulse or a square-wave-generator output is coupled through an impedance-matching network to the input of a delay line. A suitable high-frequency oscillograph may be used to observe the pulse waveshape, providing the amplifier (or deflection plates) into which the signal is fed has relatively low input-capacitance and high input-impedance.

Reflections will distort the input-pulse shape if the delay line is not properly matched. By adjustment of termination to minimize this reflection, the characteristic impedance may be determined and measured.

Fig. 4 illustrates how, by multiple exposure on a single print, the following is recorded:

1. Pulse input.
2. Pulse output.
3. Sweep timing markers.

Some delay-line manufacturers will, upon request, supply photographs of

this type with their delay lines. From these photographs, delay time can be obtained by comparison with a known frequency of the timing marker. Input and output rise-time may similarly be measured. Delay line rise-time may then be obtained by use of the following equation:

$$Tr_{\text{delay line}} = \frac{Tr_{\text{input}}}{\sqrt{(Tr_{\text{output}})^2 - (Tr_{\text{input}})^2}}$$

where: Tr = rise-time

By comparison of the amplitudes of the input and output pulses, the attenuation is obtained as follows:

$$\text{Attenuation} = \frac{V_{in} - V_{out}}{V_{in}}$$

where: V_{in} = Input-pulse amplitude

V_{out} = Output-pulse amplitude

Distortions, if present, may be (Continued on page 128)

Fig. 4: (below) Photo record of delay line

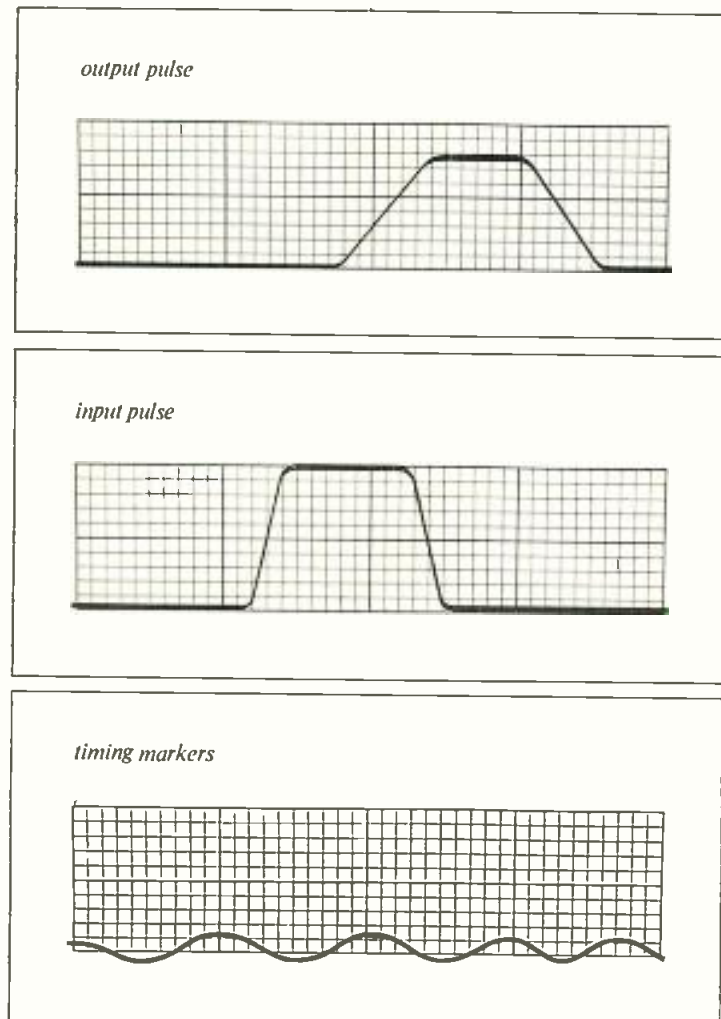


Fig. 5: (r) Schematic of pulse-testing setup

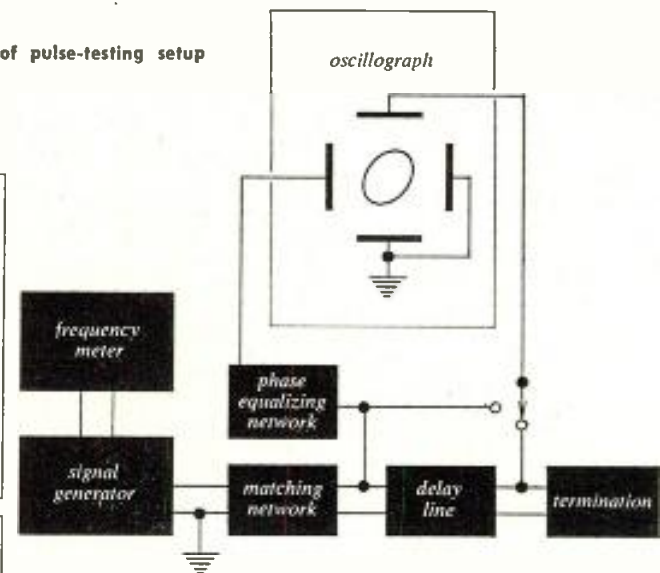
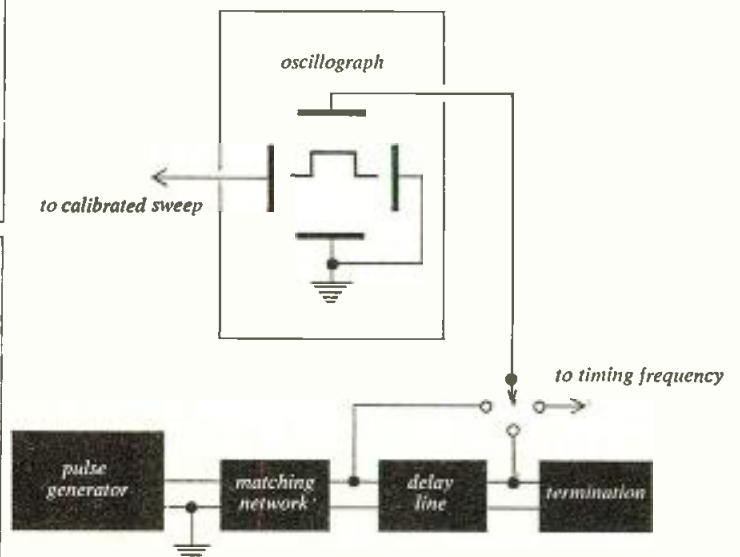


Fig. 6: (below) Sinusoidal test setup



Page from an Engineer's Notebook

No. 31—Calorimetric Wattmeter Nomograph



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A reliable method of measuring microwave power is by means of the calorimetric wattmeter. This instrument converts rf power into heat in a special dummy load. Water flow through this load absorbs the power being dissipated.

The number of calories which result are measured by the temperature rise of the water stream. The quantity of water heated is measured in cubic centimeters of flow per minute. From these data, average watts are calculated by the relationship

$$W = 0.069Vt \quad (1)$$

in which V is in cc/minute and t is the temperature difference between incoming and outgoing water in degrees C.

The accuracy of this measurement depends upon a constant flow rate. Early microwave calorimeters accomplished this by using an elevated reservoir with constantly maintained water level. Modern calorimeters are closed hydraulic loops maintaining flow by means of a pump and needle valve regulator. Cooling of the heated water is by means of a radiator and fan.

Fig. 1 is provided for the nomographic solution of Eq. (1). To use this nomograph select the volume on the V scale and the temperature difference (outgoing water temperature minus incoming water temperature) on the t scale. A straightedge placed between these points will intersect the W scale at the value of power being generated.

As an example assume that 50 cc flow into a graduated beaker in one minute. Water temperature rises 20 degrees to 50 degrees C at this flow rate, a temperature difference of 30 degrees. How much power is being generated?

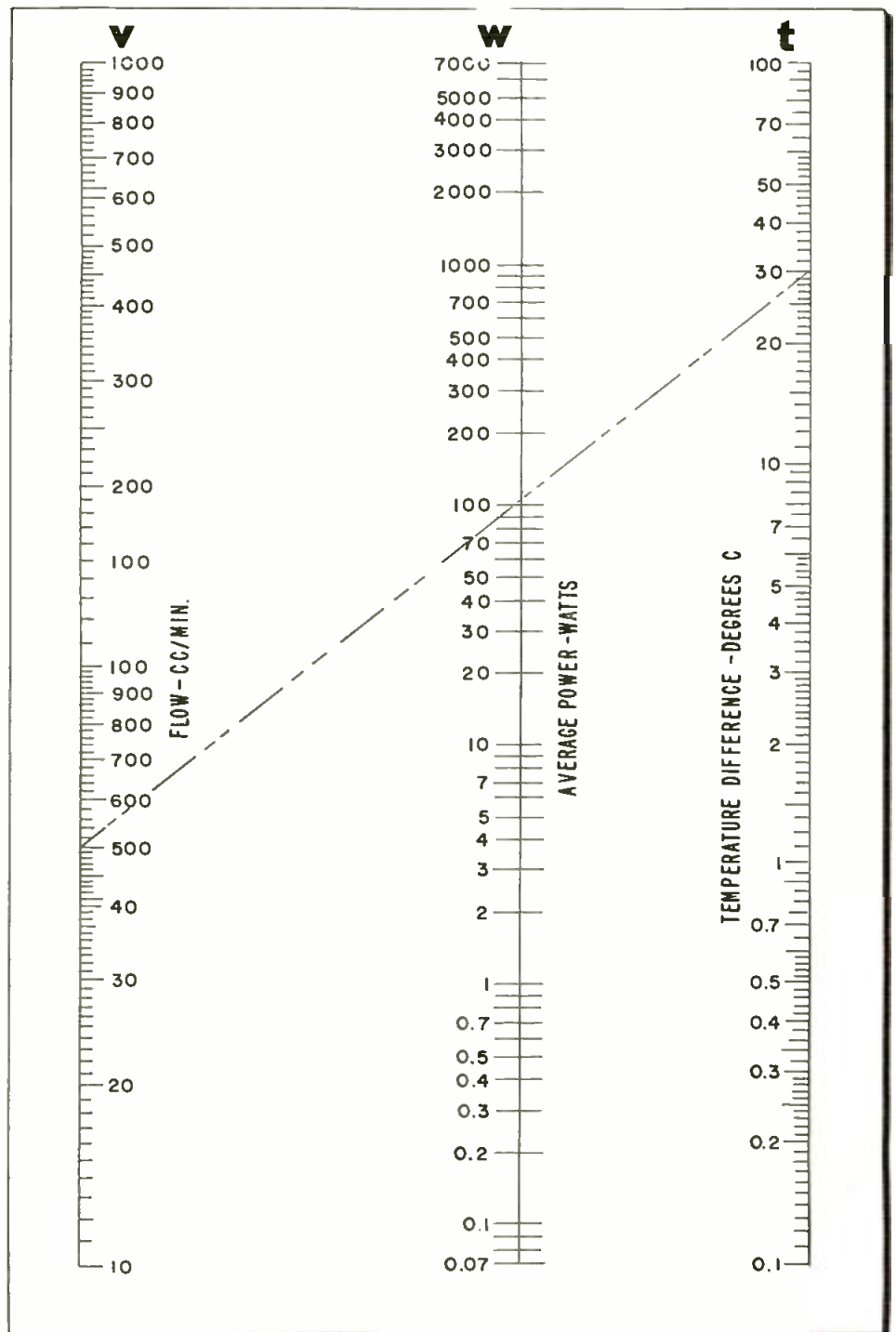
Place a straightedge from 50 on V to 30 on t. Read 103 watts where the straightedge crosses the W scale.

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A quick means of determining r-f and microwave output power from measurements supplied by calorimetric wattmeter

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Fig. 1: Nomograph equates volume of flow and temperature difference



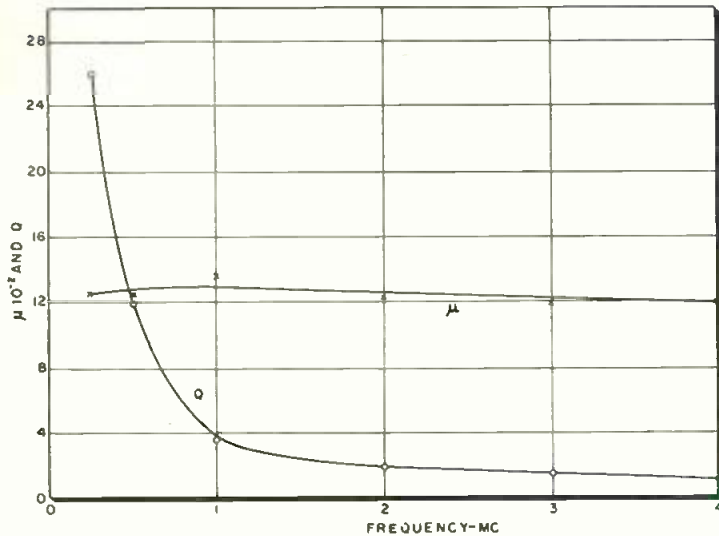


Fig. 1: Permeability and Q as a function of frequency

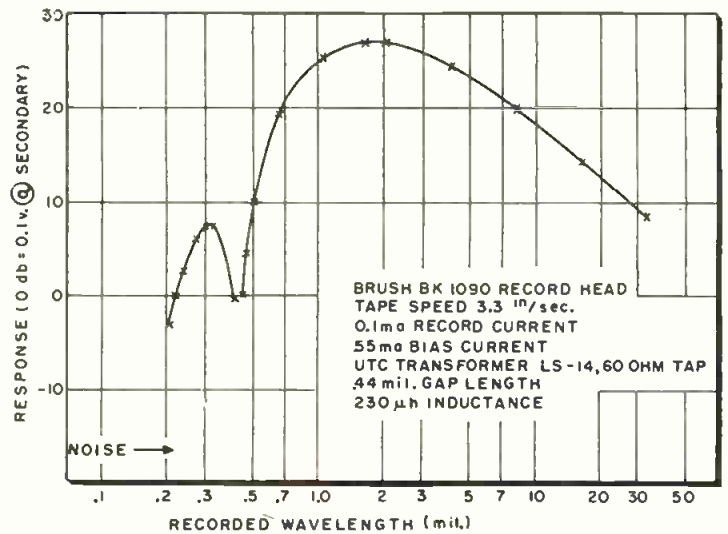


Fig. 2: Response of ferrite head with glazed gap

Ferrite Heads for Recording In the Megacycle Range

Ferrites are found to have resolutions comparable to metallic heads. Problem of wear, particularly at gap edges, is minimized by glazing techniques

By W. R. CHYNOWETH

BECAUSE of their relative hardness and low losses, ferrites were early considered a potential core material for magnetic recording heads. As early as 1948 some ferrite heads with an effective gap of around .75 mil were built and tested. Since that time ferrite heads have appeared commercially, mostly for pulse applications where the head was spaced from the medium. In the field of contact heads, ferrites have not fared quite so well. Early thoughts seemed to indicate the following disadvantages:

1) difficulty in fabrication due to hardness

2) brittleness leading to easy chipping

3) poor resolution due to granularity

With the possible exception of the chipping, the above disadvantages have not proven serious. Ferrites can be molded and then ground and lapped, and this process could well prove to be more economical for production than the handling of thin metallic laminations.

The work described in this article was done as part of a wide band magnetic recording development. It was desired to build heads which could be operated at bias or signal

frequencies in the low megacycle range with as high a resolution as possible. Ferrites seemed to satisfy the high frequency requirements.

It was thought at that time that the loss of resolution due to rough gap edges caused by granularity of the ferrite would be the most serious problem; therefore a materials development program was initiated to produce a more homogeneous and dense ferrite with satisfactory magnetic and physical

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Fig. 3: High resolution ferrite head gaps

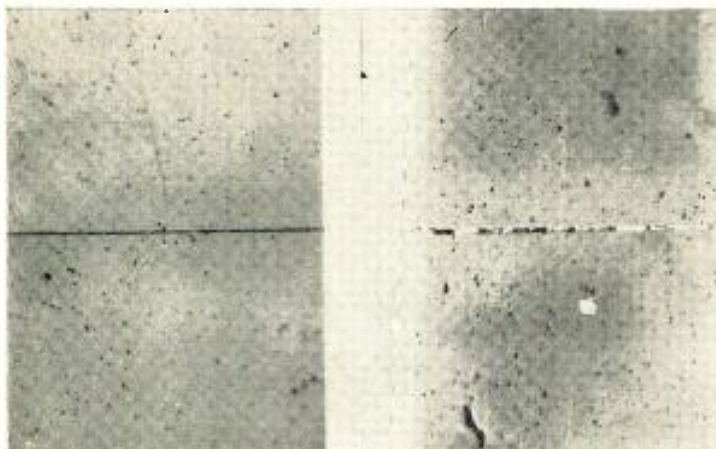
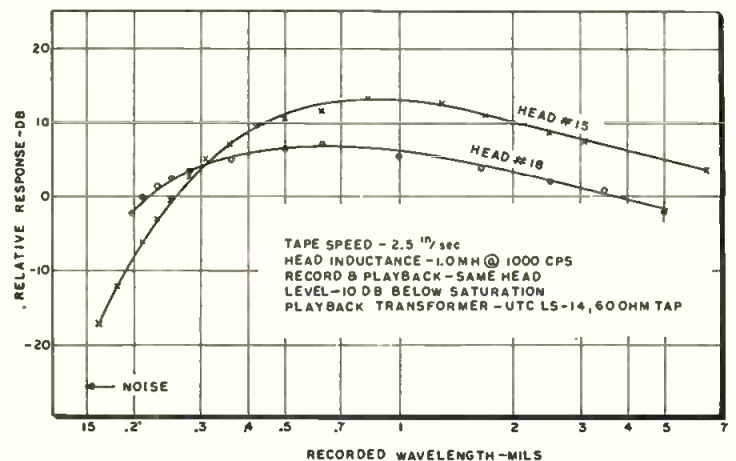


Fig. 4: Wavelength response of ferrite heads



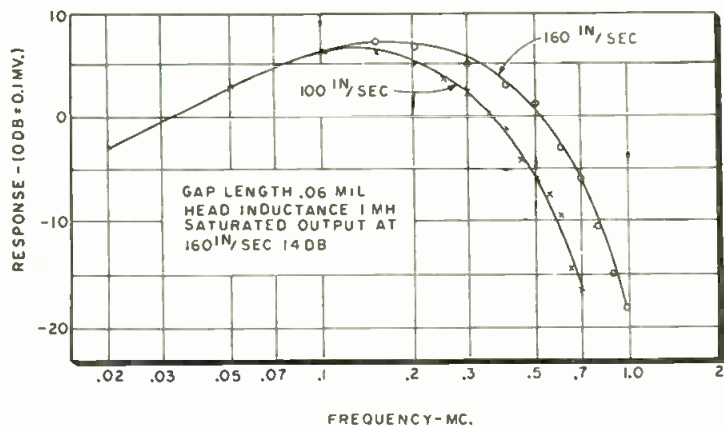


Fig. 5: Response curves for head No. 15 at 100 and 160 ips

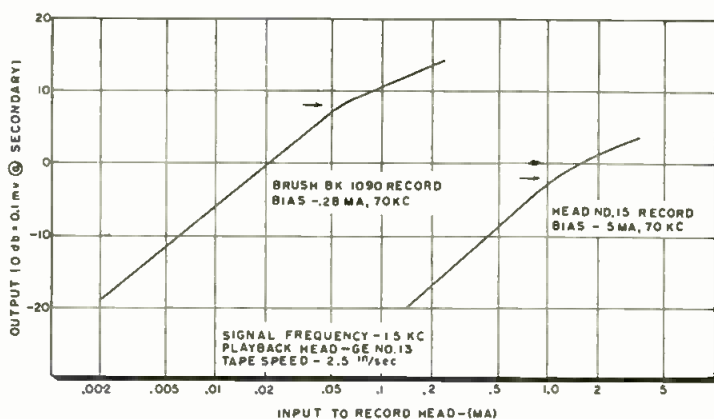


Fig. 6: Comparative curves for ferrite and Brush BK1090 heads

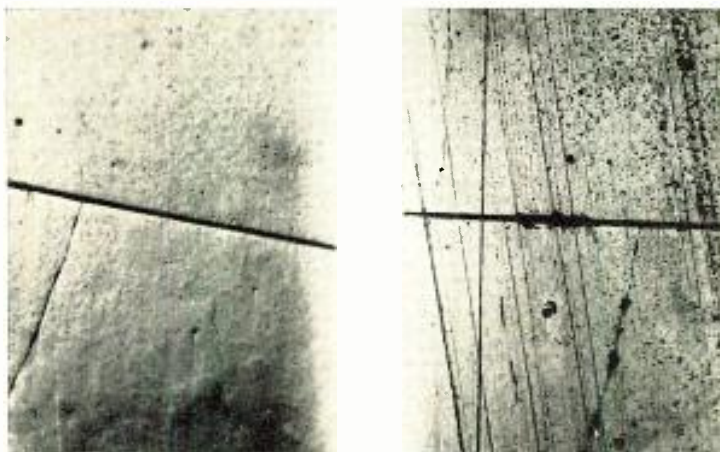


Fig. 7: Wear (l) after 35 hrs. at 100 ips, (r) after 83 hrs. at 100 ips

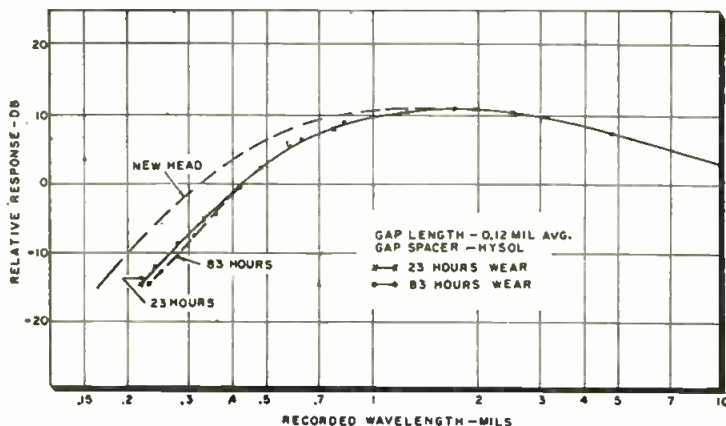


Fig. 8: Effect of wear on resolution of ferrite head at 100 ips

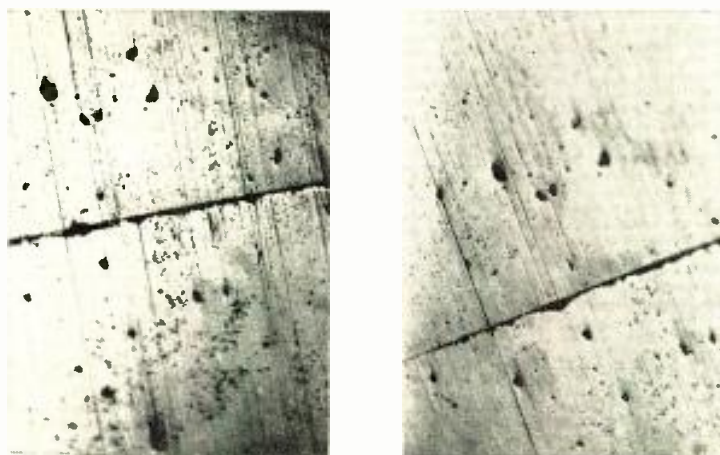


Fig. 9: Glazed head showed great improvement in wearing qualities

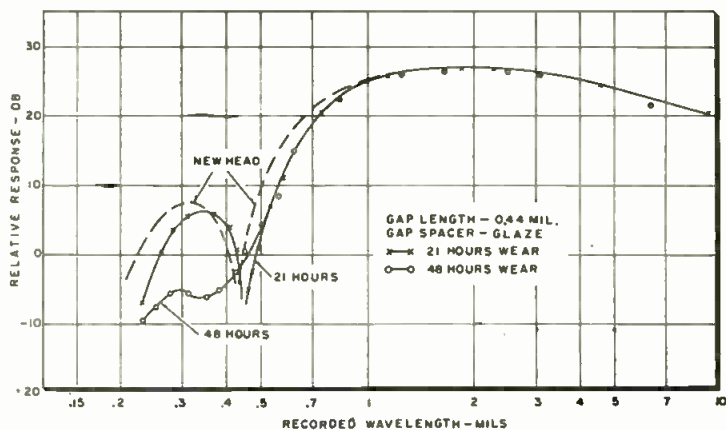


Fig. 10: Wavelength responses taken after 21 and 48 hrs. of wear

properties for use in heads. In terms of the original aims, this program was quite successful. Ferrites were produced with satisfactory permeabilities and Q to be used as playback heads up to 5 mc; Fig. 1 shows a graph of permeability and Q as a function of frequency. That these ferrites had the necessary physical properties to make sharp recording headsgaps is shown in Fig 9. It will be noted that the ferrite is free from large voids and blow holes and that the gap edges are quite straight and uniform. Additional evidence of the sharpness of the gap edges is shown in Fig. 2. The sharpness of the nulls is a characteristic of relatively sharp and parallel edges.

The head just described (Fig. 2) is not a high resolution head; it could be used out to 0.5 mil wavelength. Photomicrographs of two higher resolution heads are shown in Fig. 3. It will be noted that the gap edges appear straight and parallel and free from large irregularities. The sharpness of a gap edge is significant only when related to the recorded wavelength; from this point of view the edges are not sharp and straight but have irregularities which are comparable to the gap length. The minimum gap length for head #15 (Fig. 3) is around .06 mil and for head #17 is around .03 mil, therefore the irregularities, although relatively large, are quite small on an absolute

scale. The wavelength response of these heads is shown in Fig. 4; the problem of gap alignment at very short wavelengths was dodged by recording and playing back on the same head. There were some differences in output between the heads but data on such factors as front and back gap reluctance and the effect of potting strains was not sufficient to attach specific significance to these output variations. It is significant that the curves do not show the sharp null of head #10. This is evidence that the gap edges are less sharp relative to the recorded wavelengths at which the null should occur. In Fig. 5 are shown frequency

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Fig. 1: Complete measuring system requires only moderate bench space

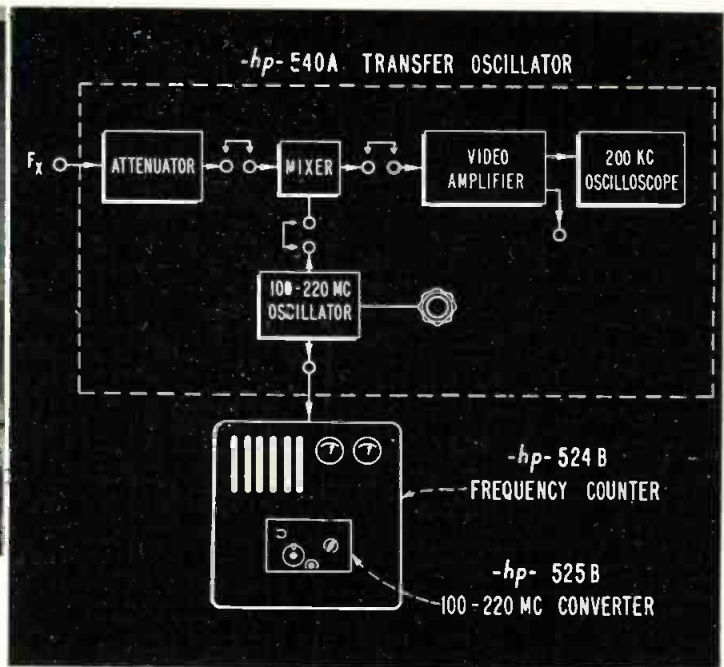


Fig. 2: (r) Block diagram of counter-transfer oscillator arrangement

Designing a Precision

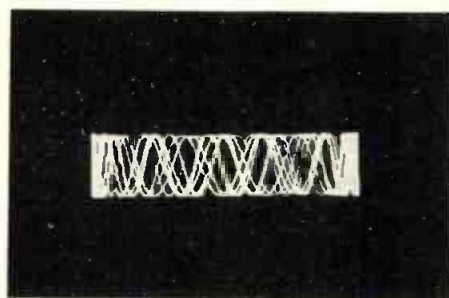


Fig. 3: Scope presentation as low difference frequency is approached. 60 CPS sweep on scope

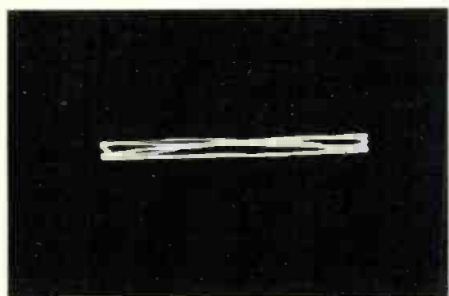
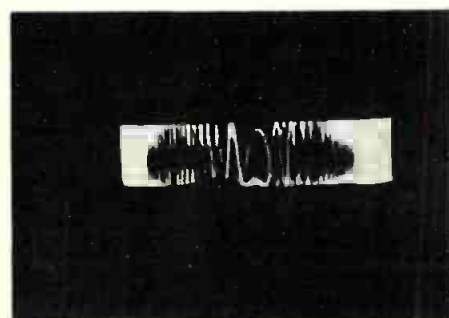


Fig. 4: Typical oscilloscope presentation at zero beat when measuring stable signal

Fig. 5: Typical scope presentation at zero beat when signal has incidental FM.



Addition of transfer oscillator and frequency converter to high-speed frequency counter extends range to 12.4 KMC, and down to 0 CPS. Internal time base system holds accuracy within 1 part in 10^6

A COMPLETE integrated precision frequency - measuring system covering the range from 0 cps to at least 12,400 mc has been formed by combining the high-speed frequency counter with simple auxiliary equipment. The accuracy of this system, since it is derived from a precision frequency standard, is equal to or better than that of other systems. The versatility of this system, however, is not approached by other systems. The system will, for example, measure the carrier frequency of pulse-modulated carriers or the limits of deviation of frequency-modulated carriers.

Fig. 2 is a block diagram of the components of the system. The basic component is the high-speed frequency counter which measures c-w frequencies up to 10 mc. The fact that the counter will make this measurement in 1 sec and that it can be operated by non-technical personnel is responsible for the popularity of the counter method and for the de-

mand to extend the range of measurements it can make to higher frequencies. The counter will, for example, measure a frequency such as 9,809,271 cps in 1 sec. Since it displays the measurement in illuminated numerals and since it makes the measurement automatically, it can be operated by anyone with the ability to read numbers.

In addition to measuring frequencies as high as 10 mc, the counter will also measure frequencies as low as approximately 0 cps. Measurements of these low frequencies are made by reversing the usual method of measurement, i.e., by counting a standard frequency from the counter's time base system for the duration of 1 or 10 cycles of the unknown frequency.

The counter's accuracy is controlled by an internal time base system designed to operate from a 100 kc frequency standard. The internal time base is capable of an accuracy of 1 part in 10^8 . This gives the counter an overall accuracy of ± 1 part in $10^8 \pm 1$ count (cycle) when operated from a suitable frequency standard. The frequency standard included in the counter is rated as

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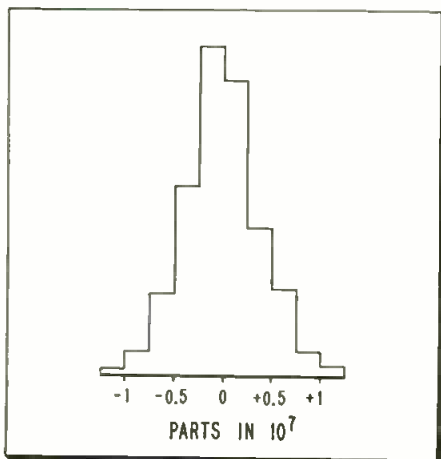


Fig. 6: Distribution of error of comparison when a large number of measurements are taken

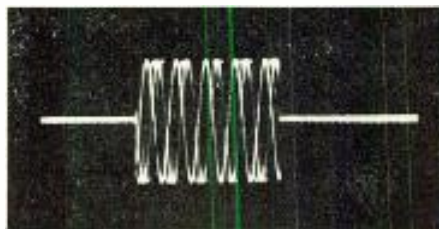


Fig. 7: When measuring rectangular pulses

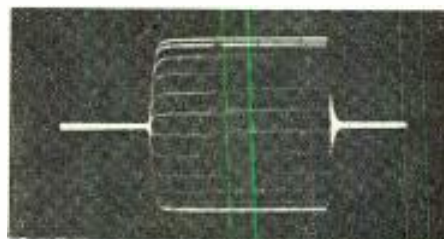


Fig. 8: Difference frequency at low value



Fig. 9: Pattern when checking pulsed carriers

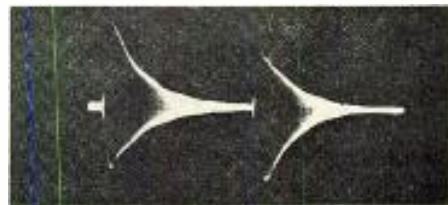


Fig. 10: When using differentiation technique

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Frequency-Measuring System

having a short-time accuracy of ± 1 part in 10^6 .

Converter

The second component of the system is a frequency converter. This converter actually becomes an integral part of the counter, since it fits into a panel recess in the counter, is operated as part of the counter, and has the same accuracy as the counter. Two converters are available, one of which extends the counter's range to 100 mc and another from 100 mc to 220 mc.

The manner in which the converters operate can be described in terms of the 100-mc converter. This equipment multiplies a standard frequency from the counter's time base and makes it available as a mixing frequency in 10-mc steps in the range from 10 to 90 mc. These mixing frequencies have the same accuracy as the frequency standard from which the counter is operated. A desired mixing frequency is selected by a calibrated switch on the converter panel.

To measure a frequency in the 10-100 mc range, the operator connects the frequency to be measured to the converter. A calibrated wavemeter on the converter is then adjusted for an indication on the converter's electron-eye tube. When the wavemeter is tuned, the calibrations on the wavemeter control inform the operator of the proper mixing frequency to use. This mixing fre-

quency is always the nearest multiple of 10 mc below the frequency to be measured.

When the mixing frequency switch has been set to the proper position, the converter mixes the frequency to be measured with the mixing frequency to produce a difference frequency which is never more than 10 mc. This difference frequency falls within the range of the counter and is measured and directly displayed by the counter. The frequency being measured is thus equal to the setting of the converter switch plus the reading on the counter. Adding these two frequencies is easy to do mentally, because the mixing frequency is always a simple value such as 10, 20, 30, etc., mc.

As mentioned earlier, the counter will make its measurements in 1 sec. But it is also arranged to make measurements in even shorter times such as 0.01 sec. In many applications, especially in the frequency range of the converters, these shorter gate times permit frequency drifts or the effect of tuning adjustments on external equipment to be observed immediately. For this reason it is often desirable to use the 0.01-sec. gate time when the counter is being used with the converter.

The 100-220 mc converter operates in much the same manner as the lower frequency converter. The higher frequency converter is of special interest, however, because it is used in extending the system to even higher frequencies.

The foregoing has been the existing system for measuring frequencies up to 220 mc. The requirements established for extending this system to the measurement of higher frequencies included provision for the measurement of pulsed and f-m frequencies as well as c-w frequencies, since these types of modulation are widely used at the higher frequencies. In addition, the system should be able to measure these frequencies at the millivolt level.

These requirements are met by the system's third component, a new transfer oscillator which extends the measuring range of the system to at least 12,400 mc. The transfer oscillator is really a combination of several circuits, including a stable oscillator which is adjustable over the range from 100 to 220 mc. The range of the oscillator thus coincides with the range of the higher frequency converter so that the frequency of the oscillator can be measured at all times to the full accuracy of the counter and converter.

When a high frequency is to be measured with the system, a harmonic of the transfer oscillator is compared with that frequency in a broadband crystal mixer contained in the transfer oscillator cabinet. The difference frequency between the frequency being measured and the oscillator harmonic is observed on a self-contained oscilloscope. When the transfer oscillator is tuned

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SINCE the war, our military equipment, particularly electronic equipment, has increased enormously in complexity, sensitivity, volume and cost. The achievement of reliability and serviceability has, therefore, become the top problem of our armament program.

Since guided missiles are more complex and sensitive than any other weapon, they pose the most difficult reliability problem of all. The overall reliability of a missile or complex electronic system equals, not the average, but the product of the reliabilities of its n components.

$$P_{\text{overall}} = p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot p_3 \cdots p_n$$

For example, if a missile contains 100 components, each having 99% reliability (which is a widely accepted standard of "quality"), the overall reliability would turn out to be only 36.5%. If a missile contains 1000 components having the same 99% reliability, the overall reliability would turn out to be only 0.02%.

The reliability formula indicates, furthermore, that, in order to achieve an overall reliability of 80% for a missile containing 4000 components (which is by no means unusual) one can tolerate, on the average, not more than one failure in 18,000.

As an aid to the designers of guided missiles and their components, the following twenty-seven rules, based on the latest experiences in the field of reliability, are offered.

1 Reliability is not an "ability" but a *probability*, namely, that an item will operate successfully under service conditions. Failure to clearly recognize this mathematical implication may severely delay the development of a guided missile. Study, therefore, the basic concepts of statistics and probability.

2 Study in particular the unique reliability problem of guided missiles in all its practical and theoretical aspects.

3 Avoid Rube Goldberg designs. The effort to achieve reliability goes up with about the *square* of the number, n , of the components. A very complex design may, therefore, never become reliable and serviceable. Simplicity should be the art, vocation, and objective of every designer.

4 Mistrust the validity of the time-honored concepts of quality and reliability. Many are obsolete as far as guided missiles and their components are concerned.

5 Mistrust the concept of redundancy. In guided missiles, no human being is aboard to make the decision to switch over to the stand-by component.

6 Mistrust the concept of "Production Environmental Testing." It teaches that missiles and their components can be "debugged" prior to flight by shaking, shocking, or pre-aging. Actually, bugs may not only be tested out but also tested in because some of the many sensitive components may become fatigued and fail later in flight, thus causing the whole missile to fail.

27 Rules for Guided Missile

*The goal of "absolute reliability" demands new
fice. Recommendations include strict attention
construction, and adoption of the rule*

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7 Mistrust inspections and check-outs. Although they are indispensable, they are not, and cannot be, conducted under the environmental conditions of flight that are usually much more severe. Therefore, they do not nearly suffice to make missiles reliable.

8 Mistrust flight testing as a means of improving reliability. Of course, we have to test missiles in flight in order to determine environmental conditions, and important flight parameters. Yet, since missiles are not recoverable, it is nearly hopeless to try to determine the "ultimate" cause of a missile failure.

9 Mistrust any specification unless you have been able to determine whether or not it is really applicable to the missile and to the component you are going to design or to select.

10 Try hard to get from those responsible for the systems design, the actual environmental conditions under which the component will have to work reliably. In many instances, you may encounter vagueness. Insist upon an answer. If your component should fail and cause the failure of a missile it is you who may have to take the blame rather than those who gave you the wrong information.

11 If an environmental condition, any shock, has not yet been determined numerically, make a generous estimate and apply safety factors of ignorance that are the larger the less the environmental condition is known. The opposite would certainly ruin your missile.

12 Once the condition has become well known, say through flight tests, you may reduce these factors, if desirable. The opposite principle, that of beefing up the strength of the components at a later stage, will most certainly ruin the missile type because the design must be frozen once production is ordered.

13 Before designing or selecting a component type inquire what level of component reliability must be achieved for the particular type of missile. For reasons discussed earlier, the component reliability may have to be ten times or even a hundred times more reliable than the commercial product, depending on the complexity of your missile.

Design Engineers

and more rigid standards of engineering practice to specifications, a striving for simplicity in that testing to failure is mandatory.

14 Never worry about design reliability of your component being too high. Rather, strive for “absolute” reliability, that is, make sure that not more than one unit in 10,000, or better, one in 100,000, will probably fail under service conditions. Only then may you be sure that your component will never “kill” an expensive missile.

15 Consider every component type as a potential “killer” of a missile until you have absolute proof that it is highly reliable. Mistrust any claim of “high quality,” and “maximum reliability” unless you have been able to convince yourself that the selected component type can stand up under the environmental service with unusually high safety factors.

16 Safety factors of 1.5 or 2, although still specified in most specifications, should be disregarded because they are not nearly high enough to achieve the “absolute” level of component reliability required in guided missiles. If you can attain a safety factor of 10—and in most instances you can—you are contributing much more to the reliability of the missile than if you were satisfied with a safety factor of 1.5 or 2.

17 Prove the existence of these high safety factors by testing all component types to the point of failure. This will help you determine the “modes” of failure, that is, the predominant weaknesses of your component. By feeding back such knowledge into design you may raise the reliability of your components considerably, sometimes by orders of magnitude.

18 Do not believe that the test to failure method is “intolerably expensive.” True it may cause additional effort and worry to you and to the test laboratories. Yet, in the long run failure testing will pay high dividends to you, your company, to the taxpayer and to the Armed Forces because it is virtually the only sure way to raise the reliability of your component up to the required “absolute” level and to make your missile reliable and serviceable.

19 In planning a test to failure program for your component, black box or missile, anticipate all conceivable modes of failure, even if some may appear to be very remote. Even a remote weakness of your component may once in a while kill a missile that may be ten thousand times more expensive than your component.

20 Do not be misled by the widespread opinion that it is just the environment of shock and vibration that needs to be considered in a test to failure program. There may be hundreds of other design criteria that may be hazardous to the missile, such as maladjustments, misalignments, electrical and mechanical instabilities, structural overloads, frictions, insufficient power supplies, mechanical and electrical resonances, and many, many others. Whenever you have the slightest suspicion that one of these design criteria may become hazardous to your component, and your missile, you should insist that it be included in the test to failure program. Suspicion is the father of reliability; optimism and gullibility ruins it.

21 Do not rely on the test to failure results of just one unit. A subsequent unit might be much weaker. Therefore, insist that the characteristic variability of the “strength” value of your component type be determined by testing a statistically significant number of units. This will be the only sure way to determine whether or not your component has really attained the required “absolute” level of reliability.

22 After you have achieved the required “absolute” design reliability of your component, make sure that it is maintained in production and operation. Follow your component through all subsequent phases of production, assembly, inspection, transportation, storage and operation. You may detect new unexpected weaknesses.

23 To this end, see to it that periodic tests to failure, on a sampling basis, are performed as long as your component is being produced.

24 Insist that Statistical Quality Control be applied to your component. However, make sure that the proper yardsticks of reliability are applied. Remember, not more than 1 out of 10,000 units may be permitted to fail.

25 Confer with the manufacturer of your component. The best component type may become a severe hazard to the missile if its design reliability cannot be maintained in production. This may easily happen if your design is inadequate to the needs of manufacture. For example, tight tolerances may badly impair the reliability of your component because they may make manufacture difficult. Remember, in guided missiles we are interested in “reliability,” and not necessarily in “quality.” These two properties are often unrelated and even opposed to each other.

26 Should your component show a weakness do not be too quick to place the blame on the manufacturer. In many instances the failure might actually originate in a design oversight of your own.

27 Keep in close contact with users. Your missile may have attained high intrinsic reliability, yet, it may be useless if this reliability cannot be maintained in service.

