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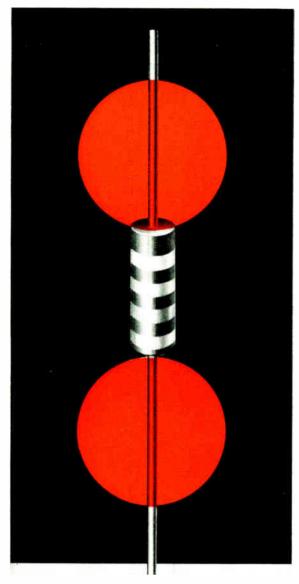
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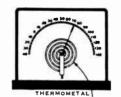
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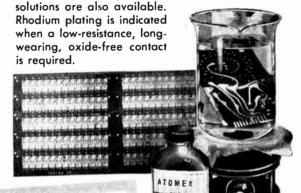
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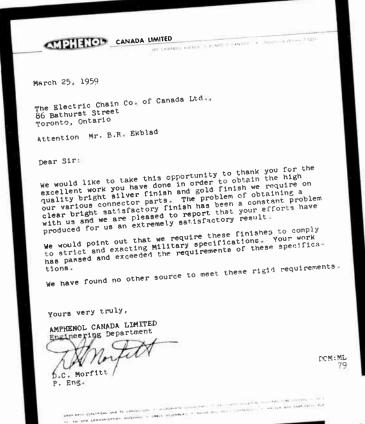
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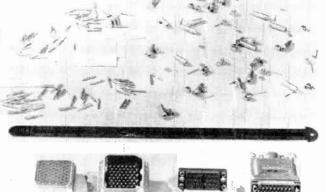
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EIA Report

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EIA All Set for 30th Annual Meeting

Plans are now ready for the 30th Annual Meeting of the Electronic Industries Association of Canada to be held at Bigwin Inn, Muskoka, Ontario on June 18 and 19.

Guest speaker will be J. H. Warren, Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa. Mr. Warren will speak on "Current Problems In International Trade" with emphasis on the import problem as it affects the economy.

Recent EIA Meetings

The Board and the three divisions of EIA met during April in Toronto. Various engineering committees and others held meetings prior to the divisional meetings.

EIA Holds Graduation Dinner

Fifteen graduates of the first industry-sponsored night school course on television servicing received their diplomas at a ceremony at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto recently.

Sponsored by the Electronic Industries Association of Canada, the course started last October at the Ryerson Institute of Technology. For practicing television service technicians, it has enabled those enrolled to upgrade their technical education and to learn the latest servicing techniques.

The course just concluded was a pilot course to test the curriculum. Now that it has proved to be successful, the course is being extended to other cities and towns across Canada. This is being done by the formation of local industry/educational advisory groups. This coast-to-coast upgrading of the technical education and servicing experience of practicing TV technicians will raise the standard of servicing across Canada.

Radio Imports Slash Canadian Sales

The grave effects on the Canadian electronics industry by the rapid rise in radio set imports was discussed at a recent Board of Directors' meeting. The problem is now very serious — over 30 per cent of all radio sales made in Canada during 1958 were of imported sets.

DBS figures on radio importation for the past three years are as follows:

IMPORTS OF RADIO SETS INTO CANADA (DBS)

	1956		—— 1957 ——		 1958	
	Units	Value	Units	Value	Units	Value
United States	52,737	\$1,610,803	56,735	\$1,522,392	74,822	\$2,400,503
Japan	16,828	136,690	69,233	588,827	155,324	1,843,886
West Germany	5,577	302,489	8,371	498,137	30,474	1,585,479
Netherlands	464	17,873	7,957	177,829	18,570	434,999
United Kingsdom	2,733	97,138	4,349	150,354	7,240	223,617

United States TV-Radio Service a \$2.5 Billion Industry

Figures released by EIA of United States show that Americans spent \$2.5 billion on home electronics repair and installation during 1958. This amount included replacement parts, components, tubes, repairs and installation. The 1958 figure was slightly lower than the figure for 1957.

Industry observers think that television service expenditures will increase over the years due to the increase in the number of sets in use and to the increasing life-spans of sets. The average life-span is now about nine years and is expected to average eleven years in the next decade.

Television set designers are reported to be more concerned over "designing for maintenance" than they used to be, providing easier access to components, simplicity of replacement, and making printed circuits easier to check.

EIA of United States Joins CCIR

The Electronic Industries Association of United States was accepted as a member of the Consultative Committee on International Radio (CCIR) at the opening plenary assembly sessions at Los Angeles recently. The CCIR and International Telegraph Union (ITU) are holding radio spectrum allocation meetings this year.

EIA of Canada's Stereo Committee

EIA of Canada recently formed an Ad Hoc Committee on Stereophonic Broadcasting. It is currently studying the proposals made to the American National Stereo Committee, to which eighteen different proposals on stereo broadcasting have already been made.

Newsletter

Canadian Radio Technical Planning Board

WHO'S WHO IN THE PLANNING BOARD

No. 14 — Canadian Electrical Manufacturers Association

The Canadian Electrical Manufacturers Association was formed in 1944 and incorporated under Dominion Charter in 1945. It has in its membership the principal electrical manufacturers in Canada, whose combined output approximates 85 per cent of the total output of the Canadian electrical manufacturing industry. Membership is open to Canadian corporations, firms and individuals engaged in the manufacture of electrical products for sale in the open market.

The objects of the Association, as expressed in the Constitution, include promoting the use of electricity and electrical products, promoting industry standardization and co-operating with Canadian Standards Association in drawing up safety standards, appearing before and co-operating with legislative committees, government departments and agencies, and the collection and dissemination of information on electrical matters both inside and outside the Association membership.

The Association engages in various industry-wide promotional activities through its Market Development Council and The Electrical Bureau of Canada (formerly Canadian Adequate Wiring Bureau).

In the field of standardization, the Association has produced, through its sixty-six groups (Divisions, Sections, Committees and Technical Committees), over eighty CEMA Standards and Specifications covering a diverse range of electrical products. Member company representatives are active on practically all CSA Committees and Sub-Committees on the Canadian Electrical Code and CSA General Engineering Specifications of an electrical nature.

Provision is made for general committees such as the Statistics Committee, Tariff Committee, Traffic Committee and Industrial Relations Committee, among others, to ensure the industry of adequate contact with both public and government. — CEMA.

Recent CRTPB Meetings

The Executive Committee met in Toronto on April 21. Among business on the agenda was the EIA recommendation to the Department of Transport regarding radio frequency allocations for the CCIR and ITU conferences. These recommendations have now been sent to DOT. At the meeting it was noted that the recently-approved CRTPB Constitution and By-Laws had been distributed to all concerned, and that the new organization chart was nearly ready.

The Tropospheric Scatter Committee met on April 17 at the CRTPB office in Toronto.

New Directors for Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corp.

The Minister of Transport has announced the appointment of N. E. Peter Hardy of Toronto and of Paul Pelletier as directors of the Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation, each for a three-year term.

EIA's Recommendations of Frequency Allocations

The Electronic Industries Association's recommendations on radio frequency allocations, recently transmitted to the CRTPB and sent to the Department of Transport, were the result of special meetings of the chairmen of various EIA engineering committees and the EIA Director of Engineering. The recommendations find no basic conflict with the frequency allocation recommendations made at a CRTPB-DOT meeting in October 1958, although there were minor differences in certain frequency areas.

The EIA recommendations included an expansion of the mobile service into the television broadcasting area and the EIA Microwave Committee had suggested changes in the 590-890 mc. band.

Transatlantic TV Relay Proposed

A transatlantic television relay system has been proposed to link Canada and the United States with Scotland. Financial support has been given by private concerns for a wideband North Atlantic common carrier for the exchange of television programs and civil and military communications.

Preliminary engineering studies have been completed and the project has been discussed with representatives of the government concerned. It is understood that Canadian Deputy Prime Minister Howard C. Green is "intensely interested in the plan and . . . sure it would get high-level support."

Proposed route is from Baffin Island, Greenland, Iceland, the Faeroe Islands, and Scotland, with connections to the rest of Europe. The longest span would be the close to 300 miles from the east coast of Iceland to the Faeroes. Tropospheric scatter techniques are proposed.

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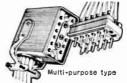
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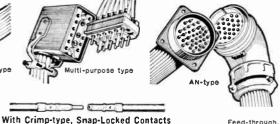
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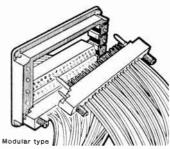
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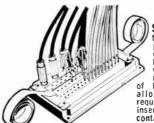
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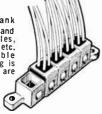


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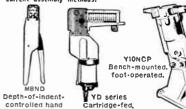
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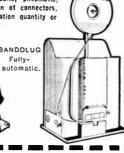
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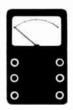
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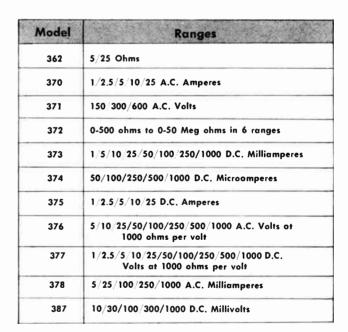
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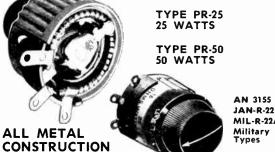




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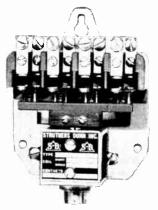
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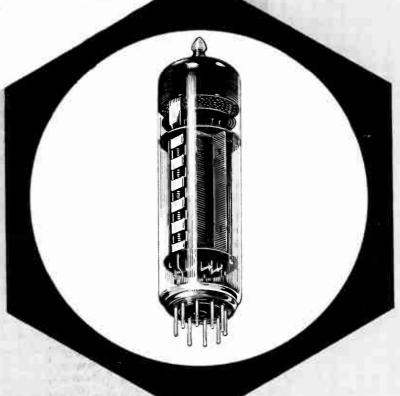
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A design refinement in particle accelerators whereby the ion beam energy can be stepped up as much as four times to increase the utility of such machines in basic nuclear research.

Tandem electrostatic accelerators

by R. J. Van de Graaff, M.I.T.

In most accelerators, the particles are given their energy either by the repeated application of voltage at radiofrequency or by the single application of a constant voltage (DC). The constant-voltage type, to which the electrostatic accelerators belong, has advantages in precision and flexibility, but on the other hand is limited to relatively low output energies, because in its conventional designs the voltage can be applied only once to the acceleration of the particle beam.

