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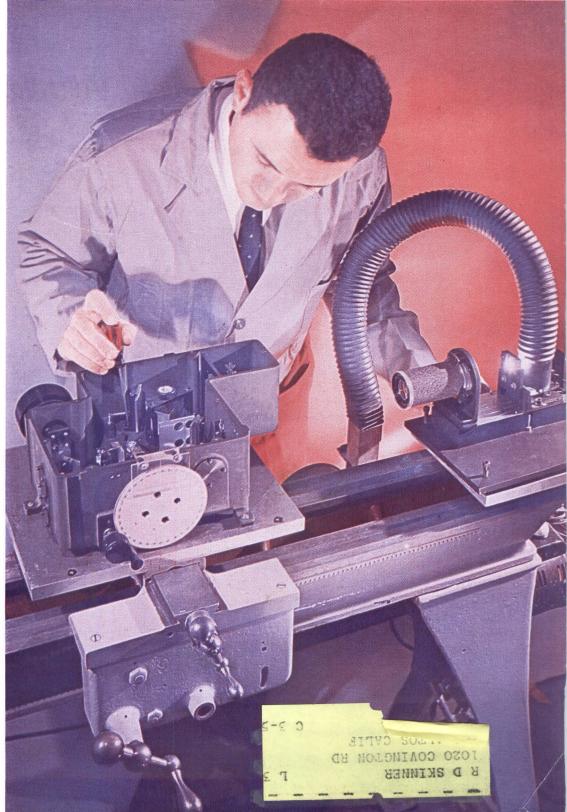
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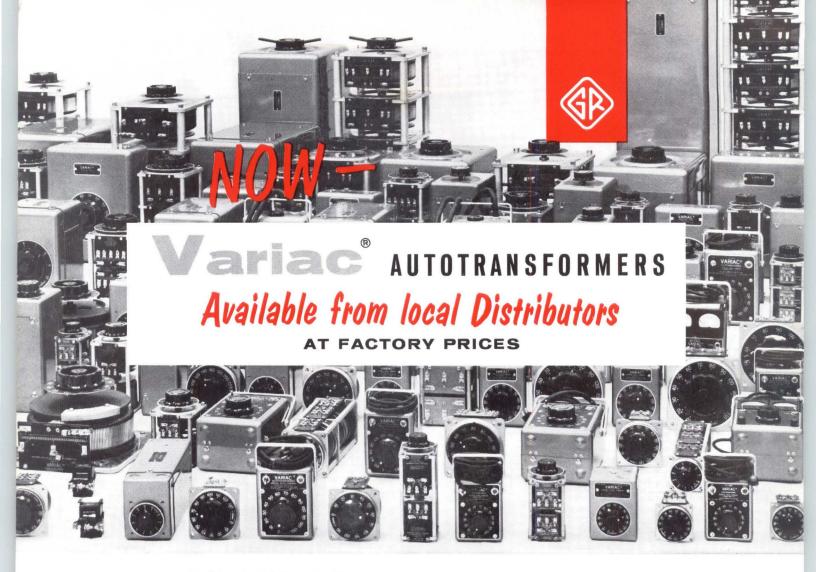
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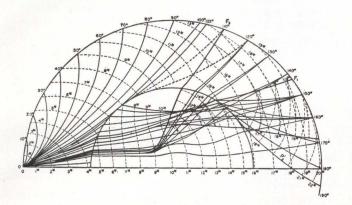
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## CROSSTALK



COLD WAR. Mrs. Hyla Napadensky, an Armour Research Foundation project engineer, is back from an Army-sponsored expedition to Greenland. What she found out places a big question mark on the ability of our seismic detection program to identify underground nuclear bomb blasts.

In Greenland, the snow is as deep as two miles. Deep, packed snow like this is a better blast absorber than conventional porous materials and would, in fact, make an excellent atom bomb shelter for men or materials. As a postscript to the report on the explosion experiments, Armour asks: "Could Russian nuclear tests, set off deep down in the Siberian snow, go undetected by Free World detection instruments?"

Chances are, it hasn't come to that yet, because the Atomic Energy Commission thinks it detected an underground nuclear explosion this month in the Semipalatinsk area of Central Asia. But the prospect adds a further complication to the already complicated job of detecting an underground disturbance and then determining whether it is an earthquake or a blast. The shock waves pictured above, for example, could be from either. The diagram (after Gutenberg and Richter) indicates the disturbance originated at the lower left. The inner circle is the earth's core and the outer circle is the mantle. Sorting out such patterns will be the main job of a new center being set up by Consolidated Electro-Dynamics as part of the Vela program (p 28). CARBON TO CRYSTALS. One of the earliest methods of converting force to a proportional electrical signal was squeezing slabs or grains of carbon together and measuring the change in resistance. The effect is still used in carbon microphones and carbon pile regulators. Later, crystal transducers were developed to convert vibration, tension, acceleration and other physical movements into signals. And, among others, there is the strain gage, sort of a sophisticated carbon pile transducer.

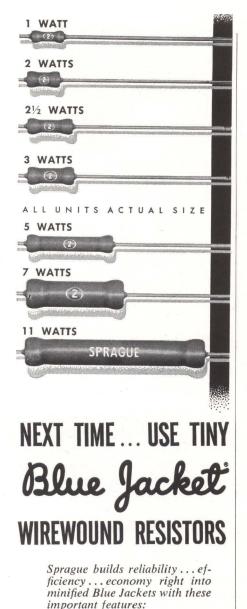
In addition to some special advantages, each transducer has its special problems. Some are noisy, some need extensive calibration and auxiliary circuits, others are relatively insensitive at high frequencies.

The newest generation of transducers, using semiconductors (p 35), offer improvements in several areas at once. They are highly sensitive, have upper frequency limits of not just a few megacycles, but hundreds of megacycles and may even get up to the gigacycle range. They are also efficient electrical-to-physical energy converters. Moreover, semiconductor transducers can lead to computer storages with higher bit densities and to delay lines that can handle more information at higher frequencies.

#### Coming in Our March 2 Issue

BIOLOGICAL COMPUTERS. Our series on bionics continues with a chapter on living control systems. Assistant Editor Lindgren discusses some of the approaches researchers are adopting in an effort to understand how a brain works and how its principles can be incorporated in computing systems.

W. L. Smoot and H. C. Leahy, of Westinghouse, describe a parametric amplifier for a troposcatter communications system. Other articles tell about a vhf-uhf oscillator that uses self-reactance modulation, by T. M. Conrad, of Flight Electronics; a flying-spot scanner which reviews film records, by A. C. Lewis Brown, of A. C. Neilsen Co., and a simple, reversible, cold-cathode-tube counter, by L. C. Burnett, of Etelco, Limited.



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#### COMMENT

#### **Defining Plasma**

The State Section is holding its next semi-annual meeting on April 13-14, 1962, in Tarrytown with a two-day symposium on Plasma Physics. With the printed program we would like to include a short statement defining the area of Plasma Physics for the benefit of the members not too well acquainted with it. This statement is to be concise and accurate.

In talking this over with the Program Chairman, Prof. K. H. Moore, we believe that the statement on p 49 of the issue of July 14, 1961, headed "Defining Plasma" [in the article Plasma Engineering -Part I: Generating and Heating Plasma] is exactly what we are looking for. I would like to ask your permission to quote it verbatim, with its source credited, as about half of the proposed statement. To this Dr. Holt of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute then wishes to add about an equal number of words on Plasma Physics.

A. FRANCIS TURNER Secretary-Treasurer

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Permission granted to use the plasma definition, which was written by Senior Associate Editor Michael Wolff for his three-part series on Plasma Engineering (p 47, July 14, 1961; p 33, Aug. 4; p 29, Sept. 1). It reads, in part:

At present the term plasma defines any mixture of particles, some of which are charged, whose spatial dimension exceeds the Debye length and where the percentage of the mixture that is ionized contains an approximately equal number of positive and negative particles so that the overall aggregate is electrically neutral.

Debye length is a measure of the distance at which a given negative particle is shielded by the surrounding positive particles.

Plasma need not be restricted to gases; in fact, there can be two kinds of plasma in solids. The first type is where there are either electrons and positively-charged donors, or holes and negatively-charged acceptors. A second type of plasma occurs in an intrinsic semiconductor where there are only holes and electrons.

Generally, however, plasma describes a gas which in addition to meeting the criteria given above is in such a state of ionization that it becomes conductive enough to be affected by magnetic fields. At temperatures above 20,000 K, ionization is 100 percent for most gases and there are no neutral particles only positive ions and negative electrons. This completely ionized or "true" plasma is considered a fourth state of matter and is what is most frequently meant by the term plasma.

#### **Magnetic Core Testing**

Having read with great interest the article, How Magnetic Materials Behave at Nanosecond Pulse Widths, by Gilbert A. Reeser (p 72, Sept. 8, 1961), I have attempted to obtain details of the third reference, which is V. J. Louden, Proposed Standards For Core Test Methods For Toroidal Magnetic Amplifier Cores, *AIEE Trans Paper* No. 58-71, February, 1958, but apparently this reference is incorrect. I should be pleased if you could check the reference quoted.

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#### Author Reeser replies:

This reference was to a preliminary Transactions paper, and was correct. The paper was later published by The American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and this would perhaps be easier to obtain. Write to AIEE, 33 West 39th Street, New York 18, New York, and ask for AIEE No. 432, January, 1959, Test Procedure For Toroidal Magnetic Amplifier Cores.

This paper is only partly applicable to the pulse testing method described in the ELECTRONICS article. To my knowledge, no standard test procedure exists for this type of testing.

GILBERT A. REESER Radiation at Stanford Palo Alto, California

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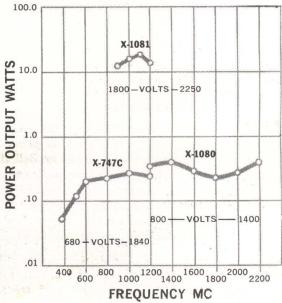
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### ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

#### Machine Learns to Read Handwriting

MOSCOW—Tass news agency reports that the Institute of Automation and Telemechanics has a machine that recognizes handwritten numbers and is learning to distinguish letters and portraits. The report indicates that work parallel to experiments in the U.S.

is being done at the Institute.

The machine was cited, Tass said, by Vadim Trapeznikov at the recent general meeting here of the USSR Academy of Sciences. In an initial experiment with the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3 and 5, it recognized 800 samples —160 of each number—with four mistakes, after being shown samples of the numbers. The program, he said, is based on a "compactness hypothesis," now being applied to studies of animal nervous systems.

Trapeznikov envisioned future devices that could determine system states by the use of signs, which man cannot consciously evaluate. Applications would include the diagnosis, by listening to sounds, of apparatus defects or illnesses.

#### Single-Gas Masers Considered Feasible

EXPERIMENTS at Bell Telephone Labs have indicated the feasibility of obtaining optical maser action in pure neon. The maximum gain per unit length is considerably less than when helium is included in the system to assist pumping.

The result is important because it indicates that optical maser action will also be possible eventually in the other three rare gases, krypton, argon and xenon. It will make available masers emitting at new wavelengths. The measurements were made by C. K. N. Patel, W. R. Bennett, Jr., W. L. Faust and R. A. MacFarland.

#### Optoelectronic Relays, Logic Circuits Seen

PHILADELPHIA—Optoelectronic circuits might be used instead of relays in telephone exchanges, J. G. Van Santen, of Philips Research Labs, reported at the Solid-State Circuits Conference last week. Electroluminescent - photoconductive registers would count pulses at speeds of 5 to 20 msec per step.

He also proposed EL-PC matrixes which would multiply two 10-digit numbers in 1 sec. While EL-PC logic circuits are relatively slow, Van Santen said, they avoid crosstalk, need no other type of component, are easily integrated, have small dissipation per element, give high amplification and are low cost.

#### Converting Carrier to National Command Ship

NAVY is converting the auxiliary aircraft transport carrier *Wright* to a national command ship. The job, assigned to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, will cost \$25 million, including communications and electronics equipment. Now in the reserve fleet, the ship is 683 ft long, displaces 14,500 tons and has a speed of 30 knots. Defense Department wants at least two such ships for use as alternate headquarters in case of nuclear attack (p 12, Feb. 2).

#### Telemetry and Autopilot Turn 'Copter into Drone

HELICOPTERS can be controlled from the ground by personnel not trained as pilots, using a system developed by Bell Helicopter Co. It has been installed in two H-13E 'copters under a Navy contract. The drones could be used to deliver antisubmarine weapons, as radar and ty scouting platforms, or as decoys for manned 'copters, Bell says.

The all-transistor system consists of an f-m/pam ground command and transmitter and an airborne autopilot. Ground controls set heading, airspeed and altitude and include a trim stick for takeoff and landing. The craft cannot be commanded to perform any maneuver beyond its limitations.

The present system is effective only when the 'copter is in line-ofsight contact with ground, giving a 15-mi range at low altitude. Bell says range may be extended with microwave beacon and doppler equipment, airborne tv or radar tracking.

#### Apollo Project Checkout Contract Given by NASA

GENERAL ELECTRIC has been selected by NASA to provide integration analysis for the Apollo space vehicle, assure its reliability and develop and operate a checkout system. The study phase will take about six months and cost \$1 million. The implementation phase will last as long as the Apollo project, which is designed to land a man on the moon by 1970. Cost of the second phase will be estimated during the study. GE will work with NASA centers and their major contractors.