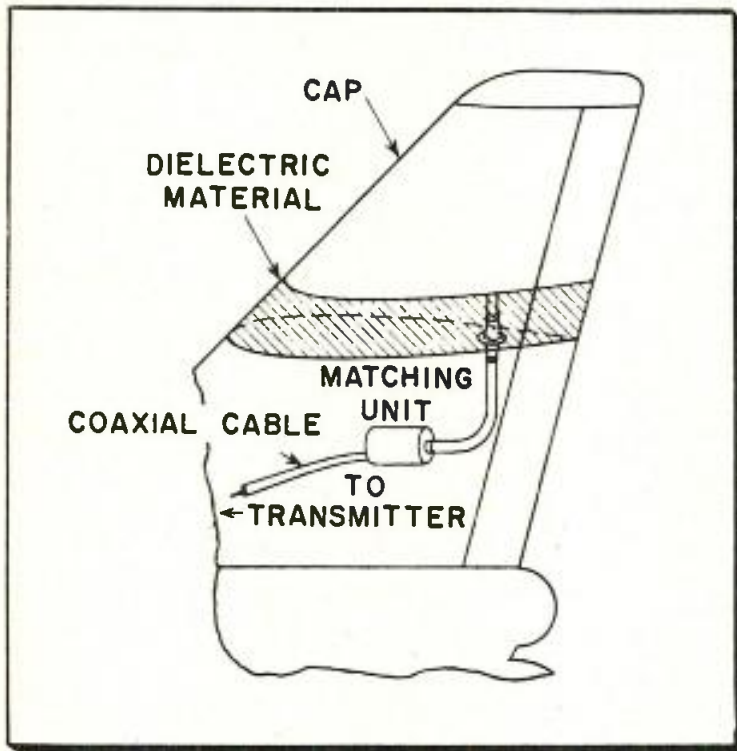


Fig. 1: Dielectric isolates tail cap section from fuselage

An evaluation of the electrical and mechanical stability under service conditions of the polyester and epoxy laminates currently in use as isolating dielectrics for cap-type aircraft antennas

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Structural Dielectrics In Cap-Type H-F Antennas

THE use of flush antennas is becoming standard on all new high-speed aircraft. The flush configurations which appear most suitable from the electrical standpoint for the 2-24 mc liaison communications band are the cap-type antennas made by electrically isolating a portion of the vertical stabilizer or the wing tip with a structural dielectric material. The study described in this paper has been concerned with an evaluation of the stability of the electrical and mechanical properties under service conditions of structural dielectric materials currently in use or considered for use in aircraft antennas of this type. These materials consist of various kinds of glass fiber-resin laminates.

The electrical performance of a communications antenna system is determined, of course, by how efficiently it radiates power from the transmitter in the directions useful to communications. It is the purpose in this part of the discussion to con-

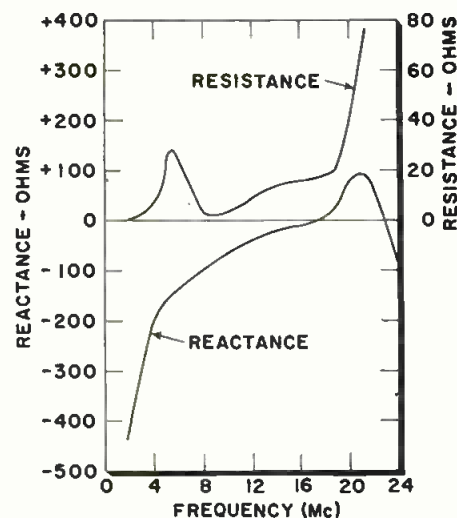
sider how one aspect of the antenna design—the electrical properties of the dielectric gap material—affects the electrical performance of the cap-type h-f antenna system.

Fig. 1 shows a simplified sketch of a typical tail-cap antenna. The shaded area represents the dielectric skin of the isolating gap. The antenna is connected directly to an antenna matching unit which automatically transforms the impedance of the antenna to a constant 50 ohm level. The matching unit is connected through a coaxial cable to a remotely located transmitter.

The principal power losses in the antenna system are the loss in the coaxial cable from the transmitter to the matching unit, the loss in the dielectric material of the isolated section, and the loss due to radiation from the antenna in directions not useful for communications. The loss in the coaxial cable is directly proportional to frequency and cable length and also varies with the vswr on the cable. The losses in the elements of the matching unit depend primarily upon the Q of the load (i.e., the antenna) which it is re-

quired to match. The losses in the dielectric material at a particular frequency depends upon the dimensions of the antenna gap, the impedance of the antenna, and the electrical properties of the dielectric material. The radiation pattern efficiency of the antenna, which is defined as the fraction of the total radiated power which goes into sectors

Fig. 2: Impedance characteristics of antenna



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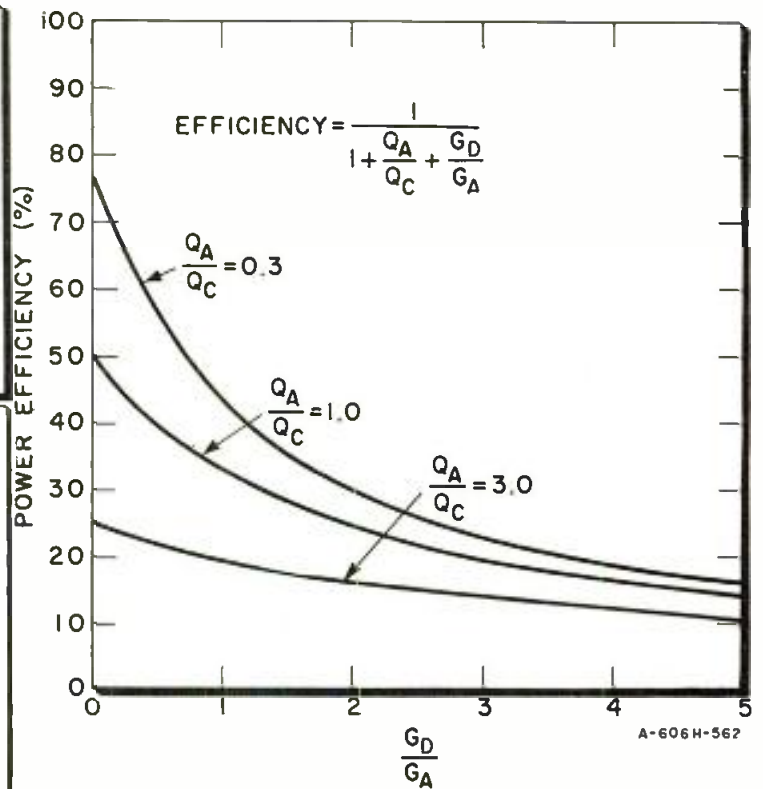
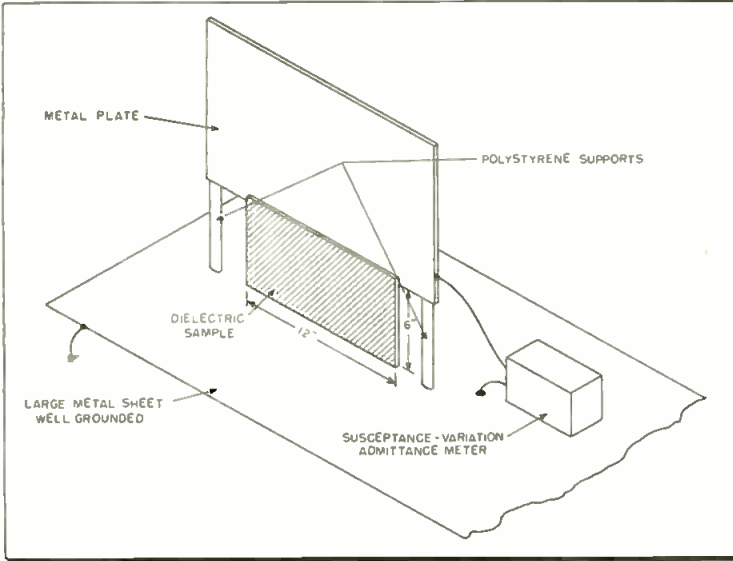
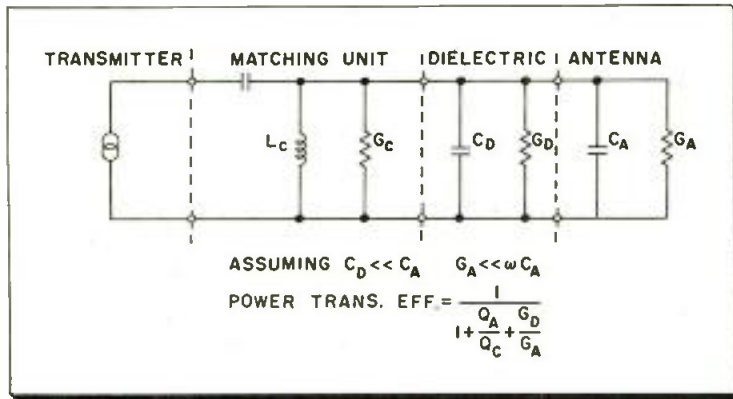


Fig. 3: (above left) Equivalent circuit at low frequencies

Fig. 4: (above) Effect of dielectric loss on power transfer

Fig. 5: (left) Set-up for measuring losses of isolating dielectric

useful for communications purposes, depends upon the size and configuration of the airframe and the location of the antenna.

The impedance characteristics of a typical tail-cap antenna are shown in Fig. 2. The behavior of the resistance component is determined primarily by resonances of the major airframe elements such as the wings and fuselage. A larger cap size generally raises the level of the resistance curve slightly while decreasing the reactance.

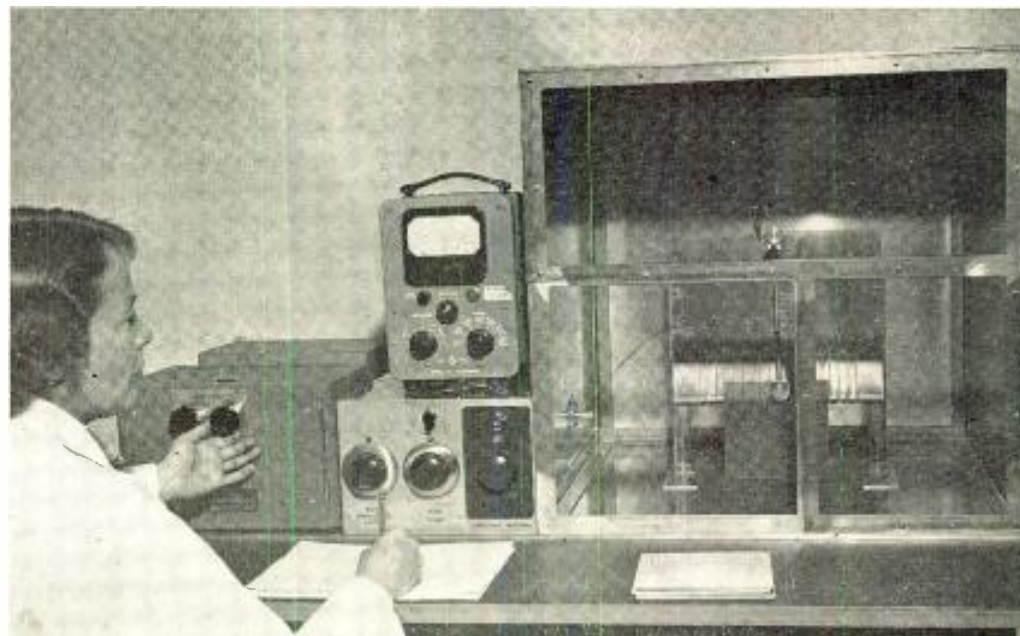
In the high frequency range—say above 6 mc—the antenna impedances are usually such that relatively high efficiency can be obtained from a matching unit with reasonably low loss elements. Also the equivalent antenna radiation conductance will usually be much larger than the equivalent loss conductance placed across the gap by even the most lossy dielectric materials. The performance above 6 mc, therefore, is governed primarily by the radiation pattern characteristics and coaxial cable losses.

For frequencies below 6 mc, the wavelength becomes larger than the largest aircraft, so that the radiation patterns of any cap-type antenna degenerate into the radiation pattern of a simple dipole. Although the orientation of the dipole pattern rela-

tive to the airframe will depend upon which airframe extremity is used as an antenna and, to some extent, on the airframe configuration, it is found that the radiation pattern efficiency is relatively independent of such changes in pattern orientation. The designer hence has little control over the antenna pattern in this frequency range, so the other design factors become paramount.

Furthermore, in most installations, the loss in the coaxial cable can be neglected if a low loss cable is used and a good match is provided by the coupler. In the 2 to 6 mc range, therefore, the antenna performance will be a function primarily of the dielectric loss and the matching unit loss. The measure of the antenna performance at these frequencies (Continued on page 180)

Fig. 6: Dielectric conductance measuring equipment and sample holder



Designed for amplifying the low level outputs of thermocouples and strain gauges, this extra-sensitive magamp employs two high gain push-pull stages, with negative voltage feedback

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Low Level Magnetic

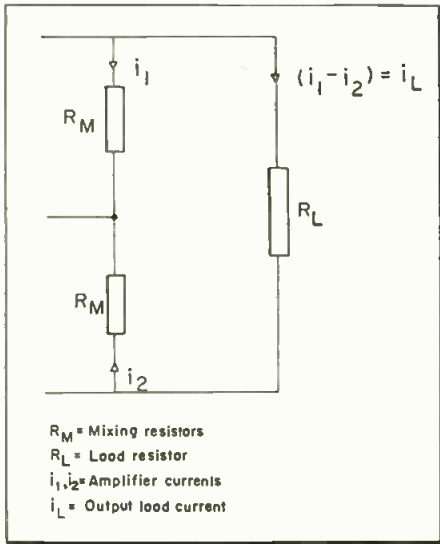


Fig. 1: Resistive mixing circuit for magamp

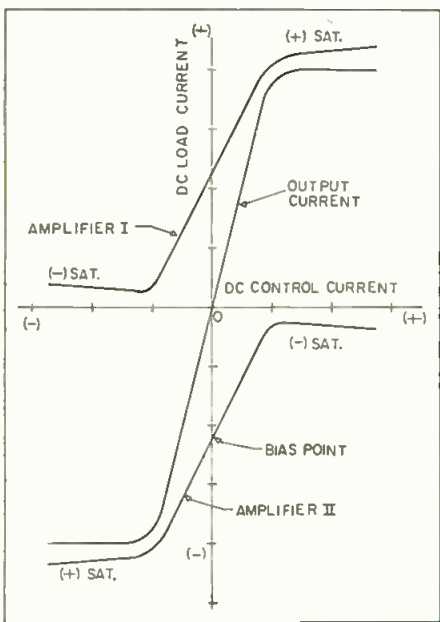
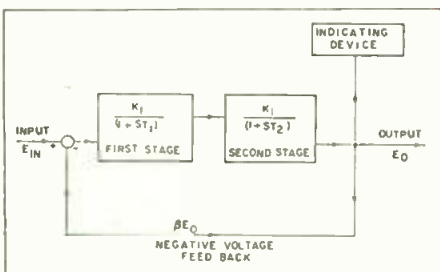


Fig. 2. Transfer curves, push-pull operation

Fig. 3: Block diagram of 2-stage magamp



INPUT signals for many control systems are obtained from thermocouples, strain gauges, and barrier-layer photocells. It is desired to use these signals to perform some useful function such as to actuate an alarm, provide information on an indicator, or control a processing system. Signals from these devices, however, are at very low power levels and cannot perform their intended functions directly. They must be amplified to higher power levels before they can be effectively utilized. The low-level amplifier provides the necessary power amplification. It must be extremely stable and sensitive in order to detect the low-level signals it receives. A short time constant is also desirable for the amplifier so that no appreciable time lag is introduced into the system. Low-level magnetic amplifiers have been built to meet these requirements; they exhibit zero drift levels of 10^{-9} watts with time constants of the order of seconds¹. Although some laboratory models have zero drift levels of 10^{-12} watts², it is difficult to build practical models to have this drift level.

In this article we will describe the design and performance of a two-stage low-level magnetic amplifier that was successfully developed to meet the exacting requirements of a temperature indicating and alarm thermocouple application. The amplifier exhibits a zero drift level of 10^{-12} watts referred to the input for the specified conditions of voltage, frequency, and ambient temperature. The response characteristic is critically damped with a total response time of 0.10 secs. Conventional circuitry and existing components are used. An individual biasing arrangement and matched cores and rectifiers maintain a balanced amplifier. Consequently, zero

drift is kept to a minimum. The detrimental effects of component instability are minimized by obtaining the overall power amplification with two high-gain stages in cascade. The application of negative voltage feedback around both stages insures a high degree of gain stability and provides the necessary linearity. The input impedance is raised to a level many times higher than the ohmic resistance of the input circuit which makes the amplifier essentially a voltage-sensitive device. The over-all characteristics and performance exhibited by the amplifier are favorable to its application in a wide variety of low-level systems.

Design Analysis

The design analysis is carried out for a particular thermocouple application to illustrate the design features of the amplifier. The design features, however, are not limited solely to the thermocouple application, but are applicable when the amplifier is used for other types of low-level systems.

An Iron-Constantan thermocouple is subjected to a hot junction temperature range of 330°C . and produces a linear output voltage change of $0.055 \text{ mv}/^{\circ}\text{C}$. It has a lead resistance of 20 ohms. The amplifier must receive its input signal from the thermocouple and drive both an indicating instrument and the control circuits of relay amplifiers. The relay amplifiers provide the alarm signals at various preset temperatures. These functions are to be performed to an accuracy of 1%. A maximum response time of 1 sec. is permissible, but a faster response is desired. Ambient temperature varies over a range from 0°C . to $+70^{\circ}\text{C}$. The supply voltage is 120 v., 800 cycles. Ten percent voltage and five percent frequency variations are specified.

An appraisal of these specifications dictates a high-gain sensitive

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Amplifier

amplifier with an extremely stable and linear output current vs. input voltage transfer characteristic. The response time is to be as short as possible. The difficulties experienced with the design of low-level magnetic amplifiers to meet similar specifications arise because the components are not sufficiently stable for the circuitry used to permit operation at the low input levels with a high degree of accuracy. The self-saturating, push-pull circuit is commonly used because it has a high gain characteristic. This circuit consists of two amplifiers that are biased for maximum gain and whose outputs are mixed in a common load (Fig. 1). A given dc input signal drives one amplifier toward positive saturation and the other amplifier toward negative saturation by the same amount. The output current is the difference between the two load currents (Fig. 2). At zero input signal the two load currents are equal for a well-balanced amplifier and the output current is zero. Instability of cores and rectifiers unbalances and produces an output current with zero input signal. The unbalanced amplifier also produces some gain drift.

The self-saturating, push-pull circuit is used in the thermocouple amplifier to take advantage of the high gain characteristic, but the amplifier is designed to minimize the effects of component instability on over-all performance. The thermocouple amplifier consists of two stages with negative voltage feedback around both stages. This produces a two time delay system as shown in Fig. 3. The LaPlace transform for this system is as follows²:

$$G(s) = \frac{F_o(s)}{E_{in}(s)} = \frac{K_1 K_2}{(1 + ST_1)(1 + ST_2) + \beta K_1 K_2} \quad (1)$$

K_1 , T_1 , K_2 , and T_2 are the voltage gains and time constants of the first and second stages, and β is the feed-

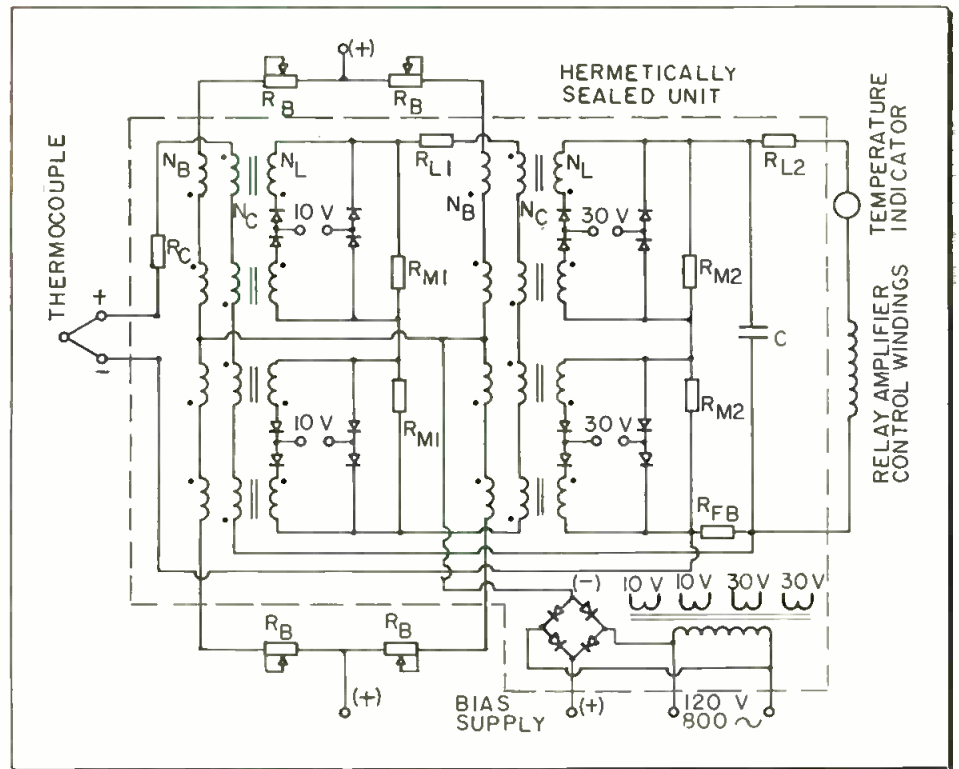


Fig. 4: Schematic circuit diagram of 2-stage low level magnetic amplifier

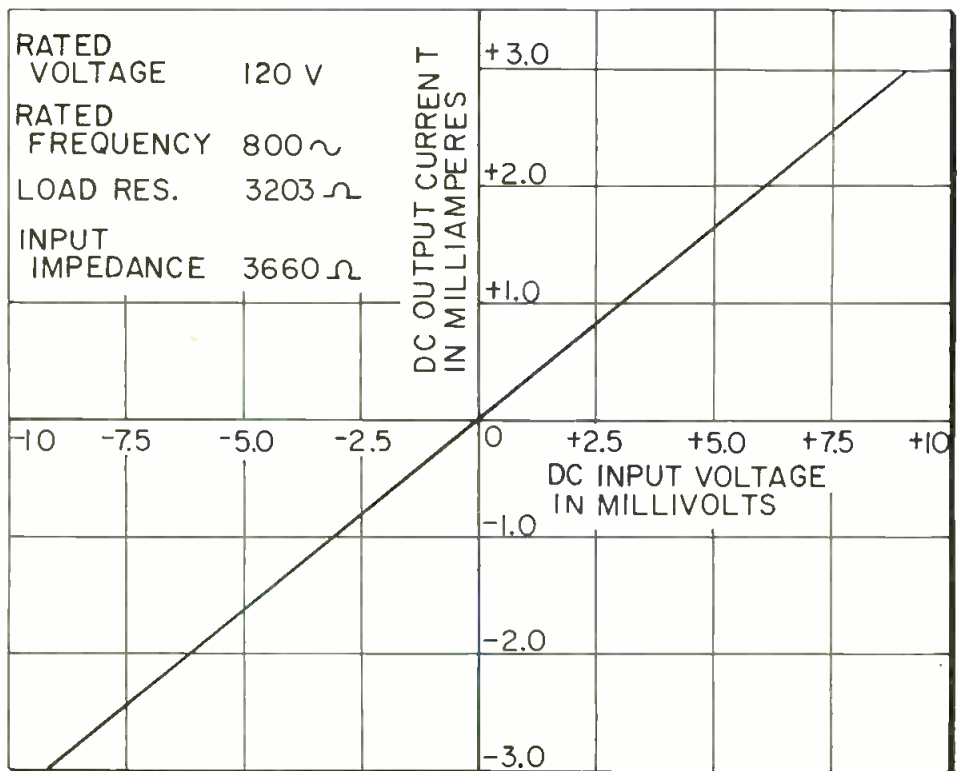


Fig. 5: Closed loop transfer curve, defines operation for rated conditions

back ratio. The static gain for this system reduces to:

$$G = \frac{E_o}{E_{in}} = \frac{K_1 K_2}{1 + \beta K_1 K_2} \quad (2)$$

By designing high gain into the two stages to permit a large feedback ratio, the product $\beta K_1 K_2$ is also large and the over-all gain reduces to approximately $1/\beta$. Thus,

over-all amplifier stability is dependent on the stability of the feedback circuit. With an essentially resistive load circuit, the stability problem is reduced to that of maintaining a stable feedback ratio.

The two stages are designed for both high power and high voltage gain. The first stage achieves its power amplification not by controlling a large amount of output
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Stacked Ceramic Tubes

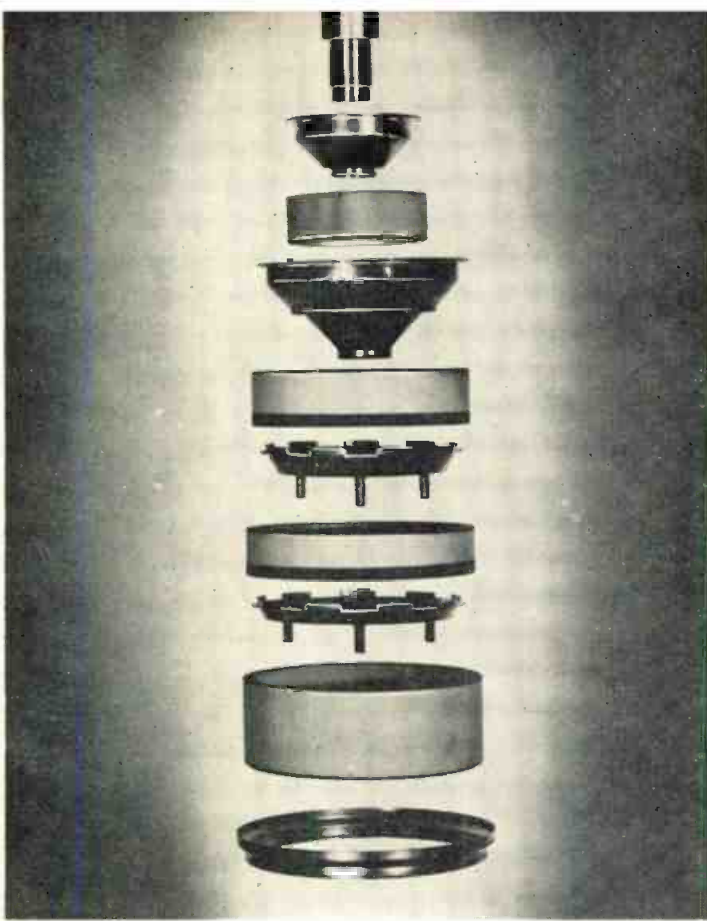


Fig. 1: Stem structure of 5 kw tube has four ceramic rings

THE term "Stacked Ceramic Tube" means a construction in which all of the tube parts, including envelope sections as well as electrode structures, are assembled by simple stacking operations. Both transmitting and receiving type tubes will be described. In the receiving type tubes, the stacking technique has been developed to the fullest extent.

Fig. 2 shows side elevation and sectional views of a tetrode having an anode dissipation rating of 5 kw, which is representative of a larger tube in the transmitting tube category, identified as the 4X5000A. The

right-hand view in the photograph is a cut-away section through the stem of the tube and clearly illustrates the envelope construction built up on ceramic and copper rings, the latter providing electrode supporting members. These envelope sections are all self-jigging, so that axial and vertical alignment is obtained automatically when the parts are stacked together, without requiring skilled operators. The entire envelope stem structure is brazed together in a single furnace operation.

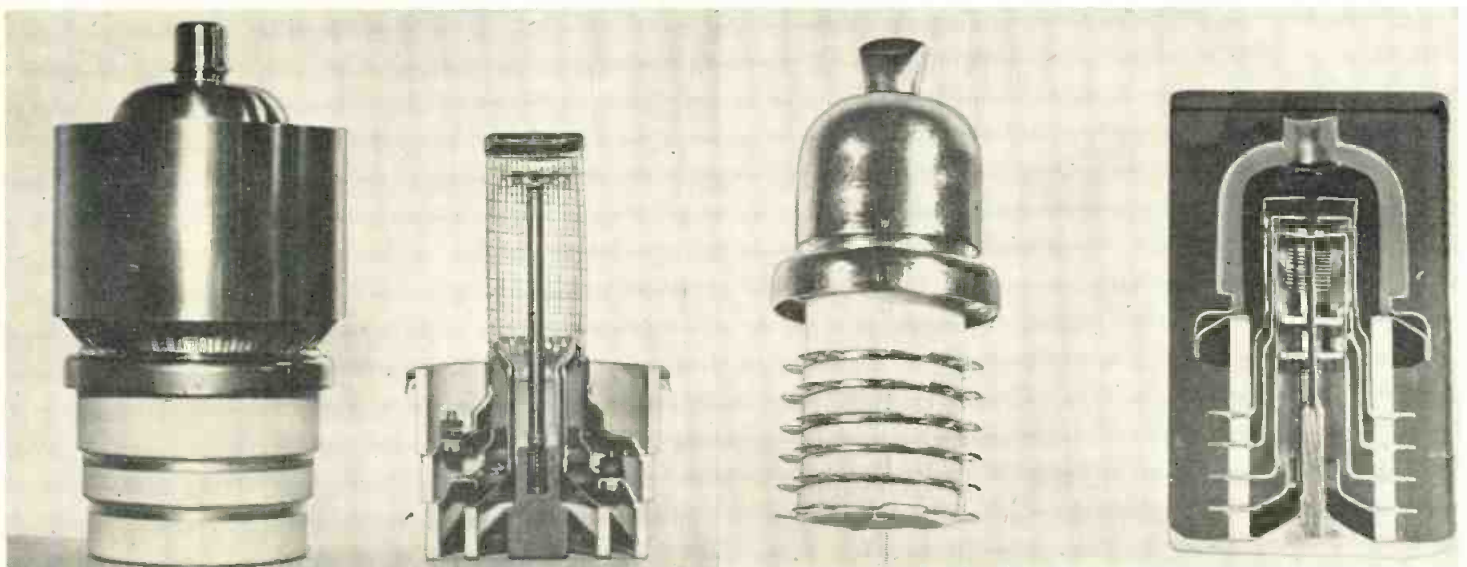
Fig. 1 is an exploded view of the stem structure for the 5 kw tube,

showing the four ceramic rings and several metal parts which make up the envelope. This photograph helps to visualize the stacking method of assembly. Conical formation of the metal rings, particularly at the base of the stem, insures adequate rigidity.

In all of the tubes here described, the ceramic employed is of the aluminum type. Metalizing is by the refractory metal powder sintering technique. Only high temperature brazing alloys such as copper-gold and the like are employed at the ceramic-to-metal seals. In standard production these seals normally pass rupture pull tests of the order of 5,000 psi. High temperature materials are used throughout to permit bakeout at elevated temperatures during tube manufacture, and to provide a tube which will operate in high ambient temperature environments.

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Fig. 2: Side and sectional views of 5 kw transmitting tetrode. Fig. 3: 150 watt tetrode. Ceramic and metal rings comprise side wall.



New developments in the application of ceramic-metal assemblies to transmitting and receiving tube construction. Adaptability to modular circuitry cited.

By HAROLD E. SORG

Fig. 3 is a photograph showing side and cross section views of a smaller 150-watt transmitting tube having characteristics comparable to the Eimac 4X150A glass tetrode. This illustrates advanced techniques in stacked construction wherein ceramic and metal rings are sandwiched together to build up the envelope side wall. The interposed metal rings function as electrode supports and also as terminal members, being radially extending segments of the metal side wall rings. This introduces a unique method for socketing the tube.

Stacked Relationship

Fig. 4 shows exploded views of the above tube, the left-hand portion of the photograph showing the parts completely exploded and the right-hand illustrating the envelope sub-assemblies prior to mounting the electrodes and final sealing. These views illustrate the stacked relationship of the ceramic and metal rings making up the envelope and also show the tubular electrode supports which are formed as an integral part of the metal side wall rings.

Fig. 5 is a drawing illustrating the preferred socketing arrangement for the 150-watt tube. The socket has contact segments complementary to those on the tube so that the tube may be inserted into the socket and then turned to rotate the terminals into engagement under the socket contacts. A spring in the socket presses the tube upwardly against the socket contacts. The lower view in the drawing looks down on the socket and indicates the arrangement of the contacts.

Fig. 6 shows a small double triode in the receiving tube category similar in characteristics to the 6SN7

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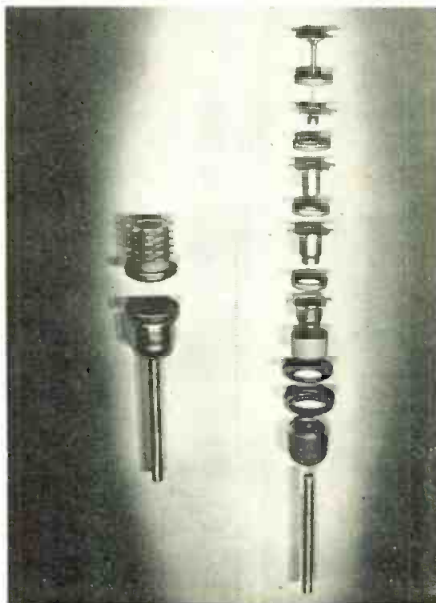


Fig. 4: Exploded view—150 watt tetrode

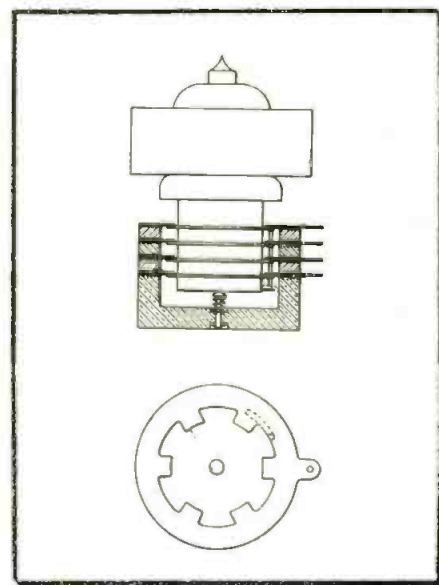


Fig. 5: Preferred socket contact arrangement

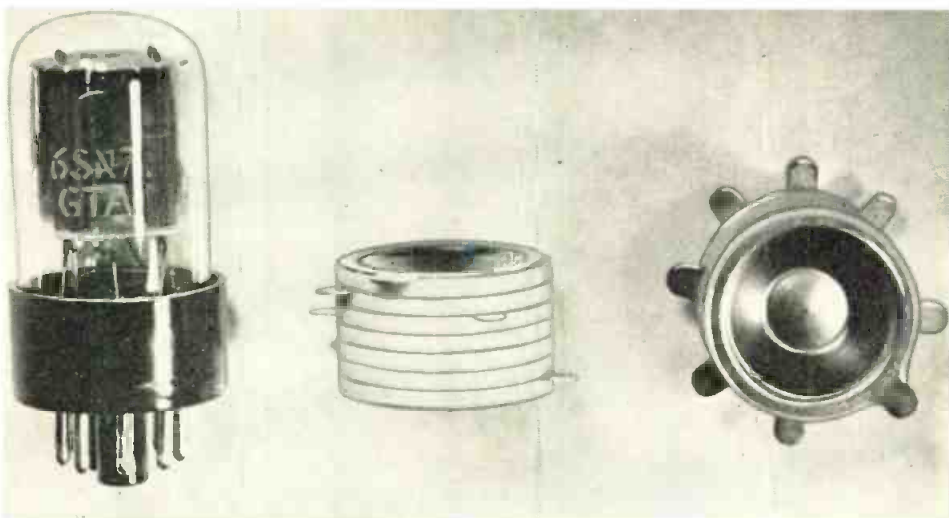


Fig. 6: Ceramic double triode (r) is counterpart of familiar glass 6SN7

Fig. 7: Sectional drawing illustrates positioning of tube elements

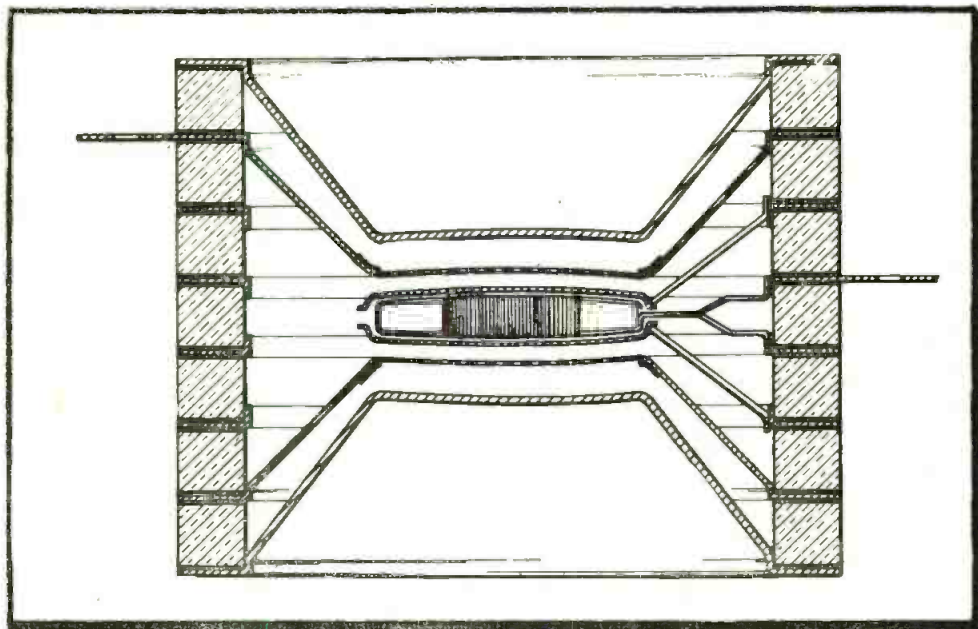




FIG. 1 Complete transmitter and power supply assembly is mounted on a single printed circuit card

An Airborne Standby VHF

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Compact, rugged, printed circuit unit works off aircraft's 24 v. storage battery



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■ Many military aircraft employ both a 400 cps power plant and a storage battery. In these aircraft the radio communication equipment is normally powered by the ac power generator. It is obvious, therefore, that the loss of ac power will create a hazardous situation for both the crew and the aircraft. To overcome this problem a project was established to design a VHF transmitter-receiver which would provide maximum reliability and which would assure radio communication during an emergency caused by an ac power failure or failure of the ac operated communication equipment. The equipment about to be described uses no ac power. It is operated directly from the aircraft storage battery.

Several objectives were established at the onset of the project. Foremost were the following:

1. Reliability—The device must be

as reliable as the state of the art will permit.

2. Physical compactness—If the end product is large and bulky, space and weight considerations might prevent its application in the already over burdened modern military aircraft.

3. Performance—It must accomplish the basic task of providing clear communication at distances equivalent to line of sight paths on an emergency frequency universally used today at both military and commercial airdromes.

Power Supply

Once it was established that the unit was to be powered by the aircraft's 24 v. battery, two basic types of power supplies were considered: These are dynamotor and vibrator. In the interest of maximum reliability, compactness, and light weight, it was decided that a vibrator supply would be used. Recent developments have yielded relatively long potential life from vibrators operating at 400 cps. This high vibrator frequency permits the use of a compact power

transformer and the associated filter reactor and capacitors. The obvious bonus yielded by the use of these small components are reduced weight and size. Furthermore, these 400 cps vibrators are hermetically sealed to nullify the detrimental effects of humidity and high altitude operation.

The total power requirements of this equipment are 1.75 amps when receiving and 3.0 amps for transmitting, using a 27.5 v. dc voltage source.

The power output from this power supply is 120 v. dc at 100 MA during the "receive" duty cycle and 220 v. dc at 125 MA during the "transmit" duty cycle. Conversion of the ac output of the transformer to dc is accomplished by means of a selenium rectifier designed for military applications. In order to permit the use of a single power transformer secondary winding, a full wave rectifier circuit is used during "receive" and a bridge circuit is used during

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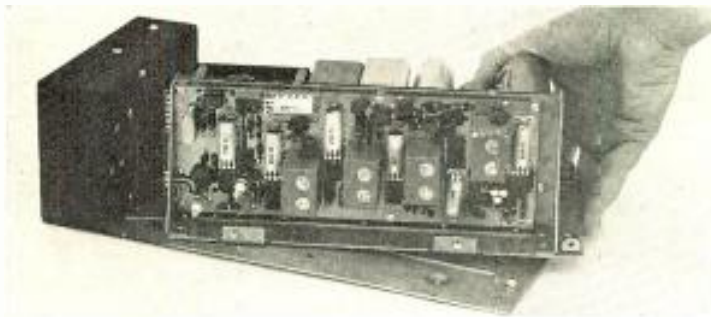


FIG. 2 Etched circuit cards are mounted "back-to-back"

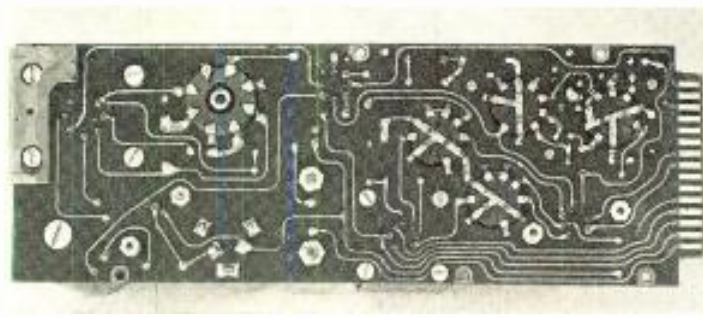


FIG. 4 Printed circuit boards have rhodium-plated contact tips



FIG. 3 Receiver assembly, too, is complete on single card



FIG. 5 Miniature i-f transformers employ toroids with Q of 140.

Transmitter and Receiver

"transmit." The changeover of circuitry is accomplished by energizing relay K2. This is done automatically when the "press-to-talk" button on the microphone is depressed.

The overall dimensions are 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ " long, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide and 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ " high. Total weight is 6 lbs. This includes the transmitter, receiver, and vibrator power supply and mounting base. Components have been selected to provide reliable performance when subjected to the rigorous environmental conditions set forth in MIL-E-5400. Amongst these are the ever unpopular (to the equipment designer)

1. Operation at ambient temperatures between -55° and $+55^{\circ}$ C.
2. Operation at altitudes up to 60,000 ft.
3. Operation at relative humidity of 100% at $+50^{\circ}$ C.
4. Requirement for storage without permanent damage to temperatures of -65 to $+85^{\circ}$ C.
5. Requirement for moisture and fungus proofing.
6. Vibration of 0.06 in. double excursion over the frequency range of 10 to 55 cps, and
7. It must remain operative after submission to impacts of 15 G's acceleration in any direction.

To assist in achieving successful

operation when exposed to the above conditions, many of the time proven, plus some fairly new techniques of ruggedization, were employed. The use of etched circuits contributes substantially to the excellent performance obtained under conditions of vibration. Fig. 4 shows the use of this technique. Several base materials for the etched circuit cards were considered. Influencing the final decision were the importance of such factors as 1—low radio frequency losses (some circuits operate at 121 MC), 2—low moisture absorption, 3—physical strength, 4—and to a minor degree, reasonable cost. The results of the investigation indicated that an epon glass would be the best choice for this application. The cards have 0.003-in. thick copper foil laminated to each side. The copper foil is gold flashed to provide good RF conduction plus the added benefit of ease in soldering. Each transmitter and receiver card is designed for dip soldering which provides economy in production as well as maximum reliability resulting from uniformity in the quality of the soldered connections and elimination of failures caused by wire breakage.

The copper foil on the component side of the card is etched away only

at the points required for the components. The remainder of the foil serves as a ground plane. This permits the operation of both the receiver and transmitter without being assembled as a unit. This is of great assistance should servicing be required.

Note in Fig. 2 that two of these etched circuit cards are employed in a "back-to-back" configuration. The entire receiver is contained on the left card and the transmitter, including the modulator and the vibrator power supply, are on the right card. These are shown individually in Fig. 1 and Fig. 3. Attention to detail is exhibited by the use of rhodium plating on the "fingers," or contacts of the cards, which plug into the mating printed circuit connectors. The rhodium plating extends inward from the edge of the card for a distance of approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ ". It has been determined that ordinary printed cards with 0.003 in. thick copper will endure only approximately 25 insertions in the mating receptacle before copper is worn to the point of causing intermittent contact. The hard rhodium plating has produced cards showing negligible wear after 1000 insertions and withdrawals.