However, the principles of tandem acceleration make it possible to apply the constant voltage either two, three, or four times to the accelerated ion beam. thus correspondingly increasing positive-ion output energy, while retaining the precision and flexibility associated with constant-voltage acceleration. Also, in tandem accelerators, the output energy for mediumweight particles can be increased many fold by the stripping of electrons from the ion beam. Another gain by the tandem design is the complete accessibility of the ion source and beam-injection equipment, these being located at ground potential and outside the high-voltage generator.

Two-stage tandem accelerators

In the case of the usual type of electrostatic accelerator, positive ions are produced inside the high-voltage terminal and then accelerated to ground in one stage of acceleration. In the case of a two-stage tandem accelerator, negative ions are produced at ground and then accelerated to a high-voltage positive terminal. Within the terminal, the swiftly moving negative ions are stripped of electrons, thus becoming positive ions, which then receive an additional acceleration from

the terminal to ground. Since the particle beam receives two stages of acceleration instead of one, the device may be called a two-stage tandem accelerator.

The principles and techniques used in tandem accelerators have been originated and developed during a long period of time and in various laboratories. It is regretted that lack of space prevents full acknowledgments here. However, reference should at least be made to the following names: Dempster, Bennett1, Kaufman, Alvarez², Marshall, Woodyard, Herb, Stier, and Danforth3.

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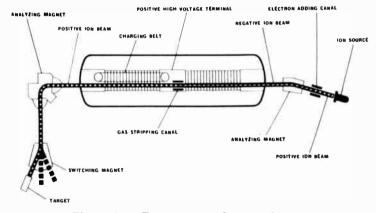


Figure 1 — Two stage tandem accelerator

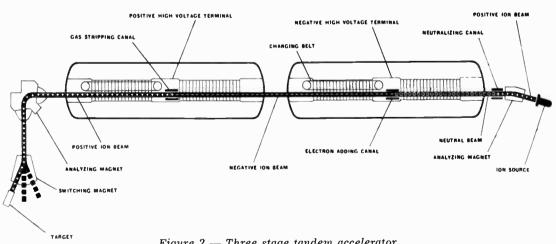


Figure 2 — Three stage tandem accelerator

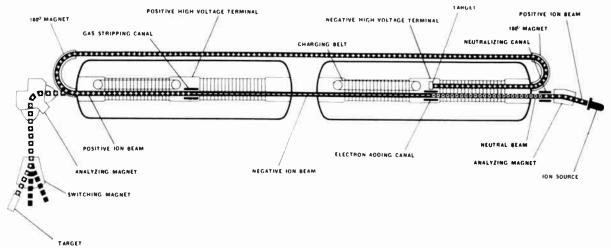


Figure 3 — Four stage tandem accelerator

The principles of operation of a two-stage tandem accelerator may be seen in more detail from the diagram in Figure 1. The positive-ion beam from the ion source at the right passes into the electron adding canal. A flow of hydrogen in this canal causes the successive attachment of two electrons to some of the positive ions, thus transforming these into negative ions. The negative-ion beam is then deflected slightly by an analyzing magnet, so that negative ions of the correct mass and energy are caused to proceed along the axis of the main vacuum tubes, and thus to be accelerated to the terminal which is at a high positive voltage. There the negative-ion beam passes into a second canal, where the presence of gas causes it to be stripped of its electrons, so that it emerges as a positive-ion beam and is then given its second acceleration which brings it back to ground. The positive-ion beam is then deflected through a 90° analyzing magnet before proceeding through a switching magnet, where it can be directed to any one of three targets.

A two-stage tandem accelerator has been constructed by the High Voltage Engineering Corporation for the Chalk River Laboratory of the Atomic Energy of Canada Limited. This machine, which is housed in a pressure tank eight feet in diameter and 35 feet long, has now been reassembled at Chalk River. In the tests of the accelerator before shipment, proton beams up to 13.4 Mev were obtained, corresponding to a terminal potential of 6.7 megavolts. After 90-degree analysis, a proton beam of 1.5 microamperes was focused on the target over a wide range of voltage. Quite recently proton beams up to seven microamperes have been obtained in the initial tests of a second tandem accelerator.

Measurements on proton beam after deflection by the 90-degree magnet, showed that it was homogeneous in energy to ± 0.02 per cent. In some of the tests, negative oxygen ions were injected into the accelerator. When the terminal was at four megavolts, observations at the target showed that some of these negative ions were completely stripped in passing through the terminal, thus reaching an energy of 36 Mev. Before shipment of the accelerator to Chalk River, some neutron threshold measurements⁴ were made in the proton energy range from 1.8 to 10.5 Mev.

Some possibilities for future development

An important feature of the tandem design is that the ion source and initial accelerating and focusing arrangements are situated outside the pressure tank, rather than inside the terminal and tank, as in the usual type of electrostatic accelerator. This external location will greatly facilitate the future development of improved ion sources and injection. It also affords ample space and accessibility for the possible introduction of various new injection devices such as multiple-ion sources, apparatus for the polarization of particle beams and equipment for beam pulsing.

Let us now turn to the consideration of future possibilities for the attainment of higher particle energies by tandem acceleration. Obviously, one method is by the use of higher terminal potentials. At present the ceiling in this direction is represented by the ONR accelerator at M.I.T., built by J. G. Trump, and used since 1951 by W. W. Buechner for nuclear research at

Figure 4

POSITIVE ION	TWO-STAGE	THREE-STAGE	FOUR-STAGE
Hydrogen	13.4	20.1	26.8
Helium	20.1	26.8	40.2
Oxygen	60.3	67.0	120.6

POSITIVE-ION ENERGIES IN MEV for Three Different Arrangements of Tandem Accelerators

Assumption: Terminal potential = 6.7. megavolts. Complete stripping of positive ions.

H. E. Gove, J. A. Kuehner, A. E. Litherland, E. Almqvist, D. A. Bromley, A. J. Ferguson, P. H. Rose, R. P. Bastide, N. Brooks, and R. J. Connor, Phys. Rev. Letters, 1, 251 (October 1958).

terminal potentials up to 10 megavolts. It is to be expected that in future accelerators there will be continuing increases in the terminal potentials attainable, due not only to growth in the size of accelerators but also to continued progress in high-voltage techniques which will make possible the insulation of still higher voltages in a given size of accelerator.

A more radical method of seeking higher tandem particle energies is by the use of more than two stages of acceleration. Figure 2 shows a diagram of a possible arrangement for a three-stage tandem accelerator. The positive-ion beam from the ion source at the right is deflected by an analyzing magnet so that the desired positive ions are directed along the axis of the acceleration tubes. In the neutralizing canal these positive ions encounter an amount of hydrogen which, though relatively small, is nevertheless sufficient to cause the attachment of a single electron to most of the positive ions, thus producing a beam of neutral particles which proceeds to the negative high-voltage terminal. In passing through the electron-adding canal situated in this terminal, some of the neutral particles capture an additional electron and become negative ions. These then receive their first main stage of acceleration in passing from the negative terminal to ground, where they are injected into the second pressure tank as a negative-ion beam of considerable energy. In this tank, the beam receives its second and third stages of acceleration.

The operation in this tank is quite similar to that shown in the tank in Figure 1, except that in Figure 2 the injected negative ions are about 100 times more energetic and are correspondingly more homogeneous in energy, so that they can be focused with great accuracy through the stripping canal in the positive terminal.

It is evident that an alternative arrangement for a three-stage tandem accelerator would be to have the complete apparatus for producing the negative ions installed within the negative high-voltage terminal. However, the use of a neutral particle beam, as indicated in Figure 2, appears more promising, as it would make it possible for the particle injector to be external and at ground, a situation having enormous long-run advantages, some of which have been already mentioned. Obviously such use of a neutral particle beam is practical only if the associated particle scattering is quite small. Some encouraging experimental observations in regard to the scattering effect have been made both at HVEC⁵ and M.I.T.⁶.

Figure 3 shows how a four-stage tandem accelerator could be made by the addition of two 180° deflecting magnets and an additional section of acceleration tube, the target being located inside the negative high-voltage terminal.

Figure 4 is a table showing possible positive-ion output energies for hydrogen, helium, and oxygen. It is for three different tandem arrangements. The table is based on the assumption of a 6.7 megavolt terminal potential and on complete stripping of positive ions.

In the case of the four-stage tandem it is obvious that the inaccessibility of the target is a serious disadvantage. However, the effect of this difficulty could be much reduced by the development of special techniques and devices. It thus appears possible that four-stage tandems may later find usefulness for certain types of research needing mono-energetic positive ions in an energy range somewhat higher than otherwise available.

Nuclear research is a most promising field for tandems. It appears possible that, even with a three-stage accelerator, sufficient particle energies could be attained for very effective bombardment of even the heaviest atomic nuclei. The precision and flexibility of constant-voltage particle acceleration would thus be made available for nuclear investigations throughout the periodic table.

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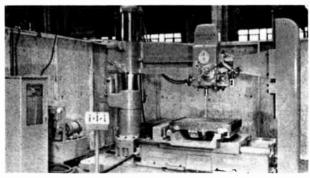
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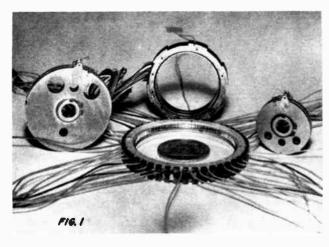
The control compares the input command informa-

tion with the actual position of the machine table as indicated by the transducers. The difference between command and actual table position is referred to as the error signal, and this error signal is amplified and used to operate a hydraulic valve which drives a piston. The valve drives the piston until the error signal disappears, and table position coincides with the command.



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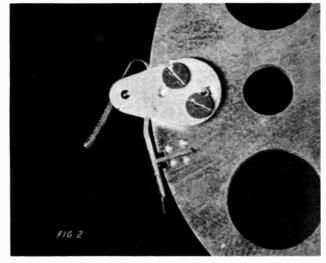


Fig. 3

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Miniature low level telemetering commutators

by Charles A. Logan*

Some five years ago, the Instrument Development Laboratories undertook to develop its first rotary switch. It is a rather simple switch by today's standards, being a 3-pole 12-channel, 10 RPS unit with liberal contact resistance and permissible brush bounce specifications. IDL had some background experience with slip ring and commutators due to commercial and military products, but compared to the knowledge and

type of rotary switch, many different and varied switches have been considered and designed. In general, the number of channels and rotor speeds have agreed with Telemetering Standards, the highest number of samples per second being 900. This maximum number of samples per second are obtained by sampling 30 channels, 30 times per second; 45 channels at 20 times per second; or 90 channels at 10 times per second.

techniques that are available today, it would appear to be incidental. Since the development and production of the first

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Other combinations will give the same result, but these are the more common.