#### Autopilot for Merchant Ships Being Designed

NORDEN is building a course computer and steering system, based on autopilot electronics, for a merchant ship, under contract with the Maritime Administration. It will compute an open-sea course to a specified latitude and longitude, steer the ship there and give a constant estimate of position, distance to go and estimated arrival time. Prototype delivery is planned for late June.

#### British Electronics Sales Rise 12th Year in a Row

LONDON—British electronic equipment exports rose from \$161 million in 1960 to a record \$191.8 million last year, the industry's twelfth successive annual rise, the Electronic Engineering Association reported last week.

Domestic and overseas sales to-

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taled about \$355.6 million last year, including \$112 million for defense programs, compared with \$327.6 million total and \$166.3 million for defense in 1960.

Exports of radio and tv broadcast transmitters fell by \$280,000 to \$2.38 million, but overseas sales of radio communication, radar and navigational equipment rose from \$47.6 million to \$57.7 million.

Industrial electronic control equipment exports increased by \$1.4 million to \$7 million while radio testing equipment climbed from \$4.5 million to \$5 million.

Computers have apparently maintained their export position at around \$5.6 million. Exports of miscellaneous equipment increased from \$7.5 million to \$11 million.

#### Spacecraft Reentry Study Is Launched by NASA

LANGLEY RESEARCH CENTER last week held a bidders' briefing on a new NASA research program called Project Fire. Two spacecraft, each carrying a different instrumentation system, will be launched in the next two years to study reentry problems.

Purpose is to obtain data on materials, heating rates and radio signal attenuation from vehicles reentering the atmosphere at 24,500 mph. Data will be obtained by telemetry, radar and optical tracking.

A 200-lb craft will be used. It will be carried aloft by an Atlas D booster and accelerated back to earth by an Antares solid fuel rocket motor. No attempt will be made to recover the craft.

#### Navy Tabulates Velocity Of Sound in All Oceans

NAVAL ORDNANCE LAB, White Oak, Md., has prepared a tabulation of the speed of sound in sea water in all oceans, for reference in underwater acoustics studies. The tables take into account the effects of salinity, temperature and pressure on sound velocity at all depths for more than 99.8 percent of the world's oceans.

A total of 747 velocimeter measurements were made with eight seawater samples of varying salinity, at 15 temperatures and eight pressures. Data was interpolated on a computer. The tables replace earlier tables, in error by as much as 10 feet per second, which did not consider effects of temperature and pressure.

#### Optically Coded Altimeter Reports Aircraft Height

ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL system that enables pressure-type altimeters to report aircraft altitude to ground has been designed and groundtested at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland.

Bellows movement rotates an optical code disk divided into opaque and transparent sections in nine rings. There are 501 radial patterns, each representing 50 feet of altitude to 25,000 feet.

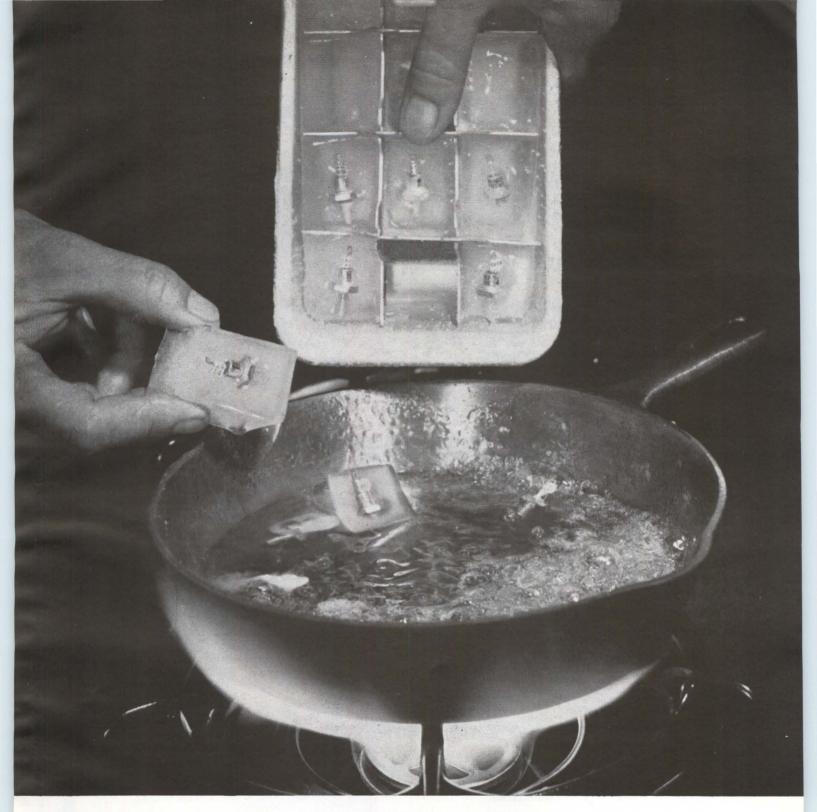
On interrogation from ground, a lamp flashes through the disk. The pattern seen through masks is detected photoelectrically and coded. The altitude code, in nine bits, and the aircraft's serial number and type code, in 19 bits, are transmitted to the interrogating ground station.

#### Another Group Formed to Help Science Communicate

WASHINGTON-The American Association for the Advancement of Science has formed a new subgroup, Section T-Information and Communication. So far, 10 societies dealing with documentation, computers, writing and chemical fields have become affiliates. Goal is to bring together societies and individuals interested in scientific communciation, information storage and retrieval. No specific programs have been planned as yet, but society spokesmen indicate that initial efforts will be to interest scientists and information specialists in each other's problems.

#### In Brief...

- U. S. R&D this year will total \$12.3 billion, with 75 percent going to aerospace programs, says AIA.
- SWEDEN has selected both radar and infrared versions of Hughes' Falcon air-to-air missiles for the new J-35F Draken fighters. The missiles will be made in Sweden.
- GENERAL DYNAMICS has a \$7.6 million contract for communications systems at three Titan ICBM bases. GD/E is testing a nonscanning, terrain-avoidance radar for low-flying planes.
- JOINT VENTURE company has been formed in Japan by Thompson Ramo Wooldridge and Mitsubishi Electric to make and sell process control computers, semiconductor devices and other equipment.
- STANDARD REGISTER will market Raytheon's DataRay data communications equipment, for use with Bell System's Data Phone.
- PACKARD BELL is building two large, \$750,000 versions of its Trice digital differential analyzers for the Apollo program, also has \$300,000 contract for two shipboard data systems for Atlantic Missile Range.
- RULES PROPOSED by FAA for magnetic device air shipments include labeling, keeper bars if possible and recalibration of aircraft compasses near shipment.
- PHILCO contracts from Air Force include \$8.8 million for satellite control systems and \$1.5 million for air-ground communications. A \$42,000 subcontract goes to Remanco for a voice communications system for Discoverer.
- NAVY has awarded Sangamo Electric \$8.5 million for sonar equipment. Union Switch & Signal has \$275,000 subcontract from Lockheed for airborne sonobouy displays.
- PROTOTYPE of Nudets (Nuclear Detonation Detection and Reporting System) will be built by GE for Air Force under \$1.8 million contract. It's part of 477L program.



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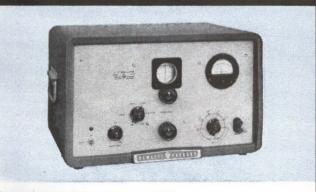
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# WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

DEFENSE SECRETARY McNAMARA has ordered an internal drive within the Pentagon to get more research for the military dollar. He sent a memorandum on this to his deputy director of defense research and engineering, John H. Rubel, some months ago. Specifics are just now coming out.

McNamara admonished the three military services for a tendency to be swayed in placing R&D contracts by "slick paper" and "fancy" proposals that often are more optimistic than the company's capability. The services, too, were criticized for writing elaborate R&D requirements that show little resemblance to the initial field requests for equipment.

McNamara wants the services to use more fixed-fee contracts and trim down as far as possible cost-plus-fixed-fee contracts. Even if a contractor's initial fixed-fee bid is much higher than estimated R&D costs, experience has shown that in the end a fixed fee is usually cheaper than the final cost of a costplus-fixed-fee award. If it is impossible to place fixed-fee contracts on an entire R&D program, the Secretary of Defense wants the program broken down. awarding as many elements on a fixed-fee basis is possible. Incentives on costplus-fixed-fee awards are encouraged to improve contractor performance.

THE WHITE HOUSE has issued a new code of conduct for government consultants. Designed to tighten conflict of interest regulations and prevent consultants from using their government positions for private gain, the new code spells out what consultants can and cannot do. Consultants would have to furnish a "full disclosure" of their financial interests.

Administration-proposed legislation to update the conflict-of interest laws is now pending before Congress. It is generally conceded that President Kennedy is acting now to quell congressional moves toward a major round of congressional hearings into conflict-of-interest questions.

By and large, these center on the thousands of scientists and engineers who serve the government as part time consultants. The White House fears that hearings might needlessly cause many of its consultants to shun further government work.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT is seeking a formula that will give industry more incentive to do basic research. Less than 10 percent of total U.S. research and development expenditures goes for basic research. The administration feels this is much too small, since basic research is a key factor in the industrial innovations so necessary to economic growth. The treasury is weighing recommendations for the major tax reform program President Kennedy plans to submit to Congress this year. It won't be considered until 1963.

**RECENT HORSETRADING** between FCC and industry (p 12, Feb. 16) increases prospects for uhf tv. Sen. John O. Pastore, Communications Subcommittee chairman, will quickly move hearings on a bill requiring that receivers be made to pick up the 70 uhf and 12 vhf channels. Hearings will let FCC see if the networks and several key manufacturers are going to back up their endorsement with action.

There is a tacit understanding that if the bill goes through, FCC will softpedal network regulation and deintermixture. The industry is not solidly behind the bill. EIA will fight it. Despite an NAB endorsement, many station owners don't want their tv license value diluted by new uhf stations.

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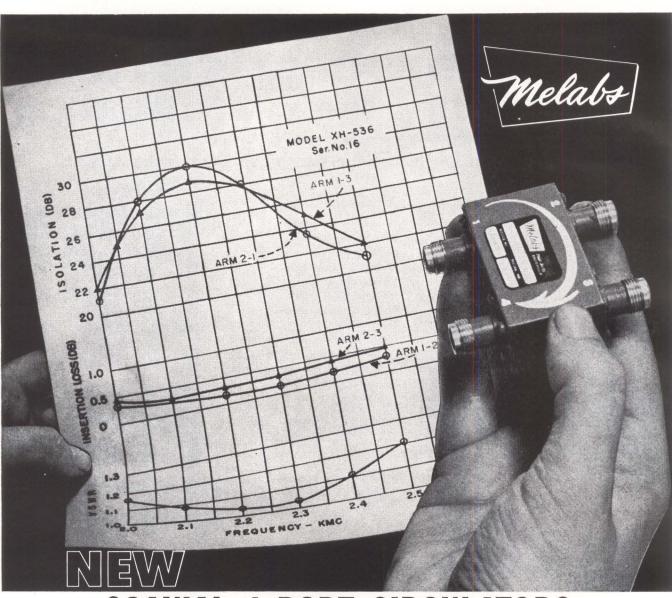
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	Aloo	*100			F	Under development, present performance quoted on request	waveguide range	
Isolator	A110	V110	E110	F110	A, V, E	VSWR 1.25 - Loss 0.7db - Isolation 17db min., 25db at band center	Bandwidth: 6% A-band, 3% V and	
					F	VSWR 1.30 - Loss 1.0db - Isolation 16db min., 22db at band center	$E$ -band, $f_o = 1$ KMC F-band	
On-off Switch or Variable Attenuator	A120	V120			A, V, E	VSWR 1.25 — Loss 1.5db — Isolation 50db	150 ma switching current, 3μ sec. rise time	
			E120	F120	F	Under development, present performance quoted on request		
Modulator	A130	V130	E130	F130	A, V, E	4% Band - VSWR 1.25 - Loss: on 1.5db - off 30db	Normally closed — Approx. 150ma	
					F	2% Band — VSWR 1.3 — Loss: on 1.5db — off 30 db	switching current, 3µ sec. rise time	
Reciprocal Switch	A140	V140	E140	F140	A, V, E	3% Band - VSWR 1.25 - Loss 1db - Isolation 20db	High power — Approx. 150 ma	
					F	Under development, present performance quoted on request	switching current, 3µ sec. rise time	
Four Port Circulator	A160	VICO	F100	F100	A, V, E	3% Band — VSWR 1.3 — Loss 1db — Isolation 20db	Utilizes two dual mode transducers and a Faraday rotator	
		V160	E160	F160	F	Under development, present performance quoted on request		
Switchable Circulator Switch	itch A162	2 V162	FICO	F162	A, V, E	3% Band — VSWR 1.3 — Loss 1db — Isolation 20db	High power — Approx. 150ma switching current,3µ sec rise time	
			E162		F	Under development, present performance quoted on request		
Transistorized Driver	162D	162D	162D	162D	Rep. Ra of 1mh Trigger,	te: — 2pps to 10,000pps, Rise Time: — Less than 1.5 μsec, with coil or less, Duty Cycle: — 50% automatic Binary Reduction of input Input Signal: — Plus or minus pulse or square wave, 5 volts peak	Designed for pulsing ferrite wave- guide switches and modulators over 26 to 140KMC band	

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1. How the printed circuit board mates with the connector, and

2. How the connector connects to the rest of the system.

Take mating, for example. Besides having the correct number of contacts, a printed circuit connector must hold the board securely whether the board happens to fall at the high or low end of thickness tolerances.