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Unique forward and reverse characteristics of these rectifiers provide power conversion efficiencies of more than 90%. Units show negligible aging effects

Germanium Power Rectifiers

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Fig. 1: Fan-cooled 60 kw germanium power rectifier

THE PHYSICAL and electrical advantages inherent in germanium diffused junction rectifiers account for their increasingly widespread use in industry. Within the indicated ranges of application, these relatively new germanium power rectifiers offer a number of superiorities over other types now available.

A maximum amount of forward current is an engineering objective. Theoretically, a perfect power rectifier would provide zero forward resistance and infinite reverse resistance. In practical operation, some power losses are inevitable in metallic rectifiers. Fortunately, the forward voltage drop in germanium power rectifiers is extremely low in comparison with other metallic rectifiers. Compared with silicon diffused units, the forward drop in germanium is only about 20%.

In common with other metallic rectifiers, germanium types show temperature-dependent forward and reverse characteristics. For example, the forward drop at -60°C . is roughly 20% higher than at 25°C . At 75°C ., the forward drop is slightly under 10% below that shown at 25°C . Even at -60°C ., germa-

nium power rectifiers show forward voltage drops low enough to supply dc current with exceptional efficiency. The effects of temperatures on forward drop is given in Fig. 3. The effects of load current variations on forward voltage drop is shown in Fig. 4.

Less Reverse Flow

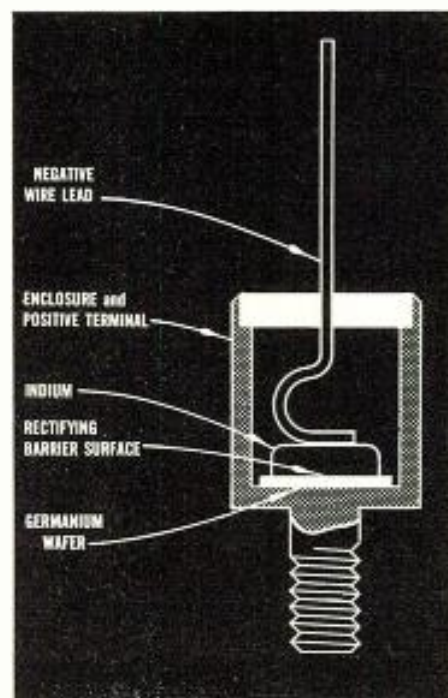
The low reverse leakage of a germanium power rectifier decreases by a large factor as the ambient temperature is reduced. It is interesting to note in Figs. 5 and 6 how the already low leakage at 25°C . continues to decrease rather than swinging upward at some point below room temperature. It is also evident that the increase in forward losses as temperatures are lowered is at least partially compensated by concurrently decreasing reverse losses. Ratios of forward-to-reverse losses are also affected by the magnitude of the reverse voltage and by resistance of the rectifier.

The effects of voltages on reverse currents in typical 10-amp germanium power rectifiers are plotted in Fig. 5. These curves show one unit may have negligible leakage at 100 v. compared with another that has less leakage below 60 v. When reverse losses become an important fraction of the forward drop, or at higher ambient temperatures, voltage derating becomes necessary. Such de-

rating protects the metallic junctions from damage and provides longer operating life. Even with such deratings, permissible voltages may be comparatively high at ambient temperatures up to 75°C .

Because of their unique forward and reverse characteristics, germanium power rectifiers provide ac to dc power conversion efficiencies of more than 90%. Their low forward voltage drop and high permissible cur-

Fig. 2: Germanium rectifier construction



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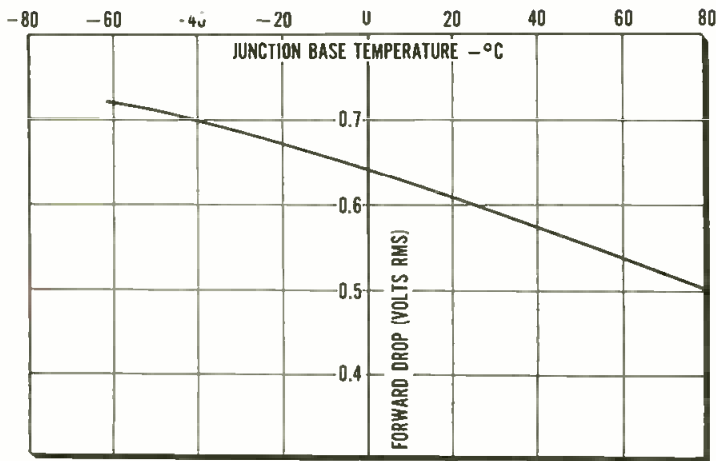


Fig. 3: Forward drops vary with temperature, but are very low

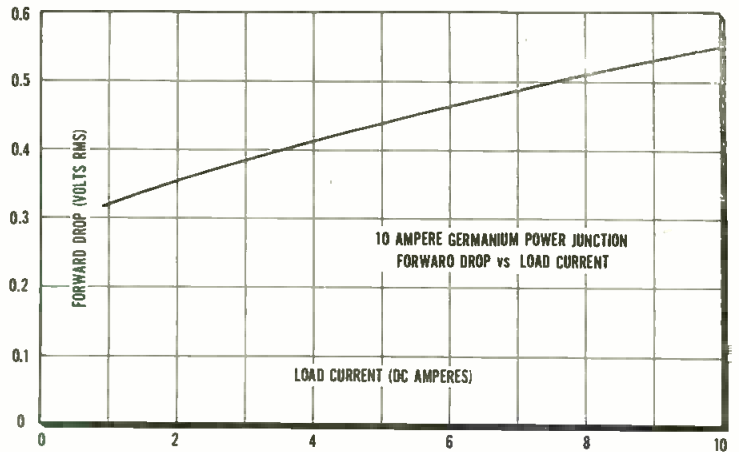


Fig. 4: Effects of load current variations on forward drop

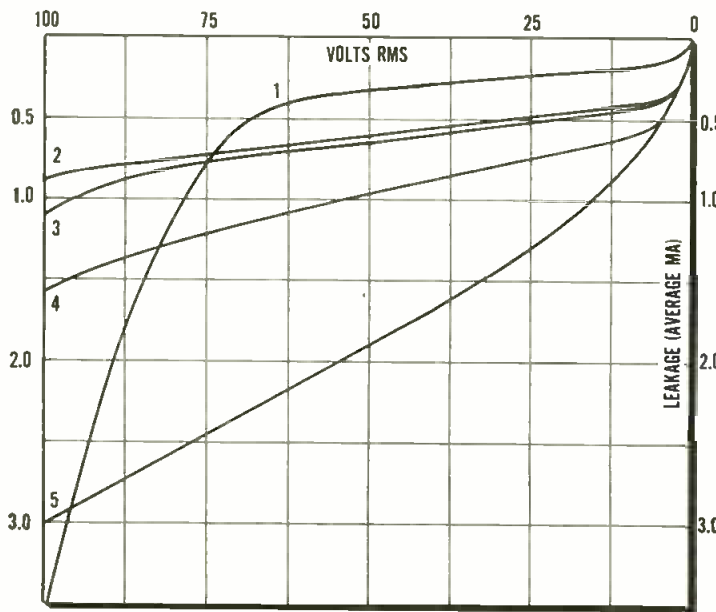


Fig. 5: (1) Effects of voltages on reverse currents in 10 a. rectifier

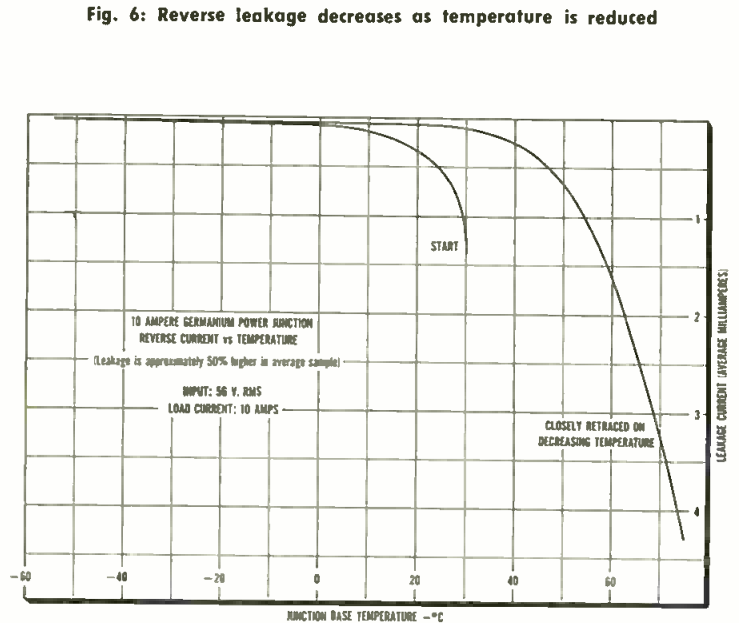


Fig. 6: Reverse leakage decreases as temperature is reduced

rent densities (about 75 amp/cm.² average readings in half-wave circuits) permit production of stack or other multiple rectifier assemblies that are light in weight and small dimensionally.

As a result of the high voltage rating per junction, the number of junctions needed in series to form a high voltage assembly is reduced. With fewer units required in series, the overall forward drop of a germanium rectifier assembly is exceptionally low. One result is improved voltage regulation, as shown in Fig. 7. The absence of any appreciable aging effect in germanium rectifiers assures high efficiency and excellent voltage regulation for a very long time. Field tests to date show no appreciable change in forward or reverse resistance after 1,250 working days.

As with other semiconductors, germanium power junctions—whether used in series or in parallel—should be carefully matched for characteristics. Voltage derating permits reasonably equal heat dissipation in all

sections of a rectifier assembly. The amount of derating needed depends upon how closely units are matched at temperatures likely to occur during normal operation.

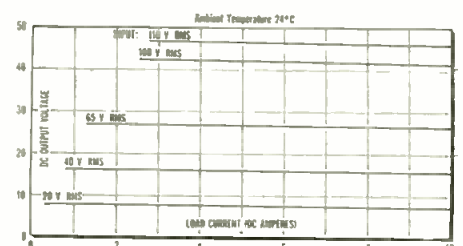
Overheating, caused by current above the normal load limit or too high ambient temperatures, is a common cause of failure in germanium power rectifiers. Such failures can occur suddenly if units are not operated in accordance with manufacturers design recommendations. Operating experience shows that fan or liquid-cooling, plus necessary voltage derating in high ambient temperatures, delivers useful amounts of power at higher voltages than are safe for convection-cooled units. In case the cooling equipment fails, provision should be made for immediate removal of voltage to fan or liquid-cooled rectifiers.

"Forming" treatment such as required with other type rectifiers is not needed when putting germanium rectifiers into operation. Nor is there any "deforming" effect evident when germanium junctions are inopera-

tive. This holds true regardless of the rating of a germanium power rectifier. The efficiency of this type rectifier depends more upon the precise processing of the germanium wafer and complete diffusing at the germanium-indium junction than on any forming action in service.

In a broad sense, germanium power rectifier production is an art as well as a science. Continuing research will undoubtedly reveal more precisely the factors governing such power rectifiers. This should make possible production of crystals approaching nearly ideal characteristics.

Fig. 7: Voltage regulation in half wave circuit with resistive load



Improving

terminal boards. Resistors and capacitors which are designed for mounting by their wire leads, but which are too heavy for point-to-point mounting in the particular application, should be strapped down.

Terminal boards can impede convective cooling of components (especially when mounted horizontally), and heating of capacitors or germanium products by adjacent resistors causes many failures. Terminal board construction is more difficult to circuit-trace during maintenance than is point-to-point wiring. Vibrating a terminal board at its resonant frequency can damage the parts mounted on it. Cabling wires together can cause a deterioration of performance due to crosstalk, a defect that is not uniform even among various units of the same production run. But the engineer can minimize these difficulties with careful design; and terminal board mounting of components with cabled wiring is preferred in military equipment. Stranded wire is good for long leads because it can flex without fatigue, and in doing so it dissipates some of the vibratory energy by friction between strands. Strain on terminals should be relieved by providing slight excess length of stranded wire, or by crimping solid wire component leads.

Criticism for the appearance of components and wiring that deviate from the four points of the compass can be avoided by "potting," or encapsulating the assembly in an electrical insulating compound. This also increases flashover voltage and rigidity, and reduces moisture absorption. Its disadvantages are poor heat dissipation, higher stray capacitance, difficulty of repair, and possible chemical, mechanical or thermal damage to the components. Development of a moderately soft plastic foam (pliant and mechanically dis-

popularity of a new idea appears to depend on publicity, choice of a "catchy" name, and prestige of the sponsors. It should depend solely on a logical and objective evaluation of its suitability for the proposed application. And wherever possible, reports of failures during assembly and in the field should be analyzed by a separate group to determine whether the innovation actually worked out as expected.³⁸

Construction

In the narrow sense, "ruggedness" is the ability to withstand shock and vibration without failure (powered or "cold," as the application requires). Components must be mounted rigidly enough to endure the expected acceleration ("g") and to elevate their mechanical resonant frequencies.^{18, 23}

Direct, point-to-point wiring with short leads can be made rugged. One manufacturer, in the competitive market since 1930, has used it widely, and a recommendation has been made that it should be accepted in military equipment.⁵ Where mounted-part terminals alone do not have adequate strength to support interconnected parts by their leads, strong terminals should be added for this purpose. These should be chosen with great care to ensure adequate strength after assembly and the heat of soldering. They may be in the form of single standoff insulators, multiple tie points, or ter-



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■ The first step in reliable-izing a product is to view it with a completely logical and unbiased attitude. Although it is not impossible for the designer to approach this ideal viewpoint it is usually wise to appoint a separate group to evaluate

reliability. This reliability group can guide the choice of parts and construction techniques effectively, and usually without excessive waste or duplication of design effort. Unfortunately, redesign of the basic system or circuitry does waste time and design effort, and for that reason the development engineers themselves should be taught the principles of system and circuit design for reliability as rapidly as they become known.

The choice of circuits, components and techniques is dominated by fads. Engineers are slow to adopt some innovations while others sweep the country and find wide acceptance even where they are unsuitable. The

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A separate plant group responsible for "reliable-izing" techniques is seen as key to problem. Methods for boosting reliability are described.

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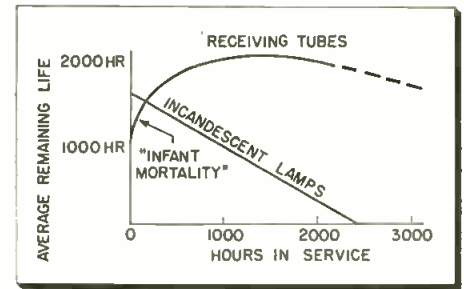


Fig. 2: Despite progress made in "reliable-izing" program tube life is unpredictable

Electronic Reliability

sipative) should receive more attention for reduction of shock and vibration damage to electronic equipment. Soft copper braid could be used to conduct component heat out to the equipment "skin" without conducting in vibration.

Shock Mounting

The high-frequency components of shock and vibration can be reduced by spring-mounting of the assembly to the frame. The greatest vibration encountered by mobile equipment is above 30 cps, with a considerable component extending down to 3 cps.³⁹ Shock-mounting is analogous to low-pass filtering; the response rises to a peak at the resonant frequency and drops above it. The resonant frequency should be chosen well below any anticipated strong vibration frequencies. If occasional strong vibration at resonance cannot be avoided, consideration should be given to damping^{18, 21} the resonance.

"Soft-mounting" can do more

harm than good if the mount is permitted to "bottom" under severe shock; impact generates undesired high frequencies, with a peak acceleration often exceeding that applied to the frame. Fig. 3 indicates the proper shock mount stiffness and range for various drop distances. The use of non-linear springs has been recommended to prevent impact.²¹

Shock testing can disclose the following types of faults:

1. Weak mechanical design or construction.²⁴ The output of the equipment is not necessarily monitored during the shock; damage is discovered by subsequent inspection or test. The applied shock is severe and somewhat destructive, and is recommended on a sampling basis.³⁵

2. Intermittent connections due to manufacturing errors can be discovered at moderate, non-destructive shock amplitude by monitoring performance during shock. These can be loose connections normally held closed by wiring tension, or acci-

dental short circuits normally held open. They jump suddenly into existence when the shock acceleration exceeds the holding tension. Shock testing is useful even for equipment not required to function during shock conditions, because unsecured connections can cause trouble after a few months of corrosion and loosening due to normal vibration.

3. Position or proximity effects (microphonics) producing a temporary change of characteristics during the shock. This effect is normally proportional to shock magnitude, but where it is due to loose "fit" it may approach an upper limit as the motion becomes limited mechanically. ("Tap"-testing is used to detect microphonism in tubes.³¹)

Vibration Testing

Sustained vibration affects equipment differently than does shock, because:

(1) With sine-wave excitation of the frame, resonant parts can vi-
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TABLE 1: Reliable and Rugged Tubes (Subminiatures not included)

| Approx. Prototype | Reliable or Rugged Type* | Approx. Prototype | Reliable or Rugged Type* | Approx. Prototype | Reliable or Rugged Type* |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2C51 | 5670 | 6BA6 | 5749 | 7F8 | Syl. 7F8W |
| 2D21 | G.E. 5727, RCA 2D21W | 6BE6 | 5750 | 12AT7 | G.E. 6201 |
| 3B24 | 3B24W | 6BH6 | G.E. 6265 | 12AU7 | 5814, 6189 |
| 5R4GY | Ray. 5R4WGY | 6C4 | 6C4W, 6135 | 12AX7 | 5751 |
| 5U4G | Syl. 5U4WG/5931 | 6L6 | Syl. 6L6WGA/5932 | 12AY7 | G.E. 6072 |
| 5Y3GT | G.E. 6087, Hytron 5Y3WGTA | 6J5 | Ray. 6J5WGT | 12J5GT | Ray. 12J5WGT |
| 5Z4 | Bendix 6106 | 6J6 | Ray. 6J6W, RCA 6101/6J6WA, 6099 | 28D7 | Syl. 28D7W |
| 6AC7 | G.E. 6134, RCA 6AC7W | 6SA7 | Ray. 6SA7WGT | 807 | Syl. 807W/5933 |
| 6AG5 | 6186 | 6SJ7 | RCA 5693, Ray. 6SJ7WGT | None | W.E. 421A Dual Power Triode |
| 6AK5 | 5654, 6AK5W, 6096 | 6SK7 | G.E. 6137, RCA 6SK7W | " | W.E. 422A F.W. Rect. |
| 6AL5 | 5726, 6AL5W, 6097 | 6SL7GT | RCA 5691, Syl. 6SL7WGT | " | 5686 Beam Pentode (9-pin min) |
| 6AQ5 | G.E. 6005, Bendix 6094 (9-pin) | 6SN7GT | RCA 5692, 6SN7WGT | " | RCA 5690 F.W. Rect. |
| 6AS6 | 5725, 6AS6W, 6187 | 6V6GT | Bendix 5992 | " | Bendix 5993 F.W. Rect. |
| 6AS7 | RCA 6080 | 6X4 | G.E. 6202, Ray. 6X4W, Bendix 5993 (9-Pin) | " | Ray. 6187 Mixer (9-pin min) |
| 6AU6 | G.E. 6136 | 6X5 | 6X5WGT, Bendix 5852 | " | G.E. 6203 F.W. Rect. (9-pin min) |

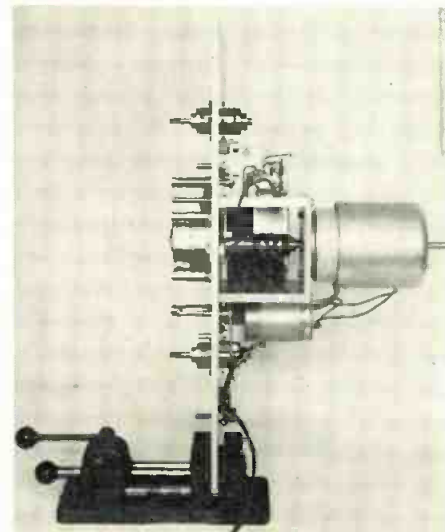


Fig. 1: (Left) Rotating head magnetic tape reader. Studs on front hold reels, guide tape past drum

Fig. 2: (above) Interior mechanism. Connections are made through slip rings and brushes

Rotating Reading Heads

Magnetic tape and wire used for external pulse storage in digital computer systems must be of exceptionally fine quality to ensure reliability of operation. This NBS-designed equipment provides a quick visual of holes, raised spots, or creases in the magnetic medium.

A READING head that makes possible the close examination of a short section of magnetic tape or wire is now being used at the National Bureau of Standards to locate and investigate faults in magnetic recording media. Developed by J. R. Sorrells of the NBS data processing systems laboratory, this instrument (Fig. 1) makes use of a reading head mounted on a rapidly rotating drum so that the head is in contact with the tape for a part of each revolution. Since the tape is held stationary, the head reads exactly the same set of signals once each revolution, and the playback can be displayed continuously on an oscilloscope and observed as long as desired.

In addition to providing a means for closely examining the playback signals from a specific portion of the tape, the reader can be used to scan through and edit a complete tape. The observer can easily locate any defective signals along the entire length of the recorded tape. Interchangeable parts provide a means

for examining several different sizes of magnetic tape or wire.

In the design and development of magnetic tape and wire equipment for external pulse storage in electronic digital computer systems, one of the primary considerations has been reliability of operation. An important factor in magnetic storage is the condition of the tape surface itself. Errors in operation can be caused by any of several types of tape faults such as "holes" and raised spots in the magnetic surface, or creases in the tape. Very often the loss of several pulses or the gain of a single pulse may be caused by a flaw that is too small to be visible to the unaided eye. Conventional means of tape reading are not suitable for locating errors, since in the usual tape transport mechanism the tape is moved continuously past a stationary head. In investigating tape for faults it is desirable to read a small specific portion of the tape over and over again at a rapid rate, and to display on an oscilloscope a steady,

clear picture of the playback signals. The rotating head reading device developed at NBS provides such a repetitive method for examining tape. Once faults are located, they can be removed or else avoided in the future, thus increasing the reliability of the tape.

For convenience, the tape reader is mounted on a vertical panel (Fig. 2). Near the two upper corners are the shafts on which the tape reels are mounted. Although tape must be reeled manually on the NBS model, a motor drive or stepping mechanism could easily be attached. The idler shafts are friction loaded to maintain the proper tension on the tape for reading as the tape is reeled along.

Rotating Drum

At the lower center of the panel is the rotating drum on which the reading head is mounted. The drum is $2\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter and rotates at 10 rps; thus the equivalent tape speed is 90 ips. The drum is made in two

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Viewpoints on D-Amplifier Design

Part Two
Of Three Parts

By DR. HARRY STOCKMAN

OTHER variations of bandwidth indexes may be developed to suit particular needs. The proper way of determining the cutoff frequency appears to be that of formal circuit analysis, but this approach is far too difficult to be practical for extremely-wide-band amplifiers. It is of interest to consider as bandwidth index the cutoff frequency, determined from the integrated area of the absolute gain curve under the assumption of fixed gain. Before this approach is discussed, reference is made to the fact that the precise value of the conventional 3 db cut-off is not a reliable criterion of the amplifier's transient response. The advantage of the gain-curve-area method is that its particular cutoff frequency definition takes into account the transient response characteristic of the amplifier to a much greater extent than the 3 db cut-off frequency definition. The gain-curve-area method is therefore of considerable interest to us, although this method requires that at least one section of the amplifier be built in the laboratory, so that its amplitude response can be run off (which is generally a simple matter, using a signal generator and a vacuum-tube voltmeter).

In simplest possible presentation, the transient response of a wide-band amplifier is found by the application of a square wave, and the response to this square wave (its step function) may be described by the Fourier Integral. Observed at the output of the amplifier, this Fourier integral is modified by the amplitude response $A(\omega)$ and phase response $\phi(\omega)$ of the amplifier, and

represents the response $v(t)$ in the time domain

$$v(t) = \frac{A(0)}{2} \psi + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{A(\omega) \sin[\omega t - \Phi(\omega)]}{\omega} d\omega, \quad (4)$$

where $A(0)$ is the dc gain of the amplifier, and $\omega = 2\pi f$ the radian-frequency variable, which goes from zero (dc) to, theoretically, infinity. Thus, if a constant-voltage battery (representing the up-stroke step function) is attached to the input terminals, eq. (4) describes the delayed output transient voltage; the step function being degenerated into

a sloping transient with undesirable overshoots. The slope of this transient has a definite value, often expressed via the rise time t_r ; defined as the time required for the instantaneous amplitude to go from 10% to 90% of the peak value, the limits here being considered 0 to 100%. The slope is described mathematically by the time derivative of $v(t)$ in eq. (4), and may therefore be expressed by the ratio $A(0)/t_r$, or, if the rise time is inverted to a frequency f_{eff} , by the product $A(0)f_{eff}$. It is noted that we now have formulated a new bandwidth index, or gain-bandwidth product, and if the time derivation is carried out on the right side of eq. (4), this new bandwidth index becomes

$$f_o^{IV} = A(0) f_{eff} = K \int_0^{\infty} A(\omega) d\omega, \quad (5)$$

where K contains the various factors providing the proper proportionality constant. The above equation simply expresses the area under the absolute-gain curve, see Fig. 3, and since this area equals the rectangular area
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Fig. 3: Defining concept of gain-area-cutoff

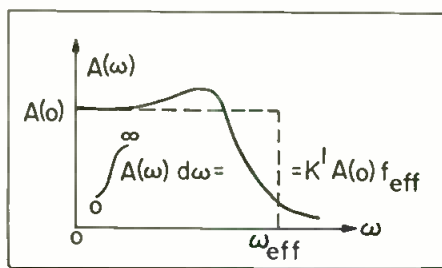
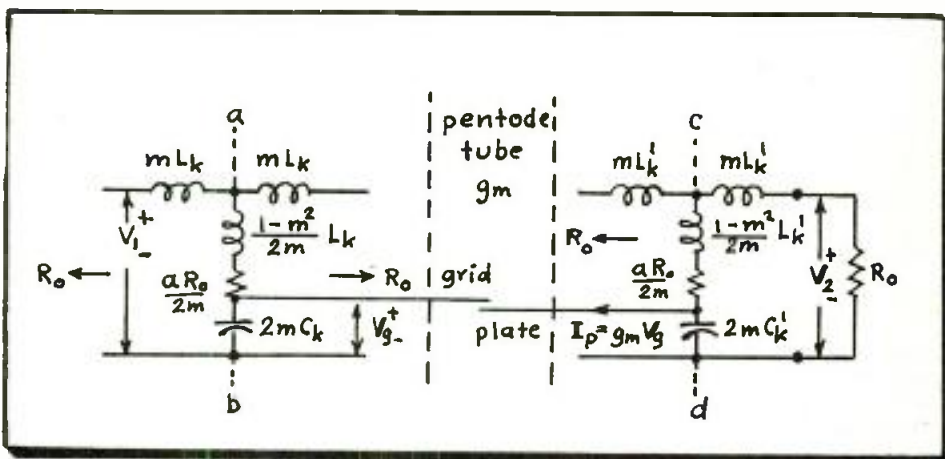


Fig. 4: Complete section of D-amplifier stage, including m-derived grid and plate lines



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New Avionic Equipment

TRANSDUCER COMPONENT

The "Delta Unit," a new multi-purpose transducer component built around the T-42 ionization transducer, provides a ready-to-use unit for analog conversion of capacitance changes to voltage



changes. Can be applied to the measurement of any physical phenomena that can be resolved into changes of capacitance, such as micrometric and macrometric displacement, angular motion, vibration, temperature, pressure, liquid level, humidity, dielectrics, continuous weighing, etc. Sensitivity is as high as 5 v./ μmf ΔC . Output is a phase sensitive dc. signal as high as +60 v. Decker Aviation Corp., 1361 Frankford Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-26)

CONTROL TOWERS

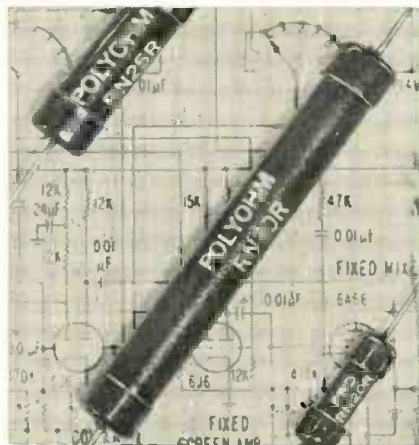
This line of portable aircraft control towers are transportable by truck, helicopter, or cargo plane. Each unit is a complete tower in itself, including interlocked two-position control of remotely located transmitters and paralleled monitoring of remotely located receivers, field lighting control facilities, and aerological instruments. Sectionalized supporting structures are



available in any height up to 250 feet and can be assembled without using cranes or external machinery. Wickes Engineering and Construction Co., 12th St. and Ferry Ave., Camden 4, N. J.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-42)

RESISTOR

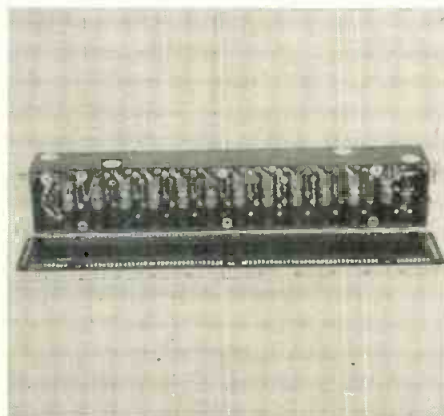
This new 1% resistor, called Polyohm, is ideal for use in aircraft, guided missiles, and other applications where high ambient temperatures rule out ordinary 1% resistors. Performance ex-



ceeds all MIL-R-10509A specifications and is capable of taking full power at ambient temperatures up to 120°C. Even under high humidity, it remains well within its 1% tolerance. Its temperature coefficient is only -150 ppm/°C, which is lower than both the R and X characteristics. Polytechnic Research & Development Co., 202 Tillary St., B'klyn, N. Y.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-31)

I-F AMPLIFIER

This series of subminiature I-F amplifiers used in airborne radar systems and broadband receivers is available in three models, M1154 at 30 mc, M1155 at 60 mc, and M1156 at 90 mc. Gains of over 100 db are obtained simultaneously with bandwidths over 12 mc at center frequencies of 30, 60, or 90 mc. Built to meet rigid military specifica-



tions, they contain tubes having a rated life of over 5,000 hours. Unique design provides complete shielding and absence of regeneration. Maxson Instruments, 47-37 Austell Pl., L.I.C. 1, N.Y.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-45)

ANNUNCIATOR

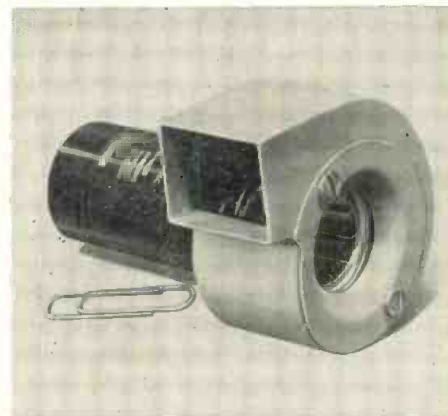
The new HCM 3/4 Universal Annunciator, small in size, light weight and vibration resistant, is especially suited to aircraft use in such applications as indication of rudder control, roll, and



others. It is a 1.3 ounce, 3/4" diameter D'Arsonval type indicator utilizing a coaxial mechanism. Uses have been found for it in servo and control systems as a flag alarm or miniature null indicator. It meets the vibration requirements of MIL-E-52 72A, Procedure I. Marion Electrical Instrument Co., Manchester, N.H.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-43)

BLOWER

This new subminiature centrifugal blower for cooling airborne electronic equipment is designed and tested for high altitude and high ambient operation and meets all applicable MIL specifications. The blower, available in either rotation and in single or double-ended models, features a rotatable metal blower housing. Air delivery of the single-ended blower is 13 CFM at 0"

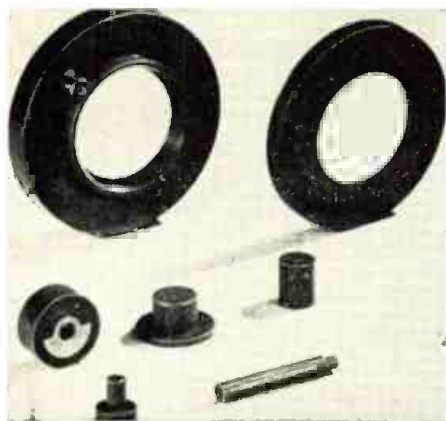


static pressure (20,000 RPM) and 7 CFM at 11,000 RPM. Utilizes a 1" diameter motor and is available in single or 3 phase for 400 cycle or variable frequency operation. Eastern Air Devices, Dover, N.H.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-46)

New Electronic Materials

SHAPES AND PARTS

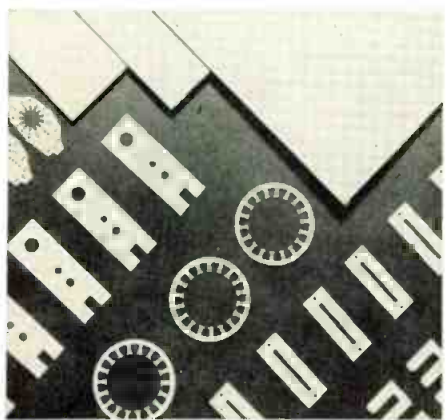
Electronic parts of intricate shapes and close tolerances can be accurately molded from "Flurothene" and have superior strength and dielectric properties over a temperature range to 710°F.



Temperatures from -320 to +390°F. have little effect on the properties. Makes fine insulators and parts for high frequency radio circuits. "Flurothene" can also be extruded coating, or cast into finished products by conventional processes with only slight adjustment to standard machinery. Bakelite Co., Div., of Union Carbide and Carbon Corp., 260 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-65)

LAMINATES

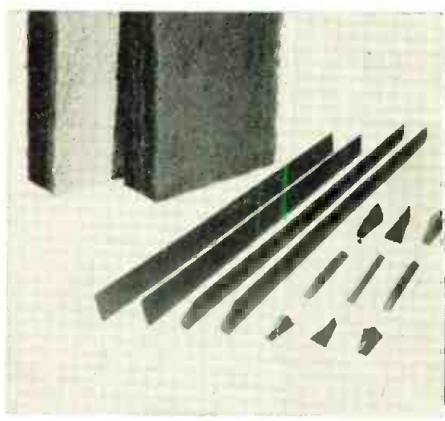
Three new grades of thermosetting laminated plastics utilizing a DAP diallyl-phthylate resin base, DAP-impregnated canvas (Grade C-104), "Orlon" (Grade 0-104), and woven glass cloth (G-104) are coded to filler material. Price wise, C-104 is the most economical. Grade 0-104 is outstanding in that after NEMA water immersion tests, power factor and dielectric constant show very little change. Grade



G-104 has the best electrical properties in the dry condition. "Orlon" DAP withstands continuous temperatures of 225°F., canvas 275°F. and glass fabric 325°F. Synthane Corp., Oaks, Pa.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-68)

MICROWAVE ABSORBERS

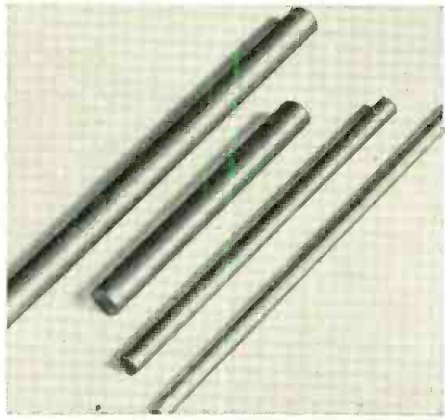
ECCOSORB CH is a flexible, rubberized fiber for use in microwave darkrooms. Having a maximum energy reflection of 2% at all angles of incidence, this absorber enables indoor antenna



measurements. The material is lightweight, easy to apply, and has a white surface. Three types—CH 460, CH 475, CH 490—are broadbanded within the following wavelength range, 0.5 cm.—12 cm., 0.5 cm.—30 cm., 0.5 cm.—60 cm. A second series, ECCOSORB HF, for waveguide terminations and loads, comes in standard rods, sheets, and specified molded shapes. Each series member has different bulk resistivity, Range, 50 to 10^{12} Ohm cm³. Emerson & Cuming, Inc., 869 Washington St., Canton, Mass.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-66)

FERRITE

The high Q ferrite, designated as "M" material, is now in production. The ferrite provides the answer to most antenna rod problems. The magnetic properties of the material are: Initial permeability at 1 MC/sec., 125.



Maximum permeability, 450. Saturated flux density, 3,300. Residual magnetism, 1,050. Curie Point, 350. Voltage resistivity, high. National Moldite Co., 1410 Chestnut Ave., Hillside 5, N. J.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-69)

WIRE

A new grade of molybdenum wire, especially developed for grids in power and receiving tubes, known as "Moly-G," has improved mechanical properties obtained by small, controlled



amounts of cobalt added to a high purity molybdenum base. Tensile strength is about 45 grams per mg/200 mm. The ratio of yield to tensile strength is a maximum of 85%. Elongation is about 17% in 2 inches. Improvements are minimized wire breakage on grid winding machines. Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., 2200 Sheridan Rd., North Chicago, Ill.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-67)

ANTENNA CORES

Standard size antenna cores, that are said to offer maximum economy and greater quality uniformity are made of "Ferramic Q" that provides complete stability in respect to age, shock, vibration, and temperature. The cores are available in five lengths of rods and plates. F-125, rod, diam. 0.250 in. ± 0.015 in. F-214, rod, diam. 0.330 in. ± 0.020 in. (Camber 0.011 per inch) F-429, width 0.725 in. ± 0.025 ; thickness



0.125 in. ± 0.030 in. Lengths, 7.520 in. $\pm 7/32$ in., 6.250 in. $\pm 3/16$ in., 5.300 in., $\pm 5/32$ in., 4.625 in., $\pm 1/8$ in., 4/100 in. $\pm 1/8$ in. Complete information available at General Ceramics Corp., Keasbey, N. J.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-70)

New Western Test and

RESET GENERATOR

Model 32 is a pulse generator of variable low frequency and low duty cycle which resets the computer and provides a synchronized trigger for repetitive solution presentation on an oscilloscope.



Frequency range 0.06 cps to 20 cps continuously variable. Outputs: To computer-Negative going pulse of about 20v. amplitude with 12,000 ohm internal impedance; To oscilloscope-positive fast pulse of 6v. amplitude to start oscilloscope sweep. **Donner Scientific Co. 2829 Seventh St., Berkeley 10, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-1)**

OSCILLOSCOPES

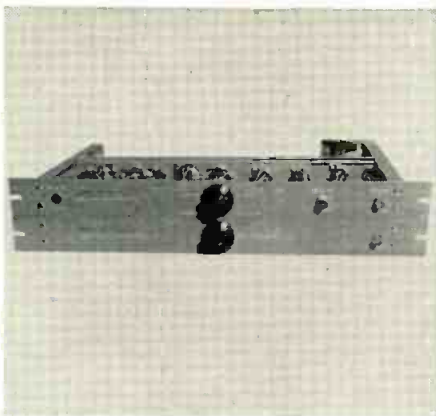
All 1700 large screen oscilloscope models can be installed in this modern console type cabinet. The console oscilloscope, utilizing a 17" rectangular tube, is especially designed for production test setups where work can be placed in front of the operator. Enables detailed observation of data or complex



signals. Overall dimensions: height, 42 $\frac{7}{8}$ "; width, 23 $\frac{1}{16}$ "; depth, 37". **Electromec, Inc., Console Oscilloscope Dept., 3200 No. San Fernando Blvd., Burbank, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-2)**

MARKER GENERATOR

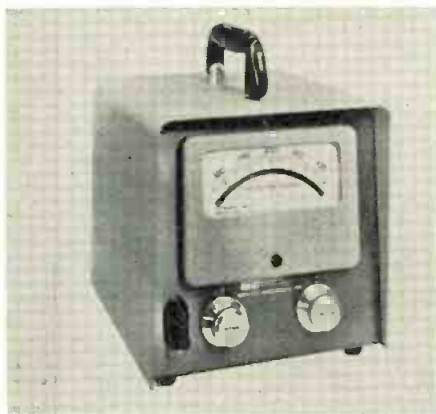
The Model B4-100 Marker Generator and the B4-200 Oscillator measure delay line lengths, rise times, and time intervals from a few millimicrosec. to tens of μ sec. The B4-100 provides marker



signals of 0.1 μ sec. and 1 μ sec. in either polarity. Accuracy is .01%. The B4-200 consists of a free-running blocking oscillator phase locked to the 1 μ sec. marker pulses. Together with a B-2A Pulse Generator, can measure delay line lengths to ± 2 millimicrosec. **Rutherford Electronics Co. 3707 So. Robertson Blvd., Culver City, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-3)**

FREQUENCY METERS

The Arga Models 401 and 601 Expanded Scale Frequency Meters are designed for fast, accurate monitoring of frequency. Particularly, where a permanent record of frequency is required. Input voltage harmonics of 5% and input voltage changes of $\pm 10\%$ will not cause errors in frequency indication greater than $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ cycle for Model 401 or $\frac{1}{4}$ cycle for Model 601. 401 base fre-



quency 400 cycles, span ± 25 cycles; 601 base frequency 60 cycles, span ± 5 cycles. Price \$305.00. **Shasta Div., Beckman Instruments, Inc. P.O. Box 296, Station A, Richmond, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-4)**

DIGITAL OHMMETER

Essentially a self-balancing bridge with the unknown resistance one arm of the bridge. Balance is achieved by automatically adjusting a digital rheostat with stepping switches. Model DO40 dis-



plays 4 digits accurate to 0.05% ± 1 digit from 0.1 ohm to 1 megohm in 4 ranges. Range is indicated by a lighted, automatically located decimal point and by the symbol Ω or k Ω in the extreme right window. Average read time approx. 1 sec. **Electro Instruments, Inc. Box S Old San Diego Station, San Diego, 10, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-5)**

METER AND COUNTER

Model WE-110 frequency meter and counter uses glow-transfer tubes and simplified circuitry to obtain a sensitivity of 50mv. rms, and has an accuracy of 0.1% nominal, \pm one count. Designed for use with magnetic speed pickups, turbine flow meters, and vibration pickups, to measure rpm, flow, and



vibration frequencies. Response, 10 cps to 50 kc; max. indicated count, 10,000 units. Power 40w., 105-130v. 60 cps. Size 6"x6"x11", price \$295.00. **Westport Electric, 149 Lomita St., El Segundo, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-6)**

Measuring Equipment

DEKABRIDGE

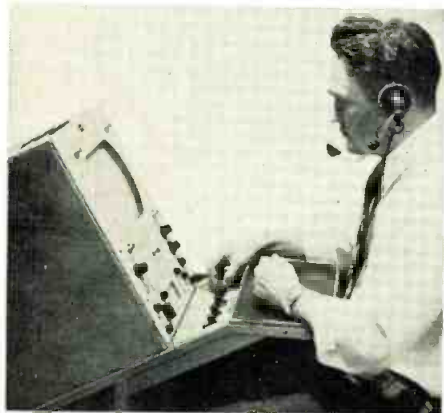
The Model 210 "Dekabridge" has two "Dekadials" that provide uniline readouts to four places over the resistance range 0-12 megohms. The rheostat arm has a total resistance of 12,000 ohms.