The initial wafer was designed to have a 11/2" bore which lent itself well to 30 break before make contacts with duty cycles of up to 80% ON time, or 60 make before break contacts. Gear box and motors are designed interchangeably to provide common switching rates of 900, 600, 450, 300, 150, and 75 samples per second. When customer requirements increased to 45 and 90 break before make channels per pole, the 11/2" bore wafer was not suitable due to the higher angular tolerances that would have to be held and the narrowness of the dead segments in comparison to the length of the brush foot. A 50% increase in bore of the wafer was sufficient to permit realistic angular tolerances and dead segment lengths. Forty-five contacts with a 70% ON time duty cycle is possible in a single wafer section at this diameter. Figure 1 is a comparison of the 11/2" and 21/4" bore wafers. Also included are the respective balanced brush assemblies showing the fully pivoted jeweled brush suspension. Figure 2 is a close-up of the jeweled brush suspension. If these switches may be compared to fine watches, the simpler 3-pole switches contain 12 jewels, and the more complex, upwards of 24 jewels. Figure 3 is a variation of the 21/4" bore wafers with which 90% BBM duty cycles are obtained in either 45 or 90 channels per pole.

To trace the evolution of switch designs, Figure 4 shows various models of rotary switches, telemetering switches, and others destined for use in pulse, amplitude, pulse duration and pulse width modulation systems. All of these switches use the 1½" bore wafers. Figure 5 shows the first switch design using the 2¼" bore wafers. This switch is a 4-pole unit with two poles having 90 contacts and a 10 RPS rotor speed and two poles being 45 contact with a 20 RPS rotor speed. This two-speed application was accomplished by mounting two brushes with 180° separation, thus effectively doubling the rotor speed, and wiring a 90-channel wafer as two independent 45-channel wafers. Using the same basic design approach as in the 1½" bore switches, the physical size of the switch increased proportionally.

Miniature commutator design

The desire of customers for minimum volume and weight necessitated serious redesign considerations. From these considerations emerged the company's Miniature, Low Level Commutator. Figure 6 is a picture of this switch. Outside dimensions are $3\frac{1}{4}$ " height, $3\frac{1}{16}$ " wide, and $3\frac{1}{4}$ " long. The capabilities of this switch are as follows:

- 1. Rotor speeds of 10, 20, and 30 RPS are available, the rotor being driven by a capacitor split phase, hysteresis synchronous motor.
- 2. Up to 4 poles are available with 90, 45, or 30 contacts per pole.
- 3. Multiple pole speeds are available; that is, it is possible to have a 90-channel, 10 RPS pole; a 45-channel, 20 RPS pole; and a 30-channel, 30 RPS pole within the same envelope with no increase in size.
- 4. Typical timing specifications for the 90-contact, 10 RPS rotor speed are that leading edges of adjacent channels within a pole may be held to the nominal 1,111 microseconds to better than ± 50 microseconds. Phasing of leading edges of channels from pole to pole may be held to better than ± 100 microseconds. The tolerance for the 45-channel, 20 RPS rotor speed is better than ± 25 microseconds within a pole, and better than ± 50 microseconds from pole to pole. To achieve these accuracies mechanically, it is necessary to main-

tain tolerance accumulation on 182 critical dimensions from exceeding $\pm .007$ ".

5. A magnetic pulser is available on the 45-contact, 20 RPS units in lieu of a trigger pole if desired. The pulser output is 1 volt peak to peak when working into a 1,500-ohm load with a pulse width of 120 microseconds. Pulse to pulse time is held to ± 25 microseconds and is not accumulative. Phasing of the pulser to the channels is arbitrary to customer specifications.

Now that some of the operational capabilities of this new switch have been given, let us consider the design of the switch to see how the reduction in size has been accomplished. Later we will return to some of the environmental and electrical tests that the switch has been subjected to.

The basic reduction in size was accomplished by positioning the motor within the switch rotor. Figure 7 shows the rotor. On this rotor you will note the landed rotor for the magnetic pulser, the metallic balanced brushes in their jewel pivots, the bearing seat, a ring gear which is a 64-pitch, 160-tooth gear, and the clearance cavity into which the hysteresis synchronous motor is inserted.

Figure 8 is a view of the wafers stacked into the barrel casting as well as the wires terminated to the header. Teflon insulated wire is used throughout the switch. On the side of casting are small ports by which

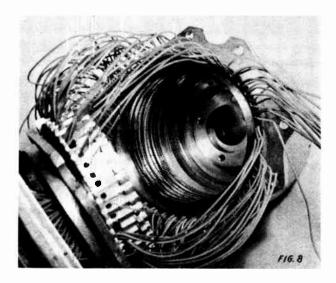




Fig. 6



Fig. 7



LOW IMPEDANCE NOISE TEST

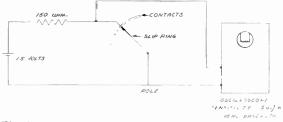


Fig. 9

HEMMICOUPLE TIPE HOISE TEST

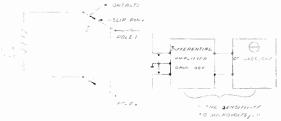


Fig. 10

phasing adjustments between poles are made. Set screws are inserted after phasing to lock the poles in place. The other parts shown in this illustration are a lead-wire spreader and bearing cap which supports the rear of the rotor.

The motor and rotor are inserted into the opening shown. The motor is piloted and retained on the rear face of the casting, and the rotor with the brushes retracted by a special tool, pilots into the I.D. of a ball bearing inner race, already inserted at the back of the barrel. Motor heat is dissipated by metallic contact of the motor onto rear face of the barrel, and thence to the outer case of the switch. The slip ring closest to the opening is for rotor grounding; its brush is therefore soldered to the rotor.

Aluminum parts have been used as much as possible to minimize weight.

The gear train, consisting of the motor pinion, idler, and the rotor ring gear, is located at the rear of the barrel casting. It is in essence a planetary system.

The motor for this switch is a 400-cycle, either 8 or 12,000 rpm, capacitor split phase hysteresis synchronous type. The capacitor is mounted internal to the switch. Power consumption is 15 watts starting, and 8 to 10 watts operating.

Some of the environmental tests the commutators have been subjected to are as follows:

Vibration

The commutators have been subjected to the vibration spectrum along each axis of MIL-E-5272A, extended from 500 to 2,000 cps at 10 g's. In addition, to meet a particular customer specification, the commutators were subjected to 40 g's from 200 to 500 cps along each axis.

Operationally, the switches have performed satisfactorily throughout the vibration spectrum with no evidence of noise, brush bounce, loss of signal, or other erratic behavior that could be attributed to the vibration amplitude or frequency. Initially some difficulty was experienced with an overstressed rotor loading washer which resulted in rather severe noise above 10 g's at certain frequencies. When this was corrected, the switch design was found to be basically sound for withstanding vibrations of this magnitude.

Temperature

The commutators have started and operated satisfactorily in ambients of 32°F to 167°F. Tests are underway to determine switch operation at 125°C. Insufficient tests have been run at —55°C to determine the permissible satisfactory operating range for a unit that must start and operate satisfactorily at this temperature.

Since dissipation of motor generated heat was of major concern, tests were conducted to determine the temperature rise within various parts of the switch when operating in an ambient of 170°F. Temperature indicators were placed on the outside of the motor, on the rotor, on the I.D. of the wafers, on the barrel casting, and in several places within the switch case. The maximum temperature rise was found to be at the motor shell and amounted to a 30°F above the ambient of 175°F. No other point within the switch had more than a 20°F rise above ambient. During these tests, the switch was mounted on a 6" by 6" aluminum plate \(^14\)" thick.

Life

IDL experience with other switches indicates a

guarantee of 500 hours service free life can be achieved. Our life tests to date (June 1958), have extended approximately 200 hours, at which time, in several instances, fretting corrosion of the motor shaft has been the sole cause of failure. One remedy for this situation is to reduce motor speed from 12,000 to 8,000 rpm. Other techniques are being worked out to correct the situation with both the ball bearing and motor manufacturers. The commutating section consisting of wafers and brushes have been tested in excess of 500 hours without deterioration. With the fretting corrosion problem under control, the switch will demonstrate 500 hours service free life.

Atmosphere

Because the unit is hermetically sealed with a military approved finish, sand, dust, rain, humidity, etc., are not serious considerations. The hermetic connectors are, however, subject to the usual altitude conditions. In most applications, the motor excitation voltage is 115 volts, 400 cycles, and when adjacent pins are used, the altitude limitation is about 80,000 ft. By separating the excitation pins, higher altitudes are permissible.

Operationally, the design of the commutator is such that either hi level, 0 to 5 volts, or low level, in the millivolt range, may be sampled by any pole of the commutator. IDL uses one noise circuit to determine brush contact resistance and another to test minimum noise when the unit is destined for use in thermocouple circuitry.

The first noise circuit is shown in Figure 9 and is known as the low impedance noise test. An oscilloscope with a sensitivity of 5 millivolts per centimeter is used to monitor the variations in brush resistance. Ten milliamps flow in the circuit when the slip ring passes over the contact, thus 0.5 ohms dynamic brush resistance is equivalent to 5 millivolts, which is easily read on the oscilloscope. Normal brush contact resistance is approximately 0.2 ohms.

Secondly, for low level, low impedance, transducers, such as thermocouple applications, the circuit shown in Figure 10 is applicable. In this circuit, both sides of the transducer are switched through poles which have been phased in line. A simulated impedance of 200 ohms is used to represent the transducer. A

differential amplifier is shown to reduce common mode interference. Some tests have been run with a single channel amplifier grounding one of the slip rings with the result that, in both cases, the noise generated is approximately 20 to 30 microvolts. Considerable care is taken to shield the leads adequately. Both sides of the motor excitation were floating during these tests.

The results on the noise tests were very encouraging, particularly in this new design wherein the motor is placed within the wafer structure. A series of tests were run prior to the switch design to test the degree of magnetic or electrostatic voltage that might be coupled into the wafers. The tests showed that magnetic coupling was immeasurable, and that electrostatic coupling in the millivolt region was present which could be reduced to a negligible quantity by an electrostatic shield. In the commutator, this shield is the rotor itself as connected to the very effective grounding slip ring that was pointed out in Figure 8.