#### IT TAKES THREE

These considerations convinced Amphenol engineers that no single contact design could satisfy the requirements of a wide range of applications. So they designed three contacts that will.

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#### EASY DOES IT

But not every application requires the Prin-Cir "bite." For this reason, Amphenol engineers designed connectors with ribbon contacts that mate with a gradual wedge-like force. In blind mating applications, gradual mating makes the feeling of *correct* mating unmistakable. (Just the thing when your equipment may eventually be maintained by less-skilled and lessconcerned personnel.) Ribbon contact wedge action also makes it possible for connectors using these contacts to accept the same wide range (.055" to .073") of board thicknesses as do Prin-Cir connectors.

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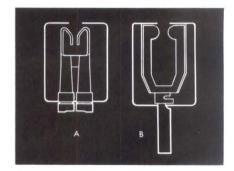
#### **TERMINATIONS COUNT, TOO**

"How to connect connectors to the rest of the system" also merits a good deal of consideration. In some cases, hand soldered terminations will do just fine. In others, higher volume requirements call for high production rate methods like dip soldering and wirewrapping. Some engineers prefer taper pin terminations. Our printed circuit connectors are available with contact tails designed for each of these termination methods. In addition, adapters are available for use in connecting printed circuit boards at right angles to each other or in modular arrangements. We make printed circuit connectors with hermetically sealed contacts — still others with coaxial contacts.

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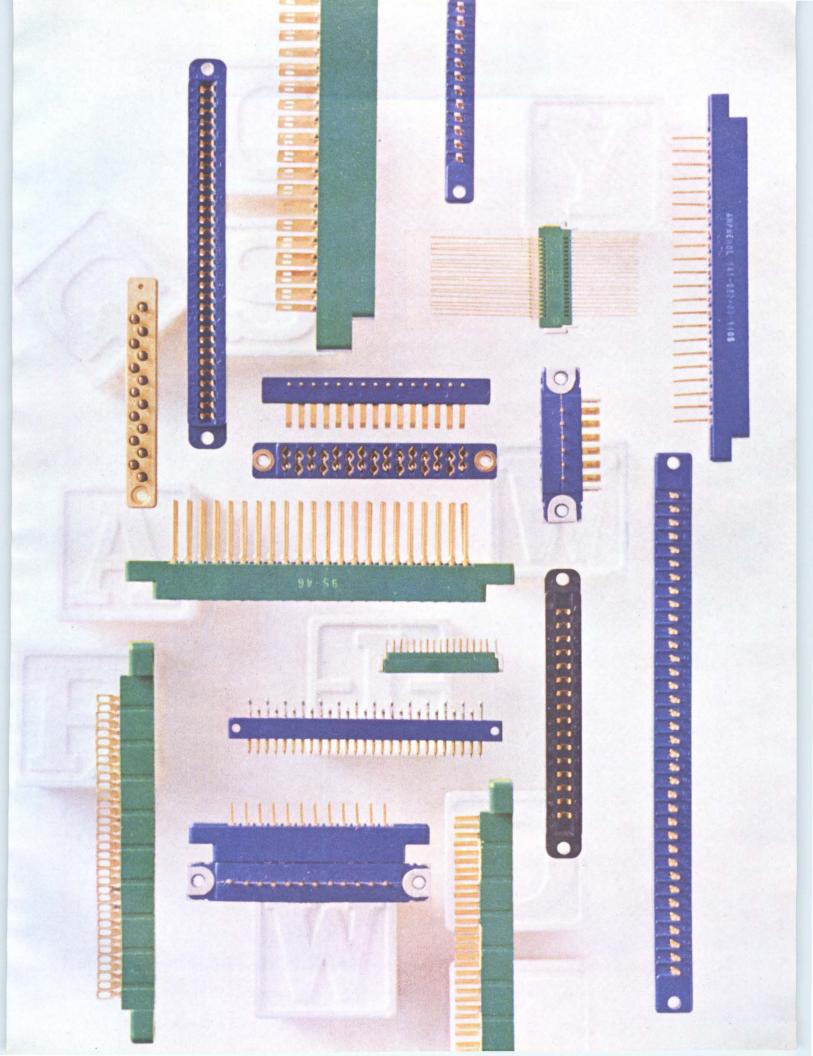
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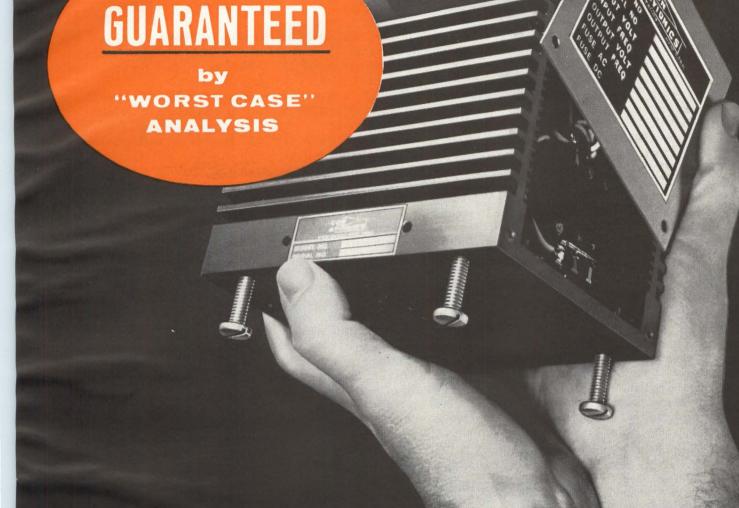
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# Orbiting Ultraviolet System Will Map Stars and the Sky's Radiant Intensity

DIGITAL TV, a recently-developed ultraviolet tv pickup tube and large, precision optics will get practical space tests in late 1963 or early 1964 when National Aeronautics and Space Administration launches the first Orbiting Astronomical Observatory (OAO).

The experiment using these techniques, Project Celoscope, is one of two that OAO will carry. Satellite and ground instrumentation for Celoscope will be designed and built by Electro-Mechanical Research, Inc., for Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, experiment supplier.

EMR is building seven subsystems: Uvicon cameras, camera controls and selector, analog and digital data processors, command and program controls, and power supplies (see diagram).

Celoscope is to obtain the uv spectra of some 100,000 stars and map the radiant intensity of the sky in three vacuum uv regions. Vacuum uv is that portion of the uv spectrum existing in vacuum. Atmospheric masking has kept ground-based observers from learning much about it.

In space, four 12-in. Schwarzschild telescopes supplied by Ferson Optics, Inc., will image an area of

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the sky on four ultraviolet-sensitive Uvicon tv camera tubes. Three are optically filtered to receive uv at 1,100 to 1.600 A. 1.600 to 2.200 A and 2.200 to 3.000 A. The fourth will observe uv at 1.100 to 2,200 A from a slitless spectroscope.

Stars and nebulosities will be scanned. Video information will be transmitted to ground in both analog and digital form, according to commands from the ground to the tv scanning systems.

The command and program control unit accepts a binary-code command and provides 21 on-off and 24 parameter adjustments. Each of the 24 parameters can be adjusted to eight levels. Parameters include sweep speed, beam current, target voltage and exposure time. Exposure time is 1 to 30 sec.

Analog tv will be used primarily for qualitative viewing and scanning nebulosities. A 512-line raster is scanned conventionally and video output is transmitted directly to ground.

#### Digital Encoding

Under digital tv command, each of the 512 lines is scanned in 512 steps. Upon each step scan, a decision is made whether information is present. If so, the beam is held on until digital encoding is completed. Encoding includes radiant intensity and position coordinates. Collected information is transmitted to ground when the satellite passes over a receiving station.

On the ground, digital data processing equipment will automatically print a star catalogue. Experimenters expect to measure some 100,000 stars during the 12-month life of OAO. Data should tell astronomers more about the composition of interstellar dust, hot star atmospheres, planetary nebulae and, possibly, the hot outer atmospheres of cool stars.

EMR will supply two groundsupport display systems to Smithsonian. A portable set will be used for preliminary system checkout and during prelaunch phases. The other will be installed at the Smithsonian observatory for preliminary data evaluation.

Equipment includes digital and analog processors to recreate the telemetered tv scenes. One system will produce a photographic sky map. Another will display a star map image indefinitely on a storage tube, for detailed observation. Data will also be fed to a NASA computer for further processing.

Despite its complexity, the space system is expected to operate for more than a year with 95 percent confidence. High-reliability parts, micropower circuits, redundancy and parallel operation, welded connections, modular construction and encapsulation will be used.

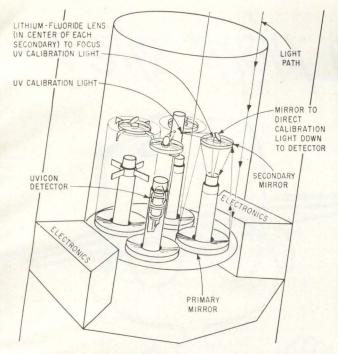
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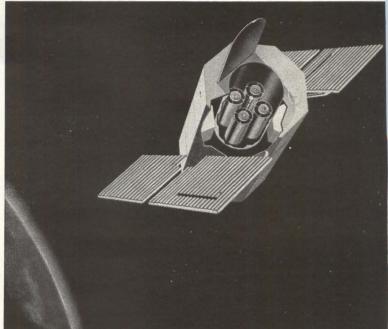
OAO will also carry a second experiment, furnished by the University of Wisconsin. It will determine stellar energy distribution at 800 to 3,000 A and measure emissionline intensities of diffuse nebulae at those wavelengths. Wisconsin will develop optics, filters, ground support and calibration equipment for seven telescopes and their detectors. Cook Electric is the hardware and electronics subcontractor.

Grumman is building the OAO spacecraft. The second OAO will contain an experiment by Goddard Space Flight Center, using equipment and a guidance system to be built by Standard Kollsman Industries.

A relatively fast, 38-in. Cassegrain telescope with a large-aperture spectrophotometer will gather data on selected stars, nebulae and galaxies. Observations will be made at 912 to 4,000 A.

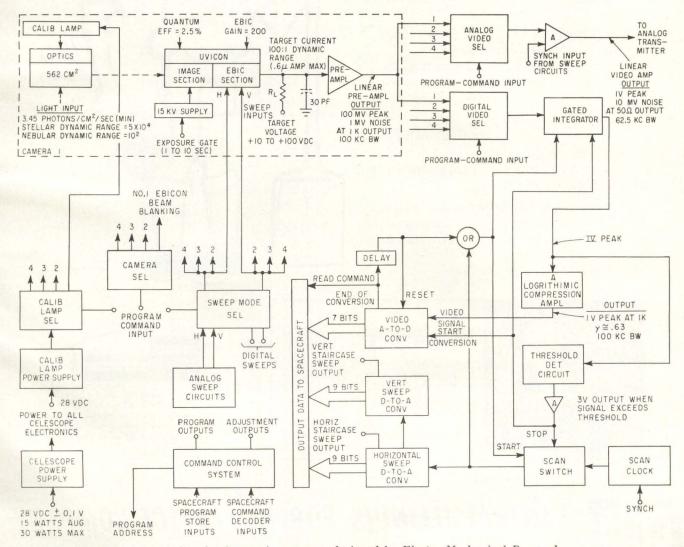
The third OAO will probably carry a Princeton University experiment to investigate absorptive characteristics of the interstellar medium. Later, Harvard University is to make spectrographic studies of solar activities relevant to sunearth relationships.





Orbiting Astronomical Observatory will carry telescopes and Uvicon tv cameras to map the sky's radiant intensity telescopes presenting data to tv cameras

Optical system of Project Celoscope will consist of four



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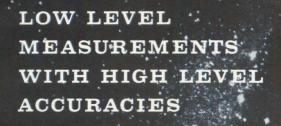
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# RANGER VIDICON TV CAMERA USES

Since camera worked well in Ranger 3, even if it didn't get to take pictures of the moon, it will go aloft again this year two more times

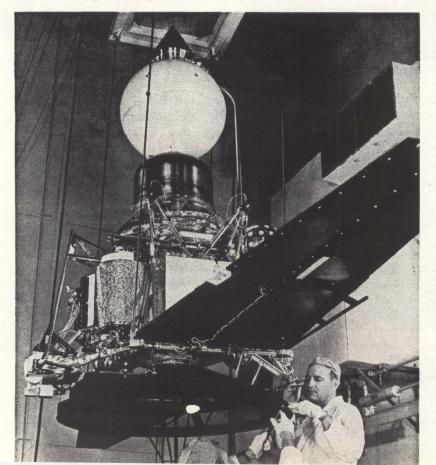
Six-lb camera and power converter unit are tested at RCA's Astro-Electronics division



Tv system fits into package with 7-inch diameter and 3-inch depth. Box contains power converter



JPL technicians adjusting high-gain directional antenna. Tv camera is at left, with lens pointing up. This was Ranger 3



#### By JOHN F. MASON Associate Editor

ALTHOUGH RANGER 3 never got to the moon last month, its tv camera system did operate normally and will be used in two more tries with Rangers 3 and 4 later this year, say scientists at Cal Tech's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. JPL is carrying out the program for National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Design details on the tv system have only recently become available. Designed by RCA for simplicity and ease of operation, it uses a vidicon sensor for imaging. Unlike conventional vidicons, which use electromagnets to deflect the electron beam, the vidicon in Ranger has allelectrostatic deflection and focus. It also has a special "sticky" target that can be rapidly erased.