Resistance ranges are 1,000/1, 100/1, 10/1, 1/1, 1/10, 1/100, and 1/1000 making incremental steps of 0.001 ohms each available on the lowest resistance range. Limit of measurement error on all ranges is 0.1%. Included in the structure is a key for connecting battery and galvanometer in the wheatstone bridge circuit. **Electro-Measurements, Inc., 4312 S.E. Stark St., Portland 15, Ore.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-7)**

VIDEO MONITOR

The Model ARM-13A video monitor provides complete monitoring facilities for broadcast station camera chains. The unit has an "A" scope and an illuminated calibrated scale that enables direct measurement of the composite video signal height. A switch enables two lines or two fields of video information to be viewed on the "A" scope. Separate



high voltage power supplies are used for the 10-in kinescope and the 3-in. "A" scope. The kinescope is a flat-faced, tinted, aluminized CRT. **Kay Lab, 5725 Kearney Villa Rd., San Diego 12, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-8)**

GALVANOMETERS

The first five "High-Performance" series galvanometers break the "frequency barrier" and enable accurate recording of dynamic signals up to 200 cps without amplifiers. New units are



electrically interchangeable with CEC's 7-300 units, but feature extended frequency response. It is said that no circuit revisions are required to use these instruments in existing test arrangements. Types are available for direct connection to commonly used 120, 180, and 350 ohm strain gages. **Consolidated Engineering Corp., 300 N. Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-9)**

MARKER-PULSER

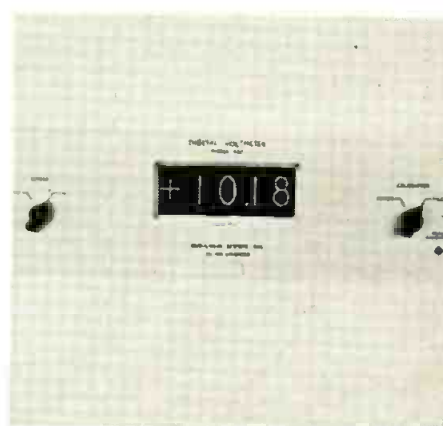
A combined marker generator and pulse generator locks all outputs together and provides jitter-free synchronization of output pulses, scope-marker pulses, and scope-synchronizing pulses. Output and scope synchronizing pulses vary as to each other and to scope markers. Output pulse width, 0.1 to 10 μ secs. Amplitude, 0 to 100 v. Rise and



fall time, 0.03 μ sec. Delay, 0 to 1 μ sec. (coarse), 0 to 0.1 μ sec. (fine, calibrated). Synchronizing pulse width, 3 μ secs. Amplitude, 5v. **Brubaker Electronics, 9151 Exposition Dr., Los Angeles 34, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-10)**

DIGITAL VOLTMETER

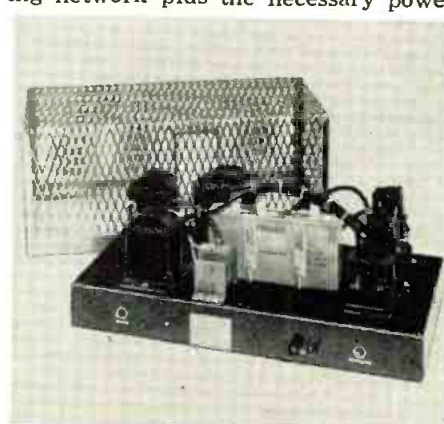
The Model 450 digital voltmeter provides rapid digital readout for analog computers. Operates as a self-balancing digital potentiometer with oil-immersed stepping switches. Life tested for 20



million readings. Range, ± 00.01 to ± 99.99 v. dc. Accurate to ± 10 mv. Resolution, 00.01 v. Operation rate, 1 reading/sec. Input impedance, 1,000 megohms. Required external reference, ± 100 v. dc. Model 450, for bench use, is $12\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{4} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$ in. in size. Model 450L, for rack mounting is $5\frac{1}{4} \times 19 \times 14\frac{1}{2}$ in. Power source 115v., 60 c. **Non-Linear Systems, Inc., Del Mar Airport, Del Mar, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-12)**

PULSE GENERATOR

Pulse repetition occurs only once during a line frequency cycle of the Model MP-85 pulse generator due to its refined circuitry. Circuit stages are cascaded giving frequency step-up ratio between the line frequency and discharge frequency of 1:800 to 1:1250. Eliminates all vacuum tubes; replaces the hydrogen thyratron, its pulse forming network plus the necessary power

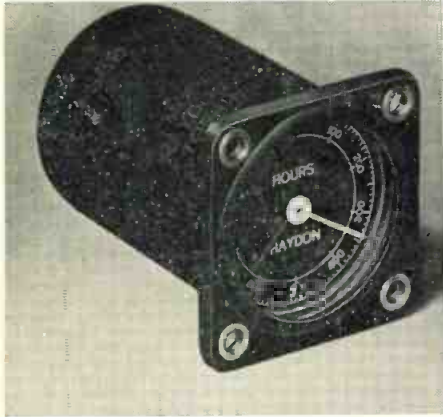


supply of the conventional magnetron trigger circuit. Output power (X-band), 45 kw. Average output power (X-band), 36 \div 40 w. **Magnetic Research Corp., 200-202 Center St., El Segundo, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-11)**

New Electronic Test &

ELAPSED TIME METER

Model 7008 running time meter indicates hours of operation up to 10,000 hours on a dial-type face. Weighing less than 6 ounces, it has a power drain of approximately two watts. Hermetically



sealed to conform to military specification MIL-I-7793 (AER), it is said to meet military shock (25 g) and vibration requirements. Available in a 60 cycle version for avionic equipment and engine suppliers and is installed in many 400 cycle powered equipment. Diameter 1½" by 2¾" long, offered in either front or back panel mounting. Haydon Mfg. Co., Inc., Torrington, Conn.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-44)

VISUAL MONITOR

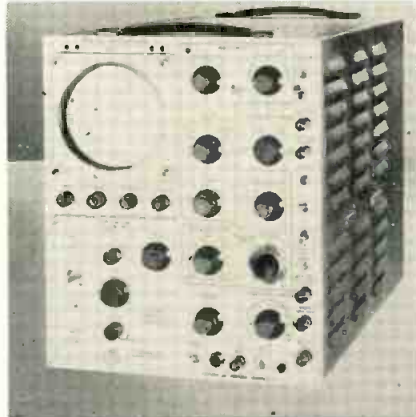
The Model 20 dynamic visual monitor combines 24 moving-spot, light-beam galvanometers in one package and enables simultaneous display of 24 separate electrical signals on a single ground glass screen. Use of low period galvanometers and a long-path optical system enables the presentation of signals up to 120 cps with only 0.24 ma. required for full-scale deflection. Spot intensity is sufficient to permit photographing



photo panel displays or high incident light viewing. Operates from 22-28 v. ac/dc at 1.5 amps. Size 8½ x 8½ x 6 in. Century Geophysical Corp., 1333 N. Utica, Tulsa, Okla.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-77)

OSCILLOSCOPE

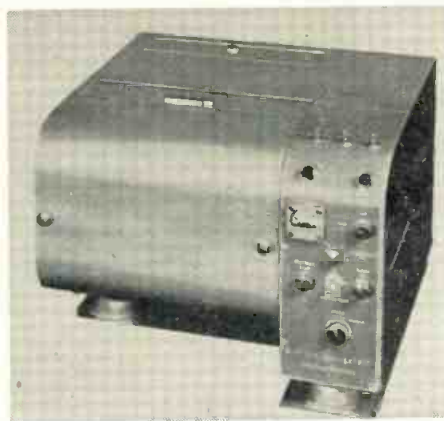
The Type 545 dc. to 30 mc oscilloscope, in combination with the Type 53K/54K plug-in preamplifier, has vertical-amplifier risetime of 12 mμ/sec and passband of dc to 30 mc at cali-



brated sensitivities of 0.05 v./cm. to 20 v./cm. with 20 μmf input capacitance direct, 7.5 μmf with a 10x probe. The new CRT provides 4 cm. by 10 cm. linear display. Calibrated sweep range is 0.1 μsec/cm. to 5 sec./cm. with accurate 5x magnifier. Has amplitude-level selection, automatic triggering, 20 mc sync. Wide sweep-delay range, 1 μsec to 0.1 sec calibration. Range accuracy within 2%. Tektronix, Inc., P.O. Box 831, Portland 7, Ore. (Ask for 8-40)

OSCILLOGRAPH

The PM-20 is a new unit for static or dynamic testing of all types of industrial or aircraft equipment. Up to 71 individual variables can be recorded on one oscillogram when combined with suitable transducers and amplifiers. A wide choice of galvanometers, up to 6000 cps, provides flexibility of measurement. Exclusive features include: two separate galvanometers mounts; a drive



system not using change gears to obtain the record-speed range of 4-500 fpm; automatic shutter that closes as the 100 ft. record holder is released. G. E. Co., Schenectady 5, N.Y.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-47)

PANEL METER

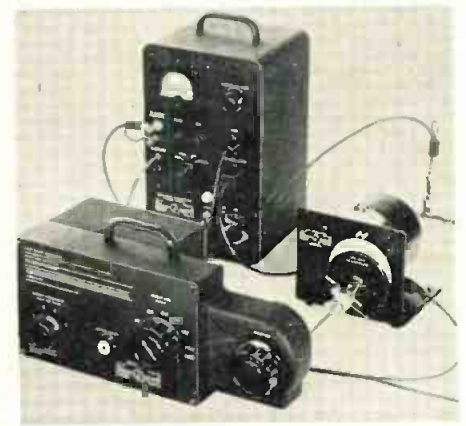
Model 131 ruggedized panel meters feature a positive watertight sealing arrangement accomplished by an internal locknut between the meter mounting flange and the case barrel.



A miniaturized D'Arsonval movement is used to provide maximum accuracy and stability. High flux density Alnico #5 magnets are another feature of this instrument. Available in a variety of scales, ranges, and specifications. Model 131 meters meet Signal Corps specifications Mil-M-10304. DeJUR-Amsco Corp., 45-01 Northern Blvd., L.I.C. 1, N.Y.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-52)

SWEEP DRIVE

The Type 1750 sweep drive replaces point-to-point frequency analyses by using a mechanical hand that turns an oscillator dial back and forth. It is adjustable over a speed range from ½ to 5 cps. The sweep is independently adjustable from 30 to 300°. Flexible couplings attach knobs or shafts. The drive also provides a sweeping voltage, proportional to shaft angle, that applies

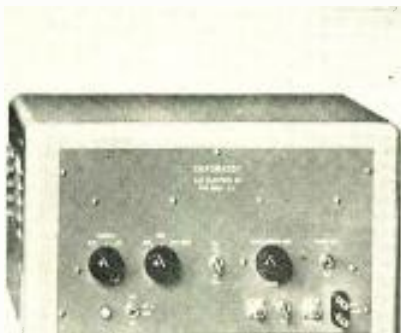


to the CRO horizontal deflection plates. The Type 1263-A amplitude-regulating power supply provides cathode and plate power for oscillators and adjusts plate voltage. General Radio Company, 275 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass. (Ask for 8-75)

Measuring Equipment

COLOR BAR GENERATOR

A new combined color bar dot generator, the ChromaDot, features vertical sync and requires one connection to the RF antenna or video amplifier. Provides color bars and dots at video and speci-



fied RF frequencies. Pattern produces 10 color bars with progressive 30° phase shifts from the color pulsed signal. Receivers using I, Q, B-Y and R-Y Matrix systems can be adjusted from this signal. Video output—0.6v. P to P. into 75 ohms, 10v. P. to P. into 5K ohms. RF output—0.2v. into 75 or 300 ohms. Kay Electric Co., Pine Brook, N.J.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-51)

SPECTRUM ANALYZER

This unit is designed to cover a frequency range of from 10 megacycles to 16,000 megacycles without the use of auxiliary heads or equipment. Designed specifically with Klystrons completely eliminated and modern pencil triodes used instead for better stability. All band frequencies are directly read on an illuminated dial accurate to $\pm 1\%$. Analyzer has been used in close prox-



imity to a 5 megawatt radar transmitter without spurious responses and without sacrificing sensitivity. 25 in. high, 19 in. wide, approx. wt. 140 lbs. Lavoie Laboratories, Inc., Morganville, N.J.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-54)

WATTMETER

The 641N calorimetric type r-f wattmeter measures power from 0-300 w. with the precision of a primary standard. It can be used to check the accuracy of other types of r-f wattmeters



and determine the actual output of an r-f power source when its approximate magnitude is known. The unit has an accuracy of better than $\pm 2\%$ of full scale—using the calibration curve supplied—over the frequency range of 0-3,000 MC. For more accurate measurements, the meter can be calibrated by the user at dc or 60 cps. Required power, 3 w., 105-125 v, 60 cps. MC. Jones Electronics Co., Inc., Bristol, Conn. (Ask for 8-49)

VTVM

The Volt-Ohmatic Automatic VTVM eliminates the need for manually selecting the appropriate voltage or resistance before using the meter. Has automatic AC, DC, Ohms, Range and (DC) polarity selection. During Automatic Range Selection, the meter movement is disconnected from the circuit to prevent overloading. One probe is used for



all meter functions. Ranges may be changed manually if so desired. Multiplier switch in probe extends AC and DC ranges to 1500 volts. Bergen Laboratories, Fair Lawn, N.J.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-53)

DC OSCILLOSCOPES

The series VS-900B sensitive dc. oscilloscopes have exceptionally low dc. drifts due to chopper-stabilization of their vertical amplifiers. Guaranteed drifts are less than 1 mv. after warmup



of 2 minutes. DC sensitivity is 700 $\mu\text{v}/\text{cm}$. Available in three models: VS-930 B, (700 $\mu\text{v}/\text{cm}$. only) has symmetrical push-pull input on its most sensitive range. VS-940B, has symmetrical push-pull input on all ranges to facilitate elimination of common interference signals such as hum at high or low signal levels. VS-960B, has a built in "hushed transistor pre-amplifier" to increase ac. sensitivity. Volkert & Schaffer Mfg., Corp., Schenectady, N.Y. (Ask for 8-50)

MICROWAVE POWER METER

The new Model 430C provides automatic power readings from 1/10th to 10 mw direct in decibels or milliwatts and eliminated computations and adjustments during measurements. Pulsed or CW power may be measured on either waveguide or coaxial systems. This instrument can be used with a wide variety of bolometer mounts having either positive or negative temperature coeffi-

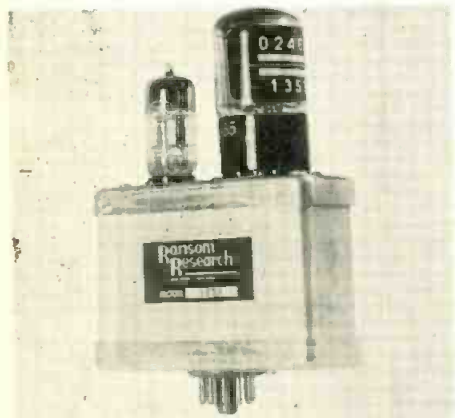


cients. Operation may be at 100 or 200 ohms and power is read direct in milliwatts from 0.02 to 10 mw or in dbm from -20 to +10dbm. Accuracy $\pm 5\%$. Hewlett-Packard Co., 275 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif. TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-71)

New Western

DECADE COUNTERS

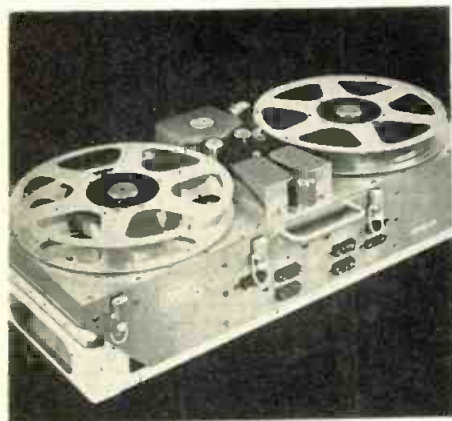
Employs the new direct-reading EIT decade-scaler tube and weighs only 6 to 8 oz. complete. Available in four types; 20kc, 40kc, 100kc, (offered with or without an input-shaper circuit) and



an output stage scaler at 10 cps, which can be used to feed a mechanical counter. Octal plug construction for quick installation and removal. Dimensions of all models $1\frac{5}{8} \times 2\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{16}$, excluding tubes. Ransom Research, P. O. Box 382, San Pedro, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-17)

AIRBORNE RECORDERS

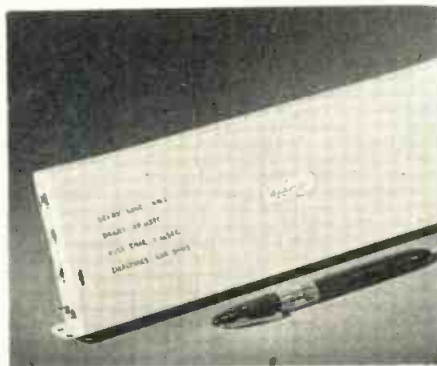
The series 800 flight-test data magnetic tape recorders are available in units designed to record two channels of information on $\frac{1}{4}$ in. tape to models intended to record 28 tracks on 2 in. tape. Plug-in amplifiers enable recording pulse-width modulation data, high accuracy transient information by means of wide-deviation frequency modulation, or wide band direct data,



including mixed RDB/FM subcarriers. The typical Model 807 records 7 information tracks on $\frac{1}{2}$ in. tape. Consists of five cable-connected units. Ampex Corp., 934 Charter St., Redwood City, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-18)

DELAY LINE

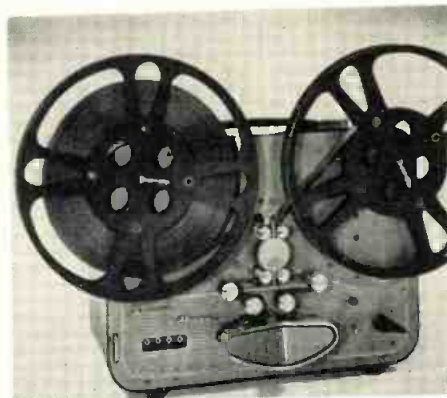
The XN-1 lumped-parameter 20 usec delay line has a rise time of 1.0 usec. Impedance is 600 ohms. The unit is hermetically sealed in epoxy resin, and operates through the temperature



range from -70°C to 135°C . Size, including terminal lugs, $10\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{5}{16} \times 1\frac{5}{16}$ in. Complete data available at The Gudeman Company of California, Inc., 2661 South Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-13)

FILM EQUIPMENT

The Model S6 system of professional magnetic film equipment is operated from ac. sources or 24 v. batteries. The studio production unit consists of three $10\frac{3}{4} \times 14\frac{1}{2} \times 6$ in. cases. One contains a two-channel microphone pre-amplifier mixer with an announce microphone and buzzer system. A second contains the recording amplifier, playback amplifier, and power supply.



A third contains the film transport or sprocket. One S6 system is contained in a single case. Available for 16 or $17\frac{1}{2}$ mm film. Stancil-Hoffman Corp., 921 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood 38, Calif. TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-24)

VACUUM RELAYS

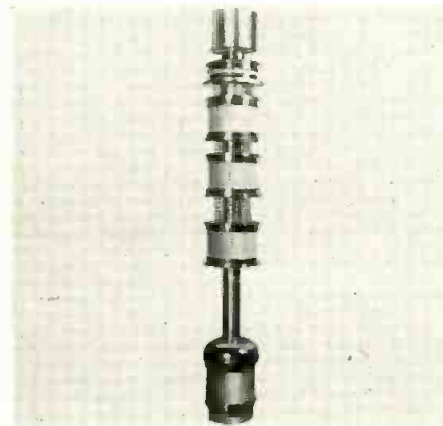
Available in 2PDT (Type RM2) and 4PDT (Type RM4) models for switching antennas, pulse networks, and many DC circuits. 24 v DC actuating coils built into flanged bases. Vacuum en-



closed contacts rated at 12 kv. peak; current carrying capacity 10 amps. rms, continuous. Contact resistance only 0.005 ohms. Can withstand 18 kv peak test between contact terminals. Operating time, less than 30 millisecc. $4\frac{1}{2}$ " long and 4" in diameter. Jennings Radio Mfg. Corp., P. O. Box 1278, San Jose, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-16)

KLYSTRON

The 3K3000LQ UHF amplifier klystron provides CW operation at 760-980 mc and delivers two KW power output with a power gain of 1000 times and 40% efficiency. Containing a long-life oxide cathode, this forced-air-cooled tube is of rugged ceramic and metal construction. The resonant cavities are external to the vacuum system, which

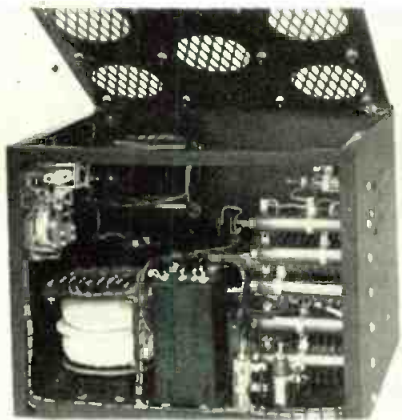


is free of RF circuitry, enabling wide-range tuning, easily adjustable input and output coupling, simple installation and maintenance. Priced at \$2360.00. Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Bruno, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-15)

Electronic Equipment

VOLTAGE REGULATORS

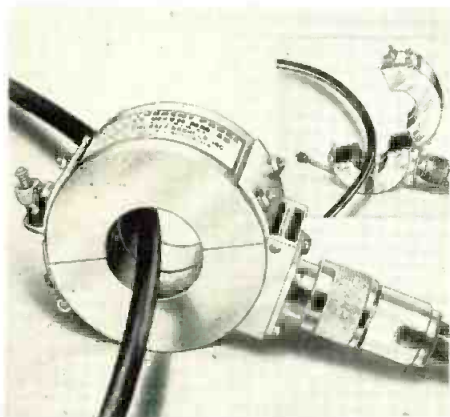
A typical unit of a line of magnetic amplifier voltage regulators built to customer requirements has the following specifications: AC input, 120 v. single phase, 400 cycle. V. A. rating,



50; DC output, 15-150 v. at 0.05-0.500 amps. to fields of exciter. Voltage adjustment $\pm 10\%$. Regulation accuracy, $\pm 1\%$. Dimensions, 13 x 11 x 10 in. Weight, approx. 35 lbs. Connections, terminal strip. Has adjustable over-voltage cutout relay to shut off motor should excessive alternator voltage develop. Perkin Engineering Corp., 345 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-22)

CURRENT PROBE

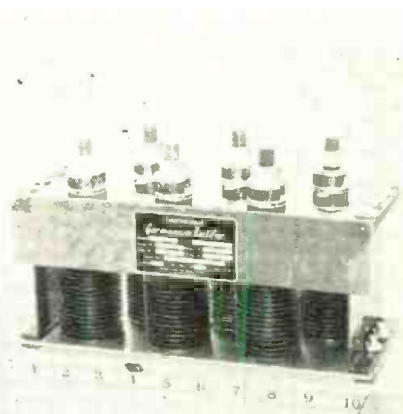
Model 91129-1, a new RF current transformer of the inserted primary type, has a nominal output impedance of 50 ohms. The probe consists of two semi-circular, hinged, insulated windings on a hypersil core. By opening the probe, the conductors may be placed in its center and when closed, a locking arrangement holds it. The unit can be used from 20 cps to 25 mc. Especially



designed for use with the Stoddart NM-10A and NM-20B Radio Interference Field Intensity Measuring Equipment. Stoddart Aircraft Radio Co., 6644 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-14)

GERMANIUM POWER RECTIFIERS

Three styles of diffused junction germanium power rectifiers—natural and forced convection, and liquid-cooled are recommended for ac to dc power conversion where high power



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TV CAMERA PEDESTAL

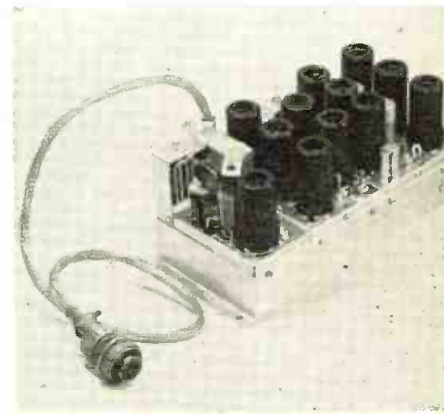
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TELEMETERING TRANSMITTER

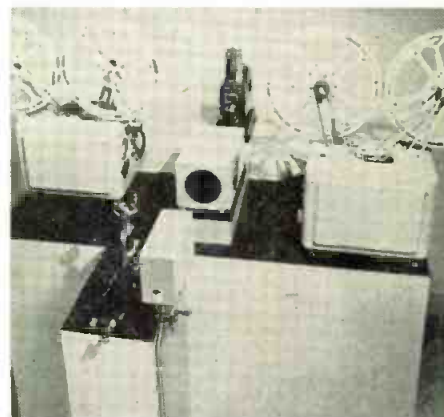
The XT-1 telemetering transmitter, designed for higher powered data transmission in guided missile and aircraft telemetering systems accepts modulating signals between 900 and 100,000



cycles. Provides 8 w. power output, 215 to 235 mc frequency range; direct crystal control with a better than 0.03% precision. Output impedance 50 ohms. Frequency modulation, 150 kc deviation. Frequency response, flat within ± 1 db. Harmonic distortion less than 1%. Video input impedance, 50,000 ohms. Weighs 60 oz. West Coast Electronics Co., 5873 West Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES. (Ask for 8-19)

FILM AND SLIDE SYSTEM

The new Vidicon Film and Slide System provides two film projectors, a slide projector and an optical multiplexer. It contains a high sensitivity vidicon camera of extremely low noise level and extended dynamic range. The system also contains a camera control unit with dynamic focusing, aperture corrections, and keyed black level clamps. The projectors have 120-cycle



shutters with long application time, providing flicker free reproduction. High sound level output of 7mv. across 150 ohms is provided. Kay Lab, 5725 Kearney Villa Rd., San Diego 12, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-34)

New Electronic Products

CAPACITOR

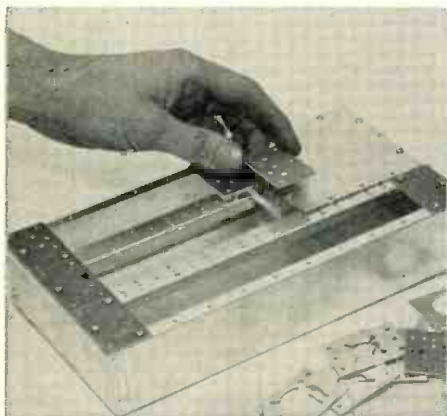
The new and improved West-Cap vertical mounting type capacitor is designed for circuits with critical requirements in high vibration and low weight limits. It is a metal-cased, hermetically



sealed with glass to metal type terminals, paper dielectric, temperature range from -55°C to $\pm 125^{\circ}\text{C}$ and conforms to military specification Mil-C-25A. Available up to 1000vdc in capacity ratings from .001 mfd to 6 mfd with either axial wire leads or spade type terminals. Designated as type A, AA, AAA. San Fernando Electric Mfg. Co., 1509 First St., San Fernando, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-37)

CHASSIS UNITS

This is a new type of expandable chassis designed for laboratory breadboard use. Almost any size and shape of chassis may be assembled by using the various parts offered in the patented SeeZak line. Included are such items as side and end rails, tops and bottoms, rail extenders, pre-punched prototype panels, and rail feet. Unique angles can be worked out to meet requirements



during wiring. Punching, drilling, and insertion of hardware may be done in the flat as breadboard work progresses. U M & F Manufacturing Corp., 10929 Vanowen St., N. Hollywood, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-33)

TUBE SOCKET

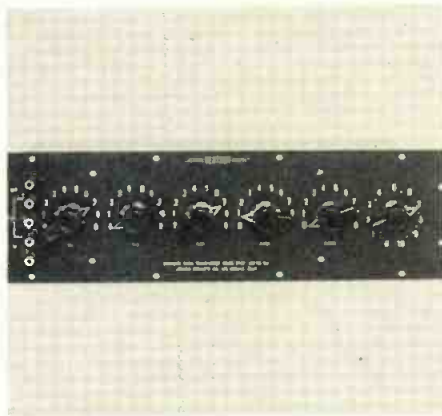
This is a new 7 pin steatite insulated tube socket designed for popular new VHF septar based tubes such as the RCA 5894, 6524, and the Amperex 5894, 6252. It requires $\frac{1}{8}$ " less chassis mounting



space than previously available types and has an integral ventilated shield base which submounts the tube for optimum input and output shielding. The socket will permit more compact equipment design in mobile, aircraft, and other types of transmitting equipment. E. F. Johnson Co., Waseca, Minn.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-32)

STANDARD RATIO TRANSFORMERS

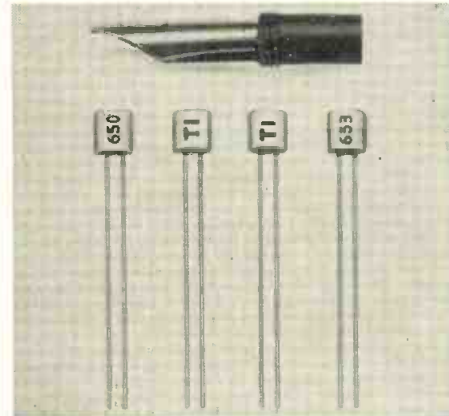
The PT Series consists of nine rack mounted and case models of precision ac voltage dividers with accuracies to 0.005% and resolution to 0.00001%. Models are available to cover frequencies from 30 to 3,000cps—to 10,000 cps at reduced accuracy. Four new ruggedized versions of standard ratio transformers have heavy silver rotary switches for use where severe continu-



ous service is required. Used for core material investigation, ac meter calibration, checking resolvers, servos, etc. Gertsch Products, Inc., 11846 Mississippi Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-41)

SILICON DIODES

Four new silicon diodes Types 650, 651, 652, and 653 feature extremely small breakdown voltage temperature coefficients from -55°C to $+150^{\circ}\text{C}$. The units maintain accurate reference in-



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CAMERA AND PEDESTAL

Mounted on the camera head are a field lens and a highly efficient color filtering system, consisting of two full-silvered mirrors, two dichroic mirrors, and individual color filters for each channel. Adjacent to each camera tube is a four-tube preamplifier with a cascode connected input stage followed by a feedback output amplifier. The camera pedestal contains the sweep chassis and the



junction panel for interconnecting cables. Both camera and pedestal are part of the GPL Three-Vidicon Color Film Chain, Model PA-520. General Precision Lab., Inc., Pleasantville, N.Y.—TELE-TECH & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 8-56)

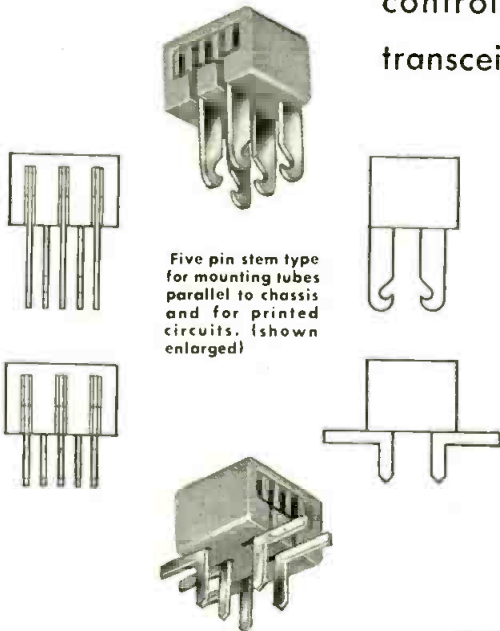
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News Letter

Latest Radio and Communications News Developments Summarized by TELE-TECH's Washington Bureau

MORE TV SPACE—Reallocation of the spectrum for television, primarily, with the possibility of providing three more VHF television channels in the 88-108 megacycle FM broadcasting band is now under study by two highly qualified radio-tv engineering groups working with the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee and the FCC. Recommendations from the two groups—an ad hoc engineering committee named by Chairman Magnuson of the Senate body and the Joint Television Advisory Committee which has been aiding the FCC—are slated to be completed this fall. JTAC has asked the Commission to institute with its coordinated assistance a long-range study of frequency utilization so as to obtain the optimum use of channels, including spectrum requirements of the armed services and the other government agencies such as the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

ARRAY OF EXPERTS—The makeup of the two groups which were designated to formulate the recommendations for the survey of spectrum reallocation program constituted virtually the top-level stratum of radio-tv engineering and frequency authorities. The ad hoc group, headed by MIT professor Edward Bowles and consultant to Raytheon president Adams, comprises such leading engineers as Dr. Allen B. DuMont, Philco research director Donald Fink, IRE secretary Haraden Pratt, Westinghouse engineering vice president Ralph Harmon and CBS engineering vice president William Lodge. The JTAC body handling the study are RCA frequency bureau chief Philip Siling, Bell Labs' Dr. Ralph Bown, and I. J. Carr of GE with Lloyd Berkner of Associated Industries as chairman.

ECONOMIC PROTESTS—That the Section 309 (c) of the Communications Act which requires the FCC to hold hearings on economic protests to new radio-tv grants and to stay new authorizations pending the determination of the protests should be greatly delimited or repealed was advocated by two leading FCC members in hearings before the Senate and House committees. There are 70 cases of radio and tv stations now held up for decision because of the legislation and this work consumes 28% of the Commissioners' time in meetings and the staff in one month spent 2404 man hours costing around \$49,000 on these protests. FCC Chairman George C. McConaughy urged the FCC have discretion on accepting such protests, while Commissioner John C. Doerfer advocated outright repeal of the section. Whether Congress in its final legislative lap acts on solution of this situation was not predictable at TELE-TECH's deadline.

TV DE-INTERMIXTURE—Determination of future of uhf television in competition with vhf video operations in question which FCC faces this fall after its August recess. Issue of de-intermixture was brought to the forefront in two-day oral argument before the entire FCC on five cities, four with no vhf station on the air and the fifth with a single vhf station operating. The decision on this proceeding can have an important bearing on contention of uhf interests that in 23 areas among 100 top markets existing uhf stations should be "protected" from competition from vhf operations. The controversial situation has precipitated the thought of a 90-day "freeze" on the new uhf station grants until the policies are delineated.

MOBILE RADIO GROUPS—Two types of organizations to work with the FCC Commissioners and staff on problems and policies affecting the mobile radio services have been recently proposed. One was for the formation of an interservice safety-special mobile users association which would present a united front on the maintenance of private industrial frequency allocations and operations and also have a voice in the selection by the Commission of department heads dealing with the safety-special radio services. The other was the establishment of a Radio Technical Commission for Land Mobile Services, patterned like the radio technical commissions for aeronautics and marine services. The latter was presented by Motorola communications-electronics Vice President Daniel Noble, a leading authority in the mobile radio field.

PAY-SEE TV—After the first influx of large support for pay-see television in letters to the FCC and to leading newspapers, the views of the vocal public on this issue have become reversed and now the preponderance is in opposition to this plan of operating video public service. The majority of the public—three-fourths in the largest city, New York—opposed the payment idea for TV programs, while the remaining fourth favoring the method generally had qualifications as to amount of fee and types of programs specially desired. This current trend is felt to lighten the pressure on the FCC for approving this method of television in a speedy carte blanche authorization.

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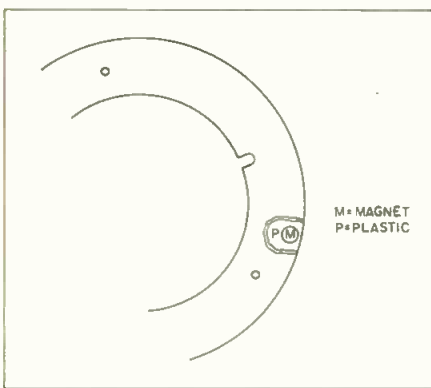
Magnetic Tape Threader

JOSEPH F. LANG

WJR, Detroit, Mich.

ONE of the most time consuming operations in using a tape recorder is the act of threading the tape on the take-up reel. It takes only a few seconds but multiplied by a hundred or so times, it can add many unproductive minutes to the recording day. However, the time element is considered small compared to the ease with which the tape is spooled on the reel, and the frustration spared the engineer by the method described below. This method works satisfactorily if one condition is observed. You must use at least a thirty second lead-in on the recording, which I might add is standard practice at our station.

A standard NAB hub was reworked, and where the tape is normally threaded, a circular plastic insert was added. In this plastic



Magnet imbedded in reel holds tape in place

insert was put (press fit) a small bar magnet (taken from a kitchen black-board which has little magnets to hold notes).

By positioning the bar magnet so that the tape will come in contact with it, it was found that the tape could be held in place on the hub with enough force to enable the operator to wind a few turns on the take-up reel.

Next, tests were run to determine the effect of the magnet on each succeeding turn of the tape. It was

found that the magnet caused a thump on each turn, decaying with each turn until at the 25 second point the thump disappeared.

In this way, the problem of threading tape on a take-up reel was solved without resorting to adhesives, special leaders, or the old method of making a loop of the tape.

Remote Recording Aids

JACK THORNTON

733 Georgia Ave., Bend, Ore.

MANY radio stations have occasion to make tape recordings at summer camps, emergency areas, parades, or other locations away from regular power lines. When taking power from portable generators or "home light plants" it is sometimes found that recordings are not the proper speed for normal studio playback. Often there is no frequency meter on the generator. A simple check can be made before recording, and with many recorders a quick adjustment made even if the generator cannot be corrected.

Before leaving the studio or transmitter, record a one-minute time-check calling off the start of the check and then the last ten seconds of the minute second-by-second. At the remote location—after determining that the available current is a.c.—play back the time-check. Any playback over 60 seconds indicates a slow-running generator. (The number of seconds over 60 showing the number of cycles-per-second the generator is slow.) Playbacks under 60 seconds similarly indicate a fast-running generator. Thus the speed error can be corrected by speeding or slowing the generator until the time-check is accurate.

If generator adjustment is not possible, tape machines having exposed drive capstans can be adjusted in many cases. If the time-check playback is under 60 seconds go ahead and make the recording, erasing the original time-check and recording a new one before the program. Back in the studio the tape will playback slow. Bring it up to a speed where

the time-check compares by wrapping tight layers of adhesive tape around the tape drive wheel. (Capstan)

However, if the time-check at the recording location plays back under 60 seconds, bring the tape up to speed before recording by wrapping the adhesive tape around the capstan. Remove the adhesive tape for normal studio playback.

While only emergency measures, these methods can save a program that might otherwise have been lost.

Rapid Replacement of Tubes

KEN MAXWELL

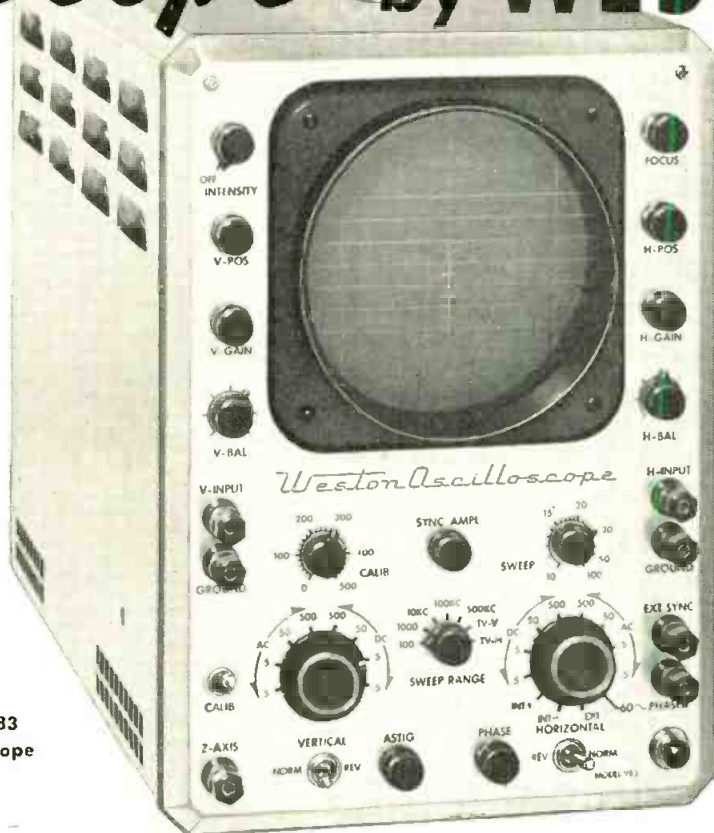
Ch. Eng. KLTJ, Longview, Texas

MANY commercial consoles, limiter amplifiers and other complicated pieces of equipment have a front panel selector which meters the voltage across the cathode resistor. In case of failure of the piece of equipment while it is in operation, the meter selector can quickly indicate if any tube has an open filament or other trouble causing a great vibration from its usual plate current. The next step is to try to locate the manufacturer's manual about the console, amplifier or limiter and find the proper page which tells which tube is indicated by position 9, for example. In order to save this loss of time in identifying the tube indicated by the selector switch the numbers on the selector switch were typed on a piece of paper and "scotch" taped beside the tube socket they represented. It now takes only a few seconds to locate the defective tube. This idea originated in a piece of equipment which was wired differently from the chart in the instruction manual. It seemed so useful that it was repeated with all other equipment in the station.

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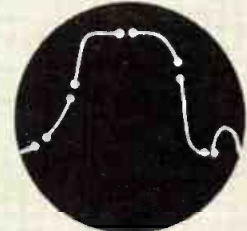
The 'scope contains identical vertical and horizontal push-pull amplifiers with a choice of AC or DC coupling without affecting either sensitivity or band width. Both amplifiers have compensated step attenuators and cathode follower input. *It has excellent square wave reproduction with overshoot of only 2 to 5%, with a rise time of 0.1 microsecond. The 'scope response is essentially flat throughout the specified range of 4.5 mc and is usable to 6 mc.*

The unit has provisions for internal calibration, internal phased sine wave, and Z-axis intensity modulation. Reversal of polarity of both horizontal and vertical signals is easily accomplished by means of toggle switching. *Tube replacements are non critical, and etched circuitry facilitates quick and rapid maintenance.*

The Model 983 Oscilloscope is now available through local distributors. For complete literature write WESTON Electrical Instrument Corporation, 614 Frelinghuysen Avenue, Newark 5, New Jersey.

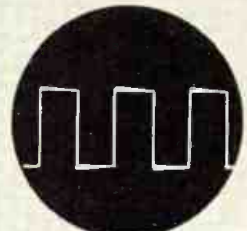
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WAVEFORM ANALYSIS



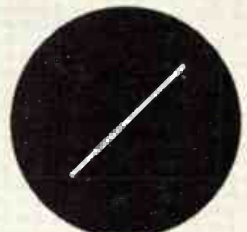
Response curves accurately displayed. Ideal for use with Weston intensity marker display. A fast, retrace sweep circuit with cathode follower output prevents pattern distortion.

SQUARE WAVE RESPONSE



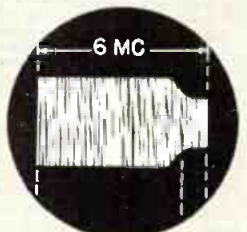
Overshoot is only 2 to 5%. Rise Time is 0.1 Microsecond. Square wave depicted 250 kc.

PHASE MEASUREMENTS



Phase shift between horizontal-vertical amplifiers, 0-500 kc-0°, to 1 mc within 2°; by internal adjustment with gain controls at max 0° phase shift possible on any specific frequency to 6 mc.

RESPONSE CHARACTERISTIC



Note flatness throughout specified range; to 3.6 mc down 1.5 db, at 4.5 mc down 3 db, at 6 mc down 6 db.