Conclusion

The factors discussed in this article are those most important in the design and application of IDL's Miniature Commutator in particular, and the company's standard switches in general. The primary object being to permit a better understanding and appreciation of the characteristics of this type of telemetering commutator, as well as an insight into this particular design.

The importance of transmitting realistic and concise operational information to IDL early in a program cannot be too strongly emphasized. The project engineers responsible for the execution of prototype or product commutators welcome the receipt of this material in order that the commutators will undergo realistic operational tests prior to shipment.

The company's standard noise tests were arrived at after consideration of many customer specifications. They do not supersede specific customer specifications, but they are in general more rigid and usually result in customer satisfaction. The switches are subjected to specific test conditions when they are available. Thus, when adequate test information is available early in a program, the customer is assured that a satisfactory commutator will be delivered on schedule.

Electronics serves management labor relations

A novel method of keeping management and foremen up to date on union proceedings has been devised and put into use by Massey-Ferguson Limited. The system was designed and engineered by the Tandberg Division of Engineered Sound Systems Limited, in co-operation with the Bell Telephone Company of Canada.

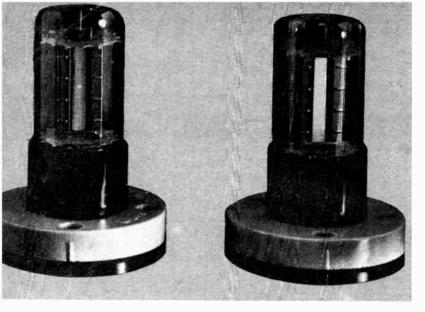
It consists essentially of a Tandberg Model 2F Tape Recorder, the stop, start and rewind functions of which can be remotely controlled, a special relay panel designed for this specific application by the Bell Telephone Company and six specially designated jack circuits on the local telephone switchboard.

Pertinent details and high points of previous days'

union proceedings are summarized into a three to five minute report, which is recorded on an endless tape loop and installed on the Tandberg Recorder each morning.

Upon receiving a call from any one interested in hearing the latest details concerning the union activities, the telephone switchboard operator has up to six circuits available into which she may connect the caller. The tape recorder starts immediately and continually repeats the prerecorded message as long as there is a patch cord plugged into any one of the six special jacks.

Massey-Ferguson report that this system has proven very satisfactory, and they say will be used again during the next round of management-union negotiations.



Cold cathode and hot cathode audio amplifier tubes, such as might be found in a hi-fii set, operate side-by-side. The outside plates have been removed to show difference in luminescent glow of new tube shown at right from older type tube (left). This glow is directly proportionate to electron emission and the uniform glow shown indicates stable cathode emission.

A new tube which approaches the transistor in power economy and even surpasses it in some other respects is seen as a major step toward new and more effective devices for our defense.

An MgO cold cathode electron source

by Dr. D. Dobischek*

A radically new cool-running radio tube, considered the first major breakthrough in basic tube design in more than 30 years, glows blue instead of red and uses less than one-tenth the power of a standard tube. Developed jointly by the U.S. Army Signal Corps and Tung-Sol Electric Inc., it is considered that the tube could have as great an impact on electronics as the discovery of the transistor.

The new "cold cathode" tube operates on an entirely new principle discovered by Dr. Dietrich Dobischek of the U.S. Army Signal Research and Development Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N.J. It could be the forerunner of a new line of general-purpose tubes for broad military and civilian use.

Early reliability tests indicate the tube may well outlast any equipment in which it is used. This means future radios and TV sets equipped with cold cathode tubes may rarely if ever require tube replacement.

The cold cathode principle is believed adaptable to almost all types of electron tubes, including TV screens, giant radar and fransmitting tubes, as well as nearly all general-purpose radio tubes. Miniature and sub-miniature tubes, which could rival the transistor in size, are also feasible.

It could also create a revolution in tube design by making possible the first reliable "secondary emission multiplier" — potentially the world's highest gain amplifier tube. The device would allow design of simplified miniature circuits, more efficient than today's bulkier units. Until now, though, this type of tube has always failed because the hot cathode contaminated other elements in the glass envelope. By eliminating the hot cathode, the new tube solves this problem, and test models are under design. Ordinary tubes, ever since their invention, have

Ordinary tubes, ever since their invention, have required a hot cathode element to generate needed electrons. But this heating takes a large percent of the power and forces the use of more complicated circuits or extra batteries. In the new tube, the hot element is replaced by a cold cathode — a tiny nickel cylinder specially coated with porous magnesium oxide (chemically identical to dried milk of magnesia). Instead of heat, a high voltage field causes the electron flow, which in turn produces the tube's characteristic phosphorescent blue glow.

This reaction requires a barely perceptible amount of electricity. A cold cathode tube can idle on 5 millionths of a watt, a tremendous saving over standard tubes. And future designs should be even more efficient.

The new tube also springs to life as soon as it is turned on, while an ordinary tube requires several seconds for warm-up.

Like the discovery of vulcanization and the X-ray, the new tube principle was uncovered by accident. While experimenting on field-enhanced secondary emission, Dr. Dobischek noticed that one of his experimental tubes kept running even though he turned off the primary current. After years of research at the Army Signal Corps Laboratory's Techniques Branch, he perfected a surface that would continue to emit electrons indefinitely.

The first models of these revolutionary tubes were demonstrated by being put to work in a high fidelity record player and a public address system.

The Army sees the discovery as leading to even

^{*} U.S. Army Signal Research Development Loboratory.

smaller, faster-acting walkie-talkies, and simplified design of other communications gear where the heat generated by conventional tubes poses serious problems.

The new tube is extremely resistant to heat and atomic radiation, important in military equipment which must withstand exposure to a nuclear blast or the searing heat of a missile nose-cone.

History and mechanism of the MgO cold cathode

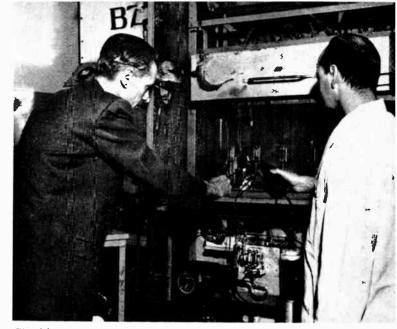
The MgO cold cathode is an electron source which is based upon a unique electron emission phenomenon. This phenomenon was discovered at the Signal Corps Research and Development Laboratory, in the course of a study of the field-enhanced secondary emission from MgO. In these experiments, thin MgO layers were deposited on a nickel base and bombarded with electrons possessing sufficient energy to produce secondary electron emission from the MgO. The secondary electrons were collected at a nearby collector electrode, as commonly practiced in secondary emission studies. Once when the primary electron beam bombarding the MgO surface was turned off with the voltage still applied to the collector electrode, the surprising observation was made that the MgO layer continued to emit electrons without any external stimulus. Neither heat, as required for the operation of a standard thermionic cathode, nor external light, as required for the functioning of a photocathode, was necessary to keep alive the emission current from the MgO. By varying the voltage at the collector electrode, this self-sustained current could be controlled easily for many hours from a few microamps to several tens of milliamperes. It was natural that the discovery of this novel and interesting electron emission effect stimulated further exploration of the phenomenon for both theoretical and practical reasons.

It was soon discovered that the ability of the MgO to render self-sustained electron emission was extremely dependent upon the methods of preparing the MgO layers. Therefore, the prime effort was directed towards the development of suitable preparation techniques. The early methods, using vacuum techniques primarily, yielded highly emissive MgO coatings, thus strengthen-

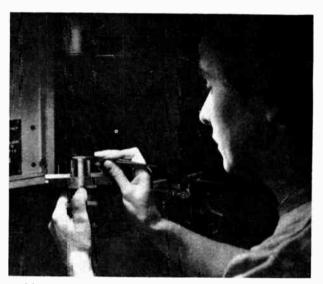


(Above) Engineers check the mechanical tube dimensions against drawings.

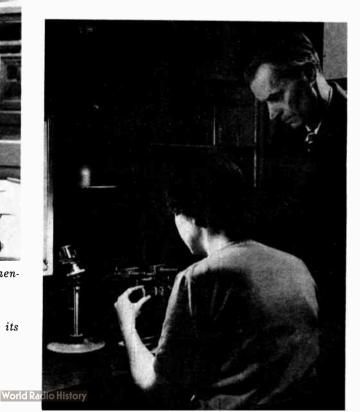
(Right) Welding the assembled tube and checking its operation are carried out simultaneously.



Checking the vacuum on the exhaust machine.



Making the final mechanical assembly of the cold cathode tube.



ing the desire for practical use of these coatings as useful cathodes. However, the methods were inconvenient for large-scale production of the cathodes. Furthermore, the reproducibility of the results was unsatisfactory. Yet, during this phase of the work, much was learned about the basic requirements for obtaining layers with good emission qualities. For instance, it was recognized that a certain type of porous structure of the cathode coatings was very important for obtaining maximum emission yields. Heat treatment of the MgO coatings in O2 was found to be an essential factor for the development of the self-sustained emission phenomenon. The damaging effects of moisture were detected, and many other pieces of helpful information were gradually accumulated. With all this knowledge attained, a simple technique was finally developed which was suitable for large scale production of efficient and reproducible MgO cathodes. This technique was then further improved, and the resulting cathodes were successfully employed in electron tubes under a Signal Corps contract with Tung-Sol Electric Inc.

A few concluding remarks on the concept of the mechanism of the self-sustained emission from MgO as it presents itself to date should be mentioned. From experiments done thus far, it is known that when the emission is started from an MgO cold cathode, a positive charge is developed at the surface of the MgO layer. Since the cathode coatings are very thin, a high electrical field is created across the coatings. It is assumed that under the influence of this high electrical field, electrons liberated within the MgO are multiplied by an avalanche process, and gain sufficient energy to leave the MgO and enter the vacuum. The liberation of the electrons which initiates the avalanche, is tentatively assumed to be the result of a photoelectric effect in which photons are ejected during the recombination of positive ions with electrons. This concept of the self-sustained emission can be considered at present only as a first approximation in explaining the self-sustained emission phenomenon. Further proof of the validity of the basic theory is needed, and many details have to be clarified in future work. Experiments in this direction are under way, and it is felt quite strongly that the further exploration of the more fundamental problems will be rewarding in many respects. Not only will each piece of information on the mechanism of the self-sustained emission greatly aid in making the best use of the MgO cold cathode, but a better insight into the fundamentals might also lead the way to materials even more suitable for displaying the self-sustained emission effect than MgO.