To eliminate the bulk and weight of magnets, deflection is handled by charged plates on the tube's interior. The electron gun structure and deflection system is a ruggedized version of an electrostatic unit developed by General Electrodynamics Corp. Focusing is handled by a saddle-field lens arrangement.

The target surface, also developed by RCA, is antimony sulfide oxysulfide, JPL reports. The latent image may be scanned for more than 10 sec with less than 10 percent loss of highlight detail. The image may be erased in 700 msec to clear the tube face for the next exposure.

After a 24-hr soak at 125 C for sterilization, surface sensitivity is maintained at light levels as low as 0.01 ft-candle-sec. The useful dynamic range of some units extends from 0.001 to 0.1 ft-candle-sec with an opening of f-6 and 20-msec exposure.

An image is shuttered on to the faceplate for 20 msec. As the image slowly decays, it is scanned at a rate which yields one complete frame in 10 sec. Each picture consists of 200

# ELECTROSTATIC DEFLECTION

scanning lines. Video bandwidth is around 2 Mc.

One-msec switch closures from the command controller sequencer provide commands for shutter and era.e. The shutter command terminates erase, triggers the shutter solenoid drives and (after a fractional second delay) initiates the frame sweep. The erase command terminates the frame sweep and initiates the erase mode. This mode consists of illuminating the target with six peripheral lamps, accelerating line and frame scan rates over the target surface and increasing beam current. Although the process normally requires less than 1 sec. circuit simplicity is maintained by continuing to erase for the full 3 sec allotted for readout.

The camera is fitted into the end of a Cassegranian optical telescope, built by JPL to provide the equivalent of a 40-in. focal length instrument in a package 14 in. long. The

#### Space Power Tester

lunar image picked up by the primary mirror is reflected back to the vidicon photoconductive image surface, which is one-half-in. in front of the mirror. Fused quartz is used for the mirrors and the tubular structure separating the primary and secondary mirrors.

The tv system will begin transmitting when Ranger is about 4,000 Km above the moon. The last full picture telemetered to earth will be at 46 Km altitude, to allow time for transmission before the craft begins to tumble. Coverage of such a picture would be about 517 meters square, resolution about 3 meters a tv line.

One picture will be transmitted every 13 sec, a total of more than 100 pictures. To highlight surface irregularities the shot will be timed so the sun's rays will strike the lunar surface at an angle of 20 to 70 deg.

Tv data will be recorded on magnetic tape. The recorded signal is converted into digital form and rerecorded on computer input tapes. The computer creates a master photograph or cleans up sets of photographs. JPL says photos can be printed out by reconverting from digital to analog. This tape is fed into a film recorder.

Besides lunar photography, Ranger experiments include: gamma ray measurements, to determine approximate concentrations of radioactive materials on the moon's surface; radar reflectivity, to provide information on the character of the moon's surface; lunar seismic activity, to measure possible moon quakes and meteor impacts.

#### WHY RANGER 3 FAILED

Prolonged burning of the Atlas booster over-accelerated the spacecraft and Ranger 3 crossed the moon's orbital path some 22,862 mi ahead of the moon.

During the midcourse maneuver, an erroneous signal from the ground caused the craft to pitch 116 deg in the wrong direction.

An attempt was made to salvage part of the mission during the terminal maneuver. But a spurious signal generated in on-board logic circuits caused pitching to continue after it should have stopped



Air Force has awarded Lockheed the prime contract to test Snap 2 and 10A (System for Nuclear Auxiliary Power) systems in orbiting vehicles. Above, a mockup of Snap 10A atop an Agena satellite produced by the firm

#### Moving Ball Tracks Radar Target

ELECTROMECHANICAL ball tracker, developed for military applications, allows a radar console operator to track an aerial target with one fingertip, reports Hughes Aircraft Co. Movement of the Bakelite ball positions the tracking pip over the target pip.

Hughes says the tracker costs up to \$2,000 less than other types of electromechanical trackers, which frequently require motion in two directions simultaneously. Movement of the ball in any direction is converted to vertical and horizontal outputs.

The tracker was invented by William F. Alexander, of Hughes' space systems division. It is being used in Army Signal Corps and mobile air defense systems, in the Navy's tactical data systems and, in a miniature version, in airborne systems.



Tracker input is educated thumb



Sensitive seismograph instruments like this Press-Ewing sustem may solve the nuclear detection puzzle

UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR EXPLO-SION BLANCA YIELD 19 KT, OCT. 30, 1958, AS RECORDED IN NORTHERN ARIZONA. DISTANCE 395 KM.

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EARTHQUAKE IN NEVADA, JAN. 26. 1960, RECORDED AT RIVERSIDE, CALIF. DISTANCE 450 KM.

UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR EXPLO-SION BLANCA, AS RECORDED IN SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA. -10 SECONDS

DISTANCE 1.610 KM.

Examples of similarity of earthquake and nuclear explosion signatures

# A-BOMB DETECTION PROGRAM Spurs Seismology and Instrumentation

#### By HAROLD HOOD Pacific Coast Editor

ELECTRONICS IS SPEARHEADING the transformation of seismology from a skilled art to a precise, highlyinstrumented science. Paper discs and ink styli in low-funded university laboratories are giving way to digital computers, magnetic tape recorders, and highly sensitive analysis equipment.

Catalyst for this transformation is the belief that seismic techniques may detect and evaluate nuclear blasts in faraway parts of the world. Based on this premise, Advanced Research Projects Agency is establishing a multimillion dollar Data Analysis and Technique Development Center in Washington, D. C., where signals from earth tremors will be collated.

Prime concern of the center will be differentiating between signals emanating from nuclear blasts and more than 20,000 earthquakes detected each year. It will also develop new techniques and hardware for more effective detection and evaluation. Seismic information will be fed from a far-flung network of 40 fixed and mobile recording stations.

As part of Project Vela Uniform, the facility will maintain a master central file of man-made disturbances and earthquake recordings. It will use a large high-speed digital computer, an analog computer, cataloguing, recording and playback equipment. United Electro-Dynamics Inc. has been selected to design, install, and operate the center, which will be staffed initially by 35 scientists, mathematicians, physicists and engineers.

Frank B. Coker, UED vice president, says differentiating a nuclear blast from the myriad earthquakes occurring each day is like finding a needle in a haystack. Man-made underground explosions and earthquake signals appear very similar, if not identical.

#### Building Seismic Lab

Closely related to the center is a huge seismic laboratory, under construction as the primary development and evaluation laboratory for systems development for Vela.

Located 90 miles northeast of Phoenix in Tonto National Forest. this 23,000-acre installation will glean information from 31 seismometers buried in the ground in steel vaults. Ultimately there may be 100. The site has an unusually low level of microseismic earth vibration.

Detectors will consist of three classes:

• High frequency instruments

spread out in a horizontal array four miles in diameter. Configuration is aimed at optimum sampling of bomb and earthquake signals arriving from distant sources while cancelling out local noise. Basic concept is analagous to antenna array theory.

• Detectors for measuring waves at frequencies as low as 0.01 cps. These instruments must be painstakingly shielded from the local environment. "They're excellent detectors of trucks on nearby highways," points out Coker.

• Miscellaneous experimental detectors. These may include ground strain seismometers set in long tunnels buried deep in the earth to measure actual differential movement between points up to 100 ft apart. Sensitive enough to measure surface deflections caused by mooninduced "earth tides," they will pick up ground shifts as slight as one angstrom. One end of a carefully designed rod is bolted to bed rock and the other actuates a capacitive pick-off device.

Also in the experimental category are one or more Kirnos seismometers which ARPA hopes to obtain from Russia. These intermediate frequency instruments measure 0.1 to 1 cps.

The Tonto Forest observatory will contain magnetic and film recorders for cataloguing data from any combination of detectors. Objective is experimentally determining combinations and patterns for maximum signal-to-noise detection.

The new facility will also house Vela Uniform's standards laboratory from which seismometers, galvanometers, and other critical elements will be calibrated. Specially designed vertical and horizontal vibration tables operating at 0.01 to 20 cps will produce amplitudes as low as one micron.

#### Low-Frequency Analysis

Target date for activation of the Washington, D.C., center is June 1. Interim operations are in a temporary facility near UED's headquarters in Pasadena, Calif. Techniques developed will be incorporated in the Washington operation.

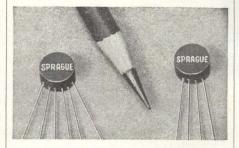
Seismic frequencies vary from d-c to one cps. Since presently available analyzing equipment has a lower limit of approximately one cps, recording tape being scanned is sped up, usually by a factor of 100 or 1,000. This makes it possible to analyze seismic frequencies down to 0.002 cps while using filters of two-cycle width. For initial studies, UED is using one-inch, 14channel recording tape, and is developing f-m analytic and comparative techniques. A-m is unsatisfactory for low-frequency seismics.

#### International Center Sought

Ultimate aim of Vela Uniform is establishing specifications for an international control center with headquarters in Vienna. A worldwide network of detection stations would be in constant communication with the analysis center, which would decide if signals were from earthquakes or bomb blasts.

One function of the center in Washington will be to seek ways of representing seismic data more simply, to reduce required communication bandwidth. One possibility is representing seismic transient wareforms with special or orthogonal function expansions.

The UED data analysis center contract is initially funded for \$12 million. The Tonto Forest observatory will cost several millions; exact funding is not disclosed. Both contracts are under technical supervision of Headquarters, Air Force Technical Applications Center. New Nanosecond<sup>\*</sup> Pulse Transformers for Ultra-miniature, Ultra-high Speed Applications



Digital circuit designers will find the new Sprague Type 43Z Nanosecond Pulse Transformers of considerable interest. These tiny transformers have been carefully designed for the all-important parameter of minimum rise time at high repetition rates up to 10 mc.

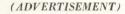
The new Type 43Z series is comprised of a broad line of 72 pulse transformers in 10 popular turns ratios. They are Sprague's latest addition to the most complete listing of pulse transformers offered by any manufacturer for use in digital computers and other low-level electronic circuitry.

Type 43Z Pulse Transformers are designed so that the product of leakage inductance and distributed capacitance is at a minimum. They are particularly well suited for transformer coupling in transistor circuits since transformers and transistors are very compatible low impedance devices. Nanosecond transformers are equally suitable for transmission line mode of operation, in twisted-pair transmission line coupling, and in regenerative circuits.

The epoxy-encapsulated "pancake" package is excellent for both etched wire board or conventional chassis mounting. To simplify etched-board design, these ultra-miniature pulse transformers are available with leads terminating at the side or the bottom of each unit.

For complete technical information on Type 43Z Nanosecond Pulse Transformers, write for Engineering Data Sheet 40235 to Technical Literature Section, Sprague Electric Co., 35 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass. \*millimicrosecond

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Down in size from a TO-9 to a TO-18 case, the new Sprague 2N979 is solving size, cost, and dependability problems for logic circuit designers with the identical performance of the original 2N1499A, with which it is electrically interchangeable.

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For application engineering assistance, write Transistor Division, Product Marketing Section, Sprague Electric Company, Concord, N.H.

For complete technical data, write Technical Literature Section, Sprague Electric Company, 35 Marshall Street, North Adams, Mass.





Miniature coaxial cables are designed for a particular characteristic impedance ( $Z_0$ ). The size of the cables is determined by the dielectric diameter (D), which depends upon the dielectric constant ( $\varepsilon$ ) of the dielectric insulating material together with the center conductor diameter (d).

Heretofore, many miniature coaxial cables have used polytetrafluoroethylene dielectric ( $\varepsilon = 2.0$ ) and 30 AWG center conductors. While this helps to solve many problems of overall size it simultaneously created difficulties due to extremely small center conductors. Raychem cables match the impedance (Z<sub>o</sub>) and overall diameter of the miniature coaxial cables but offer center conductors up to twice as large through the use of Rayfoam L, an irradiated, high-strength, unicellular, modified polyolefin, having a dielectric constant (E) of only 1.5. The larger conductors overcome many of the problems previously incurred in miniature coaxial cables.

Rayfoam L is resistant to soldering temperatures, and its low specific gravity permits major weight reductions in miniature coaxial cables.



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#### Adaptive System Controls Light Planes

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL this week introduced a push-button autopilot for light, twin-engine aircraft. Called the H-14, it employs a solidstate, self-adaptive computer similar in concept to those Honeywell developed for the X-15 and Dyna Soar.

For example, it will automatically compensate for a loss of power in one engine by banking the aircraft to maintain the intended flight path, without prior instructions.

The basic autopilot consists of a computer, a flight controller, three pneumatic servos, directional, vertical and turn and bank gyro indicators.

Functions include three axis stabilization and control, full-time yaw damping and turn coordination, pitch and roll attitude command, automatically synchronized heading control, all-attitude engage and single-engine recovery.