Fig. 1: External program line amplifiers

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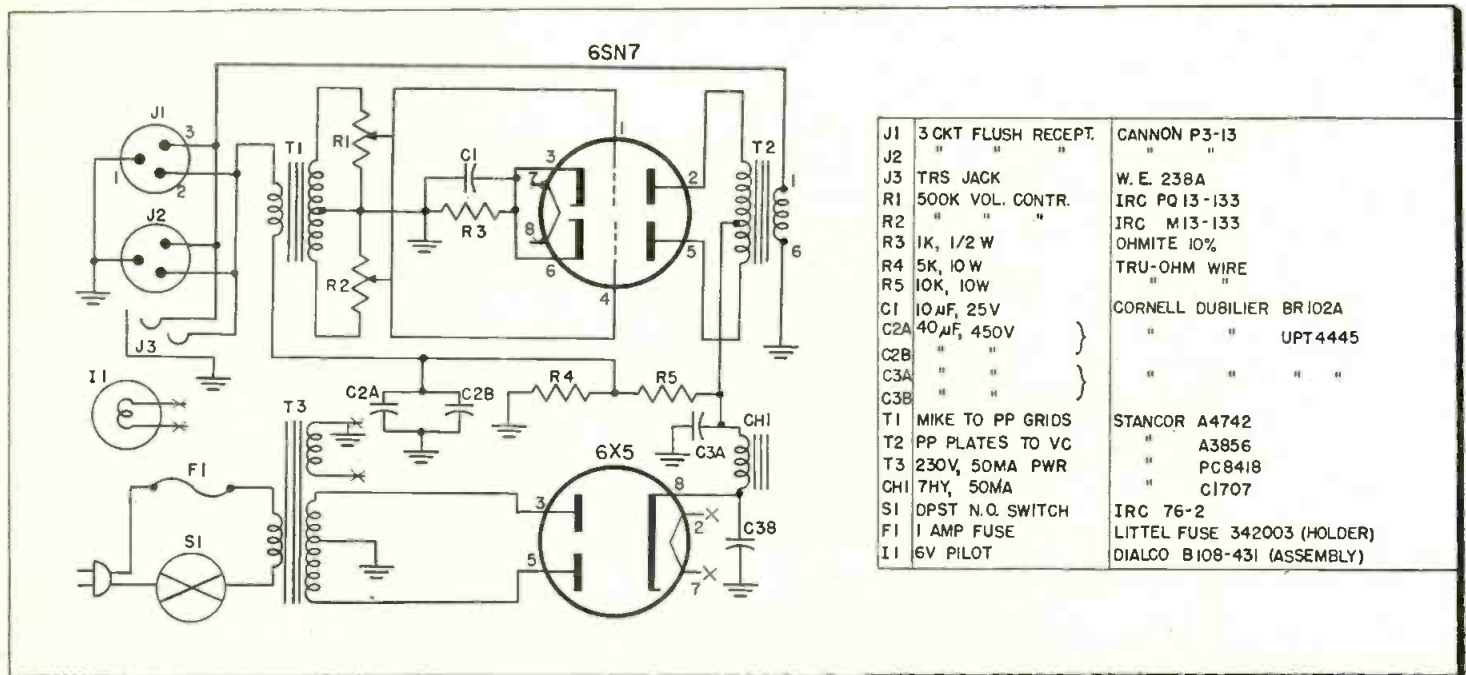
Each PL amplifier provides adequate gain for up to twelve Western Electric type 52BW headsets. The amplifier is a push-pull stage, using inexpensive, readily available parts. Using the standard components listed, the amplifier, measuring 4 x 5-1/2 x 8 in. and weighing 6 lbs., is quite portable. As shown in Fig. 2, "battery" for the carbon micro-

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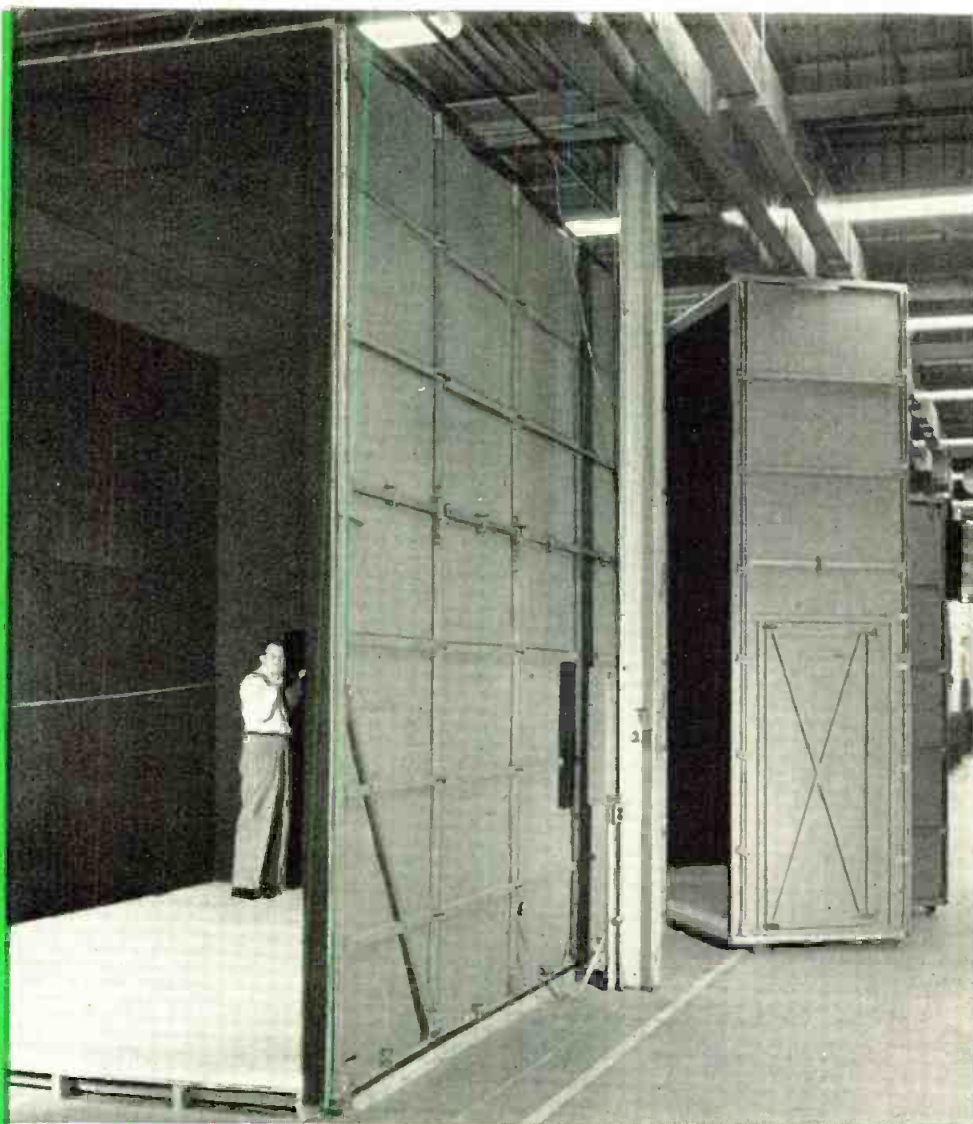
The photo of two of the amplifiers (Fig. 1) gives an idea of part placement and shows the bottom plate with circuit diagram and parts list cemented to the inner face. We usually run one microphone extension from each amplifier to the
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Fig. 2: Circuit diagram and parts list for push-pull external program line amplifier. Unit provides gain for up to 12 headsets



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(1) With sine-wave excitation of the frame, resonant parts can vibrate at much larger amplitude than the frame. Since electronic equipment (including tubes) consists of large numbers of parts in a hierarchy of assemblies, it is quite possible for a mode of resonance in a small part to coincide with a mode of resonance in the assembly upon which it is mounted, thus experiencing near the mutual resonant frequency a vibration amplitude several hundred times as great as that applied to the frame.

(2) Vibratory energy can be dissipated in a gas or liquid without harm to the equipment, but that portion that is dissipated in solid materials should be suspected as destructive until proven otherwise, since it normally implies super-elastic strain, abrasion, sawing, loosening of fasteners, etc. This damage occurs on every cycle during vibration but only once per shock.

For these reasons, sinusoidal vibration is applied at very much lower peak acceleration than the shock endurance capability of the same equipment. Hence vibration is less sensitive for detection of ultimate strength, intermittents and microphonics than is a higher-amplitude shock, except at resonant frequencies. Vibrating to destruction on a sampling basis can be valuable,^{31, 35} although correlation with service life is difficult to establish because the vibration encountered in actual service is seldom sinusoidal or even well-known.³⁹ Swept-frequency vibration at very low amplitude can be useful as a production test; an abnormal spectrum of resonances may indicate inadequate clinching of essential fasteners or partial structural failure.

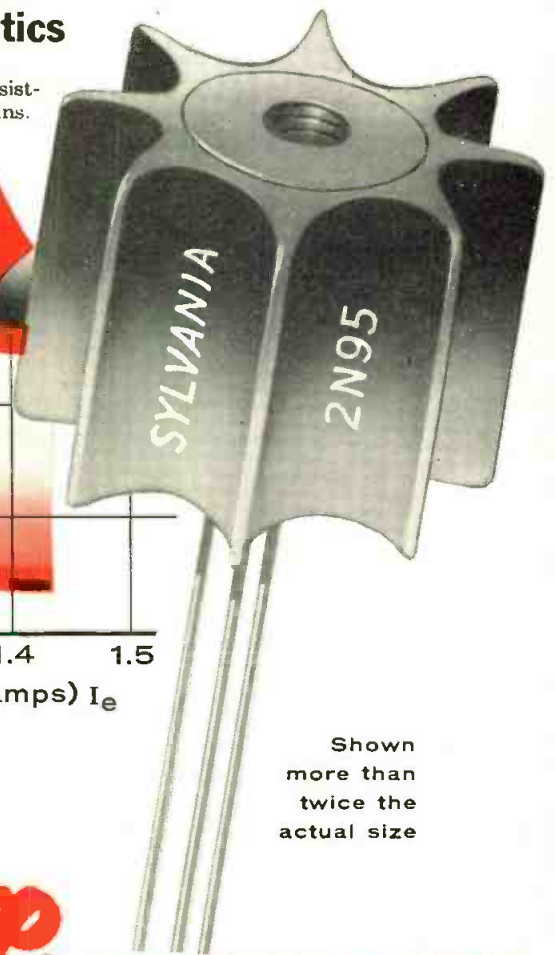
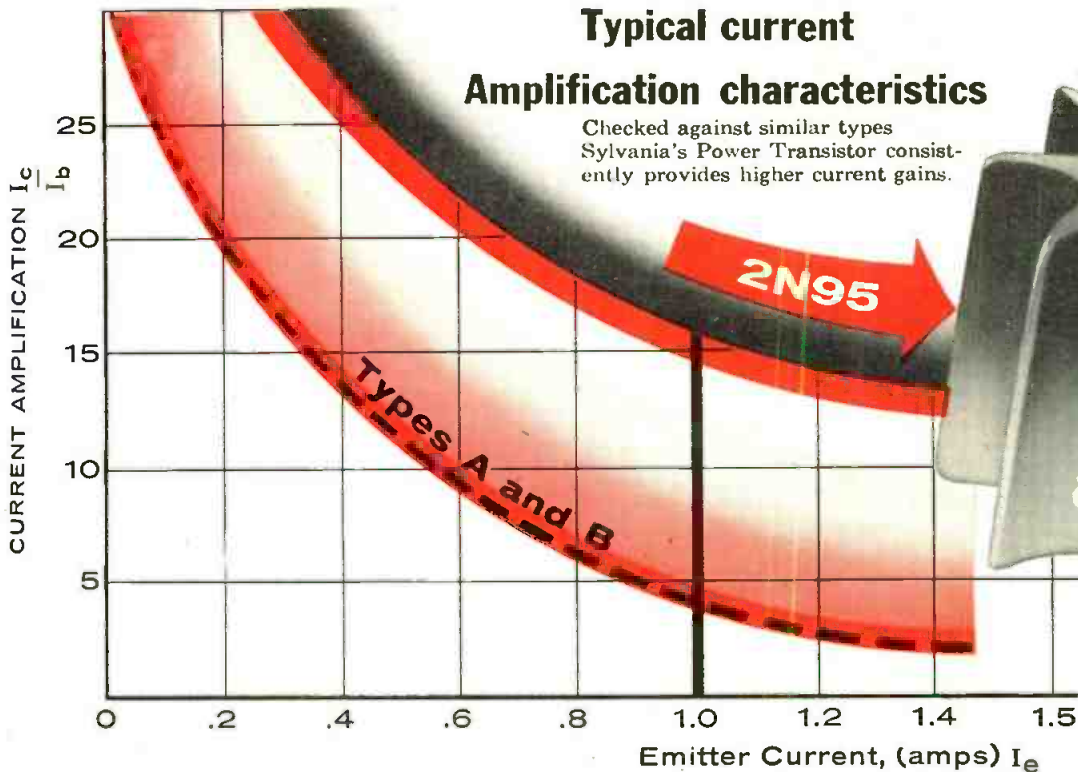
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creases with the operating time of the lamp; therefore, lamp life has a fairly well-defined distribution,²⁴ and dependability can be increased by regular replacement. By contrast, vacuum tube failure (at least in receiving tubes) is still virtually unpredictable and not subject to improvement by preventive maintenance.^{33, 38} (See Fig. 2.) Tube failure frequency is usually highest in new tubes ("infant mortality"), whereas many 2.5 v. receiving tubes are still operating after 20 yrs.

It is suspected that some incipient tube failures are foreshadowed by decreasing transconductance²⁷ (perhaps especially when tested at subnormal heater voltage), but the practical importance of this potential maintenance aid is not yet proven. To be certain of beneficial results, it appears necessary to use transconductance tube testers with accurately reproducible indications, and to keep a continuous record of G_m for each individual tube.¹ This history can be kept on a sticker adhered to octal size tubes. This is more difficult with miniature tubes, where the advisability of periodic checking is further doubtful because of the frequency of undetected failure by glass breakage during insertion into the socket.²

In general, tube life can be prolonged by operating well under the manufacturer's maximum ratings (voltage, current, dissipation, etc.). Cathode failure can be caused by gas released by overheating of almost any part of the tube. But in some circuits, notably broad-band amplifiers, the sacrifice of transconductance at reduced current cannot be tolerated.

Operation of ordinary tubes for long periods of time with zero cathode current can produce cathode "sleeping sickness," an interface formation in the oxide coating, causing reduced transconductance and/or a video peaking effect with a time-constant of a μ sec or so. This effect can probably be reduced by operation at lower heater voltage, where the peak current requirement permits.³² Tube manufacturers have learned how to avoid interface formation in "premium" tubes, and we can hope that this new knowledge will eventually be applied to all tube types.

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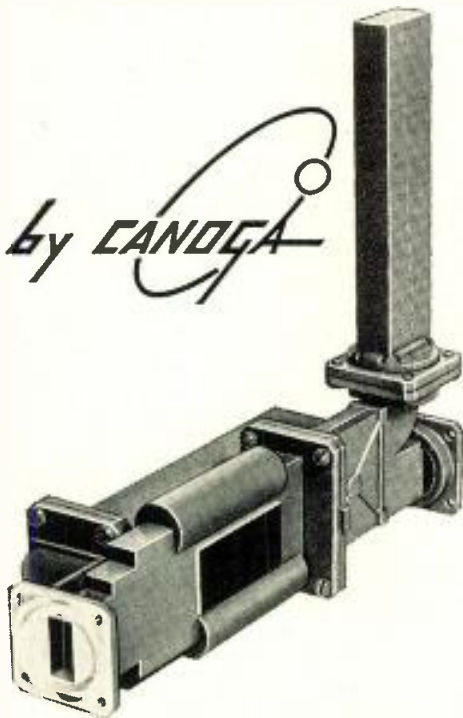
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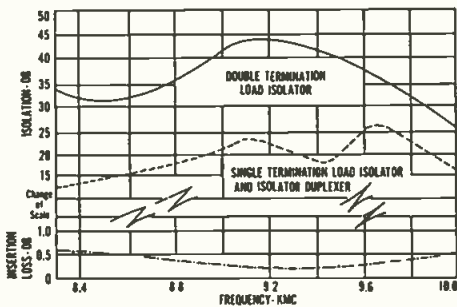
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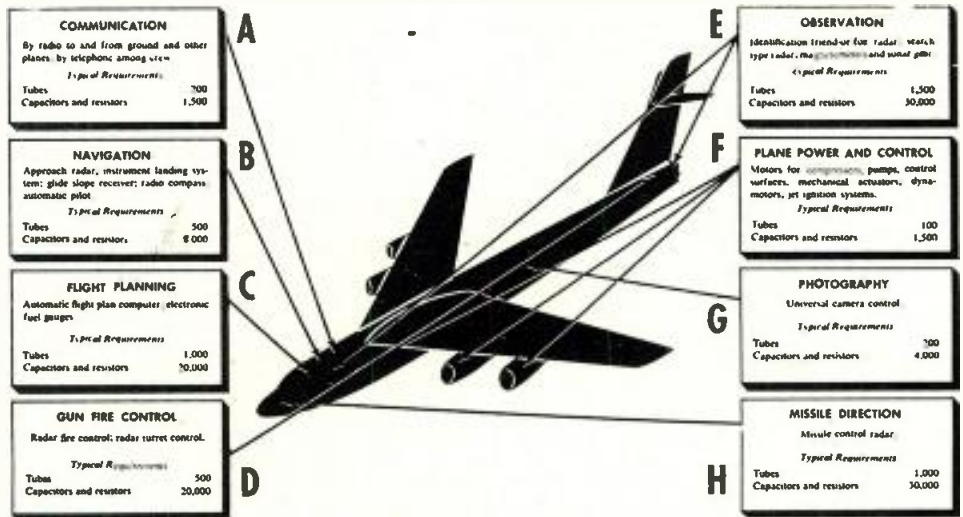
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The above illustration was originally shown on page 3 of the June 1955 issue of Tele-Tech. Accompanying data should have mentioned the fact that this material was originally compiled by staff members of the Sprague Electric Co., North Adams, Mass. Eight categories of electronic equipment are shown against the outline of a gen-

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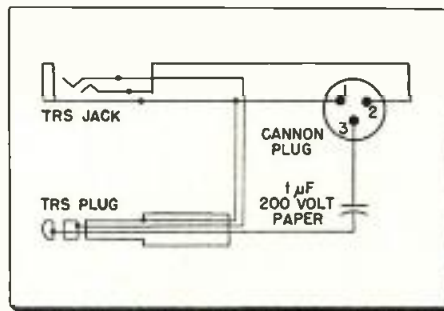
Communication in TV

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"stage," then, through "multi-boxes," distribute the circuits from that point.

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into the switcher jack normally used for the technical director's headset and the TRS jack into which his headset is plugged for reinforcing his voice on the camera PL circuits. Used in this position, his voice is also boosted on the engineering PL line to master control. In using the amplifier and adaptor to adapt it to the two-wire circuits, the voice on the microphone of the headset plugged into the adaptor is the only voice reinforced. The regular dc communications power remains on to furnish battery to all other headsets in the circuit. The amplifier-adaptor combination may also be used at any of the camera positions to amplify

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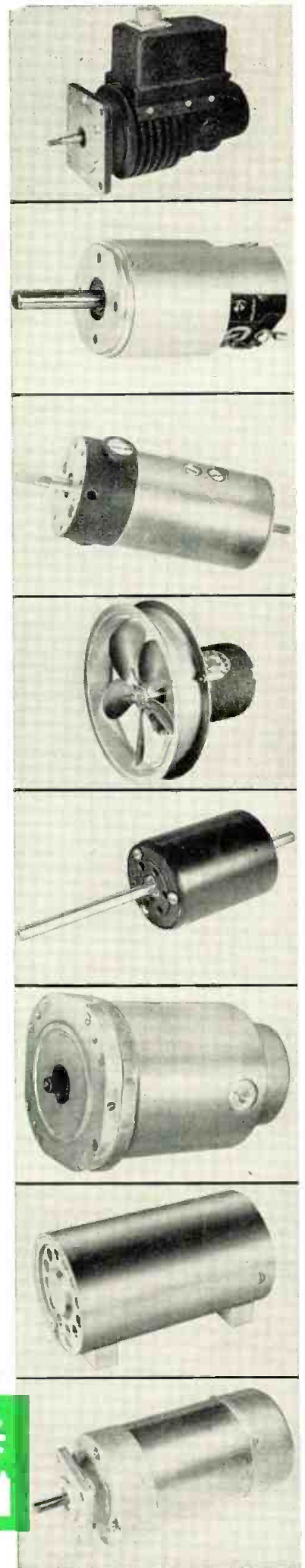
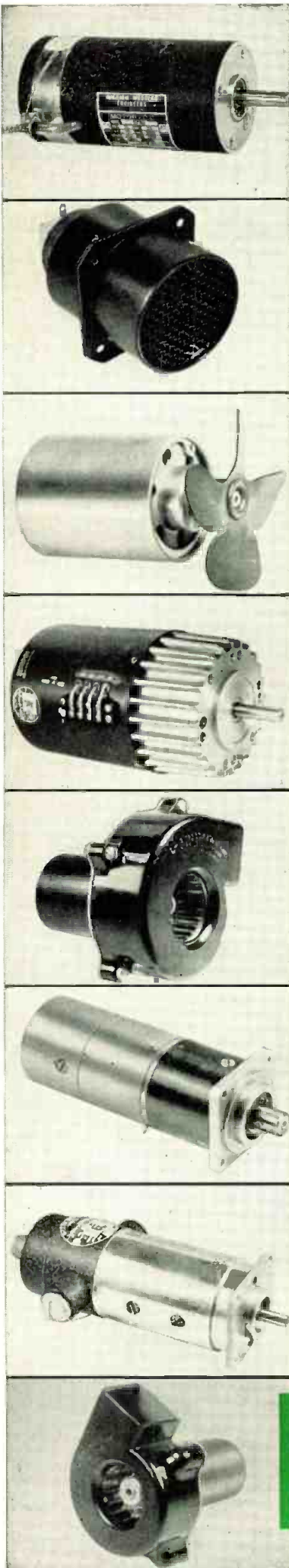
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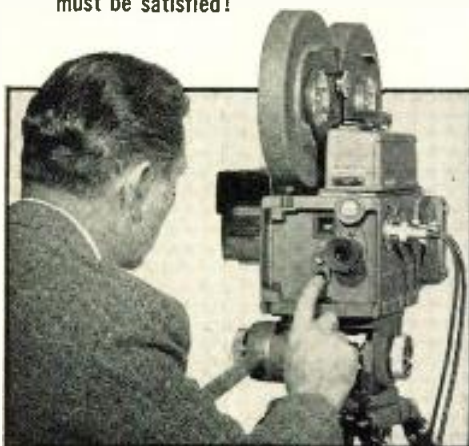




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Reps wanted for precision line of electronic laboratory and television test equipment. Territories: Upper New York State; New England area; Chicago; Western States not including California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. (R-8-3)

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Representation for a line of precision uhf and microwave test equipment available in the Pittsburgh area as well as in the states of Washington and Oregon, also Canada. (Ask for R-8-5)

Ohio, Texas, Florida, New England, Washington and Canada are territories offered by manufacturers of precision test equipment. (Ask for R-8-6)

Neely Enterprises, electronic manufacturers' representatives, have announced the appointment of General Manager Robert L. Boniface to the office of Vice President. The announcement was made by President Norman B. Neely, coincident with the transfer of the company's Los Angeles offices to the newly-constructed headquarters in North Hollywood, California. This building program was projected and completed under the supervision of Mr. Boniface.

"Bob" Boniface is a well-known figure in the electronics industry. His thorough knowledge of the electronic industry has been gained through fourteen years of practical, first-hand experience in sales and business administration with Neely enterprises.

Leonard P. Blakely and Martin Silver announce the formation of a new sales and engineering organization known as L&M Associates, located at 253 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey. The companies represented by the organization include Adler Communications Laboratories, New Rochelle, N. Y.; McColpin-Christie Corp., Los Angeles, Calif.; New London Instrument Co., New London, Conn.; Radio Frequency Laboratories, Inc., Boonton, N. J., and Tel-Instrument Co., Carlstadt, N. J.

Fairchild Recording Co., Whitestone, N.Y. announced the following new representatives: William Engelbretson Co. of St. Paul, Minn., covering Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa and part of Wisconsin. Ray Johnston of Seattle, Wash. covering the Northwestern States, British Columbia and Alaska. Loren F. Green & Associates of Chicago, Ill. covering Illinois and part of Wisconsin and Indiana. H. Roy Gray Ltd. of Toronto, Canada covering all of Canada except British Columbia for Fairchild high fidelity items.

Joseph Murphy has been appointed manufacturers representative for the Cambridge Thermionic Corp. line of electronic components. He will represent C.T.C. in Indiana and Kentucky.

The M. A. Stolaroff Co., 4622 West Slauson Ave., Los Angeles 43, Calif., was recently appointed as sales representative to handle the line of electronic components manufactured by the Birtcher Corp., of Los Angeles. Mr. Stolaroff will cover Southern Calif., Southern Nevada and Arizona.

Joe Davidson and Associates, South Gate, Calif., has been appointed as technical service representative for the Norden-Ketay Corp., manufacturer of electronic and electro-mechanical components and instruments. The Davidson organization will render sales, engineering and technical services for all products produced by the Precision Components Division and sold in Calif., Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico.

ElectroData Corp., digital computer manufacturer of Pasadena, Calif. has named the Ottawa firm of Data Processing Associates Ltd. as its sales and service representative in Canada.

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Marshank Sales Co., celebrating their 35th year as sales representatives, announce their move to spacious new quarters at 7422 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Karl F. Tidrow, formerly Vice-Pres. of Dow Radio, Inc., in Pasadena has been added to their inside industrial sales staff.

James W. Eckersley, 3510 S.W. Hamilton St., Portland, Oregon has been appointed sales representative in the Northwest, covering Wash., Idaho and Oregon, for Alliance Mfg. Co., makers of radio-controlled garage door operators and the Alliance Tenna-Rotor. G. J. Rodgers of Rodgers Associates, 198 Old Farm Rd., Springfield, Mass., has been appointed as their sales rep in the New England area.

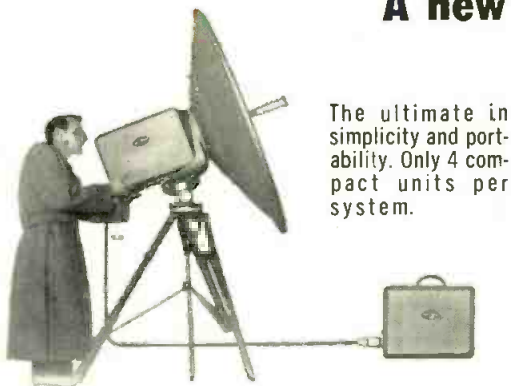
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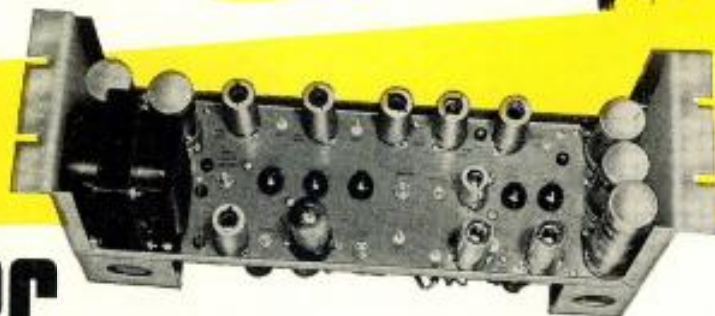
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Sync 2 V to 4 V p.p.

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Monitor video or comp. video 1.5 V term. in 75 ohms. Sync 4 V term. into 75 ohms.

Clipping level: Adjustable from no clipping to clipping black video.

Delay Lines

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readily analyzed. Pulse delay may be easily measured to within $\pm 5\%$. Depending on the quality and stability of the test equipment, this accuracy may be extended to $\pm 2\%$.

Sinusoidal Testing

Fig. 6 illustrates a sinusoidal-test setup. A calibrated signal-generator is fed through a matching network to the input of a properly terminated delay line. A lissajou pattern is used to compare the phase relation between the input and output.

To compensate for phase shift introduced by the measuring oscillograph, a phase-equalizing network is normally required. This may be a delay line and may be adjusted to obtain zero-closure when the switch is thrown to the input position.

When the switch is returned to the output, the lissajou pattern will give an indication of phase shift introduced by the delay line. A measurement of the lowest frequency which effects an identical closure of the pattern yields the time delay for 360° of phase shift. Effectively, time delay equals the period of this frequency.

As frequency is increased, successive identical closures will be obtained. The periods of these closure-frequencies will correspond to sub-multiples of time delay. Phase linearity can then be determined, but the number of points that can be taken is limited by delay line response and over-all time delay.

Accuracy of phase-shift measurements is largely dependent upon the accuracy to which the frequency may be determined. Other factors also contribute to error; special precautions are required to insure:

1. Freedom from coupling between measured points.
2. Freedom from harmonic distortion.
3. Adequate resolution of the lissajou-closure reading.

A similar test setup employs high-frequency voltmeters at input and output in place of the oscillograph. Bandwidth is obtained by plotting the ratio of output to input voltage as frequency is varied.

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California State Polytechnic college's engineering department reached a milestone recently when Herbert L. Leach of South Gate received the one thousandth engineering degree to be given out since 1941.

Dr. E. L. Michaels, supervisor of the Advance Development Group of the Packard-Bell Co., said recently that the public can expect a color television set by this fall that will be practical both as to cost and quality. Dr. Michaels bases his statements on the advances which have been made in overcoming the technical problems which have stood in the way of color TV.

Dr. Lee A. DuBridge, president of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif., announced recently the four winners of Howard Hughes Fellowships in Science and Engineering, established for the training of outstanding research engineers and physicists. The awards went to: Robert W. Hallwarth, 24; Arthur F. Messiter, Jr., 25; Richard I. Tanaka, 26, and Norman J. Zabusky, 26.

Electronic Specialty Co. of Los Angeles, Calif. has established a new Miniature Components Division to design and manufacture special capacitors and radio noise filters.

Hoffman Electronics Corp.'s, 3761 S. Hill St., Los Angeles, Calif., 1955 catalog was the only black and white winner in the fifth annual Lithographic Awards Competition in the catalog division. It placed third directly behind full-color catalogs on the Chrysler Imperial and the '55 Chevrolet.

International Resistance Co., Phila., Pa., has purchased EMEC, Inc. of Seattle, Wash., manufacturers of magnetic clutches for electronic and electrical applications.

Lenkurt Electric Co., San Carlos, Calif., has announced five new 24-channel frequency allocations are now available in Lenkurt 45BX channelizing equipment for radio and microwave communications systems. The new allocations permit up to 120 voice and signaling channels to be transmitted and received over a single wideband radio system. They are in the frequency range from 12 to 528 kc.

Newark Electric Co. of Chicago, Ill., has purchased Acorn Radio and Electronics, 4736 West Century Blvd., Inglewood, Calif. It will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary under the name of Newark Electric Company of California.

Packard-Bell Co. has won the Research Institute of America's Key Member Award for Merit for its work in the field of employee relations.

Philco Corp's Government and Industrial Division has announced the removal of its West Coast and Pacific Northwest regional sales office to a new location at Suite 417, 1355 Market St., San Francisco, Calif.

The Ramo-Wooldrige Corp. of Los Angeles was recently involved in a \$20,000,000 financial arrangement with its electronics and guided missile affiliate, Thompson Products, Inc. This was made available to them by Thompson Products to finance the continued rapid expansion of the firm, now employing nearly 1000.

R-C Scientific Instrument Co., Inc., 307 Culver Blvd., Playa Del Rey, Calif. recently perfected a rapid, accurate, non-destructive method of testing evacuated or pressurized sealed containers.

Resdel Engineering Corp., Los Angeles, Calif., recently moved into new quarters ten times its original plant capacity. Henry K. Abajian, president, announced that added emphasis on the production division necessitated the move to a 21,000 sq. ft. brick building at 330 S. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Calif.

Servomechanisms, Inc. recently moved their executive offices. The Eastern division is now located at Post and Stewart Avenues, Westbury, N. Y. and the Western division at 12500 Aviation Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif.

Stanford Research Institute has completed a preliminary design and cost study for a highly versatile test nuclear reactor it hopes to establish in Calif. Construction and operation on an industry-cooperative basis is contemplated.

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. officials stated recently that the nation's use of electricity will double in the next 10 years, much of it due to increased electric power demands in the West, and that the West Coast would be in the forefront of atomic energy as an electric power source.

The Gudeman Co. of Calif. has moved their branch at 9200 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles to new and larger quarters at 2661 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif., in line with the company's expansion program. The enlarged plant will be immediately adjoining the Dilectron division of the company.

The Kaynar Company, Kaylock Division, 820 E. 16th St., Los Angeles, Calif., is offering without charge to those who write in for it, a new drafting template, covering the full line of Kaylock miniature all metal, self-locking nuts.

The Northern California Audio Shows, Inc. is holding their 3rd annual High Fidelity Audio Show at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel from Sept. 30 to Oct. 2. The exhibitors will be custom high fidelity component manufacturers, factory reps, hi-fi distributors, hi-fi shops, and record manufacturers. The general public is invited.

Tomlinson I. Moseley, president of Dalmo Victor Co., San Carlos, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tectron American, Inc., recently announced plans for a new \$1,200,000 building to bring under one roof all of the electronic firm's present facilities. The 180,000 sq. ft. plant will be constructed on 10 acres of company-owned land on Harbor Blvd. and Industrial Way, Belmont.

Zero Mfg. Co. of Burbank, Calif., manufacturers of deep drawn metal instrument cases, has ordered two new hydraulic presses, built to Zero's special design and specifications, from Hydraulic Press and Engineering Co. of Los Angeles, to keep pace with their current orders.

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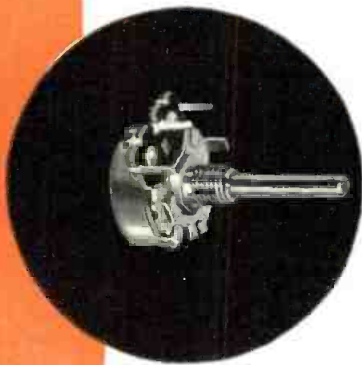
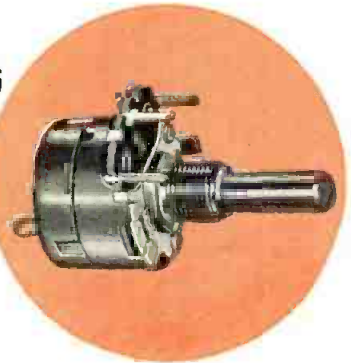


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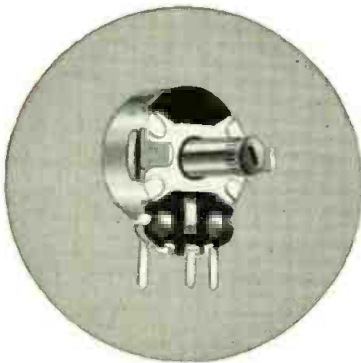
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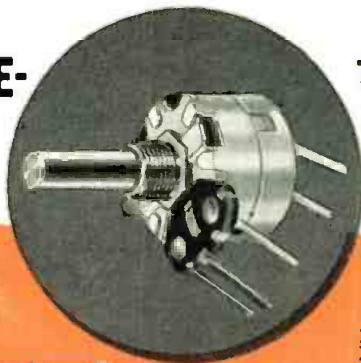
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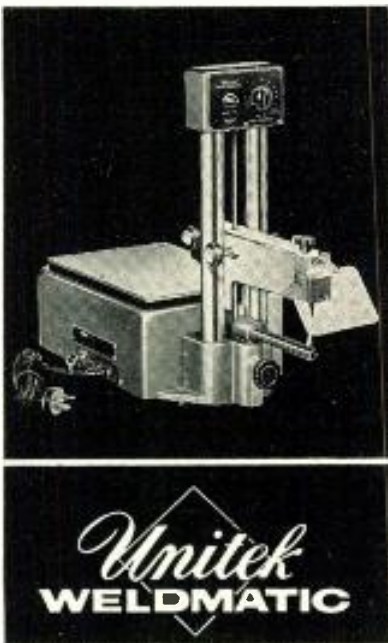
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Transistor Amplifier

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voltage gain. Strong shunting of the input by R_B , however, may cause the power gain to drop faster than the first power of the voltage gain. Nevertheless, the input resistance may be so much greater when R_E is employed that many applications may become feasible that would not be practical with very low input impedances. Furthermore, the introduction of R_E immediately banishes the problem of the input current being an exponential function of the input voltage. The input voltage is now applied across the series combination of the emitter-base diode and R_E rather than directly across the input diode, thus the degenerative and resistive effects of R_E cause the transistor currents to be practically perfect linear functions of the input voltage. Were R_E not employed, it would be necessary to drive the input with a current (high impedance source) for undistorted signal transfer. While voltage feedback has been used around several stages (operational amplifier style), for local, stage-by-stage degeneration, current feedback (R_E) has been used exclusively. Voltage feedback lowers the input impedance, and voltage feedback does not simplify the equations in a natural obvious manner as does current feedback.⁸

In order to compare, crudely, the predictability of the performance of different amplifiers, operating points, and transistor types, it might be of value to compare the added emitter resistance to the denominator of the voltage gain expression, Eq. 2, and the external input shunt to the input impedance of the transistor. Thus the following design factors are suggested:

$$D_G \equiv \frac{r_o + r_b(1 - \alpha) + (r_o + r_b) \frac{R_L}{r_o}}{R_E}, \quad (8)$$

and

$$D_Z \equiv \frac{R_B}{R_I} \cong \frac{R_B(1 - \alpha)}{R_E}. \quad (9)$$

Where D_G is defined as the voltage gain design factor and D_Z is defined as the input impedance design factor. Obviously, from a predictability standpoint, the design factors should be made as small as is economical. The small-signal parameters in Eq. 8 and 9 are intended to be the nominal or average values for the particular transistor type employed at the anticipated normal operating point and temperature.

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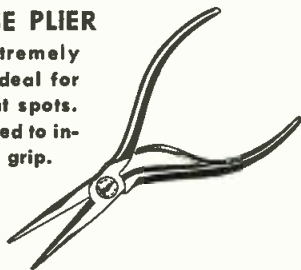
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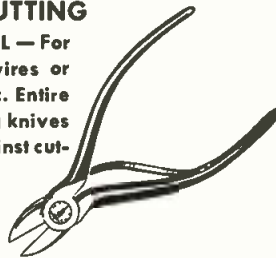
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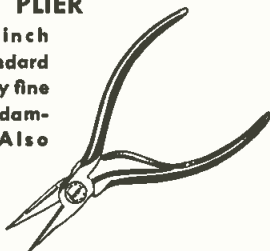
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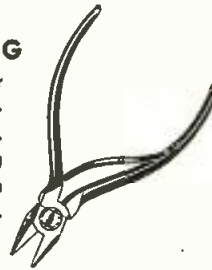
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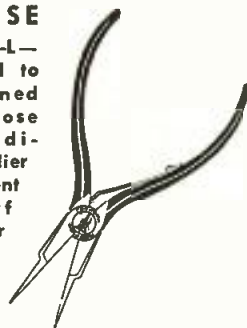
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so that one of its harmonics is equal to the frequency being measured, the difference frequency will be zero. The frequency being measured will then be equal to the frequency of the transfer oscillator times the number of the harmonic causing the beat. Since the approximate value of a frequency to be measured is usually known, the proper harmonic number will also usually be known. In any case the harmonic number can be found by a simple system described later.

Typical Zero Beats

When the transfer oscillator is being tuned for a zero beat with the frequency to be measured, the first presentation obtained on the oscilloscope will be similar to Fig. 3. If the signal is stable, it will be possible to reduce the difference frequency to an actual zero beat as in Fig. 4.

It will be realized that typical high frequency signals generally have sufficient instability that an ideal zero beat will not be possible. In these cases a typical zero beat will be like that in Fig. 5, depending on the amount of instability or incidental frequency modulation contained in the signal. These patterns are those of typical zero beats as plotted by a 60-cycle sweep on the oscilloscope. A 60-cycle sweep is useful for the internal oscilloscope, because the instability and incidental frequency modulation are often related to the 60-cycle power line frequency.

The limits of deviation of frequency modulation can also be measured by adjusting the zero beat to occur at the limits of the f-m excursion. To make measurements of the excursion, it is convenient if the oscilloscope sweep can be phased with the excursion of the signal. The transfer oscillator oscilloscope is therefore provided with a phasing control as well as with a terminal for using an external sweep signal.

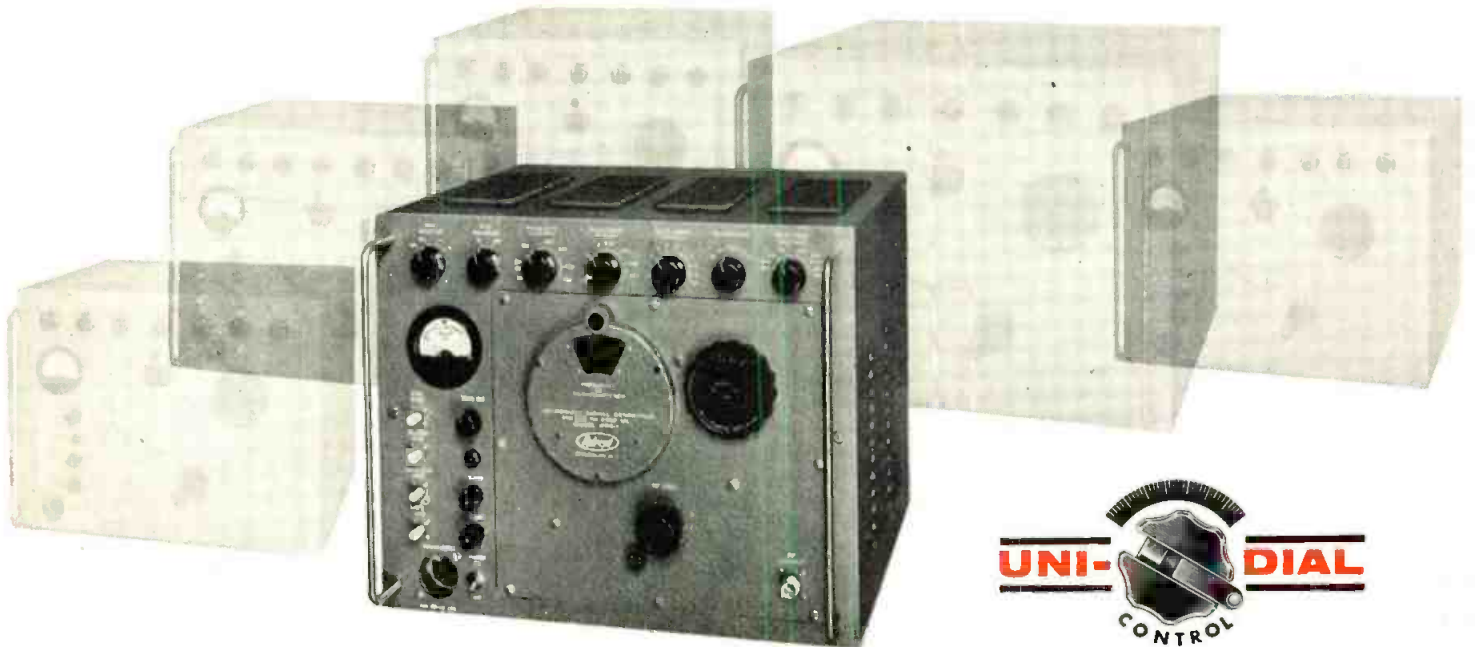
Accuracy

As mentioned earlier, the accuracy of the system is comparable to the accuracy of other precision systems. In analyzing the system error, it will be found that this error can be divided into two parts. First is the error in ascertaining the frequency of the harmonic causing the beat. The error in this frequency determination will be the same, percentage-wise, as the error with which the fundamental of the transfer

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oscillator is known. This error amounts to ± 1 part in 10^8 using a suitable external standard or ± 1 part in 10^6 using the internal standard.

The second error is the error in comparing the transfer oscillator harmonic with the frequency being measured. This error is more difficult to specify precisely but is in the order of ± 1 part in 10^7 . It involves to some extent the skill of the operator in adjusting the transfer oscillator for a zero beat. It also involves the short-time stability of the transfer oscillator and, of course, the stability of the signal. Fig. 6 shows the distribution of the error of comparison made in a large number of measurements on a very stable signal by five operators. To obtain only the error of comparison, a setup was used such that this error was the only error in the system.

Modulation

One of the advantages of the system in high frequency use is that it does not require that the signal being measured be at all times above a certain minimum amplitude. Momentary absence of the signal such as is obtained with 100% amplitude modulation or momentary excursion into the noise level does not prevent the measurement from being made.