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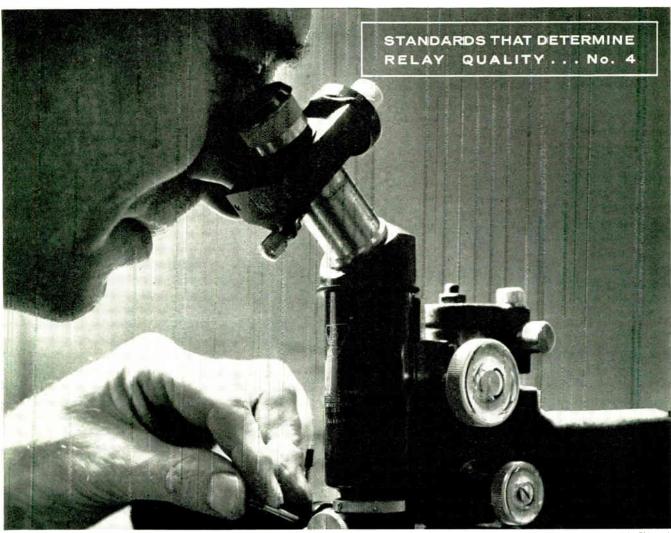
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News Report

A monthly roundup of news and personnel changes in the Canadian electronics industry

Union Carbide Canada creates new executive post

The election of F. Perry Wilson to the newly created office of executive vice-president, Union Carbide Canada Limited, has been announced by A. A. Cumming, president of the company. Mr. Wilson's election took place at



F. Perry Wilson

a meeting of the board of directors held at the company's head office in Toronto on April 14, 1959.

Mr. Wilson joined the Bakelite organization in 1941. He assumed the posi-

tion of vice-president in charge of sales of Bakelite Company, Division of Union Carbide Canada Limited in 1953, becoming president the following year. In 1956, Mr. Wilson was appointed a vice-president, and in 1958 he was elected a director of Union Carbide Canada Limited.

In his new position at Union Carbide, Mr. Wilson assumes added responsibilities for the direction of one of Canada's foremost manufacturing organizations.

EIA chairman speaks at electronics industry luncheon

Announcement has been made of the acceptance of Ronald M. Robinson, vice-president and general manager of the Canadian General Electric Company Limited, and chairman of the Electronic Industries Association of Canada, to be guest speaker at the 16th annual Canadian Luncheon to be held ir the "Beverly Room" of the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, on Tuesday, May 19. This event is in connection with the 1959 Electronic Parts Distributors' Show which will be in progress in the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, from May 18 to 20 inclusive.

Luncheon reservations may be made by contacting the luncheon secretary — John Rochford, 25 Taylor Drive. Toronto 6, Ontario.

Election of Officers IRE Toronto Section

The officers for the 1959-1960 season of the IRE Toronto Section were elected at the April 7th meeting of the group.

They are: Chairman - R. J. A.

Turner, Lake Engineering Company, Limited; Vice-Chairman — K. Mac-Kenzie, McCurdy Radio Industries Limited; Secretary-Treasurer — G. T. Quigley, Philips Electronics Industries. Limited.

E. E. Whittaker changes office location

Effective May 1, 1959, the head office of E. E. Whittaker, electronic manufacturers' representatives, was moved to 2137 Niagara Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. The previous address was P.O. Box 3255, Arnprior, Ontario.

Pacific Electronics Ltd. established in Vancouver

G. D. McRae and J. S. Baxter, formerly on the staff of Canadian Marconi Company, have left that organization to establish their own company in Vancouver under the name of Pacific Electronics Limited. The new company, which opens early in May at 1641 West Second Avenuc. Vancouver, will have 5,000 square feet of warehouse space and office accommodation with an adjacent 4,000 square foot parking lot.

Pacific Electronics will handle a complete line of electronic tubes, components and equipment for service technicians and industrial accounts in British Columbia.



G. D. McRae



J. S. Baxter

For the last five years Mr. McRae has been general sales manager of the Electronic Tube & Components Division of Canadian Marconi in Toronto. Previous to that he was manager of Radiotron Sales, assistant sales manager in the Montreal office, and midwest district sales representative with headquarters in Winnipeg.

Mr. Baxter has been branch manager of Canadian Marconi in Vancouver for the past seven years, where he was responsible for all product lines of Canadian Marconi in British Columbia. Prior to that he was B.C. and Alberta sales representative. He is widely known in the electronics industry in Western Canada.

Allied Industrial Electronics move to Streetsville

Allied Industrial Electronics of Canada Ltd. have announced their recent amalgamation with C. C. Meredith & Co. Ltd., of Streetsville, Ontario, manufacturers of variable resistors.

The company will be known as Industrial Electronics of Canada, Division of C. C. Meredith & Co. Ltd. The address is 80 Thomas Street, Streetsville. Contact may be made through a Toronto telephone number — ATwater 9-9001.

In their new quarters Industrial Electronics have ample space to cope with the increasing demand for their line of dry plate rectifiers, silicon and selenium types, together with the latest developments in magnetically regulated rectifiers and power supplies for communication and industrial services.

R & M Bearings distribute Weston Oil and Fluid Seals

The appointment of R & M Bearings Canada Ltd. as exclusive industrial distributors in Canada for Weston Oil and Fluid Seals was recently announced.

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Conway Electronic Enterprises represents Kelvin Sales Co.

Kelvin Sales Company, 5921 Noble Avenue, Van Nuys, California, has recently been formed to function as a distributor of products manufactured by Kelvin Electric Company, of Van Nuys, California, Kelvin Corporation, Fajardo, Puerto Rico, and other component manufacturers.

Kenneth T. Eckardt, president of Kelvin Sales Company, announces that the sales company will operate on a national basis through representatives. The Canadian distributor for this concern is Conway Electronic Enterprises, 1514 Eglinton Avenue West, Toronto 10. Ontario. Telephone: RU. 3-6576.

Eitel-McCullough Inc. holds dedication

On April 16, 1959, Eitel-McCullough Inc., manufacturer of Eimac electron-power tubes, observed the dedication of its new corporate headquarters and manufacturing facility at San Carlos, California. A press conference and luncheon preceded the actual dedication ceremony.

The guest speaker on that occasion was E. Finley Carter, president of Stanford Research Institute, who remarked on the evolution of communications including new modern methods and those of the future. To demonstrate this communications theme, one in which the company has been involved during its 25 year history, plans were made to attempt a long distance radio contact at UHF using lunar echo techniques, the signal being transmitted from Alaska to the moon and reflected to the San Carlos plant.

DDP contracts for electronics and communications fields

In the month of March 1959 contracts for electronics and communications equipment were awarded by the Department of Defense Production as follows: radar equipment — Abercorn Aero Ltd., Montreal, Que., \$21,682;

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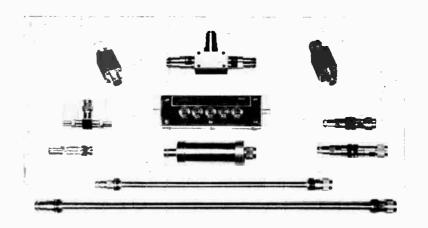
Sponsored by the Electronic Industries Association of Canada, the 16-week night school course on television servicing concluded with the presentation of diploms to fifteen graduates. Shown above are head table guests at the graduation ceremony. Royal York Hotel, Toronto: (Left to right) Cowan Harris, exec. secretary of EIA; James Sands, radio and television service manager, Philips Electronics Industries Ltd.; Fred Ratcliffe, general manager, EIA; William Hodsoll, field service representative, Canadian Admiral Corp. Ltd. and chairman, Service Committee, EIA; Eric Palin, administrative assistant to the principal, Ryerson Institute of Technology and general chairman, IRE Canadian Convention; Stuart Brownlee, president of Canadian Admiral Corp. Ltd.; and Herbert W. Jackson, director of electronics, Ryerson Institute of Technology.

electronic equipment — Cossor (Canada) Ltd., Halifax, N.S., \$11,124; Instronics Ltd., Stittsville, Ont., \$24,380; R.C.A. Victor Co. Ltd., Ottawa. Ont., \$55,311; Sperry Gyroscope Ottawa Ltd., Ottawa, \$12,462; Bayly Engineering Ltd., Ottawa, \$46,876; Electronic Materiels International Ltd., Ottawa, \$68,297; Measurement Engineering Ltd., Arnprior, Ont., \$64,001; Stand-

ard Telephones & Cables Mfg. Co. (Canada) Ltd., Montreal, \$71,635; electronic tubes — Ahearn & Soper Co. Ltd., Ottawa, \$19,527; Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., Toronto, \$12,352; electronic components — Marsland Engineering Ltd., Waterloo, Ont., \$30,875; communications equipment — T.M.C. (Canada) Ltd., Ottawa, \$13,800.

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Canadian Research Institute is located at 46 St. George St., Toronto 5, Ontario.

F. C. Burridge handles Sigma sales in Eastern Canada

Sigma Instruments, Inc. of South Braintree, Massachusetts, manufacturer of sensitive relays, has recently appointed Frank C. Burridge as district sales manager for Eastern Canada and the New England States.

Well known to electronics firms in this area, Mr. Burridge has been active in a sales-engineering capacity for the past several years.

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P. A. MacPhee

J. R. Wolter, president, Croven Limited (formerly W. Gary Wright Electronics of Canada Ltd) recently announced the appointment of Paul A. MacPhee as vice-president, sales. Mr. MacPhee will be responsible for the direction of sales, sales promotion and advertising in this company's rapidly expanding quartz crystal and crystal oven market in Canada, the United States and overseas.



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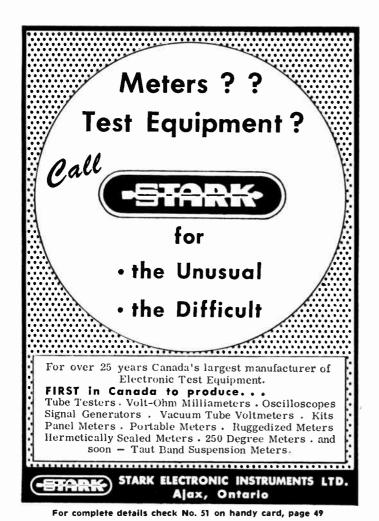
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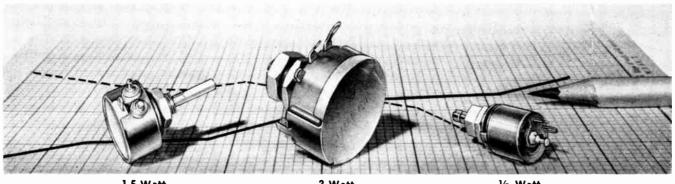
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Potter & Brumfield Canada appoints plant manager

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duction and sales positions with the company in both Princeton and Laconia, New Hampshire, and joined the Canadian operation in July 1958.