Options that permit automatic landing include automatic ILS localizer, approach and glide path; altitude control; course director tie-in; and automatic pitch trim. Including options, the autopilot weighs 31.5 pounds.

It can be installed in any light twin engine aircraft with only a minor adjustment in the servos. Honeywell has flown the Cessna 310 and 320, Beechcraft D-18 and Baron with identical model H-14 computers. Beech is offering it as optional equipment in 1962 planes.

The H-14 uses low pressure pneu-



Computer's transistor circuits are contained on six plug-in cards

matic servos. The servos consist of dual on-off magnetic air valves and pneumatic rolling diaphragm actuators similar to a type used in industrial and drone control systems.

#### Data Transmitter Links Terminals to Computers

IBM THIS MONTH announced a programmed transmission control unit, the 7750, designed to link a centrally-located computer with a network of communications lines.

Incoming business or scientific information is fed to the computer and routed to the proper terminal after processing. Up to 112 communications lines, each accommodating many terminals, may be used. Terminals may be punched tape or card, magnetic tape, telegraph, or units which link directly with another computer's memory.

The 7750 scans communication lines, strips messages of transmission codes, translate to computer code, puts the messages in priority sequence and feeds them to the computer for processing. After processing, the message is translated into transmission code and routed to the proper terminal.

Operation is controlled by a program stored in the unit's memory.

#### Special Computer Compares Spectrophotometer Curves

HOFFMAN ELECTRONICS is making a solid-state computer designed to eliminate the hand plotting and calculations normally associated with spectrophotometer analysis.

Calibration data, produced by operating the instrument without using a sample, is stored in the memory before the sample is analyzed. This is then compared with readings obtained from the sample. Corrected curves are printed out on a chart recorder and, in digital form, on punched tape. Nixie tube indicators are used for monitoring.

National Bureau of Standards sponsored the development and purchased the first model.

$$\mathbf{Z}_{0} = \frac{138 \log_{10} \mathbf{D}/\mathbf{d}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}$$

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APPLICATION OF LOW NOISE RECEPTION TECHNIQUES, Institution of Electrical Engineers (British); Savoy Pl., London, Feb. 28.

MEDICAL ELECTRONICS DISCUSSION GROUP: Methods of Measuring Man's Environment Temperature, Institution of Electrical Engineers (British); Savoy Pl., London, Mar. 2.

APPLICATION OF SWITCHING THEORY TO SPACE TECHNOLOGY Symp., USAF, Lockheed Missiles and Space; at Lockheed, Sunnyvale, Calif., Feb. 27-Mar. 1.

SCINTILLATION AND SEMICONDUCTOR COUNTER Symp., PGNS of IRE, AIEE, AEC, NBS; Shoreham Hotel, Wash-ington, D. C., Mar. 1-3.

VACUUM COATING Conference, Soc. of Vacuum Coaters; Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, Mar. 6-7.

MISSILES & ROCKET TESTING Symp., Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association Coca Beach, Fla., Mar. 6-8.

EXTRA-HIGH VOLTAGE COMMUNICATION, CONTROL & RELAYING, AIEE; Baker Hotel, Dallas, Tex., Mar. 14-16.

IRE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, Coli-seum & Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City, Mar. 26-29.

QUALITY CONTROL Clinic, Rochester Soc. for Q.C.; U. of Rochester, Roch-ester, N. Y., Mar. 27.

ENGINEERING ASPECTS OF MAGNETO-HYDRODYNAMICS, AIEE, IAS, IRE, U. of Rochester; U. of Rochester, Roch-ester, N. Y., Mar. 28-29.

SOUTHWEST IRE CONFERENCE AND SHOW; Rich Hotel, Houston, Texas, April 11-13.

JOINT COMPUTER CONFERENCE, PGEC of IRE, AIEE, ACM; Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, Calif., May 1-3.

HUMAN FACTORS IN ELECTRONICS, PGHFE of IRE; Los Angeles, Calif., May 3-4.

ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS Conference, PGCP of IRE, AIEE, EIA; Marriott Twin Bridges Hotel, Washington, D. C., May 8-10.

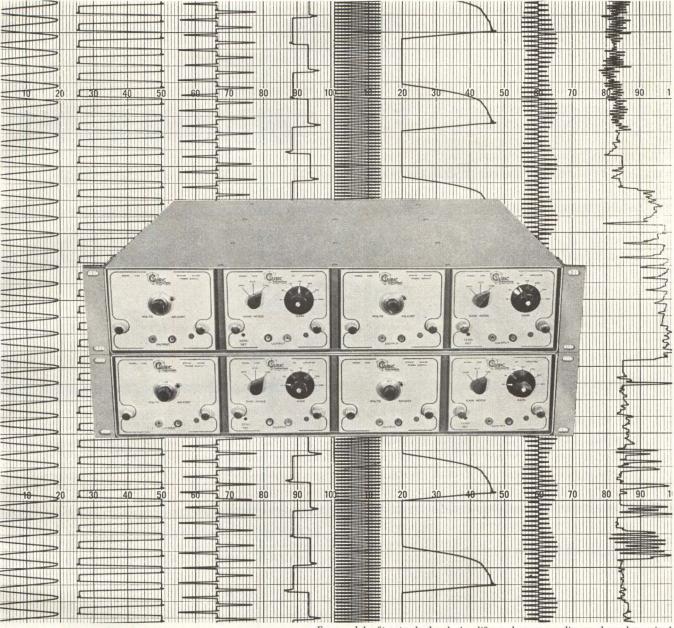
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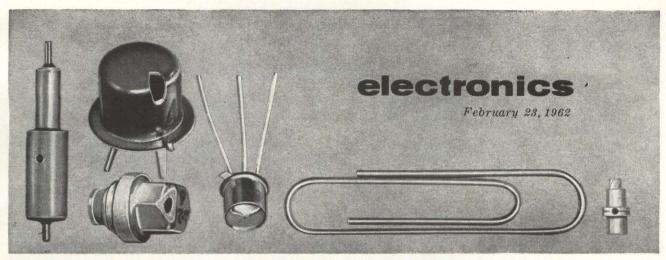
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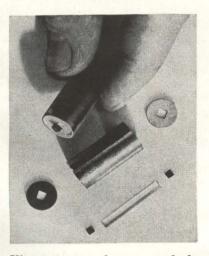


Five experimental semiconductor pressure transducers use the principle of the Esaki diode

# Pressure Transducers

Semiconductor strain gages can give gage factors as high as 30,000. One type of semiconductor transducer which exhibits piezoelectric effects at 10° cps and higher may have applications in delay lines and light modulating devices

By WARREN P. MASON Bell Telephone Labs, Inc., Murray Hill, New Jersey



Ultrasonic transducer uses depletion layer to generate signals at 830 Mc; similar units are expected to go to 10 Gc

AN IMPORTANT PROBLEM in mechanics and acoustics is converting mechanical or acoustical pressure into electrical signals, and conversely. Uses are in the pick-up and generation of acoustic signals in air, sea water and solids (including seismic signals), in phonograph pick-ups, roughness indicators, and gages for measuring tension, compression, acceleration, pressure, shear force and torque. At the present time, tranducers for the generation and pick-up of signals are usually of the magnetic, piezoelectric, electrostatic or variable carbon resistor type, while gages for measuring stress components are usually of the wire strain gage type. The wire gages can measure static or slowly varying stresses which cannot be measured by the other types of transducers—but they have low sensitivity.

Recently a series of semiconductor devices have been constructed that have the advantage of the static property measurement and, in addition, sensitivity comparable to other pick-up and generating devices. Two types of semiconductor pick-up devices and one semiconductor generating device have been developed. One of the pick-up devices is similar to the strain gage but has greater sensitivity. The other pick-up is an active device in which the positive and negative resistance characteristics inherent in a thin p-n junc-

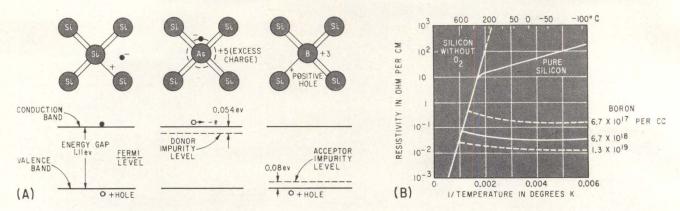


FIG. 1—Silicon, when doped with arsenic becomes n-type material, p-type when doped with boron (A). When silicon is highly doped (B), its temperature sensitivity is greatly decreased

tion (the Esaki diode) are modulated by mechanical stress.

A semiconductor such as silicon has strong bonds to four adjacent silicon atoms through the exchange of valence electrons, as shown by Fig. 1A. Thermal energy, particularly at high temperatures, can break these bonds occasionally. Then an electron is freed or raised to the conduction band and can act as a current carrier. At the same time the broken bond can move, by being completed by electrons from adjacent bonds. It then acts as a positive electron, or hole. Such material without added impurities has an intrinsic resistivity, shown by the slanted line of Fig. 1B; the intrinsic resistivity is a straight line when plotted against the inverse of the absolute temperature. The slope of the line is determined by half the energy gap value; the electrons act as though they moved from a Fermi level that is half way between the valence and conduction bands.

To be of use in semiconductor devices, semiconductors are doped with atoms that provide either an excess of electrons (n-type) or an excess number of holes (p-type). Arsenic, which has a valence of +5compared to +4 for silicon, produces *n*-type material. For the *n*-type, four of the five electrons are used to satisfy the bonds. The one electron left is contributed to the conduction band. For low temperatures, energy will be lowered if the electron revolves in a circular orbit about the arsenic nucleus, which has a residual charge of +1. This is indicated by the dashed straight line (Fig. 1A), which is a slight distance under the conduction band edge. For lightly doped specimens, the Fermi level at low temperatures will be along the donor impurity level. As the temperature increases more electrons are freed from their donor levels and the Fermi surface rises. For highly doped samples, such as those used in Esaki diodes, the electrons are free at all temperatures and the Fermi level rises to the top of the conduction band. To produce *p*-type material, atoms of +3 valence, such as boron, are introduced in the semiconductors. Three of the bonds are satisfied but the remaining bond acts as a positive electron and can move around in the semiconductor, producing a resistivity. Figure 1B shows the resistivity in ohm-centimeters as a function of temperature when various concentrations of boron atoms are added to the silicon melt. When the temperature is high enough to reach the intrinsic curve, more conduction results from thermal generation of holes and electrons than

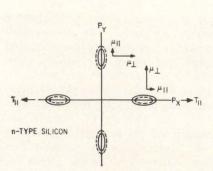


FIG. 2—Energy surfaces are distorted (dashed lines) when a tension is applied along one of the crystal axes

from the holes introduced by the impurities. This is an important consideration in such devices. Holes also are more stable if they perform orbits about the negatively charged boron atom, but these holes become free as the temperature rises. In this case the Fermi level for lightly doped samples drops from the impurity line. There are a number of vacant levels above the Fermi surface that can accommodate electrons, which would cancel out the existing holes. This effect is important in thin p-n pressure transducers.

The energy surfaces plotted in Fig. 1A give the impression that they have a spherical symmetry: that is, that it takes the same amount of energy to break the bond irrespective of the directions. Experiments have shown that this is not so. Figure 2 shows the shape of the conduction band for *n*-type silicon: there are six valleys that occur along the crystallographic axes (only four are indicated in the drawing). Since these are values having low energies, electrons tend to congregate around these minimum values. Mobilities of electrons are determined by the second derivatives of the energy surfaces with respect to direction: mobilities of electrons perpendicular to the valleys are five times those parallel to the valleys.

This difference in electron mobility, together with the fact that the energy surfaces can be changed by applying a stress (deformation potential), is the cause of piezoresistance, which has been applied in semiconductor strain gages. A tension  $T_{\mu}$  along one of the crystal-

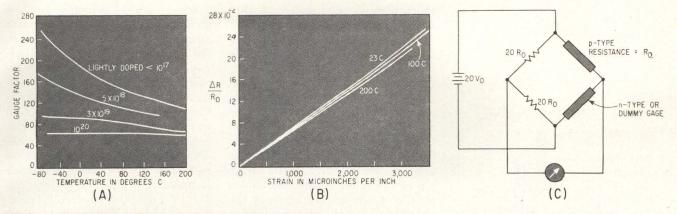


FIG. 3—Gage factor of a highly doped semiconductor is nearly independent of temperature (A) and (B). Special bridge circuit (C) improves linearity of measurement

lographic axes raises the value of the energy surfaces along the direction of stress and lowers the values for the four wells perpendicular to the stress. This is indicated by the dashed lines (Fig. 2), which show energy surfaces for like energies. Since the wells perpendicular to the stress have lower energies, more electrons congregate in these wells than in the wells parallel to the stress. If an electric field is applied in the same direction as the stress, then, since the four perpendicular wells have higher mobilities along the direction of the field and have more electrons, the resistivity decreases as the tension increases. The effect is about 90 times as large as in a metal strain gage. For a field applied perpendicular to the stress, the resistivity increases only half as much as when stress and field are in the same direction. The third type of stress that can be applied in a plane, a shearing strain in the x,y plane, is equivalent to a tension at 45 degrees to the x,y axes and a compression perpendicular to the tension. From symmetry considerations, it can be shown that such a stress affects all the valleys in the same amount and, hence, produces no effect.