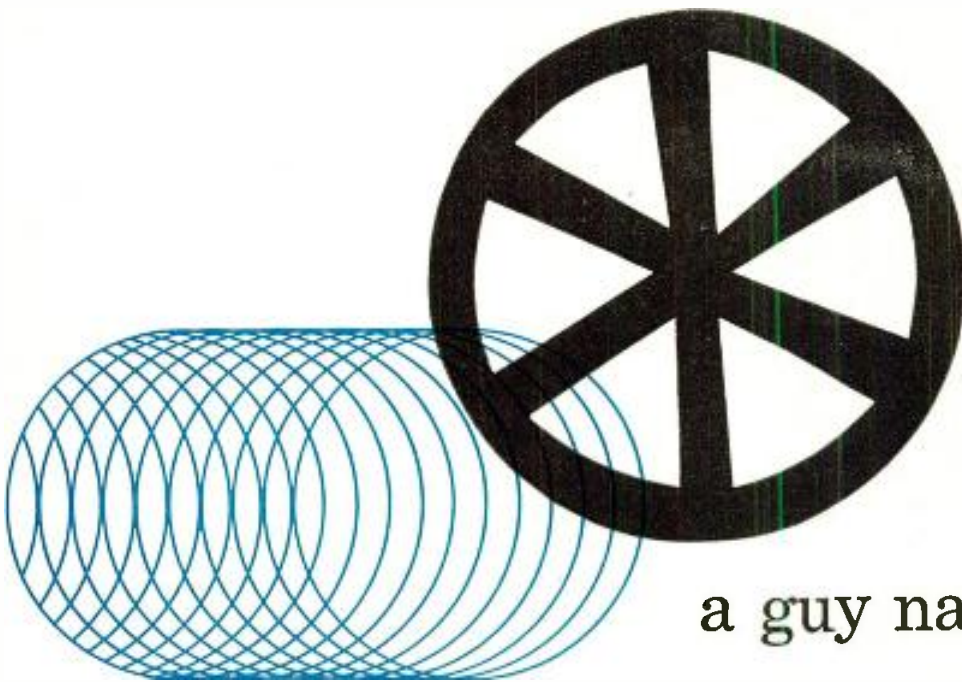
A case of 100% amplitude modulation which is of special interest at higher frequencies is the case of pulse modulation. When r-f pulses are being measured, the difference frequency will be presented on the oscilloscope for the duration of the pulse but will not be presented during the off-time when there is no pulse. This situation makes it more convenient to use an oscilloscope with a linear rather than sine-wave sweep, since the scope can be sync'd from the r-f pulse envelope.

When the carrier frequency of an r-f pulse is mixed with a harmonic of the transfer oscillator, oscilloscope presentations similar to those in Fig. 7 will be obtained when the difference frequency is low. When the difference frequency is reduced to its lowest value, the scope traces within the pulse envelope will be a family of curves all having the same shape as in Fig. 8. If the stability of the signal permits, the scope traces at an actual zero beat with a rectangular pulse will be a family of straight lines which have no slope. In practice, however, signals of such stability are not often encountered.

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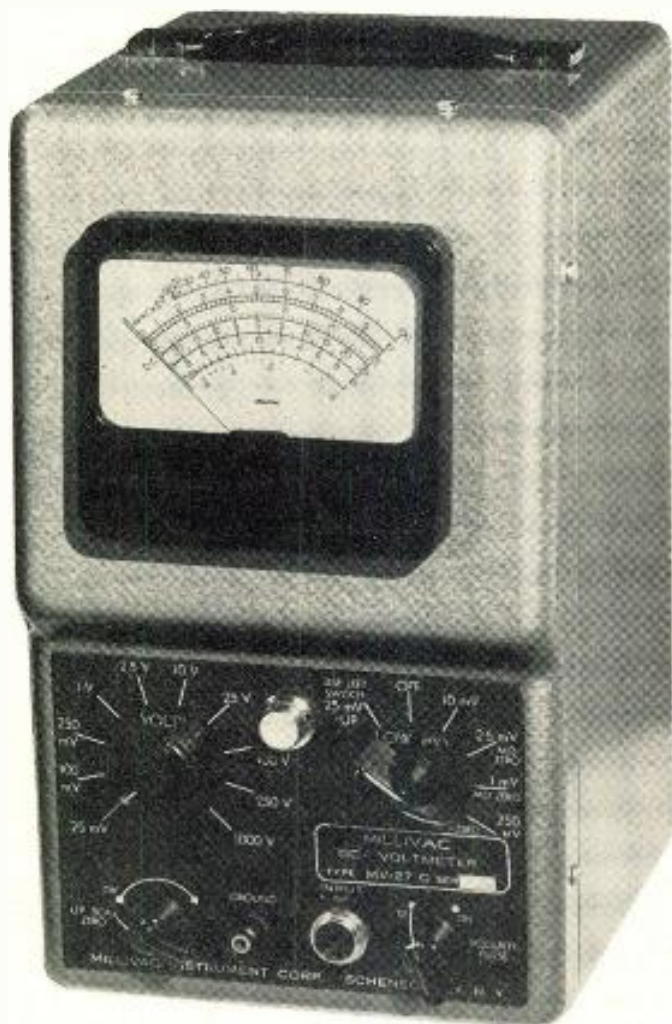
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In fact, it is rather typical that some frequency shift or incidental f-m of the signal source will occur during the pulse. This will be indicated by a waviness in the lines that comprise the family of curves. Such waviness can be used to obtain a qualitative indication of the amount of f-m occurring during the pulse.

Sawtooth Presentation

While it is entirely practical to measure the frequency of pulsed carriers in the manner just described, there is a modification of the method that has been found to make the measurement faster with rectangular pulses. This modification consists merely of differentiating the difference frequency signal. Such differentiation will cause the pulse envelope viewed on the oscilloscope to appear as in Fig. 9. When the transfer oscillator has been adjusted for the lowest obtainable beat frequency and when the shortest time constant suitable for the pulse width has been selected, the pulse envelope will fully converge at the end of the pulse as shown in Fig. 10. The optimum time constant for differentiation thus becomes equal to about one-fourth the pulse width.

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Extracting Information

When making frequency measurements, it often becomes desirable to have available the short- and long-time information contained in the signal being measured. It may, for example, be valuable to record the slow drift occurring in the signal. It may be even more valuable to extract the incidental frequency modulation from the signal.

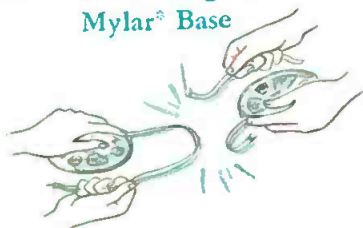
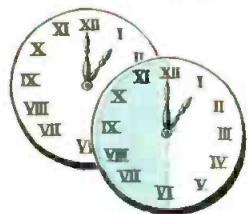
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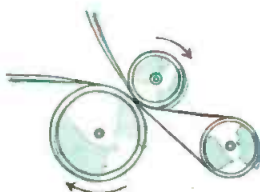
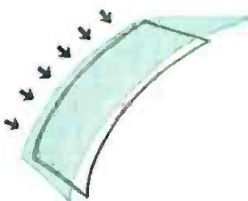
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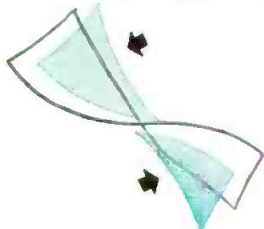


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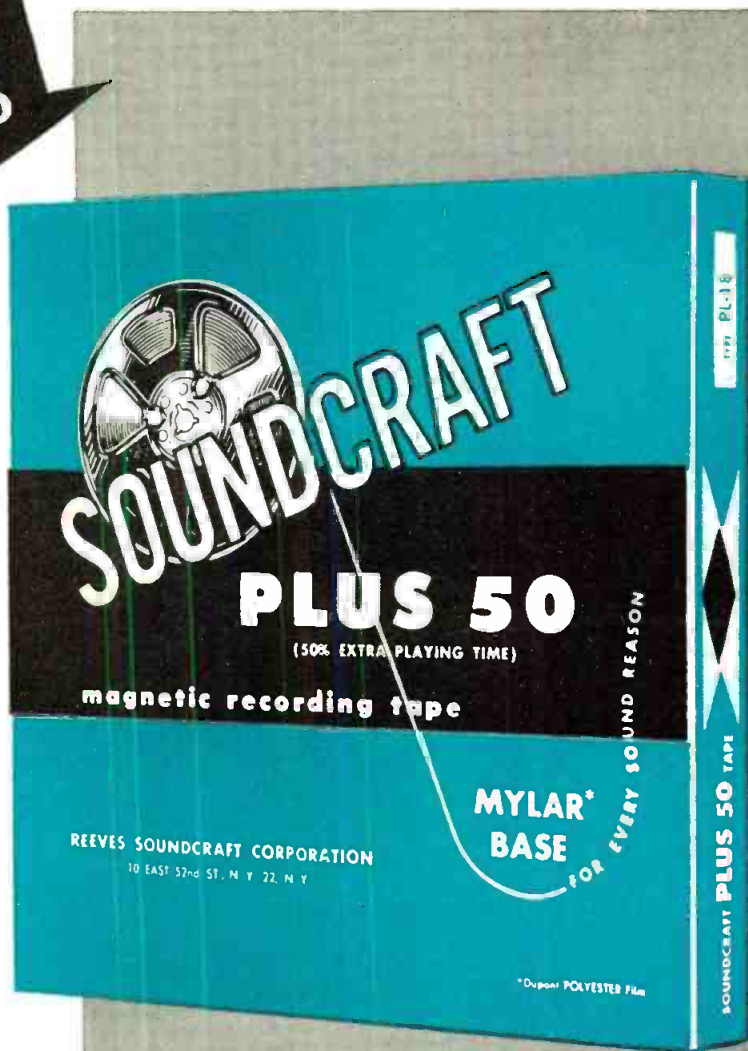
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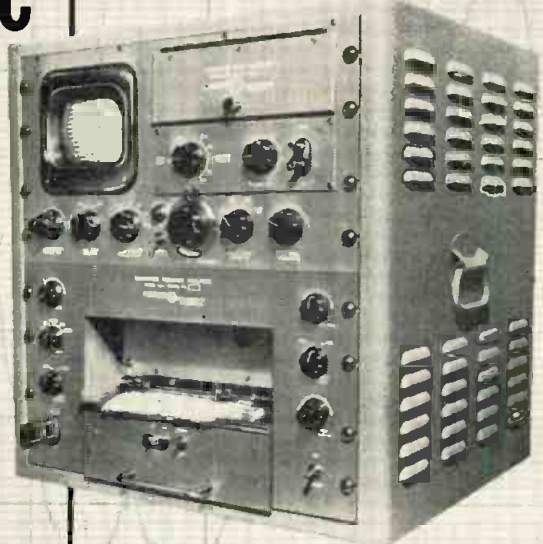
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Since both of these types of information are translated to the difference frequency produced in the transfer oscillator, they become available at carrier frequencies which are convenient to deal with. By suitably offsetting the transfer oscillator frequency, a difference frequency in the range from a few cycles to a few kilocycles is obtained which can be applied to a wide range frequency-to-current discriminator. The output of this discriminator can then be passed to a d-c recorder for permanent record purposes.

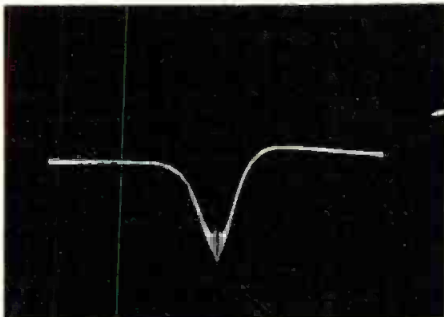


Fig. 11: Pattern when measuring wavemeter tuning. Transfer osc. birdie is at bottom of notch

Short-time information can be recovered by much the same arrangement. In this case a discriminator giving an output voltage proportional to instantaneous frequency must be used. Such discriminators are commercially available and, when used in this arrangement, will recover the short-time instability and frequency modulation originally introduced into the signal. By analyzing the recovered information with an audio-frequency harmonic wave analyzer, the relative magnitudes of the various modulation components can be compared. Such an arrangement has been used to analyze the modulation introduced into a portable high-frequency transmitter when subjected to mechanical vibration.

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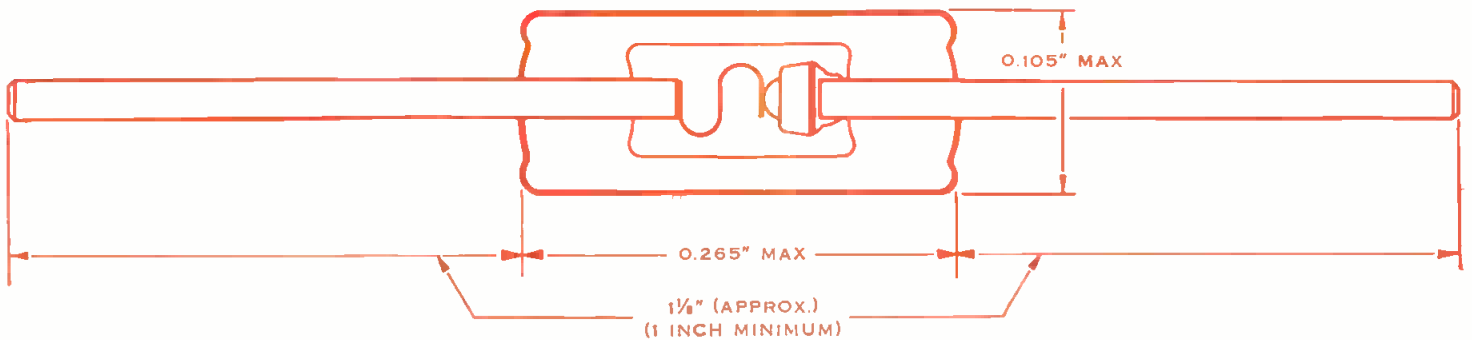
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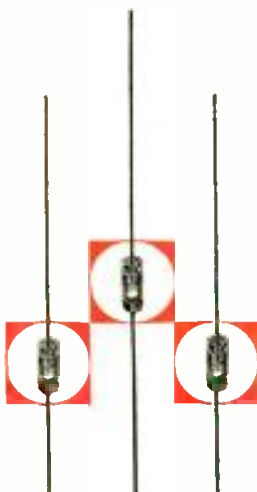
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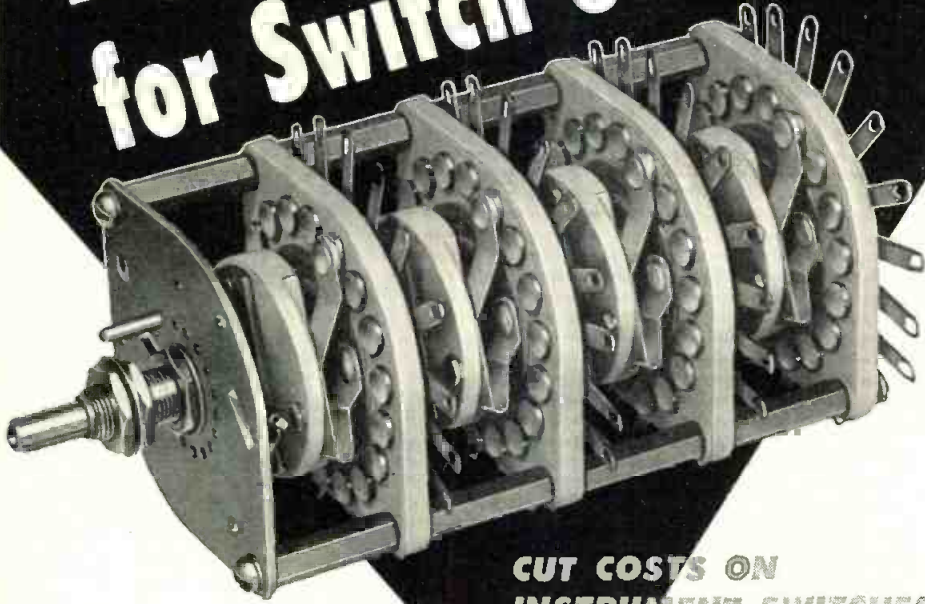
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Harmonic Numbers

The harmonic that causes a given zero beat can be determined readily as demonstrated by the following example. If a frequency of 5,000 mc were being measured, a zero beat could be obtained with a harmonic of 200 mc. Assuming for the moment that the harmonic number were not known, the transfer oscillator would be tuned to the next lower frequency that caused a zero beat. This would occur at an oscillator frequency of 192,307 mc. At this frequency the harmonic number causing the beat is one greater than that causing the beat at 200 mc. It is thus possible to set up the expression

$$h_1 f_1 = (h_1 + 1) f_2$$

where h_1 is the harmonic at the higher frequency f_1 , and f_2 is the lower frequency. This expression thus reduces to

$$h_1 = \frac{f_2}{f_1 - f_2}$$

or in this example

$$h_1 = 25.$$

The harmonic number can be cross-checked by making a measurement with the next lower harmonic which would occur for a fundamental frequency of 208,333 mc.

The minimum voltage level on which it is possible to make measurements with the transfer oscillator naturally increases with the frequency to be measured. In all cases, however, measurements can be made with commonly available levels. At 200 mc, measurements can typically be made with signal levels of approximately 200 μ v. At 12,400 mc, the necessary signal level is approximately 100 mv.

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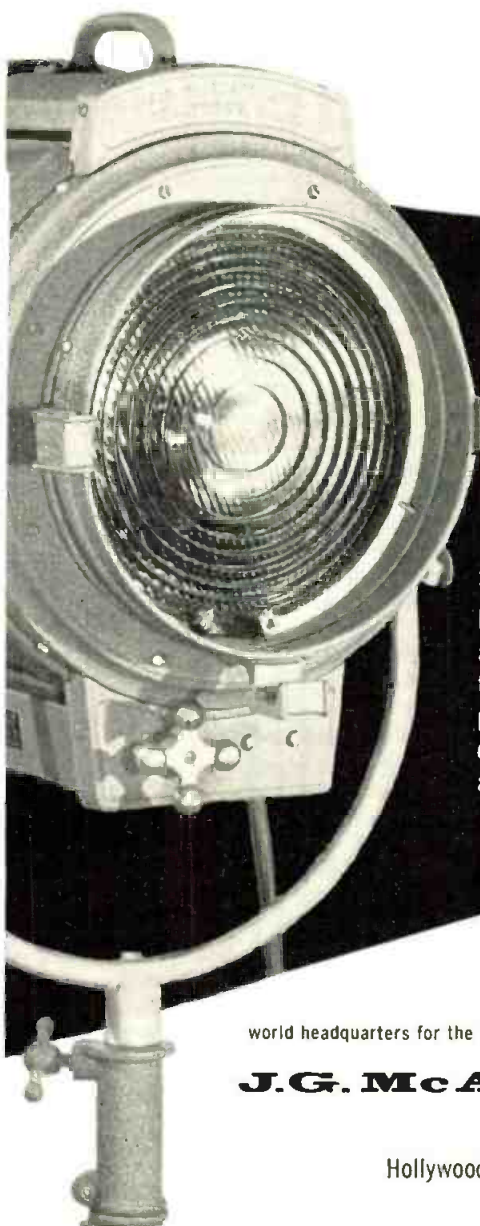
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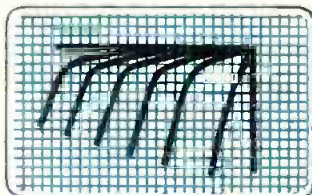
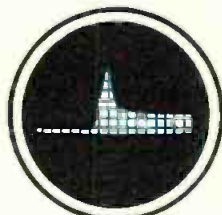
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sections (Fig. 3). The reading head is mounted on one section and has a groove or track machined around the periphery in which the tape or wire rides. This section is easily removed, and other similar sections may be substituted for different sizes of tape or wire.

The section of the drum nearest the panel is fastened to the drive shaft and is not ordinarily removed. This section is cup-shaped with the open side toward the panel. A photoelectric cell is mounted on the panel, inside the cup-shaped section, close to the periphery of the drum. A small aperture in the drum wall makes it possible to focus an externally mounted lamp on the photocell when the drum is in the proper position.

Each time the hole in the drum wall passes the light source, the light strikes the photocell and causes a small output pulse from the cell. The pulse is applied to a cathode follower which in turn triggers the oscilloscope sweep. The aperture in the drum wall is so located that the trigger pulse occurs just before the reading head makes contact with the tape, so that the oscilloscope sweep always begins slightly before the first pulse is sensed by the head. It is this timing system that provides a steady picture of the repeated playback signals on the oscilloscope screen.

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Since the reading head is mounted on a revolving drum, electrical connections must be made through slip rings and brushes. A specialized slip ring assembly using commercial brushes was designed and constructed for this purpose. The three rings are made of electrodeposited silver on a premachined bakelite cylinder; the silver is further machined for good contact surfaces. The cylinder is mounted between the drum and the driving motor, and a two-wire shielded cable runs from the slip rings through the shaft to the reading head.

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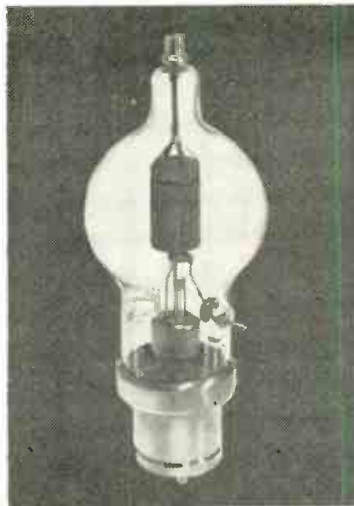
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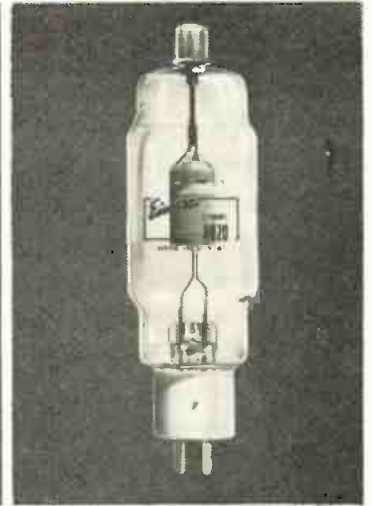
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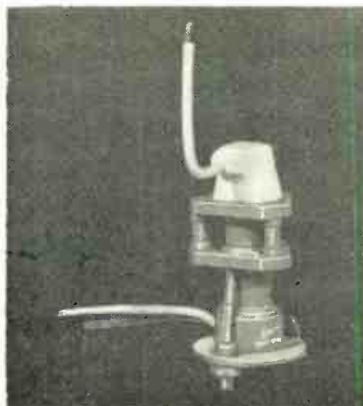
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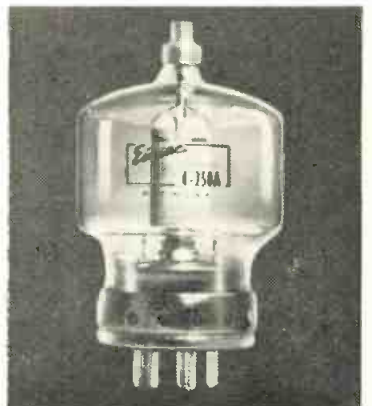
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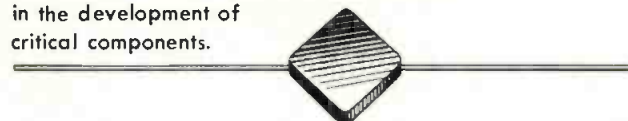
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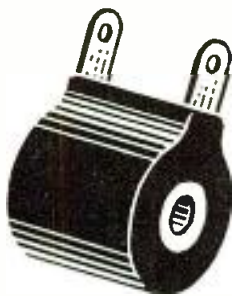
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Fig. 3: Reading heads, for tape (l), wire (r)

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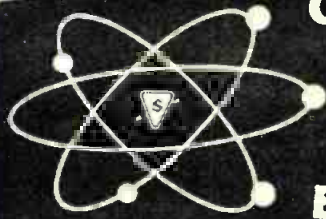
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While the exact determination of f_{cut} may be laborious, and is not always possible due to integration difficulties, the use of f_{cut} in the laboratory is quite simple. Its value as a design factor stems from the fact that it is based on the transient slope, via the Fourier integral; in the general case determined by both absolute gain and phase characteristic of the amplifier. Full use of the bandwidth index f_0^{IV} can only be made, however, if sufficient theoretical work is carried out as a backbone for the experimental work, and f_0^{IV} is here included merely as a tool for relative comparison of different amplifier designs.

Modern Ladder Networks

Again excepting transmission-line tubes from the discussion, we note that the ladder structure has progressed from simple constant-k sections to capacitively shunted m-derived sections, and other types of lattice sections, yielding a straightened-out differential time-delay characteristic and, for best pulse reproduction, a transmission characteristic following through the 3 db point the normal probability curve, known as the Gaussian curve. As the number of circuit elements per section have been increased, the possibilities for juggling values have also been increased, and thus the systematic network synthesis approach has become more appreciated in spite of its drawback of formidable computation work.¹²

It is well-known that the tube input grid conductance, increasing with the square of the frequency, may be utilized to turn an otherwise rising gain or transmission characteristic into a flat or properly falling curve; at least within a limited frequency interval. Improved results are possible, however, with Controlled Dissipation from artificially inserted resistors, and a first attempt might here be to insert small resistors in the grid and plate leads of each tube. With or without such added dissipative elements, a lattice network, or its corresponding bridge circuit, provides the best possible starting point, since it is basically an all-pass network. In our aim for better pulse amplifier performance, we

must be prepared to give up some gain-bandwidth product. Thus, while both d-c gain and cutoff frequency may be reduced, a better amplifier for millimicrosecond pulses of small rise and decay times results. The principle of dissipation control has been described by Flood and Tillman¹⁴, and practical design data contributed by Bassett and Kelly.¹⁵ We will here discuss the Bassett-Kelly Network, Fig. 4, which has the dissipation element $aR_o/2m$ located in the shunt arm of a simple m-derived section, with $m > 1$. (Note that L_k in Fig. 4 is expressed as $L_k/2$ in American standards; $2C_k$ as C_k .) For $a = 0$ the image impedance is resistive in the pass band, but for $a > 0$ we must match to complex image impedances. Accordingly we find ourselves forced to use lossy terminating sections, in which m has a different value, $m < 1$. (For example, inside the ladder networks $m = 1.3$, in the terminating sections $m = 0.6$.)

To give an idea of how D-amplifier sections such as the one shown in Fig. 4 may be treated analytically, we will demonstrate the principle by choosing the simplest case; $m = 1$ and $a = 0$, i.e. the constant-k section.¹² Cutting the grid line section along the line a-b, and doubling the shunt-impedance values, we provide a PI-terminated L-section, which can be treated as a potentiometer¹⁶ so that the grid voltage directly obtains as (using American standards)

$$V_g = \frac{V_1}{\sqrt{1-\eta^2}} \left[-\tan^{-1} \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{1-\eta^2}} \right] \quad (6)$$

Here η is the frequency variable ω/ω_c , and ω_c the filter cutoff frequency (not the appreciably lower amplifier cutoff frequency). Proceeding to the section in the plate line, we apply the method of Ginzton, Hewlett, Jasberg and Noe,³ and fold the circuit around the line c-d, obtaining $V_2 = -R_o I_p/2$ of the same phase angle as has V_g . Since $I_p = g_m V_g$, the complex amplification of one amplifier section becomes

$$A(\eta) = - \frac{g_m R_o}{2 \sqrt{1-\eta^2}} \left[-2 \tan^{-1} \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{1-\eta^2}} \right] \quad (7)$$

The absolute value of this represents the transmission characteristic. The phase function (absorbing the $-$ sign in front of $A(\eta)$ as $+\pi$) provides the plot of the phase characteristic. Its η -derivative yields the differential time delay curve,

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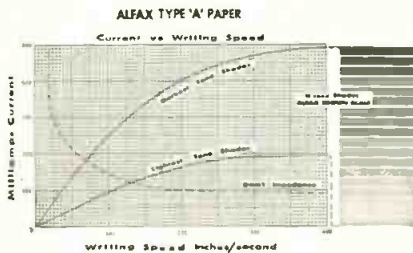
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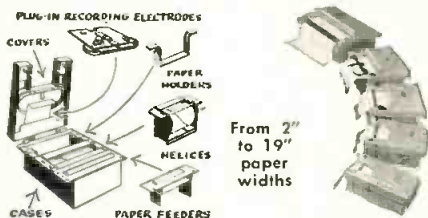
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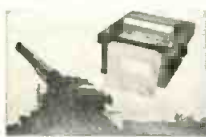


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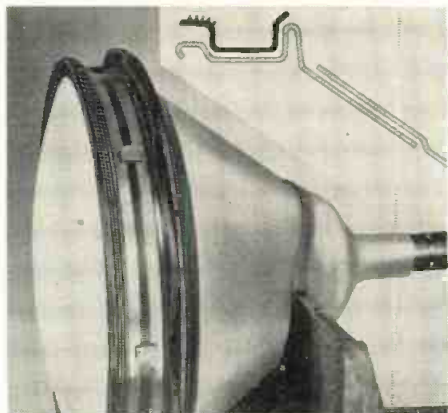
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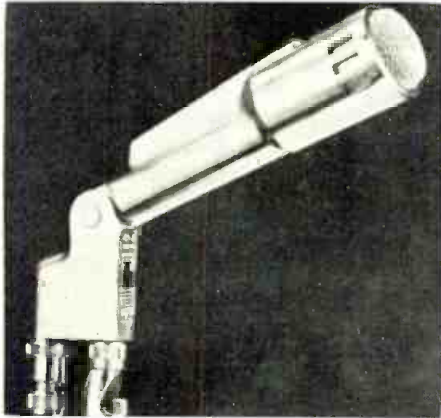


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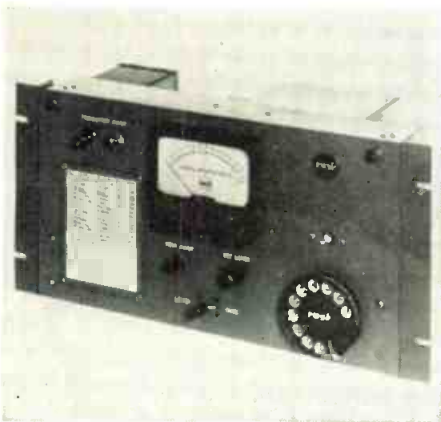
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■ Whenever a new Research and Development laboratory is first conceived, its founders hope for recognition and prosperity. If this comes to pass, the laboratory will certainly grow. If it continues to grow, it will some day get

to be a big R and D laboratory; and at this point one has visions of a complex organizational structure, a highly systematized method of operation and vast rows of people at drawing boards, desks or laboratory benches.

At this point arise two questions: First, what sort of avoidable growing pains were involved in reaching the large laboratory status? Second, must the small organization undergo a complete metamorphosis through growth and lose its many desirable characteristics? The answers may be found in the case history of the Motorola Research Laboratory in Phoenix, founded early in 1949, with a small number of engineers and supporting people.

From a small beginning the laboratory has grown to a total population of around 800 people, of which about 175 are professional-grade engineers and scientists. It was decided at an early date to maintain the desirable features of a small organization throughout its growth and accordingly, the structure has been kept simple. The red tape has been held to a minimum.

As the size of the organization begins to grow, there is also the need for more predetermined procedures. In the large organization the problems of stock standardization, factory practices, and quality control make mandatory a well thought-out and detailed part numbering system.

Structure

As the laboratory grows and it becomes necessary to departmentalize, there arises the necessity for a choice of what kinds of departments to create and how to split up and delegate responsibility. In the Motorola laboratory the organizational structure has purposely been kept simple. The director of the laboratory reports directly to the top management of the company in Chicago and the five departmental heads report directly to the director. The chief engineer, the heads of production, accounting, purchasing, and personnel also report to the director. The R and D activity is separated into project groups, each under a project leader chosen from the top en-

gineers of the laboratory. The project leaders report directly to the chief engineer. To each project leader are assigned the requisite number of scientists, electrical and mechanical engineers, lab assistants, and design draftsmen, who work together in an assigned area throughout the job.

Procedures

One of the most difficult, yet important management functions, is the foreseeing of necessary formalized procedures and selection and setting up of adequate ones. The number of miscellaneous special procedures should be kept to a minimum and reliance made on good judgment as much as possible. However, when a given problem becomes repetitive, its solution is best handled by a standard procedure. Most important, such procedures should be set up with a view towards their workability in case the organization should grow to many times its size. When a development is completed in the Phoenix laboratory and is ready to go into mass production in one of the Chicago plants, the transition takes place with a very minimum of confusion since all drawings, bills of material, and other engineering specifications are written in the same language and the same form.

When a person accustomed to working as part of a small organization does work with a large organization he is often amazed at the amount of interoffice memoranda, reports, and seemingly endless conferences, all of which he naturally labels as red tape, without stopping to think that two categories are represented here. Actually, one is red tape, but a good part of the items involved in it are communications made necessary by the requirement that members of a large team must know what the other members are doing and plan to do.

As the complexity of the communication problem is reduced, the important items become easier to recognize. It is then possible to sort out the purely red tape items and eliminate them by strong management action.

In conclusion, let it be said that the problems of a growing laboratory, organizational complexity, standardization of procedures, and internal communications, can be minimized through vigorous and forward-looking management action.

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Magnetic Amplifier

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power, but rather by requiring a minimum amount of input power for full control of its output. The window area of the cores in the first stage is essentially filled with control winding copper. A large number of turns is wound in the control windings to increase amplifier sensitivity and to keep the current and power required from the thermocouple to low values. The open-loop input circuit resistance is matched to the resistance of the thermocouple for a maximum transfer of power. Because of this matched condition of the input circuit, the wire size and number of turns in the control windings are determined by the resistance of the thermocouple.

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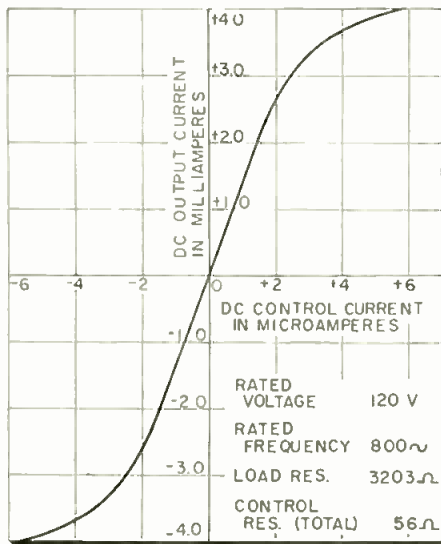


Fig. 6: Open-loop characteristic curve

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The negative feedback voltage is

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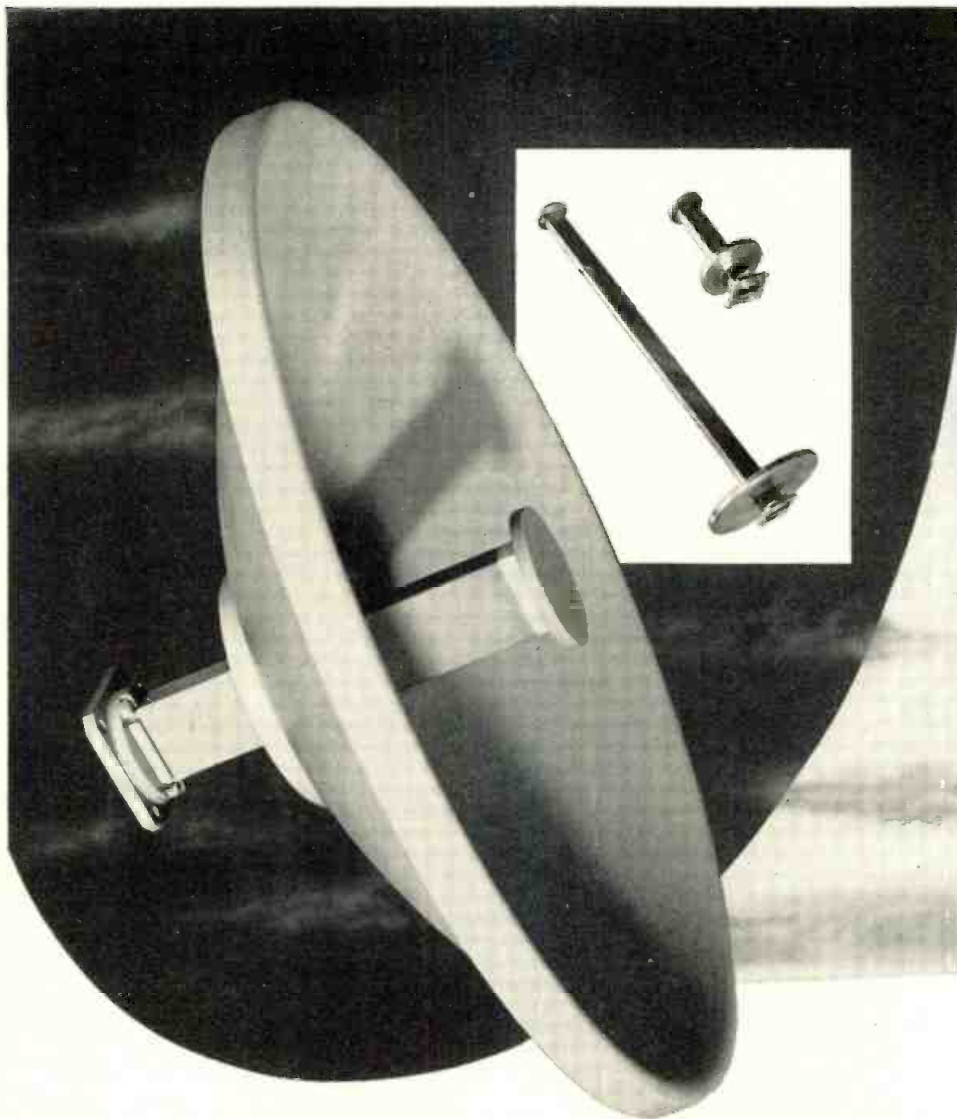
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obtained from the load circuit of the second stage which is essentially resistive. The basic gain of the two stages combined is sufficiently high to permit the application of a large amount of negative voltage feedback around both stages without decreasing the over-all amplifier sensitivity below that of the thermocouple requirements. The negative feedback voltage produces the following desirable results: over-all amplifier stability is increased; amplifier linearity matches the linear thermocouple characteristic; over-all response time is reduced; and the input impedance is increased to a value which is many times higher than the ohmic resistance of the input circuit. A high input impedance is desirable for a thermocouple amplifier because it makes the amplifier essentially a voltage-sensitive device whose gain is independent of the changes in thermocouple resistance. It also limits the current drain from the thermocouple to a low value and minimizes the voltage drop in the leads. As a result, a larger signal voltage is obtained at the amplifier input.

Zero Drift

High gain and negative voltage feedback are effective in maintaining a stable over-all gain characteristic, but the problem of zero stability is that of maintaining a well-balanced amplifier for all conditions of operation. Both high gain and high input impedance are effective in the sense that a given drift in the output current is reflected as a small amount of input power to restore the output current to zero. The amount of output drift, however, is determined by the degree of unbalance in the amplifier. The precautions taken to insure low zero drift were to carefully select and match both core and rectifier characteristics. The cores are made of a temperature stable core material and are matched for gain and bias characteristics with a dynamic core tester⁴. Each pair of cores is individually biased to offset any mismatch that might exist (Fig. 4.) Rectifiers with stable characteristics and negligible leakage are used. They are matched so that any changes that occur produce equal changes in the load currents of the individual amplifiers which cancel in the common load. Thus, a balanced amplifier is maintained. The resistors used in the



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and ω_0 , the undamped natural frequency is:

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{T_2} \sqrt{\frac{1 + \beta K_1 K_2}{r}}$$

the output response to a step input voltage K_3 is:

$$E_o(s) = \frac{K_1 K_2 K_3}{r T_2^2} \times \frac{1}{s(s^2 + 2\delta\omega_0 s + \omega_0^2)} \quad (3)$$

This is a second order equation, and the type of response depends on the amount of damping in the system. Critical damping for a high-gain system with a large feedback ratio is obtained with a ratio, r , of approximately 200. Most thermocouple applications, however, do not require a critically damped response because thermocouple time constants are of the order of seconds and are not likely to produce step changes of voltage. An amplifier with an under-damped response whose total response time is faster than the thermocouple will faithfully follow the slowly varying signals from the thermocouple.

Amplifier Design

The schematic circuit diagram for the low-level amplifier is shown in Fig. 4. The circuit is a balanced self-saturating, push-pull, full-wave bridge circuit. Cores for both stages are of Supermalloy core material and have the same iron cross section area. The first-stage cores, however, have a larger mean diameter than the second-stage cores to accommodate the control windings necessary for the desired sensitivity. The ratio of control winding copper to load winding copper is 6.10:1 for the first stage and 0.46:1 for the second stage. The second stage operates at a higher input signal level and does not require as high a ratio. Because it supplies the output power to the load circuit, the load winding is designed for this operation and occupies most of the available winding area of the core.

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Resistive mixing is used in the amplifier and the mixing resistors are RM_1 and RM_2 , respectively. The resistors are selected to produce maximum amplifier stability. The first-stage load resistor RL_1 , a large resistance, is connected directly in series with the control circuit of the second stage. The power output from the first stage drives the second stage and forces a fast response. The negative feedback voltage is developed across a 3-ohm resistor in the output circuit and is connected in series with the thermocouple voltage at the input circuit. Total resistance in the output circuit is 3203 ohms. The load consists of an indicating meter and the control circuits of the relay amplifiers. Automatic cold junction compensation and temperature biasing circuits may be added to the thermocouple amplifier without affecting its operation. The compensating voltages are applied across the control circuit resistor R_c . A reference device is needed to provide a reference temperature when these circuits are used.

Performance

A numerical tabulation of amplifier characteristics is presented in Table I. The characteristics are derived for a particular thermocouple application and do not represent limiting conditions for the amplifier.

The amplifier exhibits an extremely linear relationship between output current and input voltage as shown by the characteristic transfer curve on Fig. 5. This curve defines the amplifier's operation for rated conditions and was obtained from the open-loop characteristic curve (Fig. 6) by the application of negative voltage feedback around both stages of the amplifier. The feedback ratio, β , is 0.938×10^{-3} , and the measured open-loop voltage gain K_1K_2 is 71,000. The product βK_1K_2 is 66.6, and the closed loop voltage gain $1/\beta$ is 1065 (Eq. 2). The actual



measured closed-loop voltage gain is 1045 which is very nearly equal to the computed gain.

Varying conditions of voltage, frequency, and ambient temperature tend to change the amplifier's characteristic curve, and the magnitude of the changes is indicative of the amplifier's stability. Quantities that infer stability are sensitivity, linearity, zero drift, and accuracy.

Sensitivity—is the average slope of the characteristic curve. The slope of the curve represents a

TABLE 1

Thermocouple Amplifier Operating Characteristics

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Current Gain | 1240 |
| Voltage Gain | 1045 |
| Power Gain | 1.30×10^6 |
| Input Control Power | 22.2×10^{-9} watts |
| Input Impedance | 3660 ohms |
| Output Power | 28.8×10^{-3} watts |
| Load Resistance | 3203 ohms |
| Zero Drift (Referred to Input) | |
| | 2.6×10^{-12} watts |
| Linearity | 1.67% |
| Accuracy | 0.70% |
| Response Time (Step Input) | 0.10 secs. |
| Open-Loop Voltage Gain | 71,000 |
| Open-Loop Power Gain | 8.7×10^7 |

change in the output current of 0.328 ma. for a change of 1 mv. of the signal voltage. A maximum variation of -1.75% of the nominal value was observed for the varying conditions specified.

Linearity—is the amount of deviation of the control curve from a straight line. The maximum deviation in output current is 1.67% of the rated current of 3.0 ma.

Zero drift—is a measure of the lateral shift of the curve and is evaluated in terms of input control power. It is computed from the input voltage necessary to restore the output current to zero and the input impedance. The zero drift level at room temperature for specified voltage and frequency variations is 0.33×10^{-13} watts referred to the input. Total zero drift for all conditions is 2.6×10^{-12} watts referred to the input.