Dayrand Ltd. represents Carl W. Schutter

Dayrand Limited of Montreal, Que., has been appointed the exclusive Canadian representative for Carl W. Schutter Microwave Corporation of Long Island, N.Y., producer of waveguide and waveguide fittings of all types. The announcement was made by D. S. Wilson of Dayrand Limited.

Information on Carl W. Schutter products may be obtained by contacting Dayrand Limited, 4612 St. Catherine St. W., Montreal 6, Que.

General manager appointed for Renfrew Electric Co.

William M. Keddie, M.Sc., has joined the Renfrew Electric Co. Limited. Renfrew, Ontario, as general manager,

according to a recent announcement by J. R. Longstaffe, president of the company, succeeding H. Young who retired last Decemher



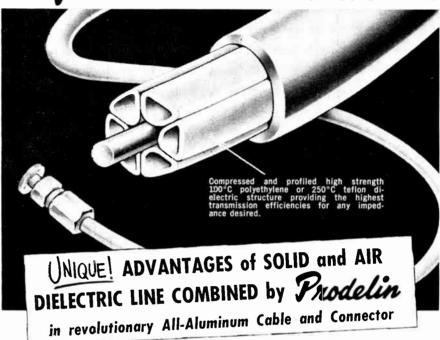
W. M. Keddie

Mr. Keddie, retired RAF Group

Captain, brings to his new post many years of wide and valuable engineering and administrative experience. He is a graduate of Queens University in mechanical engineering, a graduate from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in aeronautical engineering and is a member of the Association of Professional Engineers and of the Canadian Aeronautical Institute.

Prior to joining Renfrew Electric Co. Limited, Mr. Keddie was vicepresident of Renfrew Aircraft & Engineering Company of Renfrew, Ontario.



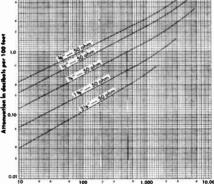


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Miniature lowpass filters Item 2333

Miniature Lowpass Filters are available Miniature Lowpass Filters are available from TT Electronics, Inc., P.O. Box 180, Culver City, California. These small-size, low-cost filters have 50 db minimum attenuation at the critical frequency. Attenuation of 25 db or more is maintained as high as 10 times this specified frequency. The passband insertion loss falls to 3 db at 0.01 times the maximum attenuation frequency. Rejection frequency. attenuation frequency. Rejection frequencies as low as 20 cps can be specified for these RC Networks.

These Miniature Filters are encapsulated These Miniature Filters are encapsulated in an epoxy resin for stability under extreme environmental conditions. The cylindrical package is 13 inches in diameter and 1½ inches high. Mounting is accomplished by means of three #18 solid copper tinned leads. Variations of this printed-circuit board package are available. Also available are hermetically sealed and encapsulated Lowpass Filters with the same frequency characteristic and with 55 or 60 frequency characteristic and with 55 or 60 db critical frequency notches. Deposited carbon resistors and Mylar capacitors are used in these low cost Networks for good temperature stability.

For additional information, contact TT Electronics, Inc., P.O. Box 180, Culver City, California, U.S.A.

Crystal ovens Item 2334

Significant advancements in the design of crystal ovens have been announced by Croven Limited (formerly W. Gary Wright Electronics of Canada, Ltd.), Whitby, Ontario, with the development and production of ovens incorporating the Stevens Snap-action thermostat. Internal switching for voltage selection is accomplished by simply rotating a rugged self-locking switch. This facility substantially reduces customers' inventory.

Aside from the advantage of greatly improved temperature stability as compared to the conventional creeper-type thermostat control, this new design assures greater life due to the more positive action of the Snap-action thermostat. Extensive filter networks normally associated with conventional ovens are no longer required.



The almost negligible amount of thermal aging contributes greatly to the marked improvement in stability.

For further details and design information to individual specifications, contact Croven Limited, 628 Kent Street, Whitby, Ontario, Canada.

Mercury plunger flashers

Item 2335

Philips Electronics Industries Ltd., representing Ebert Electronics Corporation, are pleased to announce the immediate availability of Mercury Plunger Flashers, having a wide variety of factory pre-set

The operating principle of this new product utilizes a flashing mechanism which controls a low power (8 watts or less) coil of the Ebert Mercury Plunger Relay. Load of the Ebert Mercury Plunger Relay. Load power is applied through a hermetically sealed, mercury-to-mercury contact, controlled by a freely floating plunger, and is inherently capable of withstanding inrush currents of ten to twenty times the rated value. Failures due to fused contacts, surge currents, or arcing are entirely eliminated and there is no contact bounce.

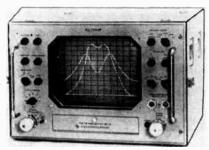
since the system is entirely free of mechanical constraints, operating life in excess of ten million cycles may be realized.

For further information, write to Philips Electronics Industries Ltd., 116 Vanderhoof Avenue, Toronto 17, Ontario, Canada.

Electronic measuring instrument

Item 2336

A new type of electronic measuring instrument that can be used for checking almost any four-terminal network is now available in Canada from The Ahearn and Soper Company Limited.



Known as Polyskop Type SWOB BN 4244, the instrument was developed by Rohde & Schwartz to meet stringent laboratory and test department requirements. It displays two separate quantities as a function of a given frequency — in the form of continuous curves, making tedious point by point measurements unnecessary.

In the sweep signal generator, a frequency modulated oscillator produces the swept-frequency test signal. The centre frequency of the bank to be swept is adjustable in five ranges covering 0.5 to 400 mc, and the sweep width is continuously variable between +0.2 and +50 mc. The source impedance adjusts automatically to zero, and an attenuator permits adjust-ment of the generator output voltage— the EMF being variable in 10-db steps between Imv and Iv.

Crystal-controlled or external-frequency

markers can be spaced as required to markers can be spaced as required to provide a frequency scale corresponding in length to the sweep width of the sweep signal generator. The vertical scale, a replaceable plexiglass graticule with linear subdivisions can be calibrated with an accuracy better than 0.5 db. Calibration is unaffected by characteristics of rectifiers in the circuit under test and indicates overloading immediately.

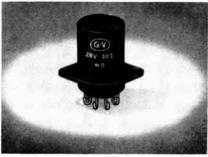
For further details and illustrated literature, write to: The Ahearn and Soper Company Limited, 384 Bank Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Thermal time delay relay

Item 2337

G-V Controls Inc. announces a new hermetically sealed thermal time delay relay of subminiature size. The new unit, which has a seated height only 78" above mounting panel, utilizes the same basic principle of longitudinal expansion as G-V's larger relays and is designed to withstand continuous 20 g vibration at frequencies up to 1,000 cps.



Contacts are single pole, single throw, either normally open or normally closed. Rating is 2 amps resistive at 115 volts AC or 28 volts DC. Time delays are factory set and sealed. Relays are offered in ten standard delays from 2 to 75 sec. and for standard heater voltages of 6.3, 28, and 115 volts. Non-standard delays and heater voltages are available on special order.

There are no resonances in the frequency range up to 1,000 cps. No false contact operation either in the de-energized or the saturated condition results from 20 g vibration over this range or from shock of 50 g, 11 ms. Ambient range is up to 85°C for continuous energization, up to 125°C for energization up to 3 minutes. Hooked terminals are provided. Pin connections and mounting dimensions are the same as those of standard miniature flanged relays. Diameter is 34"; height above panel 78"; overall body height 136". Weight is approximately 34 oz.

G-V Controls Inc., Okner

G-V Controls Inc., Okner Livingston, New Jersey, U.S.A. Parkway.

Portable radiotelephone

Item 2338

Spilsbury & Tindall Ltd. announce the design and manufacture of a new, lightweight portable medium frequency radio-telephone. Model "PRT-20" weighs 9 lbs., complete with lightweight batteries; covers a frequency range of 2 to 6 mc, and has a power output of one and one-half watts. The set has been partially transistorized, and uses miniature components throughout. Transceiver, batteries, microphone, wire aerial, and instruction manual, are all contained in a compact leather carrying case, measuring 81/4" x 111/4" x 41/2" — about the size of a lady's handbag.

This unit will find particular application

in forestry, survey, and field work, where its versatility enables it to be used either as a fixed station with heavy-duty batteries and a pre-cut aerial; or, during the fire season or as the necessity arises, it can be taken out and worked with its lightweight batteries from a random length of wire, or can serve as a "walkie-talkie", using the clip-on whip which fastens to the end of the case.

The unit has recently been tested by the Department of Transport, and listed as suitable for licensing.

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New Products

Direct reading R.F. head

Item 2339

Itek Corporation, Waltham, Mass., announce immediate delivery of their new Model 30X5 R.F. Head for use with their Model SA30 Microwave Spectrum Analyzer to cover the important 8,500 to 9,700 mc/s range of the X band.

With direct reading frequency dial, this unit is accurate to 0.05% or better. As a result, it is outstanding for speed with exceptional accuracy in all design, production, test and maintenance facilities. It features automatically tracked Reflector Voltage for constant display centering and a precision 80 decibel RF Input Attenuator.

Complete technical bulletins on the 30X5 R.F. Head and the SA30 Microwave Spectrum Analyzer are available on request to Itek Corporation, 1584 Trapelo Road, Waltham 54, Mass., U.S.A.

Multiple preset counter

Item 2340

Freed Transformer Company, Inc., Brooklyn, N.Y., is now making delivery on its new Multiple Preset Counter, Type 2020-4-6, designed and developed for counting and sequential predetermining control applications. This unique, high speed Freed Preset Counter is ideally suited for applications when a machine or a process is started manually and stops automatically at several preset counts in one operation. For example, one of the vital industrial operations which this new Multiple Preset Counter can be applied to is the winding of tapped torodial or transformer coils. The Freed Counter, Type 2020-4-6 performs this and scores of similar complex operations accurately and at great speed.

The new Freed Multiple Preset Counter is constructed only of premium components, using a minimum of computer type vacuum tubes, simplified circuits and a silicon power supply. As a result, this greater attention to overall instrument design has produced a quality preset counter which is extremely reliable and completely free of maintenance problems.



Specifications of Freed's new Preset Counter, Type 2020-4-6 include a maximum 4 digit count of 9,999, operated at counting speeds of 4,000 per second, and presets one through six. Various inputs supplied include Photocell, Switch Closure and Pulse. Output is a Relay DPDT-5 Amp. Contacts, with a 105-125, 50-60 cycles power supply. Dimensions for Type 2020-4-6 Preset Counters are 11 x 13 x 85%" deep. Complete unit weighs 19½ lbs.