For *n*-type germanium the energy surfaces lie along the four cube-diagonals (111 directions), and are most sensitive to a stress in this direction. Tension or compression along a crystallographic axis produces no effect. Both *p*-type silicon and germanium have the same symmetry relations as *n*-type germanium, but the change in resistance is of opposite sign; that is, resistance increases when the ma-

terial is in tension. Most sensitive of all the materials is p-type silicon. Since it has a higher yield stress and will work to higher temperatures, it is the preferred material for semiconductor strain gages.

Although piezoresistance has been known for some time, it is only begining to be applied in practical transducers. This is partly due to the lack of sources of supply and also because the stability of available material was not as good as that of conventional strain gages. By increasing doping levels, it has been shown that the gage factor can be made nearly independent of the temperature. Figure 3A shows the gage factor (change in resistance divided by the initial resistance times the strain) plotted as a function of temperature for *p*-type silicon doped by boron. High doping levels produce a gage factor that changes only slightly with temperature. From Fig. 1B. the initial resistivity increases with temperature, so the change in resistance,  $\Delta R$ , is more constant than either the resistivity or the gage factor. Further, high doping levels increase the linearity of the change of resistance with strain. Figure 3B shows the percentage change in resistance as a function of strain for the most highly doped sample of Fig. 3A. Linearity is good up to strains of 2,500 microinches per inch and deviates only slightly up to strains of 3,500 microinches per inch. For gages whose thickness is 0.002 or less, strains as high as 5,000 microinches per inch are possible.

One difficulty with semiconductor

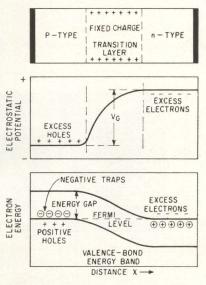


FIG. 4—Depletion layer separates excess electrons on p side from excess holes on n side

strain gages is their large change in resistance, which introduces some nonlinearities in wheatstone bridge measurements. Special circuits, such as Fig. 3C, have been devised to make use of these new types of gages.

The newest types of semiconductor transducers use the properties of semiconductor p-n junctions. A p-n junction, as shown by Fig. 4, contains a p-type region, a transition region and an n-type region. Junctions can be made by diffusing a layer of p-type material into a sample having n-type conductivity, and conversely. For thin, highly doped specimens as in Esaki diodes, an aluminum wire loaded with 1 percent boron can be alloyed into a highly doped semiconductor crystal. The boron penetrates for a

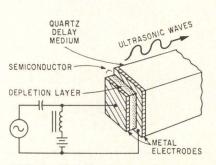


FIG. 5—High-frequency ultrasonic transducer uses depletion layer

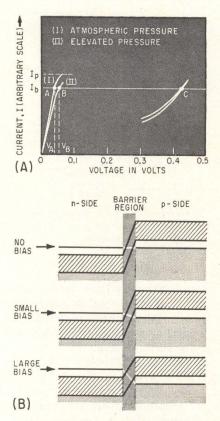


FIG. 6—Effect of pressure (15,000 psi) on Esaki diode (A). Energy relationships (B) for first positive resistance region (no bias) of Esaki diode, negative resistance region (small bias), and second positive resistance region

short distance and makes a thin p-n junction.

The energy band structure of a p-n junction is determined by the fact that the Fermi surface for the two types of materials must coincide. For lightly doped specimens the Fermi surface of the n-type material is between donor level and the bottom of the conduction band; for p-type, the Fermi surface is between the impurity level and the top of the valence band. As shown by Fig. 4. the energy levels of the p end are raised with respect to the n section by nearly the amount of the energy gap. The excess electrons on the n side are separated from the excess holes on the p side by a depletion layer, from which all electrons and holes are removed. This is the result of the high electric field set up across the layer; the field is oriented to repel both electrons and holes.

The width of the depletion layer is

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{(V - V_G) \, 2\epsilon}{en}} \tag{1}$$

where V is the applied field,  $V_a$  the built-in field across the gap ( $V_a$  is negative),  $\epsilon$  the dielectric constant (farads per cm), e the electronic charge ( $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb), and n the number of impurity levels. For a lightly doped sample having  $10^{17}$  atoms per cc, for example, silicon with a relative dielectric constant of 13 will have a thickness of  $1.25 \times 10^{-5}$  cm. The thickness can be adjusted somewhat with the applied field V.

If the semiconductor is one of the III-V compounds such as gallium antimonide, or a II-VI compound such as cadmium sulphide or zinc oxide, it will have the type of symmetry that makes it piezoelectric. Hence, an alternating voltage applied across the p-n junction will produce a piezoelectric wave that will travel down the rest of the sample. Because of the small thickness of the p-n junction, such transducers will probably operate from about  $5 \times 10^{\circ}$  to  $10^{\circ0}$  cps. Such frequencies are applicable in delay lines carrying large amounts of information and in light modulating devices in high-frequency communication systems. Figure 5 shows a proposed transducer for such uses.

When forward voltages (positive terminals to p side and negative terminals to n side) are applied to the junction, the height of the barrier is reduced and considerable current can flow in the positive direction because of thermal agitation of the carriers. A reverse field will cause an increase in the barrier height and will reduce the current flow. Hence, p-n junctions act as rectifiers. If, however, the barrier is made thin enough, current can flow by a quantum mechanical process, which allows the electrons or holes to tunnel through the barrier. As can be seen from Eq. 1, the way to make a thin barrier is to use a high doping level, n. For example, for 5  $\times$  10<sup>10</sup> impurity atoms per cc, the thickness becomes of the order of 60 Angstroms or  $6 \times 10^{-7}$ cm.

The current through such a junction can be expressed by

$$i = AP$$

where  $P = e^{-k} \sqrt{M} t \sqrt{W}$ . In this equation A is a constant containing factors such as the number of carriers available to attempt the tunneling process and their frequency of attempting it; P is the probability of successful tunneling, which depends on M (the ratio of the effective mass of the electron to its mass in free space), t the thickness, and W the energy gap. For t in Angstroms and W in electron volts, kis 0.34. Hence, for germanium with a 60 A thickness the probability becomes e<sup>-7.62</sup>, or one chance in 2,000. This tunneling probability is relatively independent of temperature.

A plot of the current of a thin *p-n* junction (Esaki diode) against voltage gives the typical curve I of Fig. 6A. In the first region current increase is proportional to applied voltage. The current reaches a maximum at  $I_p$ , then decreases as the voltage increases (negative resistance region) down to a lower value after which it rises again (second positive resistance region). This behavior is a consequence of factor A in Eq. 2. The value of Adepends on the number of available states for tunneling, since for an electron to tunnel through the barrier there must be a vacant state on the other side to receive it.

Figure 6B is a representation of the energy-band structure for an

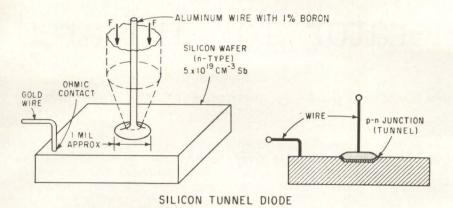


FIG. 7—Technique for making silicon tunnel diode

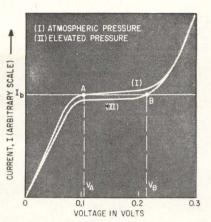


FIG. 8—Resistance in parallel with a tunnel diode allows a gage factor as high as 30,000

Esaki diode as a function of applied voltage. For the top figure, representing no bias, the n region has a filled valence band up to the forbidden energy gap (shown by the cross-hatched lines) since there are essentially no holes present at room temperature. The conduction band has a large number of electrons, shown by the shaded area, and the Fermi level is on top of this band. On the other side of the barrier region, which is raised in energy value because of the voltage gradient across the barrier, there are practically no electrons in the conduction band since the conduction is by holes. There is, however, an empty space above the valence band where electrons can exist since, in this region, if present, they would cancel holes and raise the band levels.

For no bias, electrons could flow along the line between the two sides; but since the band levels are determined by a constant Fermi level between sides there are no vacant states opposite the filled states; therefore no current flows. When small voltages are applied, the right-hand side is lowered and empty states are opposite filled states and current can flow. The maximum flow occurs when the empty state region covers the greatest area of filled regions. A still higher bias causes the empty region to be lower than the filled region and the tunneling current decreases as the voltage increases. This is the negative resistance region. Finally when the barrier gets low enough, electrons can jump the

barrier under the effect of thermal agitation and the current increases again as in an ordinary p-n junction rectifier; this is the second positive region.

To be of use as a stress transducer, one or more of the parameters must change with stress. The only ones appreciably affected are thickness, energy gap and the effective mass; thus the tunneling probability is affected. The largest changes occur in the energy gap and the effective mass. For the following semiconductor materials, a hydrostatic pressure of 20,000 psi changes the peak current  $I_p$  by (in percent): Si, + 2.5; Ge, - 15; GaAs, -20; GaSb, -39.

Curve II of Fig. 6A shows the effect of a hydrostatic pressure of 1,000 atmospheres (15,000 psi) on a germanium diode. The slope changes and the peak current is reduced by about 11 percent. One use for such a device, suggested by W. G. Pfann of Bell Laboratories, is as a pressure alarm device. If a constant current  $I_b$  flows through the device (Fig. 6A), and pressure lowers the peak of the characteristic curve to the current  $I_{\mu}$  or below. the device will switch to point C, with a much larger voltage drop across it.

The device can also be used to measure pressure. With a constant current  $I_b$  going through the device, the voltage will change from  $V_A$  to  $V_B$  as pressure is applied. Sensitivity is given by

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R \times S} = \frac{(V_B - V_A)}{V_A \times (p/B)} \approx 100 \text{ to } 300$$

where 100 is typical for germanium and 300 for gallium antimonide. Quantity B is the bulk modulus for the semiconductor. Hence, these materials have the same order of sensitivity for hydrostatic pressure as silicon for a longitudinal stress. However, there is no necessity for limiting the action to hydrostatic pressure. Figure 7 shows a simple way of making these diodes by alloying an aluminum wire with 1 percent boron to a semiconductor wafer with a high doping. An active area can be made as small as 0.001 inch in diameter. By attaching this active area to a horn or diaphragm, a pressure multiplication factor of 10° is easily obtained; such devices are competitive with other methods of pressure measurement or pick-up.

Greater sensitivity can be obtained by using the negative resistance portion of the characteristic. By putting a resistance in parallel with the diode, the sum of the characteristics can be made equal to curve I of Fig. 8. The effect of a pressure is to lower the characteristic to curve II and the voltage change  $V_B - V_A$  becomes much larger. By adjusting the input current and the parelleling resistance, gage factors as high as 30,000 can be obtained. This application requires a well-controlled, constant-input current  $I_b$  and good temperature stability of the characteristics. Such characteristics can be obtained with zener diode voltage stability coupled with a temperature insensitive tunneling probability.

# Signal Generator for Infrared

Electronic and optical techniques combine to produce a monitored infrared signal between

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GENERATION AND DETECTION of energy in the infrared region has become increasingly important in both military and industrial applications. An infrared signal generator recently developed provides an output signal continuously variable from one to fourteen microns, corresponding to about 300,000 Gc to 20,000 Gc.

The infrared signal generator, photo, is used in development, testing and maintenance of infrared detectors, communications systems, target seekers, tracking systems, surveillance systems, and satellites.

The generator has an internal modulator that amplitude modulates the output signal from 2 cps to 2.6 Kc, a step attenuator with a 10<sup>7</sup>-to-1 range, a 10-to-1 vernier attenuator, and an output power monitor.

Although the infrared signal

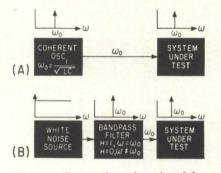
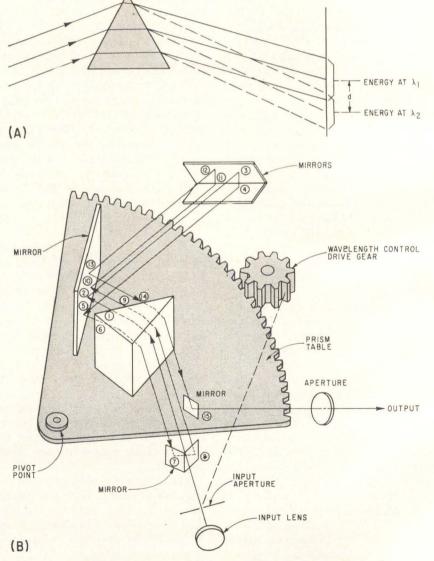
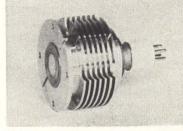


FIG. 1—Generation of a signal by a coherent oscillator, (A); by a noise source and bandpass filter, (B)



NORMALIZED POWER  $\lambda_{MAX} = \frac{a}{T} = \frac{2,897.9 \text{ MICRON DEG}}{T \text{ TEMP OF RAD, DEG K}}$   $\lambda_{MAX}$  (WAVELENGTH)



(B)

FIG. 2-(A) Black-body radiation curve, given by Planck's equation; (B), the infrared noise source FIG. 3-(A) Single-pass monochromator. Distance d is to be kept as large as possible. This is done in the compact four-pass monochromator, (B)

# Region

#### 1 and 14 microns

generator is analogous to an r-f signal generator, the method of producing the signal is different. At radio frequencies, a tuned coherent oscillator generates the carrier signal. At infrared frequencies the values of inductance and capacitance, or the dimensions of a resonant cavity, become so small that construction is impossible.