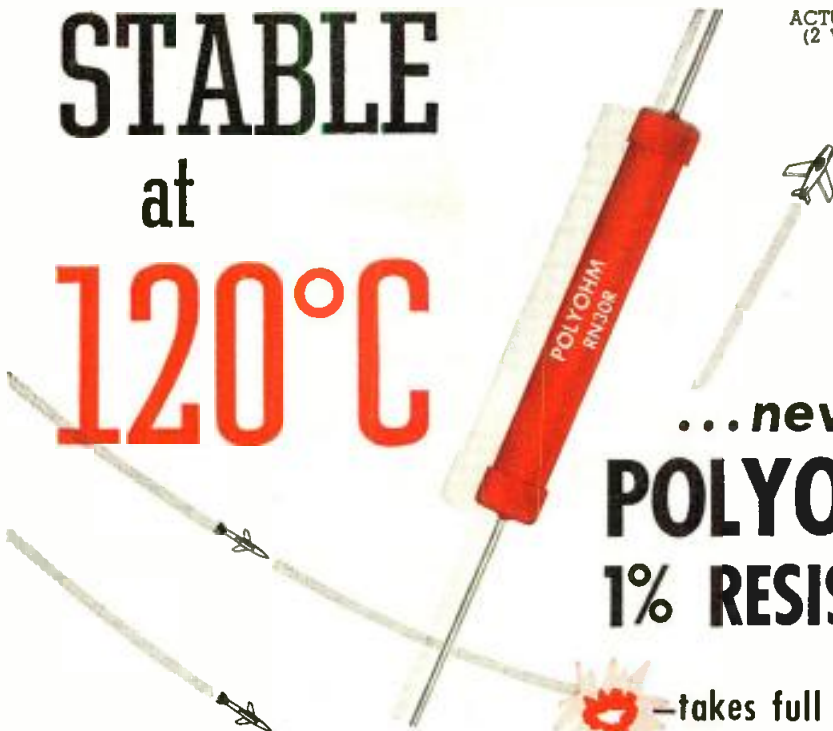
Accuracy—describes the change in the input voltage to maintain a constant output current. The accuracy over a limited ambient temperature range (+30°C to +70°C) is 0.17% of the total input signal voltage. Over-all accuracy for all conditions specified is 0.70%.

The amplifier delivers 28.8 milliwatts of output power to the load circuit. Input power from the thermocouple necessary to control the output is 22.2×10^{-9} watts, and the over-all closed-loop power gain is 1.3×10^6 . The total open-loop power

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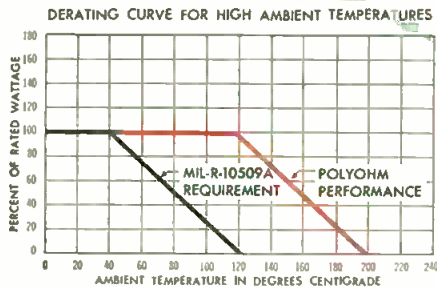
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| Short time overload | .5% | .03% |
| Load life @ 40°C — 1000 hrs. | 1% | .2% |
| @ 120°C — 1000 hrs. | — | .5% |
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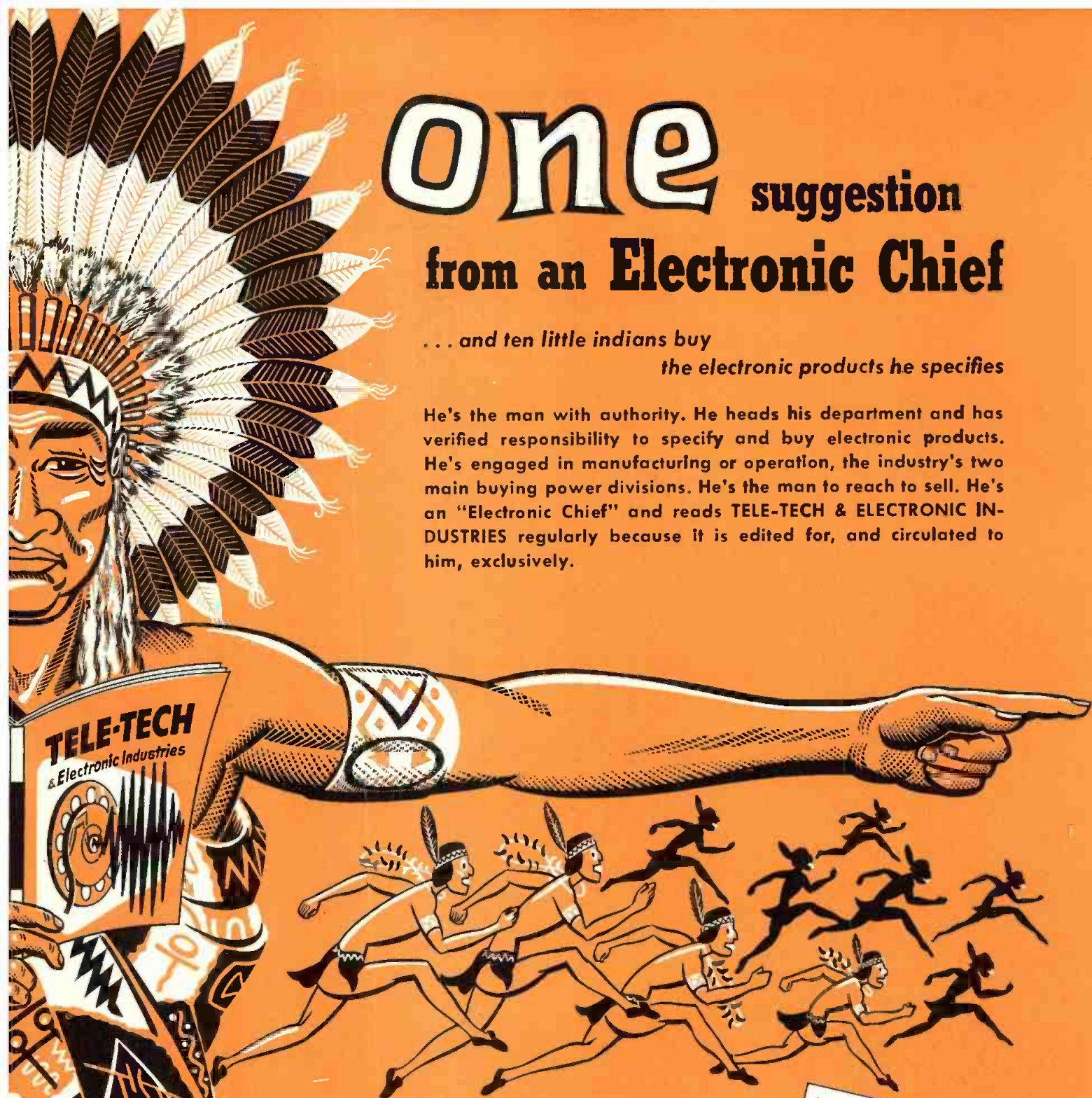


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gain is 8.78×10^7 ; individual power gains are 11,800 for the first stage and 7,480 for the second stage. The approximate time constants are 1.50 sec. and 8 millisees, respectively, for the first and second stages. A time constant ratio (r) of approximately 268 produces unity damping factor when the $\beta K_1 K_2$ product is 66.6 (Eq. 3). The ratio for the thermocouple amplifier is 187 which produces an under-damped response; however, critical damping is obtained by connecting a 6.0 μ f condenser across the output circuit as shown in Fig. 4. The response is critically damped with a total response time of 0.10 secs.

Physical Description

The amplifier is packaged as a single hermetically sealed unit, and contains the components within the dotted lines of Fig. 4. An epoxy resin protects the components mechanically and increases the intercomponent insulation. The unit resists corrosive atmospheres and will withstand the shock and vibration requirements specified for most military applications. The over-all dimensions of the packaged unit are $3\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 4$ in. and the weight is 3 lbs.

Connections are made to a terminal header located at the bottom of the unit. The header also contains test terminals that facilitate balancing and calibrating the amplifier. Four mounting studs permit the unit to be flush mounted to a chassis or panel.

Additional Applications

The amplifier was developed for a thermocouple application that uses an Iron-Constantan thermocouple. The amplifier provides temperature indication and alarm signals over a temperature range of 330°C for this thermocouple, but other types of thermocouples may also be used. If a platinum-rhodium thermocouple

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| DC1/4 | RN10 | .25 | 300 | 5 Ohms 1 Meg | 17/32" | 3/32" | .026" |
| DC1/2 | none | .5 | 500 | 6 Ohms 5 Megs | 13/16" | 11/64" | .032" |
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| HC 4 | 1 | 500 | 3 Ohms 5 Megs | 7/8" | 5/16" | .032" |
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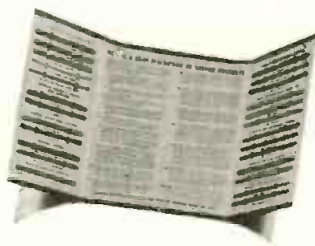
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Single Head Automatic Assembly Machine

The Minnesota Engineering Company, Minneapolis, Minn., has disclosed the development of a single head, multi-purpose, automatic assembly machine for electronic production. It is marketed under the trade name, "Minn-A-Matic."

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The simplified mechanical arrangement shown in Fig. 2 permits the entire transmitter-receiver to be inserted or removed from its aircraft mounting base for service or normal maintenance in approximately 10 to 15 secs. It is only necessary to un-snap the two fasteners. It is not necessary to disconnect any electrical plugs. All electrical connections including the antenna are made through the two printed circuit connectors shown in Fig. 2 at the left.

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Electrical Characteristics

The receiver is shown in Figs. 2 and 3. Basically the receiver is a single channel crystal controlled superheterodyne operating at a frequency of 121.5 mc. A type 5702 WA (VT1) is provided as a radio fre-



Fig. 6: Complete assembly of transmitter, receiver and power supply in metal housing

quency amplifier. The impedance of the tuned circuit connecting to this amplifier is 50 ohms. The crystal controlled local oscillator is also a type 5702 WA (VT2). The control grid and screen grid are used to provide a 3rd overtone oscillator operating at 33.05 mc. The frequency accuracy of the CR51 crystal employed is $\pm .01\%$. This establishes the calibra-

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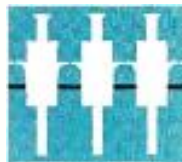
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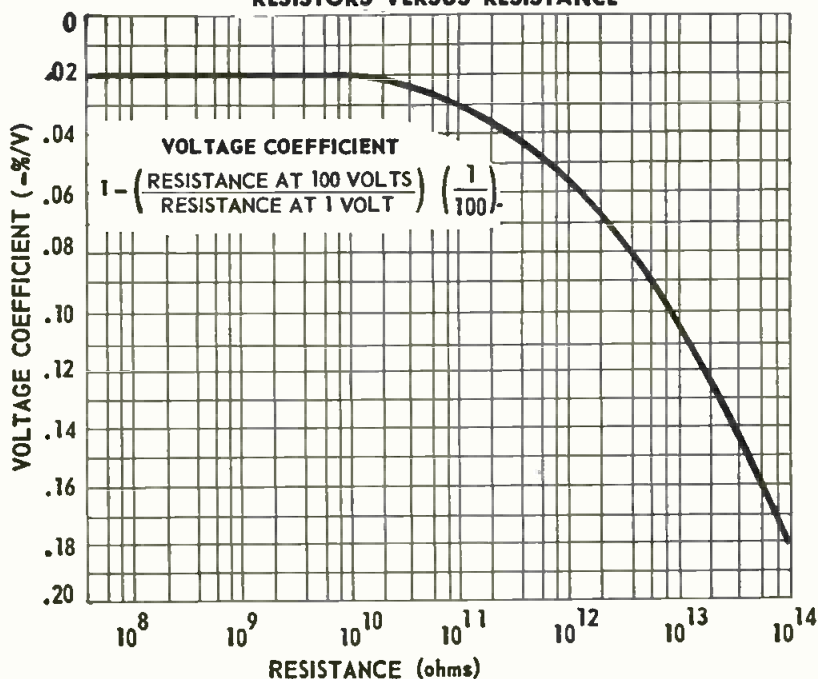
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tion accuracy of the receiver.

This frequency is doubled to 66.10 mc in the plate circuit of this tube. Second harmonic injection is introduced into the control grid of the 5702 WA (VT2) mixer tube. High side injection is used resulting in an image frequency of 142.90 mc. This frequency is very seldom occupied and is used only by relatively low powered transmitters. If low side injection had been used, the image frequency would be 100.10 mc. This is near the center of the FM broadcast band. The RF image rejection ratio of the receiver is better than 55 db. The RF circuits can be tuned to any frequency between 118 and 130 mc.

The output of the mixer VT2 feeds the 10.7 mc intermediate frequency amplifier. This amplifier has 3 stages of amplification employing type 5702 WA tubes. These are VT4, VT5, and VT6. Four double tuned IF transformers are used to provide interstage coupling. Stage gains are approximately 30 db.

To obtain an efficient IF transformer in a relatively small package, the design shown in Fig. 5 was de-



Fig. 7: Transmitter and power supply sections

veloped. Toroids were used to obtain a "Q" of 140 in a very small metal housing. The actual Q of the IF assembly was reduced with resistive loading to provide greater stability. Without the resistive loading, the IF amplifier had a bandpass characteristic of 20 kc at 6 db and 110 kc at 60 db. The sum of all the maximum frequency errors that could exist in the overall system (ground transmitter and airborne receiver) dictated widening the pass band.

The selectivity provided by the final design is 55 kc at 6 db and 250 kc at 60 db, giving a shape factor of 4.54. AVC voltage is obtained from a type 1N217 silicon diode, CR4. An AVC delay voltage of approximately 9 v. is used to provide a relatively flat AVC characteristic. AVC control voltage is applied to the RF am-

plifier VT1 and to the first two IF amplifiers VT4 and VT5. The AVC characteristic shows only a 3 db rise in audio output when the input voltage at the antenna is varied from 10 to 100,000 microvolts.

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Two of the 5686 tubes, VT103 and VT104, shown on the transmitter card in Fig. 1, serve the dual function of modulator tubes for the transmitter and audio power output tubes for the receiver. During the receive cycle these tubes are operated at 125 volts plate voltage. The plate of the audio amplifier VT7 is transformer coupled to the grids of power amplifier tubes, VT103 and VT104, through the dual purpose transformer, T102. This transformer also couples the microphone to the modulator tubes during the transmit duty cycle.

The maximum audio power output from the receiver is 1.0 w. at an impedance of 600 ohms. The audio frequency response of the receiver is -3 db at 400 and 3500 cps. The overall sensitivity of the receiver is such that a 1 μ f input signal at the antenna terminal will provide 50 milliwatts of audio output at a signal-to-noise ratio of approximately 12 db.

Transmitter

The transmitter uses four identical tubes. The 5686 oscillator, VT102, uses a CR51 crystal in a third overtone circuit oscillating at 30.375 mc. Frequency tolerance is $\pm 0.005\%$. The plate circuit of this tube is tuned to twice the oscillator frequency and drives the grid of the 5686, VT101. This tube operates as a Class "C" frequency doubler and power amplifier. The plate circuit is tuned to 121.5 mc. This power amplifier has an output of approximately 2 w. at an impedance of 50 ohms. The RF circuits can be tuned to any single channel in the frequency spectrum between 118 and 130 mc.

The RF power amplifier VT101 is high level plate and screen amplitude modulated with the two 5686 tubes, VT103 and VT104. These are the same tubes which are used as
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the audio power amplifier for the receiver. The audio frequency response of the transmitter is -3 db at 350 cps and 3500 cps with 1000 cps used as a reference. A carbon microphone input is provided.

Fig. 7 illustrates the transmitter mounted on its base. The complete assembly is shown in Figure 6.

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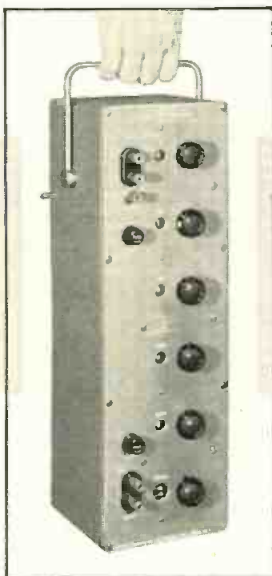
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If the preceding simplified voltage gain and input impedance expressions are to be valid and the design factors are to be useful, then care must be taken to bias the transistors at the desired operating point and to prevent the biases from varying with temperature. If the transistors are not biased at the intended point and if the biases change with temperature, it may become impossible to satisfy the assumptions that lead to the simple predictable equations. Moreover, if the biasing is not predictable and stable, the operation of large signal stages will be in doubt (clipping levels and distortion) and the power supply requirements will be unknown and variable.⁹

A representative sampling of biasing circuits are shown in Fig. 3. The self-biasing circuit (a) sets its own bias along the loci of points where emitter and collector currents are equal. The circuit offers neither predictability nor stability (with temperature). The base-injection circuit (b) is too dependent upon $(1-\alpha)$ and, while better than the self-biasing circuit, it is still essentially unpredictable and unstable. The balance of the circuits can achieve any desired degree of bias perfection.

If it is assumed that α is near unity and that the base-emitter voltage drop is negligible then the biases for the last four circuits are determined as follows:

$$(c) I_E \cong \frac{E_{EE}}{R_{EE}} \text{ for } R_{EE} \gg (1-\alpha) R_{BB},$$

$$\text{and } V_e \cong E_{CC} - R_{ce} I_E.$$

$$(d) I_E \cong \frac{E_{EE}}{R_o} \text{ for } R_{EE} \gg (1-\alpha) R_{BB},$$

$$\text{and } V_e \cong E_{CC} - R_{cc} I_E.$$

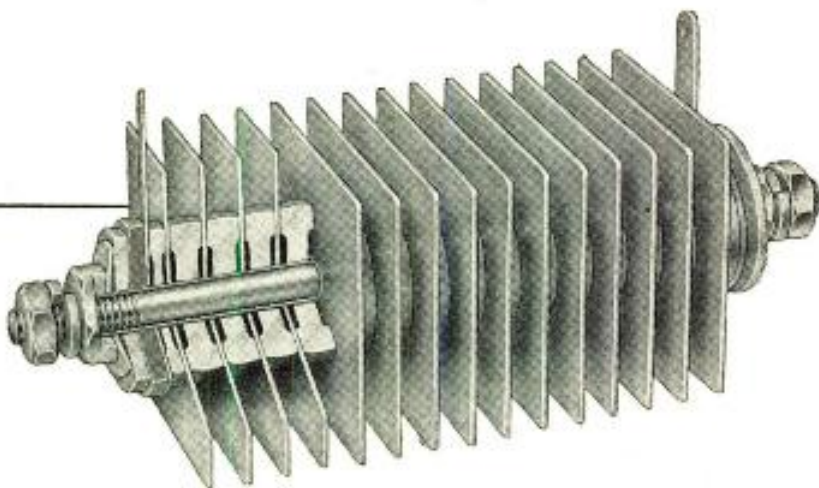
(e) A bleeder current, large compared with the base current sets a voltage level at the base. This voltage level divided by R_{EE} determines I_E . V_e is E_{CC} less the R_{ce} drop.

(d) A bleeder current, large compared with the base current sets a voltage level at the base. This voltage level divided by R_{EE} determines I_E . V_e is E_{CC} less the R_{cc} drop caused by I_E plus the bleeder current.

The assumptions and approximations involved in the biasing techniques for the last four circuits are of but secondary consequence in strongly biased circuits. If weaker biasing is employed, nominal allow-

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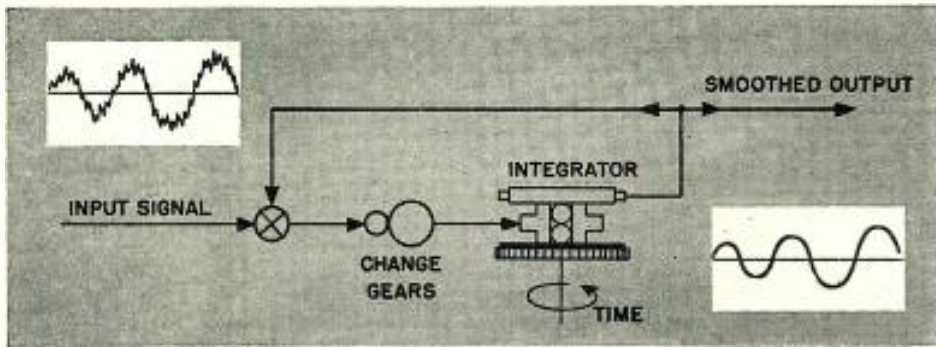
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ances can be made for the R_{BB} drops and the emitter-base drops. For example, if the R_{BB} drop is assumed as $(1-\alpha) I_E R_{BB}$ and if the R_{BB} and input diode drops are subtracted from E_{FE} in circuit (c), excellent predictability results. The input diode drops are reasonably uniform from one sample to another and are relatively

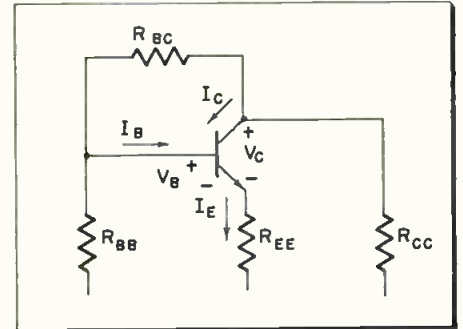


Fig. 4: Circuit of Transformer Coupling

invariant over a wide range of operating points. In germanium transistors the diode drops can normally be neglected. In silicon units, the drops may be of some consequence, but in either case, the consistency of the drops and familiarity with the transistor type allows for simple design since the effects are but secondary. Similar considerations apply to the circuits of (d), (e), and (f). The dc voltage feedback circuit (f) offers a slight advantage over the preceding three circuits in temperature stability but does not appear to be worth the additional complexity of design.⁸ If two voltage supplies are permissible, the emitter-injection circuit (c) offers good economy of parts and power consumption along with high predictability, high stability, and simple design.⁸ This circuit represents transformer-coupling as well as a RC-coupling. R_{BB} would be the dc resistance of the secondary winding of the input transformer and R_{CC} would be the primary of the output. The base-bleeder circuit (e) appears about optimum for a single-supply system, the addition of one resistor and the bleeder power loss being the price paid for single-supply operation. In all of the RC-coupled cases shown, R_{BB} plays the additional role of an input impedance shunt, R_s . Also R_{CC} creates part of the ac load resistance and may contribute to R_s for a following stage.

So that the temperature stability of the biases may be evaluated for a particular circuit and so that one circuit may be compared with another, some type of stability factors are required. R. F. Shea^{10,11} has intro-

duced a stability factor,

$$S = \frac{\partial I_c}{\partial I_{c0}}$$

obtained by network analysis after assuming that " α " is constant and that the emitter-base voltage drop is negligible. For the purpose at hand, the spirit of Shea's attack will be preserved, but the details will be modified and the technique will be expanded.

A reasonably general bias circuit is shown in Fig. 4. The various resistances shown are abbreviations for actual, more detailed circuits (see Fig. 3). They are defined as follows:

R_{BB} \equiv the net equivalent dc resistance from the base to all fixed potential points.

R_{EE} \equiv the net equivalent dc resistance from the emitter to all fixed potential points.

R_{cc} \equiv the net equivalent dc resistance from the collector to all fixed potential points.

R_{BC} \equiv the net equivalent dc resistance from the base to the collector.

Using the circuit of Fig. 4, and assuming that " α " and " V_B " are constant and that $I_c = I_{c0} + \alpha I_E$, one can solve for the three transistor currents and for the collector voltage. Having obtained the current and voltage expressions, they can be differentiated with respect to I_{c0} , thus obtaining a set of stability factors.⁹ Since the biasing method adopted previously involved the emitter current and the collector voltage, their stability factors will be considered.

$$S_E \equiv \frac{\partial I_E}{\partial I_{c0}} = \frac{1}{D}, \text{ and} \quad (10)$$

$$S_V \equiv \frac{\partial V_c}{\partial I_{c0}} = -\frac{R_{cc}}{D} \left(1 + \frac{R_{EE}}{R_{CC}} + \frac{R_{EE}}{R_{BB}} \right), \quad (11)$$

$$\text{where } D = (1 - \alpha) + \frac{R_{EE}}{R_{BB}} \left(1 + \frac{R_{cc}}{R_{BC}} \right) + \frac{R_{EE} + R_{cc}}{R_{BC}}$$

S_E = emitter current stability factor, and

S_V = collector voltage stability factor.

That the stability factors obtained from the abbreviated circuit of Fig. 4 are valid for the more detailed circuits of Fig. 3 can be readily appreciated via the "principle of superposition" where I_{c0} is considered as a current source within the transistor and all the external voltage sources are suppressed for obtaining the stability factors.

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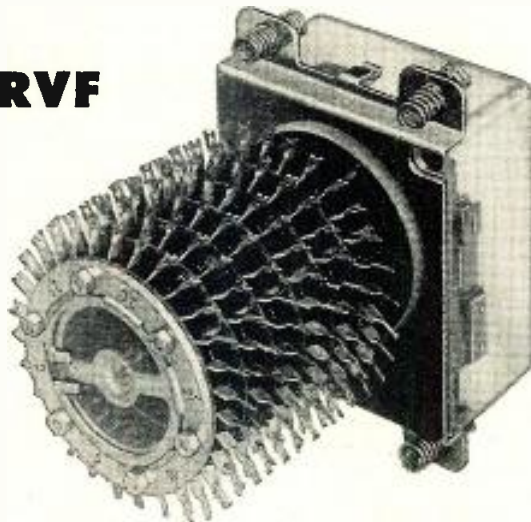
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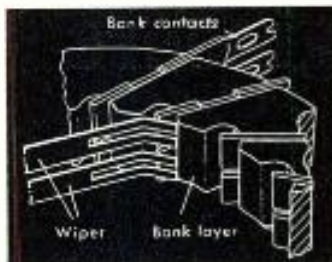
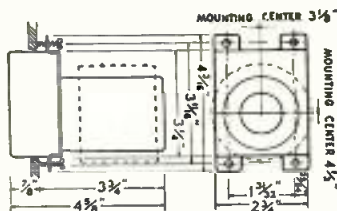
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allows for an evaluation of the external biasing circuits, but they are insufficient for the determination of the temperature stability of the biases in a given case. One problem arises due to the fact that the near exponential dependence of I_{co} upon temperature is not the same for all transistors, e.g., in one unit, I_{co} will double every 10° C, while in another it may double every 15° C. Knowledge of the logarithmic slope of I_{co} vs. temperature thus should be given some consideration by the designer, but its effects will not be formalized here. Another consideration, however, of obvious importance is how large is I_{co} at, say room temperature with respect to the operating level. To appreciate the bias stability of a given circuit, one must know not only the rate at which a bias changes with I_{co} , but how important is I_{co} in the first place. Thus level factors and stability products will be introduced to allow for a more complete quantitative evaluation of bias stability with temperature.⁹

$$L_I \equiv \frac{I_{co}}{I_E} \times 100\% \equiv \text{current level factor,}$$

$$L_V \equiv \frac{I_{co}}{V_o} \times 100\% \equiv \text{voltage level factor,}$$

$$S_{PI} \equiv S_E L_I \equiv \text{current stability product, and}$$

$$S_{PV} \equiv S_V L_V \equiv \text{voltage stability product.}$$

It should be noted that the stability factors and products are ideally zero. As they approach the ideal, however, power supply requirements become greater and small signal gain may be impaired. Only experience can establish the practical levels of the various factors introduced.

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Ferrite Heads

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response curves for head #15 taken at 100 and 160 ips tape speeds. It will be noted that the improvements in frequency response due to the increase in speed is not as great as one would expect. There was evidence that an air film between the head and tape was produced at 160 ips. A spacing loss of .02 mils will account for the decreased resolution.

These ferrite heads have a resolution which is at least as good as any of the metallic heads which have been made available for comparison at this time. A discernible output was noted at .125 mil wavelength. In terms of the equalization required, these heads would be useful to at least .2 mil recorded wavelength. The relatively low output would put a severe requirement on the associated amplifiers.

It has been demonstrated that ferrite heads with good short wavelength resolution can be fabricated. However, they are not, at this stage of development, a satisfactory general purpose head at these resolutions. As a record head they have the following shortcomings: relatively low saturation flux density, low Curie temperature, and erosion of the gap edges. Playback heads suffer from erosion at the gap edges.

The Curie temperature for these particular ferrites was fairly low, around 65°C. The use of these heads as record heads in an ambient temperature of 25°C is marginal; the rise due to combined bias and record current may cause the total temperature to exceed the Curie temperature. They would obviously not satisfy military specifications. This limitation does not appear to be fundamental. A further material development should raise the Curie temperature some, although perhaps at the sacrifice of some of the other properties.

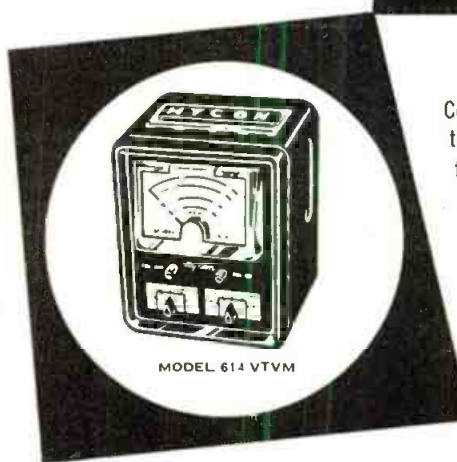
The low saturation flux density is not a serious handicap in conventional playback heads, or in wide gap record heads. In record heads which have gaps as small as those described above, saturation becomes a serious problem. Since the recording process in a gap type head depends upon leakage flux, and since the relative amount of leakage flux with a very fine gap is very small, it follows that the flux density in the core, and especially the gap edges must be high. It has been found that with these ferrites and gap lengths saturation does occur. In Fig. 6 are

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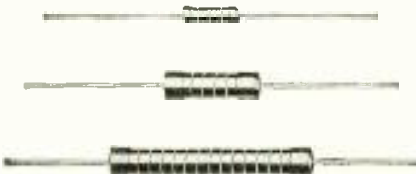
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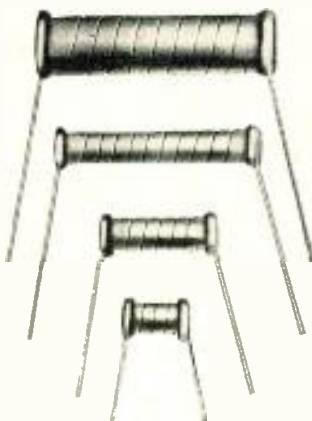
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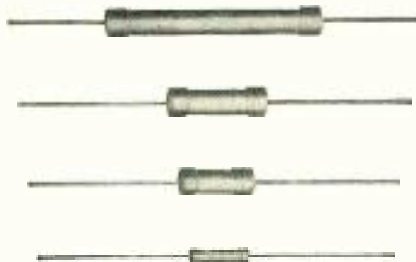
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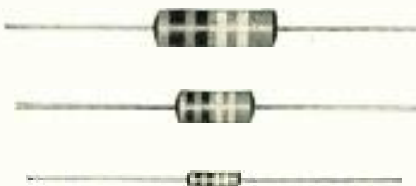
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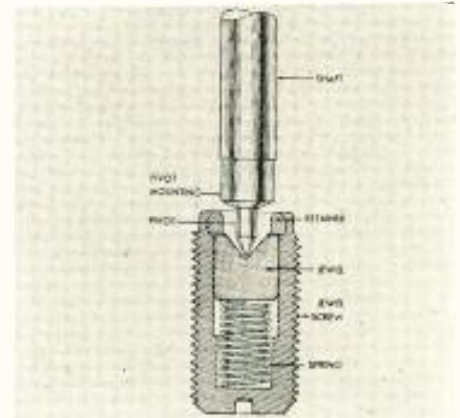


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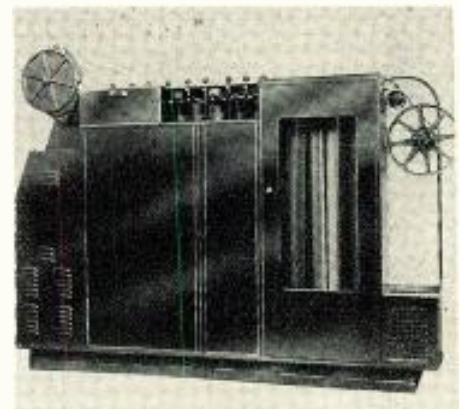
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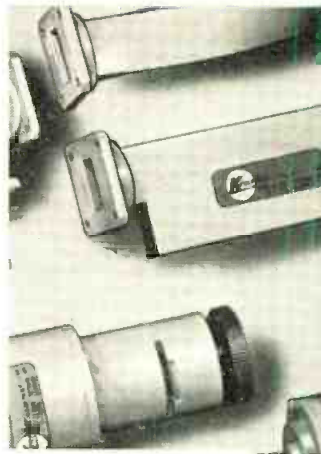
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shown input-output curves for a ferrite head and a Brush BK1090 head. For comparison, the same head was used for playback in each case. It will be noted that the first break in slope occurs at 8 db. output for the Brush head but at -1 db. for the ferrite head. It is not obvious from the data that the Brush head is saturating but certainly the ferrite head is saturating well below tape saturation. This difficulty may be reduced by using materials with higher saturation flux density or by increasing the record gap length. Ferrites as a class tend to have a low saturation flux density so that it appears wider gaps are necessary in ferrite record heads to avoid saturation. It should be emphasized that the use of a wider gap does not mean that a decrease in the sharpness of the gap edge is allowable. The use of a wide gap record head would require special attention to the gap edges in order to retain resolution and to reduce record gap anomalies in the frequency response curve.

Wearing Qualities

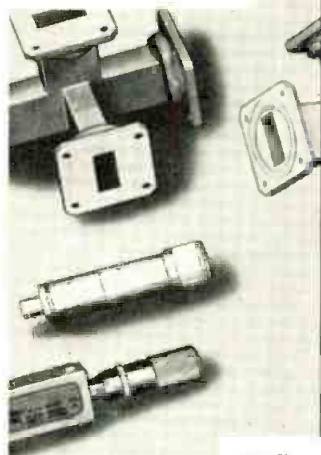
Originally thought of as wear resistant heads because of their hardness, ferrite heads, at present, have wearing qualities which are poor. Wear shows up as an erosion of the tape contact surface. In many instances this erosion may appear all over the surface, but in most cases it is concentrated at the gap edges, the worst location as far as head performance is concerned. Some wear tests were performed on these ferrite heads by running them at a tape speed of 100 ips and then measuring the wavelength response at low tape speeds. A μ -metal head was run at the same time for control purposes.

A ferrite head (Head #5) with a Hysol gap spacer was wear tested for a total of 83 hrs., corresponding to 2,400,000 ft. of tape. The tape used was 3-M type 111 acetate backed tape, and the normal force between head and tape was around 75 grams. No pressure pads were used. In Fig. 7 are shown photomicrographs of the gap edges after 35 and 83 hrs. of wear. The original gap was similar to that of head #15 but somewhat more irregular. The gap after 35 hrs. of wear shows a definite wearing pattern. There are long scratches which do not appear to be serious except as a possible site for further erosion. After the scratches, erosion appears; actual erosion can be con-



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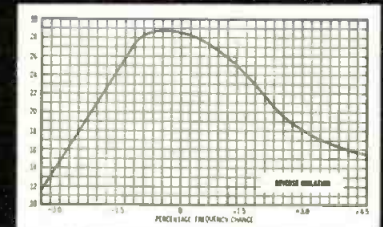
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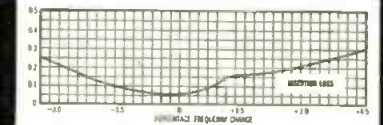
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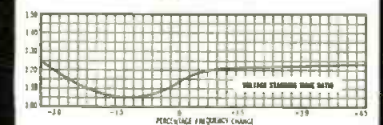
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Ferrite Heads

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sidered in two categories, surface erosion and gap edge erosion. Surface erosion may occur anywhere on a surface where conditions are favorable, and in itself is not detrimental to head performance. The type of erosion which is very serious in ferrite heads occurs at the gap edges. In the 35 hr. photomicrograph, the directional qualities of the gap edge erosion are quite marked. The trailing gap edge, which is directed against the direction of tape travel, is badly eroded while the leading edge, which the tape slides off of, shows very little evidence of erosion. Intuitively this situation seems reasonable. After 83 hrs. of wear the trailing edge is much more badly eroded, and some erosion is starting to occur at the leading edge; the surface erosion has also increased appreciably. In Fig. 8 are shown wavelength response data showing the deterioration in performance as a playback head as the result of wear. It can be seen that the bulk of the deterioration in performance has occurred in less than 23 hrs. of wear. The deterioration then progresses slowly and there is evidence that a usefully long life could be realized at 0.5 mil wavelength if the direction of tape travel was not reversed. If the tape direction is reversed, the uneroded gap edge will erode rapidly so that no portion of the gap would be sharp or well defined. Evidence based on some experience with ferrite heads designed for 1.0 mil useful resolution indicates that, when both gap edges deteriorate, the shortest useful wavelength will be around 1.0 mil.

Wearing Properties

Wear data obtained on both sintered ferrites and single crystals without fabricated gaps indicate that the intrinsic wearing properties are appreciably better than those experienced with fabricated heads. For that reason methods of making the gap area physically more like an un-gapped ferrite have been devised. One thought is that when the gap is very short the tape surface cannot get down into the gap region and erode the trailing edge; if the joint were perfect this certainly appears reasonable. It appears unlikely, at this time, that a head with usefully high output will have a short enough gap to successfully resist wear. For this reason it appears that something must be done in the gap or within

the material in order to decrease this gap edge erosion.

A technique which holds some promise, is to fill in the gap with a glaze material which is nonmagnetic, bonds well to the gap faces, and is hard. Such a glazed head (Head #10) was fabricated and subjected to wear tests at 100 ips. A photomicrograph of this head is shown in Fig. 9. Most of the gap was clean and straight when new. After 48 hrs. of wear (1,450,000 ft. of tape) the head has a large amount of surface erosion and the gap edges have eroded somewhat. The directional wear qualities are not very obvious on this head. It can be seen that this head has not eroded as much in 48 hrs. as the previous head had in 35 hrs. In Fig. 10 are shown wavelength responses taken after 21 and 48 hrs. of wear. After 21 hrs. the gap edges were relatively sharp giving a well defined null but there was apparently a loss in resolution. After 48 hrs. the gap edges were irregular enough to almost completely suppress the second peak, although the resolution at wavelengths longer than 0.5 mil was substantially unchanged. Comparison of the wear on heads #5 and #10 indicated that the glazing technique has apparently increased the resistance to wear.

In conclusion it can be stated that ferrite heads can be constructed which have resolutions, when new, comparable to metallic heads, and that they compare favorably in performance with metallic heads constructed from thin lamination for high frequency use. They are, however, deficient in wearing qualities.

(This paper was presented at the 1955 I.R.E. Convention.)

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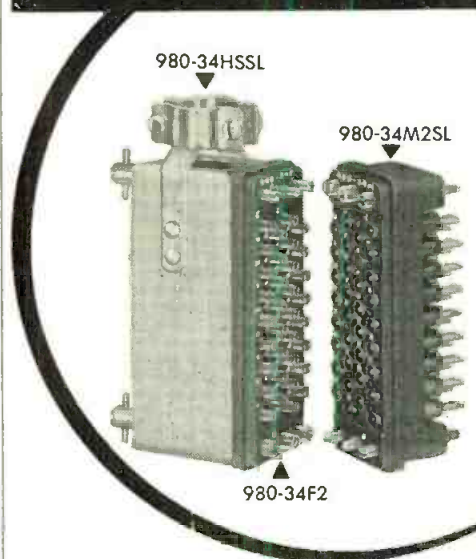
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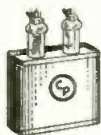


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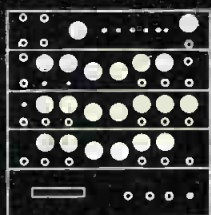
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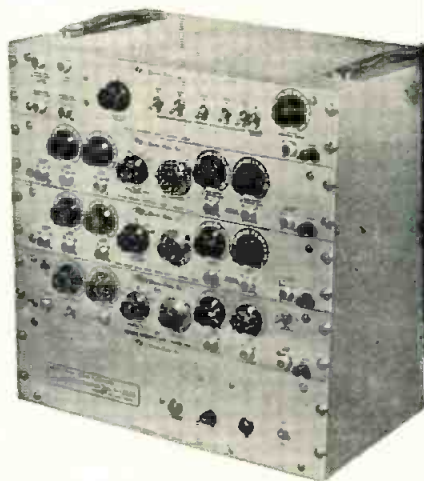
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By this simple analysis, then, we are able to plot all the important steady-state characteristics to a first approximation. Dodging the synthesis approach, we would juggle the values around to obtain characteristics, improved in desirable directions. Curves obtained from laboratory measurements may be directly compared with the calculated ones.

In a similar but more involved analysis of the dissipative section, we obtain curves of the general nature shown by Fig. 5. These curves are not final; they only indicate the shape of the steady-state character-

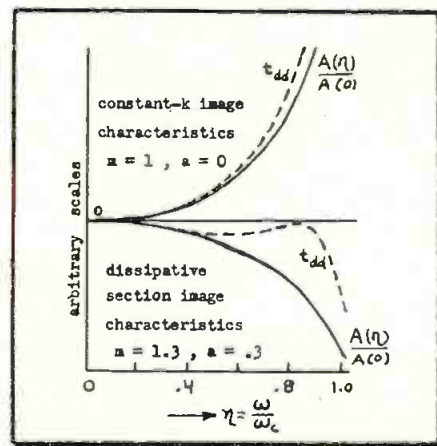


Fig. 5: Steady-state curves obtained by analysis of the section network of Fig. 4

istics for arbitrary selected m and a values. Actually, the time-delay curve may be maintained almost flat to 85%, or so, of the prototype, non-dissipative section cutoff frequency. For sine-wave, steady-state applications, the indicated Gaussian response curve may be replaced by a nearly straight curve with abrupt cutoff.

Viewpoints on transient calculations are given in the following, but since such calculations are quite elaborate, except for the simplest types of networks, the design engineer is inclined to avoid them and instead fall back upon practical experience, aiming at steady-state characteristics, which are known to yield good pulse response, i.e. short rise and decay times, reasonable freedom from overshoots, etc.

Use Of Laplace Transform

Laplace transform (and the associated Fourier transform already discussed) plays such an important role

in D-amplifier design, including coupling devices, that a further discussion is motivated. Restricting ourselves to linear conditions, we find that transforms and associated poles-and-zeros techniques provide powerful tools, particularly if at least certain concepts of a synthesis approach are included.¹² This is true even if we concentrate on just one section of a stage, such as the one shown in Fig. 4, to extend our findings at a later time to the entire stage. The simplest but generally not sufficient approach in such an extension is logical reasoning, supported by empirical data.

We proceed to apply Kirchhoff's voltage and current sum laws to the ladder networks, being prepared for the necessity to extend our treatment to include determinants and matrices. Our aim is to formulate the Transfer Function for the D-amplifier section, expressing it via the s-variable. One and the same initial formula then yields the following information, (a) via the complex radian frequency $s = \sigma + j\omega$ the poles and zeros configuration in the complex plane, (b) similarly the transient conditions, after proper application of the Inverse Laplace Transform, (c) finally, the steady state condition for $s = j\omega$.