For further information about the new Multiple Preset Counter, Type 2020-4-6 and other Freed Preset, Totalizing, Batching and Timing Counters write directly to manufacturer, Freed Transformer Company, Inc., 1716 Weirfield Street, Brooklyn (Ridgewood) 27, New York, U.S.A.

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0.73	400	40 H	280	7.5	75
	500	50 H	350	7.5	75
	600	60 H	420	7.5	75

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New Products

Decade oscillator

Item 2341

0.01 c/s (one cycle in a hundred seconds) to 11.2k c/s is the frequency range of this new, low frequency decade oscillator. Over the whole of this range the output is

the whole of this range the output is constant within ±1 db.

The circuit of this oscillator, which represents a new approach to the problem of providing very low frequency selective circuits, is based on a development of a circuit covered by British Patent No. 781,374 granted to the National Research Development Corporation; the instrument is made under license agreement and incorporates several improvements.

ments.

The principle of operation is that of solving a 2nd order differential equation with damping by using two integrator stages and a sign changer. More simply, the overall phase shift of 360° which is required for oscillation to occur is achieved by two electronic integrating circuits each having a phase shift of 90° — and a sign changer circuit having a phase shift

Two outputs -90° apart -Two outputs — 90° apart — are taken from the integrator circuits and are available at a level of 10 volts. Both outputs are directly coupled and the DC content is adjusted to a very low value by preset controls. The "0° output" is suitable for feeding into a load of 600 ohms and is adjusted by the properties of the p adjustable by an output attenuator down to --62 db ref 10 volts; the 90° output is suitable for a load of 10k ohms and is adjustable down to zero by means of a potentiometer.

In addition to forming part of the Muirhead Transfer Function Analyzer this oscillator finds many applications in the servo-engineering field where the study of low frequencies is of increasing importance.

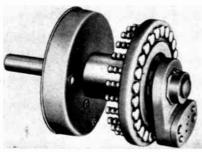
Other features of the instrument include its frequency accuracy, its very low harmonic content and the equality, or proportionality, of the two output levels.

Muirhead & Co. Limited, Beckenham, Kent, England.

Gold-laminated contacts and switches

Item 2342

The Daven Company, Livingston, New Jersey, announces the development of switches using special gold-laminated contacts and slip rings for use in extremely corrosive atmospheres.



In tests recently conducted on the Daven Type 11-CM-32 (a single-pole, 32-position, shorting type switch), the unit was suspended in a sulphur atmosphere at 45°C for 245 hours. The initial contact resistance reading before suspension in this atmosphere was .001 ohm to .002 ohm. After completion of the tests, the contact resistance was still only .0021 to .0025 ohm. The gold-laminated contacts and slip rings are available on all Daven switches

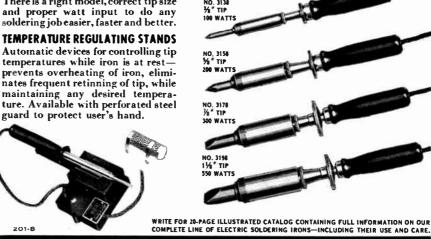
where extreme reliability is demanded of a switch which will be used in a highly corrosive atmosphere.

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New Products

High-temperature chromatograph

Item 2343

A new high-temperature chromatograph capable of separating and analyzing substances with boiling points up to $600^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ has been announced by Consolidated Electrodynamics Corporation.

The instrument, known as the Type 26-203 High-Temperature Chromatograph, has a maximum operating temperature of 500°C, which is beyond the range of conventional chromatographs. This is sufficient to vaporize samples with boiling points up to vaporize samples with boiling points up to 600°C. It is especially designed for laboratory analysts and researchers, particularly in the petroleum, petrochemical, and chemical industries.

In performing quantitative analyses of gases, liquids, and solids by the elution method, the chromatograph readily accom-

modates high-molecular-weight waxes, oils, plasticizers, silicone oils, fatty acids, biphenyls, terphenyls, glycols, phthalate esters, nitriles, and diglycerides.

In addition to high-temperature applications of the company of the

tions, the 26-203 may be used as a general-purpose laboratory instrument for all standard chromatographic analyses above 50°C. It is fast and easy to operate. Its performance at high temperatures is made possible through heat-shielding design and heat-resistant materials in the analyzer. The heat sink is composed of a special bronze alloy that will not corrode at elevated temperatures; seals on the detectors are made of Ceramicite, a high temperature insulating and vacuum-sealing compound; and the entire oven assembly is insulated and ventilated. Temperatures can be regulated within $\pm 0.5^{\circ} C.$

Modular design makes it possible to expand the instrument as analytical needs change. Several analyzer units may be operated from a single control unit, and since each analyzer can employ a different type column, the change-over from one type sample to another can be accomplished

Further information on the 26-203 High-Temperature Chromatograph, a product of CEC's Analytical and Control Instrument Division, appears in Bulletin 1847, available from Consolidated Electrodynamics Corporation, 300 North Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif., U.S.A.

Universal transistor tester

Item 2344

A universal transistor tester has been announced by The Reflectone Corporation, Stamford, Conn.

Designated Model TT-1, the device provides tests for both NPN and PNP type transistors, of the low, medium and high power types, and both socket and external leads are provided to accommodate the various transistor types. The tester checks leakage and gain characteristics as well as testing for shorts, and may also be used to check the reverse and forward current ratio on all diodes.



The unit provides an easy-to-read sensitive 50 microampere movement mounted in a sturdy case, is entirely self-contained, and requires no external power connection.

For further information, write The Reflectone Corporation, Post Road and Myano Lane, Stamford, Connecticut, U.S.A.

Portable electronic counter

Item 2345

Portable Electronic Counter, Model 1000-B, is announced by Performance Measurements Co. of Detroit, Michigan Capable of counting speeds to 12,000 counts per minute, this instrument combines a plug-in electronic decade with a five-digit mechanical register.

The Model 1000-B meets a variety laboratory, production and process counting needs. This instrument fills the gap between slower electro-mechanical counters and elaborate, high-speed multi-decade units. Counting pulses may be from photoelectric cells, magnetic pickups or contact closures. Input signals can be sinusoidal, rectangular or slow-rising.

Enclosed in a rugged aluminum case, the Model 1000-B counter weighs only seven pounds. The counter circuitry consists of an input amplifier, pulse sharper and electronic decade. With an accuracy of ± 1 count, the instrument will respond to electrical pulses with a peak amplitude of ±2½ volts. Operating from 105 to 125 volts AC, the counter contains an accessory power outlet of 90 volts DC for photocells etc. Special variations on basic design can be performed on request to Performance Measurements Co., 15301 W. McNichols, Detroit 35, Michigan, U.S.A.

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This Veeder-Root Reset Magnetic Counter (AC or DC) is actuated through electromagnets. And it may be connected in series with any device having a contact arrangement . . . like the specially designed Veeder-Root Electrical Contactor at the left, which insures positive operation of the counter, either in oscillation or connected directly to a revolving shaft . . . with the counter placed at

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New Products

Miniature telephone type relays

Item 2346

The MH Series Relay — considered to be one of the most widely used types of miniature telephone type relays in existence today — is now in production at the plant of Potter & Brumfield Canada Ltd.

plant of Potter & Brumfield Canada Ltd. of Guelph, Ontario.

The MH is used in airborne computers, measuring devices, communications systems and is one of the P&B relays used in the Atlas ICBM system. It is also used in industrial controls and other applications requiring many switching elements (up to 6pdt) controlled by a small signal voltage, approximately 1.6 watts at nominal voltage.

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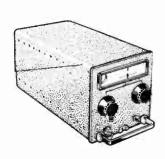


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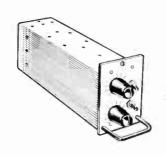
New concepts in electronics have been developed at AWA, as a result of experience with missile systems. Now they have a wider application. Here are some of the new AWA devices now available to industry.



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This Amplifier has been designed to drive viscous damped recording galvanometers which normally have a resistance of 50 ohms and a working range of DC to 2 Kc/s in frequency. The amplifier has a switched attenuator at its input and will accept single ended or push pull signals from \pm 1 Millivolt to \pm 500 volts and will feed a maximum of \pm 50 Milliamps to the galvanometer. There is also a range of ancillary units available for use with this Amplifier as part of a comprehensive instrumentation system. Standard specification: Dimensions: 4\frac{1}{2} in. x 3\frac{3}{4} in. x 10 in.; Frequency response: Flat from DC to 2 Kc/s, 5% down at 3 Kc/s, 3db down at 6 Kc/s; Noise Level: Less than 10 Microvolts; Input impedance: 40,000 ohms on range 5, 110,000 ohms all other ranges; Gain: Maximum 7.5 Milliamps/Millivolt, minimum 0.04 Milliamps/ Volt; Power requirements: ± 6 Volts DC 220 Milliamps each line

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New Products

Miniature telephone type relays

Item 2346

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This relay can switch up to 5 ampere, 15 volts 60 over pretting loads. It can be

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For additional information write Technical Information Department, Potter & Brumfield Canada Ltd., 135 Oxford Street, Guelph, Ontario.

AC voltage regulators Item 2347

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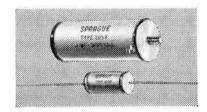
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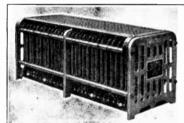
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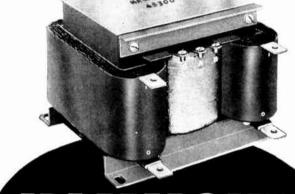








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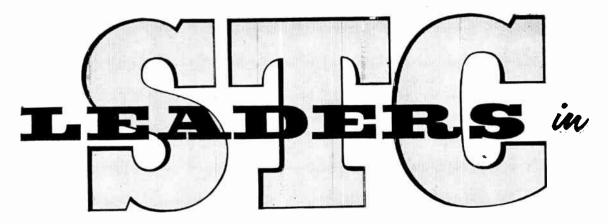
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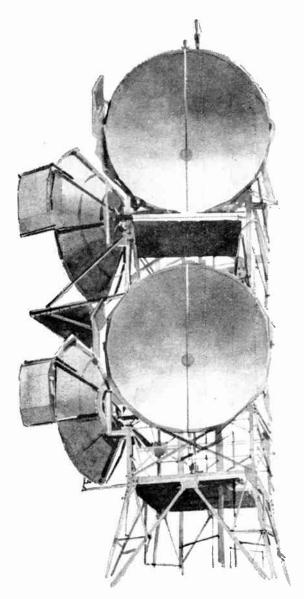
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Applications for the new miniature Servotran include actuators, computers, recorders, integrators and in airborne instrumentation where low torque shifting, high efficiency, wide speed range and low noise levels are important.