One solution is to filter all but the desired frequency from a noise source. An ideal filter has a transfer function of zero for all frequencies except the one desired; thus the output of a noise source with filter appears to be the same as a coherent oscillator. Practically, the transfer function has a finite slope and the output is a band of frequencies whose bandwidth is controlled by the design of the filter (see Fig. 1).

Conventionally, the source is a glowing ceramic rod or a cavitytype black body. Neither of these are white-noise sources. The ceramic glower has a restricted operating range and mechanical fragility. Although the cavity source overcomes these difficulties, it takes a long time to reach a steady state because of its large thermal mass. Figure 2A illustrates the energy distribution of a black body as given by Planck's equation.

Because no suitable sources were commercially available, a new noise source was developed: a hermetically sealed tungsten filament lamp. Having a small thermal mass, this lamp offers fast response and is as rugged as a conventional photographic projection lamp. Figure 2B shows the lamp in a heat dissipating mounting. This lamp is not a white noise source; its energy is also given by Planck's equation. A true white noise source is impossible because it demands that the source supply infinite energy.

It was next necessary to design a bandpass filter to select the desired infrared wavelength. An elec-



Infrared signal generator is operated by Telewave manager, Alan Ross. Wavelength dial is calibrated in 0.2-micron steps, output radiation at 5 microns has power of 1 microwatt, spectral profile 0.35 microns wide

tronic filter could not be built for the same reasons that a coherent oscillator is impractical.

The bandpass filter is a monochromator, shown in Fig. 3A. Light incident on the input surface of a prism is refracted because the refractive index of the prism material is different from that of air. The amount of bending depends on the wavelength of the light. At the exit surface, the light is again bent. This bending causes different wavelengths to travel in different directions. The amount of separation between the shortest and longest wavelengths, distance d in Fig. 3A, is related to the dispersion of the prism, which is a property of the material and the prism dimensions. If an exit plate with a small aperture is placed after the prism, then only those wavelengths that coincide with the aperture will appear at the output.

Distance d determines the resolution of the monochromator. Since the angular dispersion is a constant of the prism, the only way in which this distance can be increased is to increase the path length from the prism to the exit aperture, yielding large physical dimensions for the monochromator. An other method is to reduce the aperture size, but this reduces output power. The approach used was to pass the beam through the prism several times, as shown in Fig. 3B, thus increasing the angular dispersion and decreasing the required path length for a given linear dispersion.

A variable aperture at the monochromator input reduces the power variation over the band and compensates for variations in prism resolution. This aperture is ganged to the wavelength control by a cam. Wavelength is adjusted by rotating the table that carries the prism, resulting in a small and mechanically simple monochromator.

Since glass does not transmit infrared, it is necessary to use materials such as rock salt or potassium bromide for all transmitting optics. These materials are water soluble and sensitive to humidity; the monochromator chamber therefore must be kept dry with silica gel.

The monochromator assembly also contains step attenuators, which are insensitive to wavelength variation and have 10-percent transmission. Three attenuators can be inserted into the optical path to attenuate the beam in steps of 10 to 10<sup>7</sup>. (The beam can pass up to four times through the same attenuator.) A vernier attenuator provides another factor of ten by varying the intensity of the source. Figure 4 shows the complete signal generator.

The infrared signal is modulated by a rotating chopper that interrupts the monochromator input. The modulation frequency is controlled by a velocity servo driving the chopper. The servo loop has a

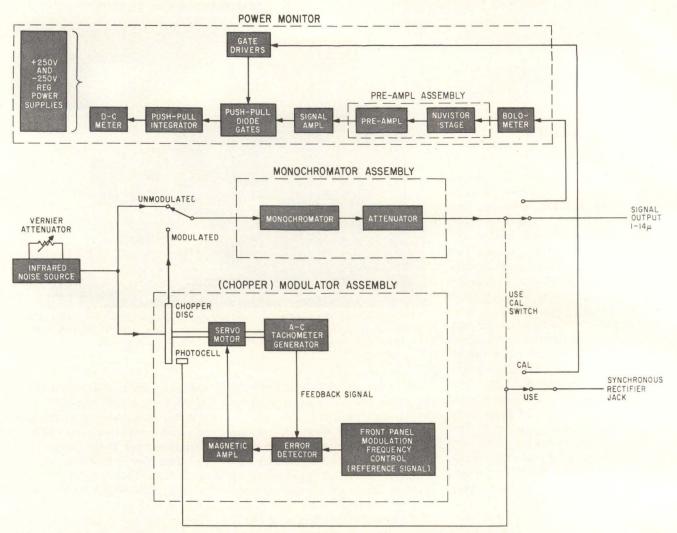


FIG. 4-Infrared signal generator, showing the principal assemblies and their circuits

two-phase servomotor, bridge-type error detector using a tachometer for the error signal, potentiometer for setting the reference voltage and a magnetic amplifier. For lowpower-level measurements, a synchronous rectifier, controlled by the chopper assembly, can be connected at the front panel to an external detection system. The rectifier is a photoresistive cell with a dark-tolight resistance ratio of over 10.000 to 1, illuminated by a pilot lamp mounted at the chopper rim. The synchronous rectifier is available only in the 2 to 70-cps modulation range; it is not used at higher modulation frequencies because of bandwidth considerations.

The power monitor circuit, Fig. 5, contains a thermistor bolometer transducer, low-noise nuvistor preamplifier, synchronous detector meter and two highly regulated power supplies. The block diagram for this circuit is presented in Fig. 4. The bolometer consists of two temperature-sensitive semiconducting resistors (thermistors), one exposed to the signal, and the other kept dark to cancel temperature effects. They are connected in series and biased by positive and negative 250-volt power supplies which are virtually free of hum and noise.

The signal obtained from the junction of the two thermistors is resistance-capacitance coupled to the nuvistor triode preamplifier. Because of the small size of the tube elements and the rigid mounting, the resonant frequency of the tube elements is in the kilocycle range, far above the region of interest. To improve the preamplifier's immunity to line transients that pass through the regulators, the first stage is a difference amplifier. The signal for one grid is derived from the bolometer; the other grid is connected to the output of the power supplies through

capacitors. This results in a bridge with the difference amplifier driven by the unbalance signal.

Since the bridge is initially balanced, any transient that causes the voltage of one supply to change relative to ground will cause only a shift in d-c output level, while maintaining balance across the bridge. This shift is applied to both grids of the difference amplifier as a common-mode signal and appears at the output attenuated by the common-mode rejection ratio of the difference amplifier. The desired signal affects only one arm of the bridge, resulting in an unbalance signal which is applied to only one grid and amplified. If the transient changes the total bias across the bridge, the bridge stays balanced while maintaining the same output d-c level, so that there is no signal.

Negative feedback stabilizes the gain against changes caused by component variation with aging

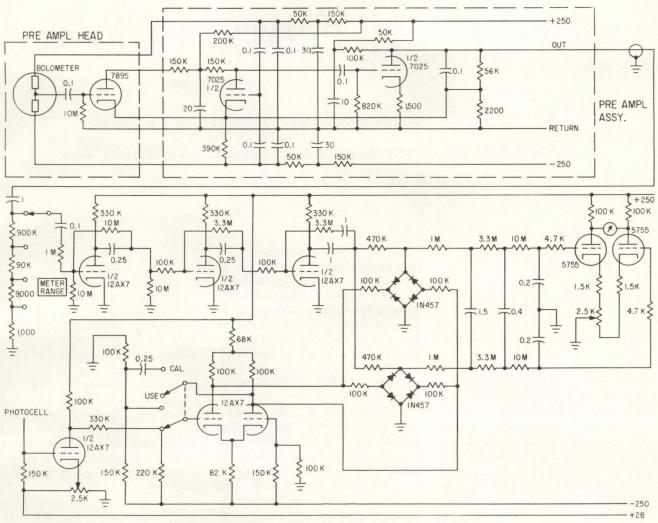


FIG. 5-Power monitor uses a bolometer head (upper left) and nuvistor preamplifier

and temperature change.

The bolometer, grid coupling network and nuvistor are in a small shielded box that is moved in and out of the monochromator output by a linkage actuated by a USE-CALIBRATE control. The USE-CALI-BRATE control also transfers the synchronous rectifier to the internal detector.

The rest of the power monitor is on a subchassis mounted in back of the meter. It includes the signal amplifier, two four-diode gates for push-pull rectification and drivers for the gates. Both the positive and negative supplies are used for the gate drivers so that the quiescent plate voltage is zero. Thus the gates need not be capacitively coupled to the driver.

With the internal metering circuit disabled, the driver circuit is a free-running multivibrator. This actuates the gates, keeping the meter needle from quivering. All bodies radiate energy because of their temperature. At moderate temperatures, part of this radiant energy is in the infrared region. Thus it is necessary to distinguish between this undesired background radiation and the generated signal. If the generated signal is large, the background may not be objectionable because it is a small part of the total. However, with an attenuation range of  $10^{\circ}$  to 1, the signal may be much smaller than the background. Thus synchronous detection is used.

Since noise is completely random, the output of a noise source integrated over a long period of time is zero

 $\int_{0}^{T}$  (noise dt = 0 (T large)

However, the output of the generator is modulated with a square wave. Therefore

 $\int_{0}^{T}$  (modulated output)  $dt = \frac{1}{2}$  the peak-to-peak value of the modulated signal (*T* large)

This is a linear system and the principle of superposition holds  $\int_0^T (\text{modulated output} + \text{noise}) dt = \int_0^T (\text{modulated output}) dt + \int_0^T (\text{noise}) dt$  (T large)

which is one-half the amplitude of the square-wave modulated signal.

As long as the system is linear, the noise is cancelled. Thus it is possible to detect signals buried in background noise.

The chopper servo keeps the modulation frequency constant, and the wide range of modulation frequencies available, 2 cps to 2.6 Kc. permits measurement of frequency response. The servo also enables the modulator to return to steady state rapidly after a change in modulation frequency, since the drive from the feedback loop compensates for the rotational inertia of the chopper.

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# GATE CIRCUIT PROTECTS BEACON

Lockout circuit prevents inadvertent triggering of transponder modulators. Negative gate protects silicon controlled rectifier or power supply from effects of too closely spaced trigger pulses

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PREMATURE TRIGGERING can be prevented in missile-tracking beacon radars that use a conventional d-c resonance-charging type modulator. A solid-state lockout circuit has been developed that keeps strong echoes and unsynchronized radars from causing malfunctions of transponders on the launching pad.

This type of circuit failure has been eliminated by adding the lockout circuit, Fig. 1A, to the conventional modulator, Fig. 1B. This addition provides an automatic negative gate signal which prevents inadvertent triggering during the recovery time. In the conventional modulator, the charging inductance  $L_c$  and its associated resistance, together with the total effective capacitance,  $C_s$ , of the pulse-forming network (pfn) form an underdamped RLC circuit. The inductance and resistance of the pfn and primary of the modulation transformer are negligible compared to that of the charging inductor.

Application of  $E_{BB}$  to the RLC circuit results in the familiar damped sinusoid where the initial peak voltage approaches approximately  $2E_{BB}$ . Diode  $D_c$  in series with the RLC circuit holds this initial high voltage at about  $2E_{BB}$ . Application of  $E_{BB}$  thus charges the capacitance of the pfn to  $V_1$  of about  $2E_{BB}$ . The pfn stores this energy,  $1/2CE^2$ , so that the discharge waveshape approximates a rectangular pulse—usually of about one microsecond duration.

The pfn may take many forms where the E type or parallel combination or series LC, are used. Frequencies associated with  $L_1$ ,  $C_1$ ;  $L_3$ ,  $C_3$ ; and  $L_5$ ,  $C_5$  in Fig. 1B represent the 1st, 3rd and 5th harmonics, respectively, of the simulated rectangular pulse. The silicon controlled rectifier scr switch replaces its thermionic counterpart, the thyratron. The scr is a pnpn device that blocks  $V_1$  until a trigger pulse is applied at the gate.

With such a trigger, the scr appears as a low impedance so that the pfn discharges through the scr and the primary of the modulation transformer. The modulation transformer steps up the pulse voltage to a value required for transmitter operation. The scr reverts to its

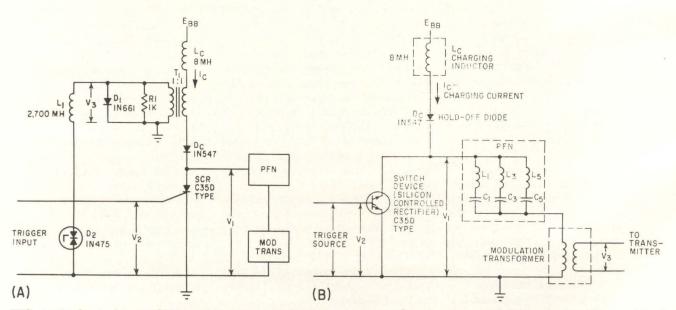


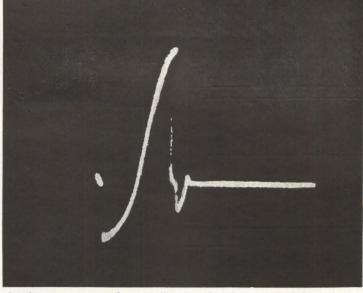
FIG. 1—Lockout circuit additions (A) to conventional d-c resonant charging type modulator circuit (B) consist of  $T_1$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ ,  $D_3$ ,  $D_4$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ ,  $D_3$ ,  $D_4$ ,

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high-impedance state when the current through it drops below the holding current level. At this point, capacitance of the pfn again charges to  $V_1$  at a rate determined by  $L_c$  and  $C_s$ .