Since ladder networks have already been discussed, we will tie this subject matter to the following one by selecting a stage-coupling device for our discussion; a typical cathode follower coupler, used between stages in a limited upper frequency, cascaded D-amplifier. The cathode follower circuit and its equivalent is assumed known. Starting from conventional circuit theory, we may use the constant-current source, ccs, equivalent circuit for the cathode follower (more appropriately referred to as "voltage follower"), and write down the following integro-differential equation, generalizing to the extent of considering the cathode lead inductance expressed as a shunt inductance $1/\Gamma$ (Γ : reciprocal inductance in the unit yrneh)

$$C \frac{dv}{dt} + Gv + \Gamma \int v dt + i(t) = 0, \quad (9)$$

where $i(t)$ contains the driving force current waveform, and $v(t) = v$ symbolizes voltages appearing in the circuit. Actually, each term in above generalization may represent several terms of similar form. Via one or more substantiating relations, all variables except the output voltage may be determined; the output voltage being the only unknown in the equation system. By means of its Particular Integral (for steady state)



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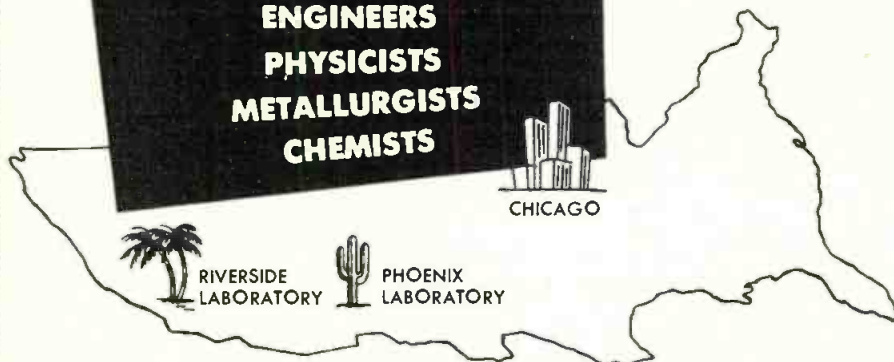
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and Complimentary Function (for transients), the above equation gives the complete answer to the problem. Instead of using the "classical" solution, we here read off each term in Laplace notation, obtaining a simpler, algebraic equation in the s -domain. For the moment ignoring the initial conditions, and assuming step-function excitation, we write the s -version of Eq. 9 in the general form

$$sCv(s) + Gv(s) + \Gamma \frac{v}{s} + \frac{I}{s} + \dots = 0, \quad (10)$$

After some computation work, the transfer function $f(s)$ is obtained as the output-to-input voltage waveform ratio, here given for a simplified, inductance-free circuit,

$$f(s) = \frac{C_{gk}}{C_{kgk}} \cdot \frac{1}{s + g/C_{kgk}} + \frac{g_m}{g} \cdot \frac{g/C_{kgk}}{s(s + g/C_{kgk})}, \quad (11)$$

where C_{gk} is the cathode follower grid-cathode capacitance, C_k its cathode capacitance, $C_{kgk} = C_k + C_{gk}$, g_m the transconductance, and $g = g_m + 1/r_p + 1/R_k$, where R_k is the resulting cathode resistance. To obtain the transient in the time domain we apply the Inverse Laplace Transform,

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{c-j\omega}^{c+j\omega} f(s) e^{st} ds. \quad (12)$$

By proper use of transform tables, we may get around the step-by-step application of Eq. 12 so that cumbersome integration in the complex plane will be avoided. In our example, the answer takes the simple form

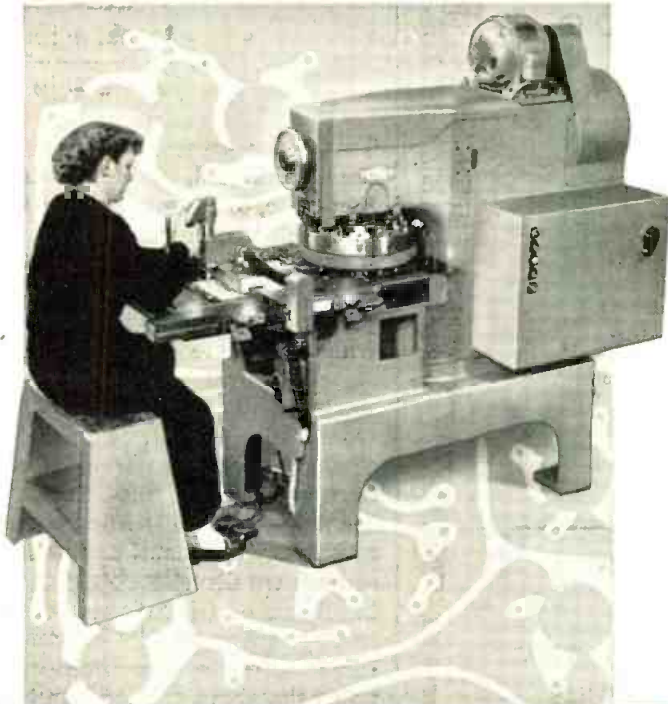
$$f(t) = K_1 - (K_1 - K_2) e^{-at}, \quad (13)$$

where $K_1 = g_m/g$, $K_2 = C_{gk}/C_{kgk}$, and $a = g/C_{kgk}$. Eq. 13 involves the unpermissible assumption of a non-energized initial system, and considering the fact that the method described may be expanded and applied to much more intricate circuits, the final $f(t)$ may be much more elaborate than indicated. Plotting Eq. 13, we obtain the time response, yielding information about response time delay, rise time and decay time, overshoots and undershoots, etc.

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In professional engineering approaches we refrain altogether from entering the solution via the time domain, using instead the method the writer prefers to call the Generalized Laplace Transform Method. Here all equivalent circuit notations, to the extent possible, are introduced directly in the circuit diagram as s-domain notations, including all initial conditions, added to the driving function, bringing it into the more generally useful "excitation function." This technique enables us to use the time-saving Potentiometer Method.¹⁶

Time and space do not allow us to go into a discussion of the powerful poles and zeros visualization, uses of potential analogue methods, and the general technique of applying synthesis methods. If these fields are entered into, the reader will find that the described approach fits well with the concepts to be used.

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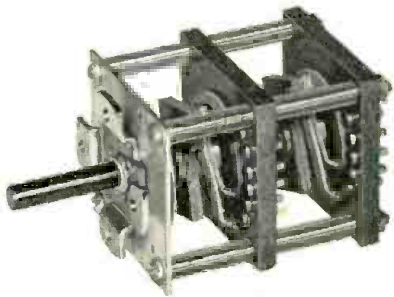
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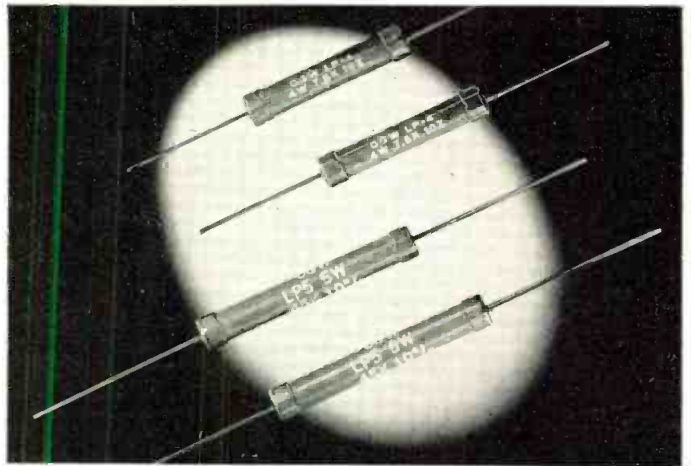
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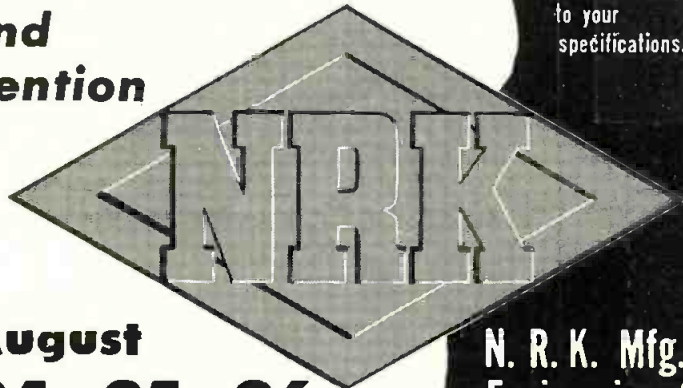
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will be called the power transfer efficiency, defined as the ratio of total power radiated by the antenna to the power delivered by the transmitter.

An equivalent circuit of the antenna system in the low frequency range is shown in Fig. 3. The power transfer efficiency for most typical systems can be estimated by the relation shown by using some assumptions concerning relative values of certain components. The main assumption is that changes in the dielectric constant of the insulating material will not change the antenna

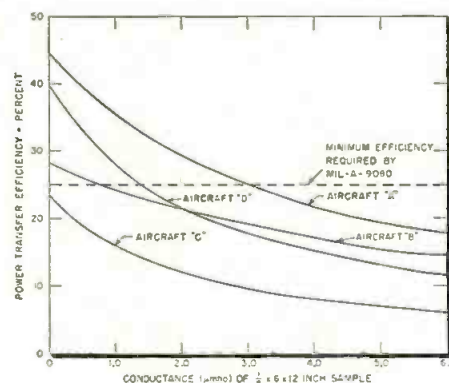


Fig. 7: Power transfer efficiencies

capacitance appreciably. Measurements have shown that the removal of the insulating band has a relatively small effect on the antenna capacitance indicating that most of the field lines associated with the capacitance are external to the dielectric and are hence not disturbed by changes in the properties of this material. It is for this reason that variations in capacity of the dielectric material were not measured in these tests.

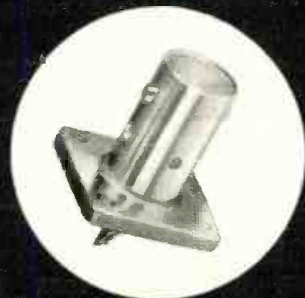
The term Q_c is the Q of the coil in the matching unit which resonates with the antenna capacitance. This factor accounts for losses in the antenna matching unit which are assumed to be all in the inductive matching element.

The power transfer efficiency is shown in Fig. 4 as a function of the ratio of dielectric loss to antenna conductance for a few values of a constant Q_a to Q_c ratio. Of interest to note here, is that the power transfer efficiency decreases at various rates depending on the antenna impedance and matching unit losses as the dielectric loss is increased. Also, if the efficiency is required to exceed a certain minimum value, then the maximum dielectric loss permitted will be less for higher ratios of Q_a/Q_c . The effect of dielectric loss



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on the antenna performance hence cannot be calculated on the basis of the properties of the material alone. The decrease in radiated power caused by the presence of a dielectric material with given loss characteristics in the antenna gap will be strongly dependent upon the antenna impedance, the matching unit efficiency, as well as the geometry of the gap region. As a result of these factors, the requirements of the electrical quality of insulating materials for antennas of this type vary widely from one antenna system to another.

An estimate of the total equivalent

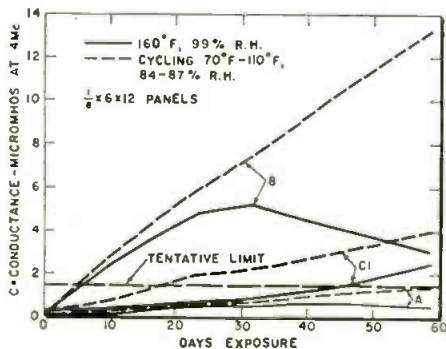
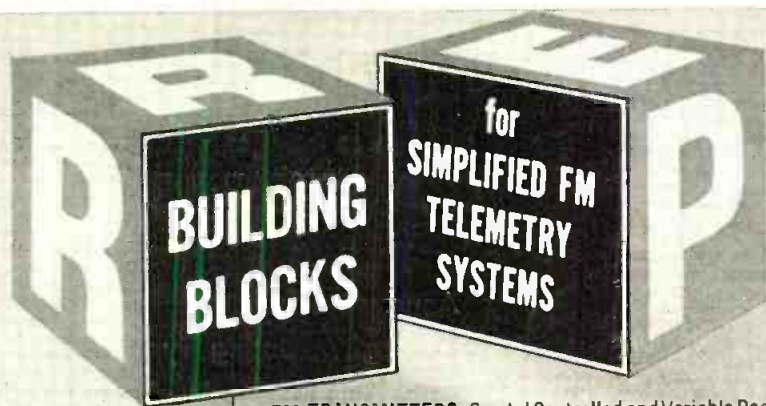


Fig. 8: Deterioration with temperature

shunt conductance which appears across the terminals of the antenna due to dielectric loss can be made from loss data measured on a small panel of the material and a knowledge of the gap width, total gap periphery, and thickness of the dielectric material of the particular aircraft antenna.

MIL-A-9080, the specifications for the design of these antennas, recommends that the loss of the samples be measured over the frequency range 2-6 mc using a test jig that places the material in a field similar to that which it encounters in service. However, MIL-P-8013, the material specification for these types of plastics, requires that the electrical characteristics be determined at 1 mc using a 2 in. diameter sample and sample holder. Loss measurements made by the standard disc method were not considered valid, however, because in this test the electric field is impressed normal to the plane of the laminations where the field in cap antennas is impressed essentially parallel with the laminations. Tests made with the standard sample holder on 1/8 x 1/8 x 2 in. samples of various materials oriented with the field first parallel and then perpendicular to the laminations showed far greater loss in the parallel direction, especially after environmental exposure. However, the inaccuracies inherent in dielectric measurements of such small samples limit the usefulness of this test.

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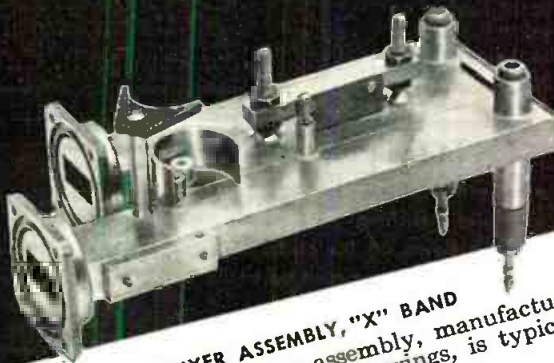
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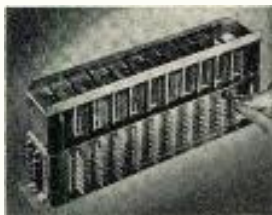


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was designed according to MIL-A-9080, simulating the field in a typical installation as shown in Fig. 5. The sample size was 12 x 6 x 1/8 in. By using the image-plane technique, it was possible to use samples having only half the width of the antenna gaps of interest and also to employ an unbalanced measuring system.

To calculate the total equivalent shunt conductance across the antenna terminals from conductance values measured with the samples, the conductance of the sample is multiplied by the ratio of the peripheral length of the gap to the sample length.

The sample conductance was determined by measurements of the conductance of a resonant circuit with and without the sample in the circuit, using the susceptance variation method. A Q raising circuit using an active negative resistance element was used to increase the range and accuracy of measurements. By the use of negative feedback in this circuit, stable Q's of the order of 100,000 were achieved with commercial power supplies. A special vernier capacitor of coaxial type was designed to give a linear capacitance change of 0.05 μ f per turn of the control shaft. Fig. 6 shows the measuring equipment and sample holder. Equipment components and layout were designed for simplicity and reliability of operation so that measurements could be made by non-technical personnel at specified times during the environmental tests. Measurements were made at 2, 4 and 6 mc.

Power Transfer

The power transfer efficiency for four typical tail-cap antennas as a function of the loss of 12 x 6 x 1/8 in. sample are shown in Fig. 7. The frequency with the least favorable antenna impedance is shown for each aircraft. A constant coupler Q of 100 was assumed. Aircraft A and D are large aircraft with large isolated section antennas. However, differences in gap dimensions make the performance of aircraft A less dependent of dielectric loss and therefore able to tolerate a larger increase before the antenna performance falls to an unacceptable value. Aircraft B is a small aircraft but with a relatively large dielectric gap width. Although the efficiency is initially low, it is less affected by increase in dielectric loss because of

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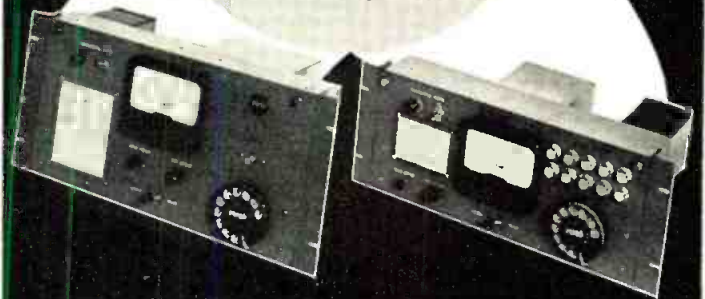
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the greater gap width and smaller dielectric area. MIL-A-9080, the specification for the performance of liaison antennas, requires the efficiency to be at least 25% in the frequency range of 2 to 6 mc. For these antennas the maximum allowable conductance of the dielectric sample would be 3.0 μ mhos for aircraft A, 1.4 μ mhos for aircraft D, but only .75 μ mhos for aircraft B. The antenna design of aircraft C is such that even with zero loss in the dielectric the performance of the antenna would not meet the minimum requirement. Since the initial conductance of all materials examined in this program is of the order of 0.1 μ mho for this size sample, the allowable increase due to environmental conditions varies from effectively zero times for aircraft C to thirty times for aircraft A. These values will be compared with the characteristics of actual materials tested in a later part of this paper.

These results again emphasize that the dielectric loss will affect the performance uniquely for each type antenna. The maximum allowable dielectric loss can be estimated when the antenna impedance and gap configuration are known. This will allow a limit to be set on the permissible increase of dielectric loss due to environmental exposure.

Quality Control

The electrical requirements for structural dielectric materials having been defined, the next phase of the study was concerned with two questions:

- (1) Is the performance of available materials adequate under service conditions?
- (2) Are the present specifications and quality controls adequate for insuring production of consistently good material?

Structural dielectrics currently in use consist of laminates made of glass fabric and resin. No other materials will do this particular job, although other types of reinforcement such as refined asbestos may be developed for this use. The laminates are usually cured at low pressure, around 15 psi, for economy in tooling.

The principal resins in use are the polyesters. Some epoxys are employed although their initial electrical properties are not quite as good as those of the polyesters and they are more difficult to handle in production.

The antenna specification MIL-A-9080 states that the laminates are governed by a material specification MIL-P-8013, which in turn cites other controlling specifications for resins, fabric and finish (or coupling agent). Lastly, the manufacturer's process specification, when approved by the Air Force, becomes a part of this quality control system.

The material specification sets forth requirements for dielectric constant and loss tangent at 1 mc, tested with the electrical field impressed normal to the laminations. Material is tested as received and after immersion in distilled water at room temperature for 24 hrs., in which condition slightly reduced values of limiting electrical properties are listed. The antenna specification calls for a similar immersion test, but for 72 hrs.

Environmental conditions for test-

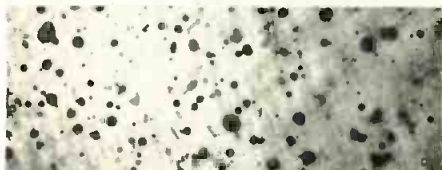
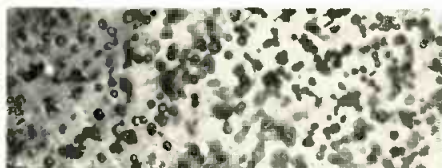


Fig. 9: Voids in one bath of laminate. Voids had no effect on deterioration

ing deterioration of mechanical properties consists of two hours in boiling water or thirty days in water at room temperature.

To investigate these requirements, samples of laminates representing production material were obtained from three major aircraft manufacturers. Several samples of each material were exposed to various environmental conditions as follows:

- (1) Air at 160°F., 20% R.H.
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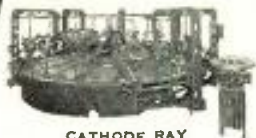
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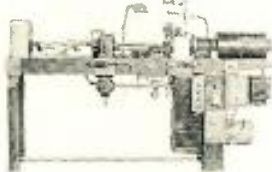
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before, during, and after exposure were conductance at 4 MC, weight, flexural strength and stiffness, and flexural fatigue strength. Conductance at 2 and 6 MC was measured before and after exposure only.

The environmental conditions were not intended to simulate actual service conditions but rather to exaggerate them, to find out under which environments deterioration occurred.

In judging the performance of the materials, the limits for flexural strength and stiffness were taken from the military specification. A tentative conductance limit was set up by calculating the average of values which would result in a system efficiency of 25% for the four aircraft investigated. This value was 1.47 umhos at 4 MC for the standard test panel 1/8 x 6 x 12 in., tested with a width of 12 in. and a gap of 6 in. No basis for judging fatigue resistance exists in the specifications so the test values were simply compared among themselves.

Test Results

Twelve laminates were tested consisting of eight polyester, two epoxy and two polyester-TAC materials. No significant deterioration occurred in the hot dry air, the ozone, the solar radiation or the natural aging conditions.

In the hot humid air condition, eleven of the twelve materials showed serious electrical or mechanical deterioration, or both. All these materials were acceptable under the electrical requirements of the specifications and all except one under the mechanical requirements. There was no apparent correlation between electrical and mechanical deterioration.

In alternate freezing and thawing, reductions up to 10% occurred in flexural strength, the epoxy laminates being the least affected. No electrical deterioration was observed in this condition.

Insignificant changes were produced by edge sealing or by coating with an Air Force approved rain erosion resistant compound. In some cases deterioration was accelerated by stressing the samples.

Having found the combination of heat and humidity to be the chief deteriorating factor, and believing the 160°F. and 99% R.H. condition to be exaggerated with respect to service conditions, a realistic en-

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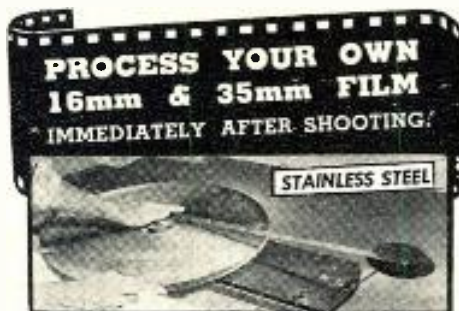


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vironment was set up in a chamber consisting of temperature cycling between 70°F. and 110°F. at about 85% R.H. This was named the Rangoon condition since it approximates the climate of that region in the spring of the year.

It was found that electrical deterioration was more severe in the Rangoon condition than in the original test at higher temperature and humidity. This comparison is shown in Fig. 8 for representative materials A and B, which are polyester laminates, and C1 which is an epoxy laminate. The tentative limit shown in the figure was defined earlier. Two representative materials reached the tentative limit of conductance after about ten and fourteen days respectively in the Rangoon condition. The order of merit of the materials was the same in both types of environment. The mechanical deterioration was less severe than in the 160°F. condition, but the worst polyester lost 23% of its strength in sixty days, while the void free epoxy lost 15%, which is more than is allowed by the military specifications for epoxy resins.

Processing

Because wide quality variations were found in nominally identical samples and because chemically similar samples also varied drastically in resistance to deterioration, a program was started to investigate the raw materials and processing factors responsible for this performance. Laminates reproducing those which gave unsatisfactory performance were made at Stanford Research Institute and tested under various environments of heat and humidity. This program, which is still going on, has shown conclusively that slight variations in the quality of raw materials or in the processing can cause very large changes in resistance to deterioration.

As a result of these evaluations, it is concluded that within the limits of present specifications and quality control procedures, materials are likely to be produced which are electrically not suitable for cap-type antennas and which may be subject to serious mechanical deterioration. Factors not yet understood and certainly not controlled by present standards, are the determining influences in the quality of the final product.

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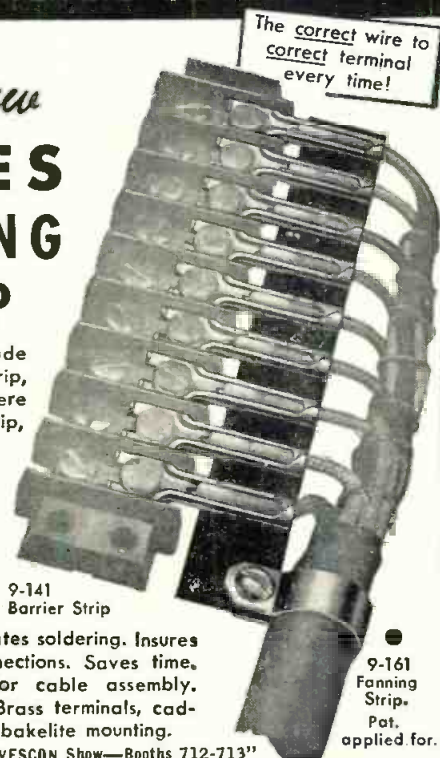
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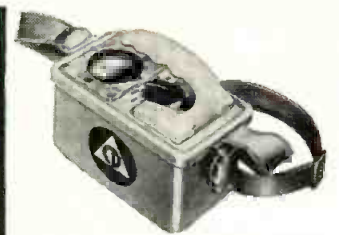
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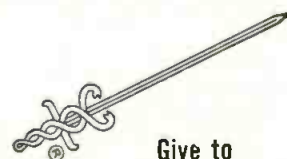
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and the physical conditions during its application, and the type of catalyst used with the resin. By modifying one or more of the foregoing factors, satisfactory materials have been produced with the same glass fabrics and resins used by participating fabricators at no increase in cost or complexity.

To insure proper control of the quality of structural dielectrics, it was concluded that:

- (1) A dielectric properties test similar to that in the antenna specification should be added to the material specification together with revised property limit requirements.
- (2) A new accelerated service test is needed to predict deterioration in hot, humid climates.
- (3) The design property limits for materials should be based on the condition immediately after the simulated service tests. Listing of initial properties should be discontinued.
- (4) Until the factors governing quality are better understood, fabricators should institute a sampling system whereby material from actual parts is continuously being tested for mechanical and electrical deterioration.

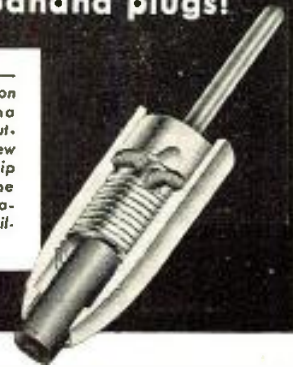
The current military specifications require void free construction; that is, relatively little entrapped gas. Fig. 9 shows the range of distribution of voids in one batch of a polyester laminate. The tests indicated that the relative number of voids had no effect on the rate of deterioration. It has been generally believed that electrical deterioration is proportional to water absorbed, that weight gain equals water absorption, and that voids increase the water absorption. The test data did not support any of these beliefs. Studies of free water content of the laminates were made by chemical analysis and it was shown that after severe exposure to heat and humidity the free water added was less than the original content, and that only a fractional and variable part of the weight gain was due to free water. The lack of correlation between weight gain and electrical deterioration is shown by contrasting the performance of the two materials in the following table. The resin was



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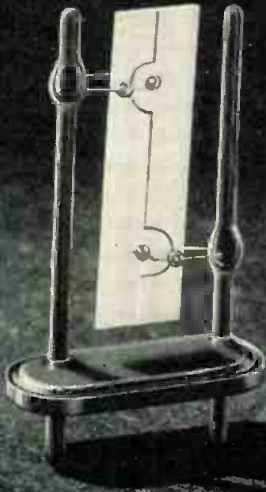
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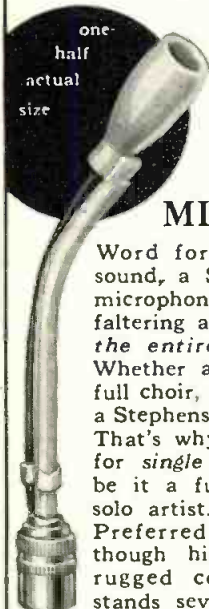
an epoxy. The two materials were made by different fabricators but were nominally identical as to ingredients and processing.

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| Initial conductance ⁽¹⁾ | 0.07 | 0.07 |
| Conductance after exposure ⁽²⁾ | 2.28 | 0.10 |
| Weight gain after exposure, % | 0.39 | 0.39 |

(1) Micromhos at 4 mc. $\frac{1}{8} \times 6 \times 5$ in. sample
(2) 200 hrs. in water at 140° F.

The general conclusion from this study is that much more work is needed to insure consistent good performance from glass fiber laminates. Service environments neglected in this program should be investigated. A great deal of chemical and physical experimentation is needed to trace the factors that cause some materials to deteriorate. Resistance to degradation should be investigated in all appropriate frequency ranges. Quality inspection procedures need to be developed. The results of this work should be incorporated in the standards and specifications for raw materials so that the fabricator can depend on the products that he purchases, and can get more effective control in his processing.

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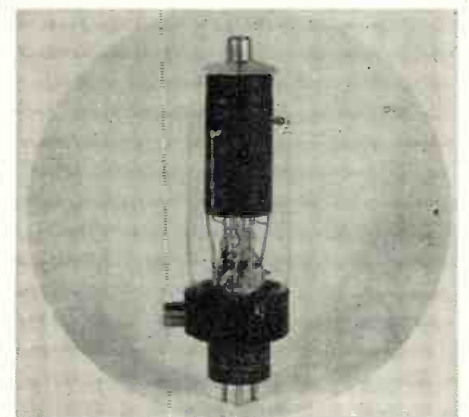


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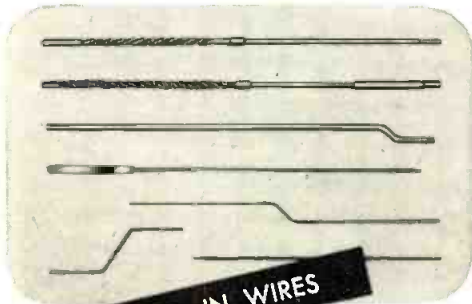
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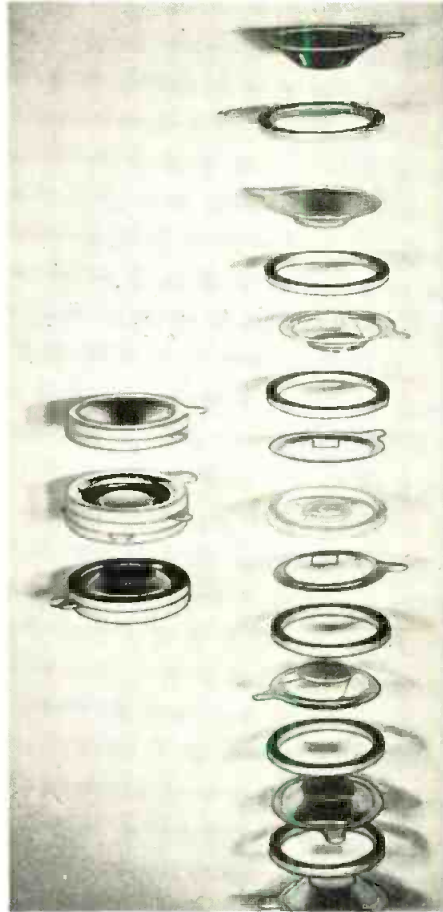


Fig. 8: Stacked assembly of double triode

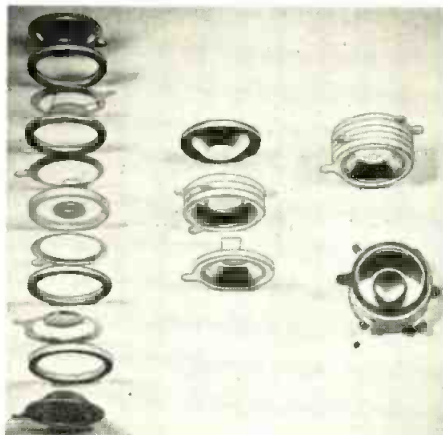


Fig. 9: Ceramic-metal assembly of double diode

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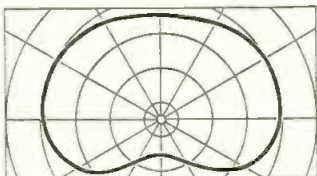
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Fig. 7 is an enlarged sectional drawing of the tube illustrating the stacked structure comprising ceramic and metal rings sandwiched and brazed together. The tube is essentially of planar electrode construction, the disk-like cathode and grid electrodes being supported from the metal side wall rings. Copper end walls on the envelope provide the anodes. Conical formation of the electrode supports insures maximum rigidity, and nested parts provide a compact structure.

Fig. 8 shows exploded views of the double triode, the left-hand view in the photograph showing parts completely exploded and the right-hand illustrating the subassemblies prior

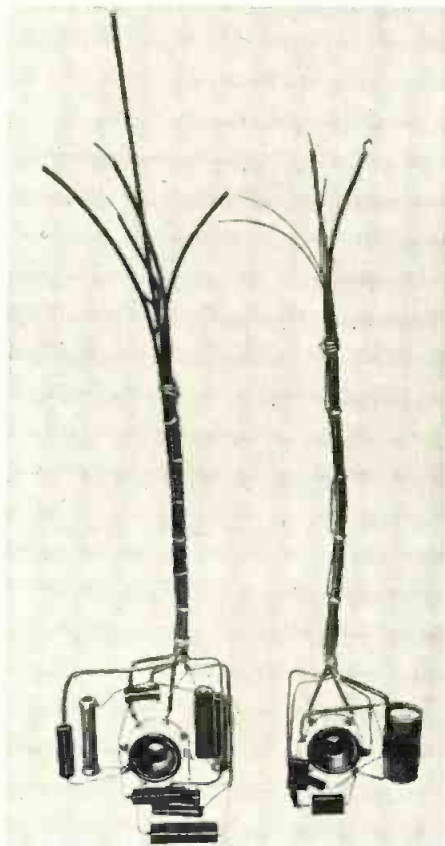


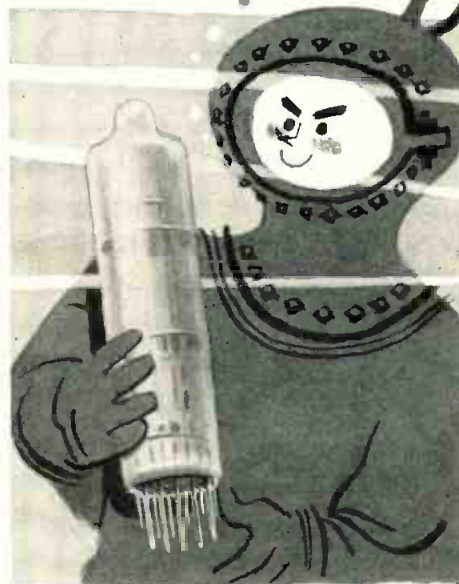
Fig. 10: Stacked tubes soldered in circuits

to making final seals. Each end section is a grid-anode assembly unit, and the center section is a cathode-heater assembly. The components comprising each subassembly being later joined to make up the final tube. The tube is processed and evacuated while the subassemblies are separated in a vacuum chamber, after which the envelope sections are brought together and brazed before removal from the vacuum.

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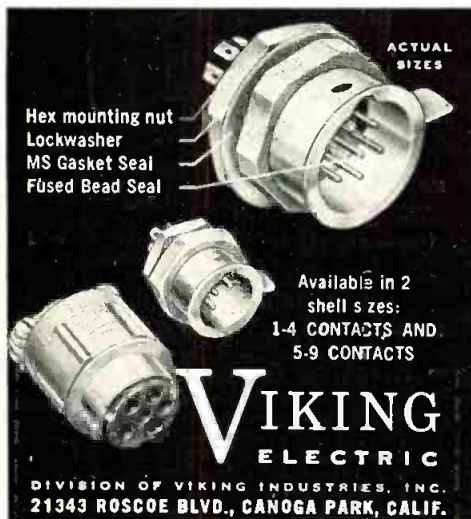
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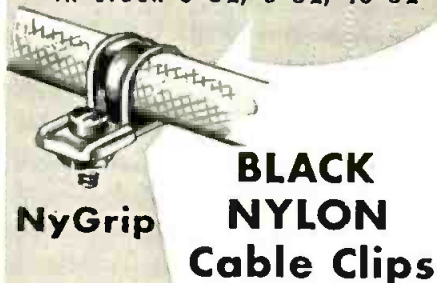
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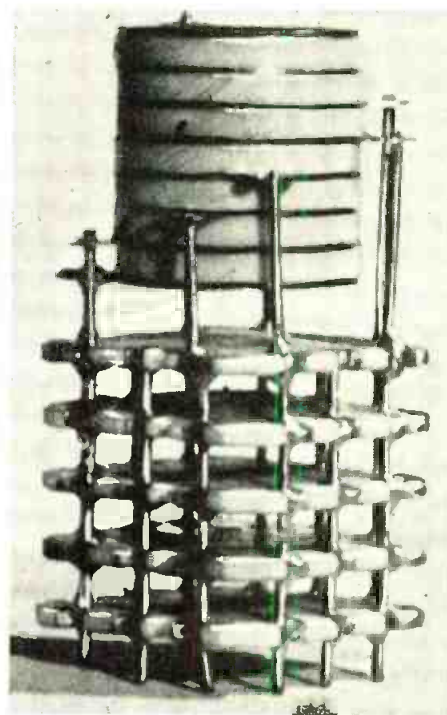


Fig. 11: Double triode on circuit module

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Fig. 9 shows how the tube parts fit together to form a double diode. The only difference here is that the two grids and two ceramic rings have been omitted. This approach to the tube making problem, utilizing tube parts which become common to a variety of tube types, is one of the important advantages of the stacked structure.

Fig. 10 illustrates the double triode and double diode tubes soldered into typical circuits. The double diode at the left in the photograph has one section operating as a rectifier and the other section functioning as a limiter diode. The double triode at the right is operating as a two-stage low frequency amplifier such as used in servo-mechanisms.

Fig. 11 shows the double triode mounted on a module, the latter being a circuit assembly unit produced by automation programs such as Tinkertoy. These stacked ceramic tubes are ideally suited for combination with such circuit module units.

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Herbert J. Buehler was recently named as General Manager of Rutherford Electronics Co., Culver City, Calif. This newly created post was established to meet the increasing growth of the company's activities.

Leon T. Eliel has been elected to the Board of Directors of Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp. Mr. Eliel is President of Fairchild Aerial Surveys, Inc., a subsidiary of Fairchild Camera.

Jack L. Hobby, of Weston, Mass., has been named manager of publicity and institutional advertising for Raytheon Mfg. Co., Waltham, Mass. Mr. Hobby came to Raytheon more than four years ago as Staff Ass't for Public Relations.

Jerry S. Frank has been appointed by the Telautograph Corp. to direct the company's recently expanded sales, service, and advertising program. The general sales and service offices have been moved to Los Angeles.

James L. Caddigan has been appointed to the newly created post of director of "Electronicam" marketing for Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc. His new duties will be performed at the company's main office, 750 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N.J.

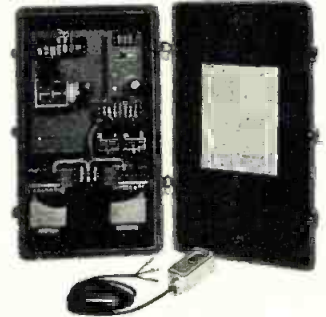
Harrison Johnston, recently elected as an officer of Ampex Corp., has since been made director of Ampex International, newly formed division of Ampex. Mr. Johnston joined Ampex as sales manager in 1951.

J. Trevor Downer has been appointed West Coast Sales Manager by Chatam Electronics, a division of Gera Corp., Livingston, N.J.

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Dr. P. S. Christaldi has been appointed to head the new Technical Products Division of Allen B. Du Mont Labs, Inc., Dr. Christaldi has been associated with Du Mont since 1938.



P. S. Christaldi



W. Hotine

Bill Hotine, a relay and electronic engineer from Bayville, L. I., has been employed to manage research and development on new products for Assembly Products of Calif., a new subsidiary of Assembly Products, Inc., Chesterland, Ohio, manufacturers of contact meter-relays. Prior to this position, Mr. Hotine has for several years done product design on instruments and controls for automation in industry.

Dr. Harris M. Sullivan has been named manager of the Electronics Laboratory at G.E. Co.'s Electronics Park in Syracuse, N. Y. Previously, he was vice-president of Central Scientific Co., Chicago, in charge of research and engineering.

R. J. Krause has been appointed to the newly-created post of Chief Administrative Engineer at Pacific Division, Bendix Aviation Corp., No. Hollywood, Calif.

Gerald C. Schutz has been appointed Director of Electronics of the Gruen Watch Co. Mr. Edward H. Weitzen president of the company, announced the appointment. Mr. Schutz was formerly associated with the Gibbs Manufacturing and Research Corp. as Director of Electronics.

Edwin H. Chapin has been appointed as Director of Quality Control, Triad Transformer Corp., Venice, Calif. Mr. Chapin was formerly Superintendent, Transformer Div., Sangamo Electric Co., Marion, Ill., and Ass't Chief Engineer, Radio Condenser Co., Watseka, Ill.

John B. Cicchetti and Thomas A. Fulshaw have become members of the technical staff of the Microwave Laboratory, Hughes Research and Development, Culver City, Calif. Dr. Cicchetti was formerly associated with the Microwave Research Institute.

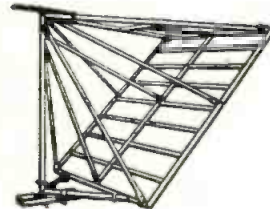
Hoddy Nakamura and Britton T. Vincent, Jr. have joined the technical staff of the Systems Division, Hughes Research and Development, Culver City, Calif. Mr. Nakamura was formerly associated with Douglas Aircraft Co.

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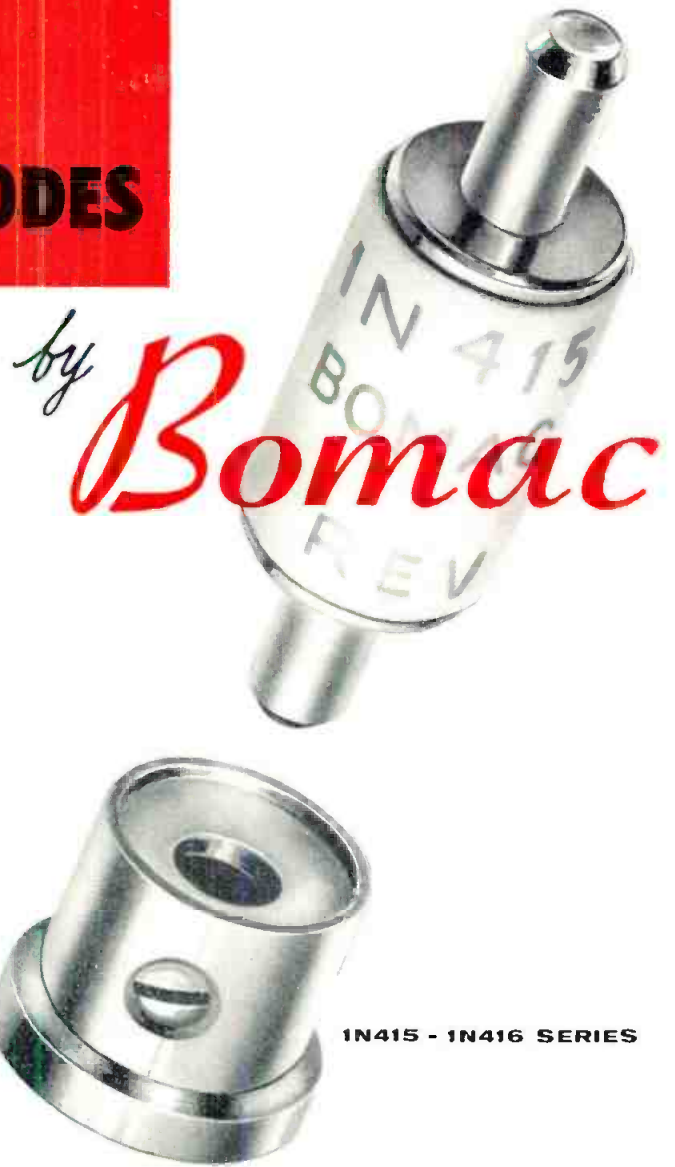


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| Operating Temperature (°C) | 50 | 70 | 50 | 50 |
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