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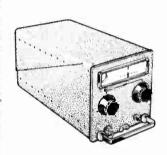
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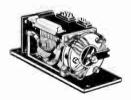


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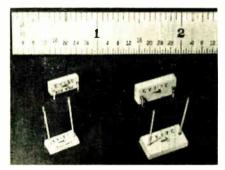


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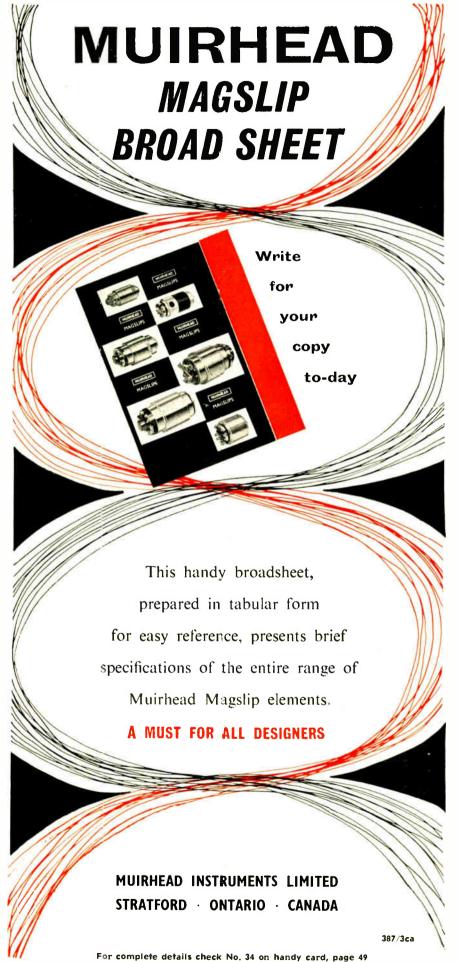


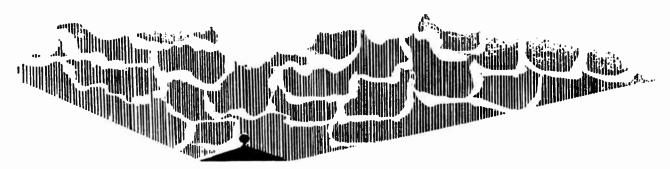
There units are currently being supplied to leading instrument manufacturers in the inertial guidance field and are available in Size 20 and Size 27 featuring accuracies down to 5 minutes. The electrical properties of these units are designed to meet specific applications and can also be designed to match standard components for accuracy, voltage gradient and impedances.

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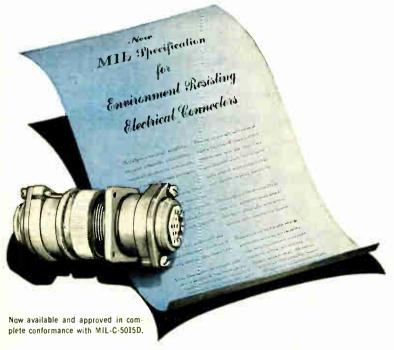


The 0.15W miniature type CB-05 is ¼" dia. x ¼" long, 500 K ohms max. resistance. Available with radial and axial lead wires, or lug terminals. Standard resistance tolerances to 0.1% (speclals to 0.01%). Environmental temperature range: -55°C to +85°C.

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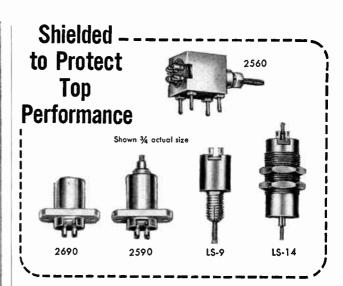
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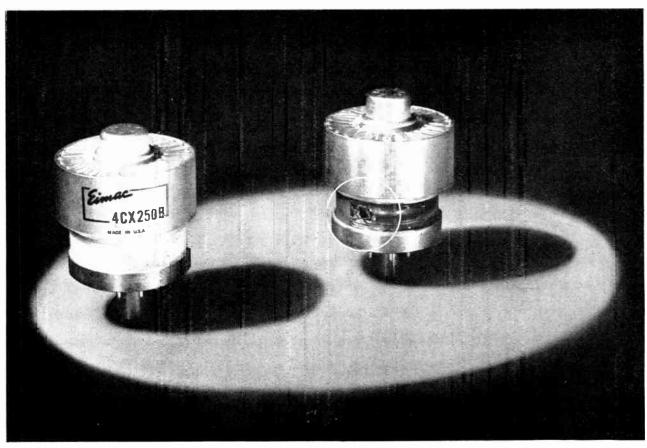
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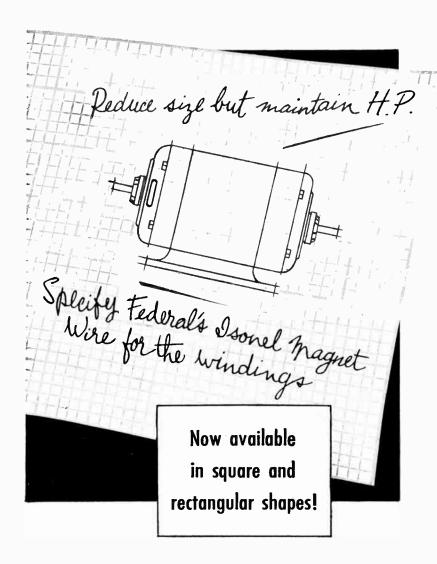
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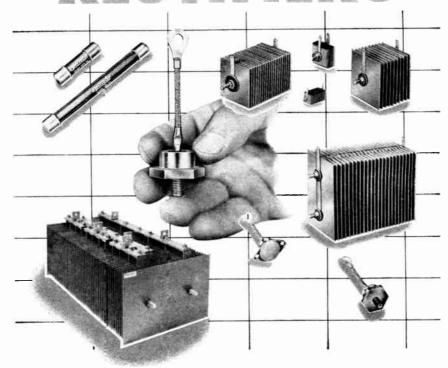
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United Kingdom scientists and inventors have been responsible for many of the basic advances in electronics. Sir Ambrose Fleming patented the first thermionic valve in 1904; the first television pictures were transmitted by J. L. Baird in 1925; the first public television service was started by Britain in 1936; radar was developed by Sir Robert Watson-Watt; electronic printed circuits were developed in Britain; and the basic research which led to the invention of the transistor was carried out by a British scientist. British firms lead the world in the design and production of systems for marine navigation aids and air traffic controls, and Britain has a world-wide reputation for high-fidelity sound reproduction equipment.

It has been estimated unofficially that the industry employs more than 200,000 workers. According to the Ministry of Labor and National Service, at the end of December 1957, 140,300 were employed in the manufacture of radio and television sets and gramophones, 52,300 in the manufacture of radio valves and electric lamps and 61,400 in the manufacture of telegraph and telephone apparatus. Most of the workers in these three groups are concerned with the electronics industry.

For statistical purposes the electronics industry in the United Kingdom is not treated as a separate industry and, therefore, full statistical information is not available. It has been estimated that the value of the industry's output, including telecommunication equipment, amounted to £300 million in 1956, and rose to about £340 million in 1957. An appreciable proportion of production is in the form of scientific instruments and measuring and control devices. Electronic equipment has a key role in the development of nuclear power and is a vital component in the design, production and operation of aircraft. Electronics are increasingly important in the defense services, a large element of the cost of guided missiles, for example, being accounted for by the incorporated electronic devices.

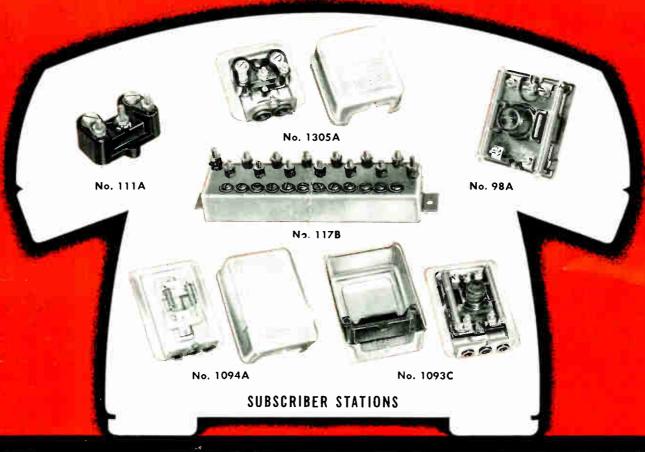
The building of electronic digital computers is a relatively new sphere of activity, but by the end of 1957 there were already more than 150 on order from British firms. Consumer goods are mainly represented by radio and television sets, but for future growth the industry is more closely linked with the production of capital goods, the range of which is being constantly extended by research and development. In 1957, for the first time, the total value of capital-equipment electronics exceeded that of consumer products.

The manufacture of electronic equipment and components is one of Britain's most rapidly expanding export industries. The value of exports increased by nearly one-third between 1955 and 1957 to a total of £43.5 million. The rise in exports of marine and air navigation aids, of which the United Kingdom is the world's largest supplier, was particularly marked in the five years 1953 to 1957.

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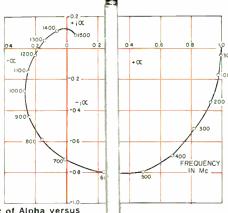




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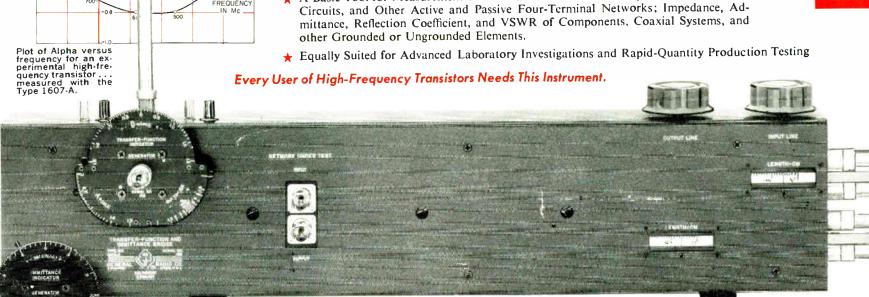


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