Figure 2A shows typical waveforms associated with the conventional modulator circuit. The approximate value  $2E_{nn}$  is reached at  $T_n$ , usually in about 50 to 100 microseconds. The negative portion of  $V_n$  is the result of the biased-diode nature of the transmitter, which, together with the shunt inductance of the primary of the modulation transformer, cause the unexpended  $1/2LI^2$  to appear across the switch as a negative-going voltage.

The rate at which  $2E_{nn}$  is approached must be slow enough to permit complete diffusion of the carriers from the end junctions of the scr. This rate compares roughly with the deionization time required in thyratrons. If insufficient time is allowed for recovery, the scr will not revert to its blocking state and will go into continuous conduction. This will result in destruction of the scr, damage to the power supply or temporary cessation of opera-



Oscilloscope sweep shows failure mode of scr caused by premature recharging

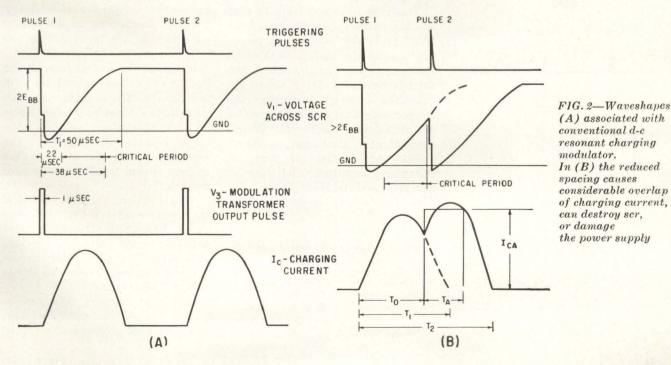
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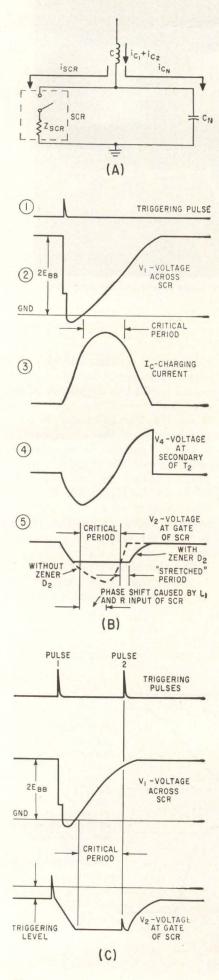
The malfunction caused by triggering during recovery can be explained by considering the charging currents. In Figure 2A the current through the charging choke is shown when the spacing between two pulses, 1 and 2, is sufficient to avoid overlap of the charging currents. In this operation, the charging current is reduced to zero prior to the second firing. In Fig. 2B, however, the spacing has been sufficiently reduced to cause considerable overlap of the charging currents. Therefore, after the completion of the pfn discharge caused

by pulse 2, considerable charging current appears at this point.

In Fig. 2B the magnitude of the charging current through the scr is not sufficient to exceed the holding current of the scr since considerable current is shunted in charging the pfn capacitor,  $C_N$ , in parallel across the low impedance of the scr, see Figure 3A. However, the presence of an  $I_{c1}$  component together with  $I_{c2}$  causes  $V_1$  to charge to a higher value and at a faster rate.

The charging current of Fig. 2B indicates that linear charging will occur during the overlap since the





peak current can be represented as a steady state value, as noted by the dashed lines, with a superimposed ripple.

The charging voltage can, therefore, be approximated as

$$C_o = (1/c) \int_{T_o}^{T_o + T_A} i dt \simeq \frac{1}{c} I_{CA}$$

during  $T_A$  if the ripple is neglected.

If the pulse spacing is further reduced from that shown in Fig. 2B, the charging rate will not permit the scr to revert completely to its original blocking state. Instead at some time during its recharging cycle the carriers in the end junction will not be sufficiently diffused and continuous scr conduction will result.

A photo of this type failure was taken with a memory oscilloscope where the single sweep was initiated by the interjection of pulse 1 before pulse 2. The pulse shows that the charging voltage actually did go above ground by about 40 volts before the failure occurred. The power supply thermal circuit breaker was energized soon after the failure, preventing destruction of the scr or damage to the power supply.

As the spacing to the second pulse is further reduced, the overlap charging current is increased until a component of the residual charging current  $I_{c1}$  is sufficient to exceed the holding current of the scr, resulting in continuous conduction immediately upon application of pulse 2.

This type failure extends to that spacing where  $V_1$  just becomes positive. Therefore, during the recovery time of the modulator, a critical range exists during which the introduction of a firing pulse will cause the scr to go into continuous conduction. This critical period is a function of peak current passed during pfn discharge, negative voltage across the scr prior to charging, amplitude and rate of charging, and the junction temperature of the scr. In the described cir-

FIG. 3—Equivalent circuit of scr and pfn during recharging with residual charging current from previous charge (A); waveshapes associated with lockout circuit (B); and final waveforms of lockout circuit showing lockout effect at critical period (C) cuit, the critical period takes between 22 to 38 microseconds in a total recovery of about 50 microseconds.

Normally, the minimum spacing of the triggering pulses is sufficient to avoid difficulty. However, in radar transponders using the d-c resonance-charging modulator, a unique situation exists. While the spacing of the radar pulses is normally sufficient, premature triggering can occur if, at the launching pad, strong echoes appear after the main radar pulse as a result of multipath approaches to the gantry; or if unsynchronized multiple radars are used. While the latter condition is usually manageable, the former condition cannot be controlled readily owing to the proximity of other gantries or structures. The lockout circuit (see Fig. 1A), introduces a negative inhibit gate at the scr gate during the critical period. The circuit uses the voltage induced in the primary of  $T_1$  by the charging current, Fig. 3B-3. The voltage is then transformed to the secondary, Fig. 3B-4. The tendency for ringing is damped by  $R_1$  (Fig. 1). The positive-going portion is removed by  $D_1$ .

With zener  $D_2$  removed, the phase shift introduced by  $L_1$  and the equivalent input impedance of the scr optimizes the location of the voltage in reference to the critical period.

The broken-line waveform of Figure 3B-5 shows that the voltage at the critical period is almost properly located to be an inhibit gate for the scr input during the critical period.

However, the second pulse at the end of the critical period can still fire the scr. The negative gate can be further shifted by a larger value of inductance. However, with additional shifting, the location of the second pulse at the start of the critical period would then trigger the scr.

This problem could be solved if the negative pulse in Fig. 3B-5 were merely stretched. The addition of a double anode Zener,  $D_2$ , provides this stretching plus other important advantages. Figure 3C shows the final waveforms.

The total recovery time can be reduced considerably, 20 microseconds has been achieved.



Variable pulse-width output of satellite power supply can be seen on the scope

# Satellite Power Supply HAS VARIABLE PULSE WIDTH

Power supply for satellites uses multivibrator for constant frequency and variable pulse-width for regulation. Other features of the short-circuit-proof converter are light weight and high efficiency

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A SATELLITE-BORNE power supply must maintain good regulation over extremes of temperature, operate at high efficiency from widely varying input voltages into changing loads, be short-circuit proof, use a minimum of parts, withstand shock and vibration, and be light in weight.

Specifications for such a supply, shown in the table, are typical and not restrictive. Although d-c input is specified, some space vehicles provide a source of a-c power. However, for efficiency and reliability, it was decided to bypass intermediate equipment and operate directly from the vehicle battery. The circuit is a d-c to d-c converter.

A conventional d-c to d-c converter can be built with the required efficiency, if it is unregulated. Since a series or shunt regulator was out of the question, a modified converter was developed. In a conventional converter, as

the input voltage is increased, the operating frequency also increases. This occurs because a fixed number of volt-seconds is required to saturate the core. For a square hysteresis-loop transformer Et = k, where E is the voltage applied to the transformer primary, t is time to switch from one saturated state to the other, and k is determined by core material, configuration, and primary turns.

Hence the frequency changes inversely as the input voltage. If, however, the operating frequency is held constant by introducing a period of offtime after the saturation of each flux reversal,

$$E_{\rm av} = \frac{N_s E t}{N_r T} = \frac{N_s k}{N_r T} = \frac{K}{T}$$

which indicates that the average value of the rectified output  $E_{\rm av}$ , is independent of the input voltage.

The required constant-frequency, variable-duration waveform is developed in the circuit of Fig. 1A, where transistors  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are fired alternately by a free-running multivibrator whose period is 2T. At time 0, the positive-going leading edge of the multivibrator output turns on  $Q_1$  through  $C_1$ . A positive voltage is induced in the turnoff winding at the cathode of  $D_1$  to back-bias the diode. Current flows from the multivibrator into the base of  $Q_1$ , keeping it on until

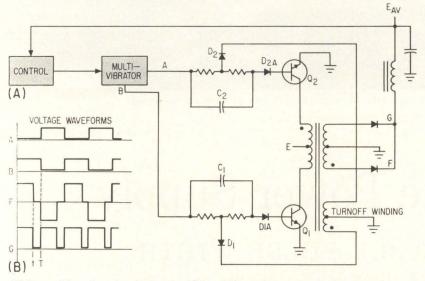


FIG. 1—Waveforms of circuit (B). When the core of the transformer saturates, base drive for the transistors is shunted to ground through  $D_1$  or  $D_2$ . Core saturation time is a function of load and supply voltage

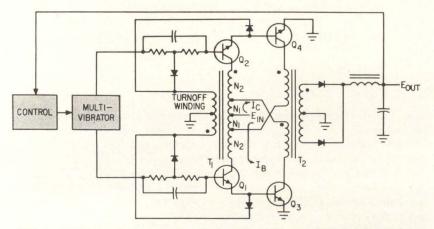


FIG. 2—Efficiency is increased and short-circuit protection is obtained by driving output stage with variable width pulses from  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . Only transformer  $T_1$  saturates, not  $T_2$ 

time t, when the core saturates. At this time the turnoff winding voltage drops to zero,  $D_1$  conducts, and base drive is clamped through the winding to ground, turning off  $Q_1$ . Diode  $D_{1A}$  compensates for the drop across  $D_1$ , assuring a firm turnoff. At time T, the multivibrator changes state, turning on  $Q_2$ , and the cycle is repeated.

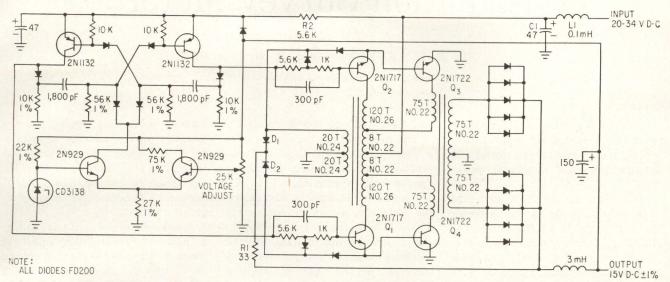
The rectified output need only be integrated by an L-C filter to produce a regulated d-c. Regulation is thus accomplished by the transformer core itself, and is sufficient for many applications. However, changes in the output voltage are caused by changes in load, due to choke and rectifier drops; changes in temperature, due to variation of k (k varies about 10 percent from -55 to 100C); or a change in the value of T, caused by multivibrator drift.

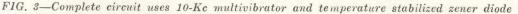
Since  $E_{av}$  is a function of T, Tcan be automatically adjusted to provide tighter regulation. The output is sampled and compared to a temperature compensated zener diode in a differential amplifier. Any error signal is used to vary the frequency of the multivibrator, adjusting T to bring the output voltage back to the desired level. Even with unmatched transistors in the differential amplifier, it is feasible to achieve  $\pm 1$  percent regulation.

Most d-c to d-c converters achieve maximum efficiency at full load only. This is undesirable in a satellite power supply, since full load capability is utilized only during ground contact, a small percentage of the duty cycle.

Declining efficiency is due not so much to the relatively minor fixed lossed in the control circuits, but to the losses in driving the power stage. Since the power transistors must be driven to full-load capability, the drive circuit dissipation can be justified only when the converter is delivering maximum power. It was therefore necessary to provide a base-drive circuit for the switching transistors, that would automatically adjust the base current to the load.

The most desirable base drive mechanism conforms to  $I_{B} = I_{c}/\beta_{\min}$ , where  $I_{B}$  is the desired base





drive current,  $I_c$  is the collector or primary current, and  $\beta_{min}$  is the minimum specified current gain of the switching transistor. The load current does not enter into the problem because  $I_c$ , the primary current, automatically adjusts itself to the load.

The circuit of Fig. 1 drives a power stage, as shown in Fig. 2. Voltage regulation is accomplished by transformer  $T_1$ , and  $T_2$  does not saturate. The input voltage is applied at the primary center tap of  $T_1$  and tapped for the primaries of  $T_2$  as shown. When  $T_1$  primary current is flowing through  $Q_1$ , to drive  $Q_3$ , the collector current of  $Q_3$ is reflected as a load on transformer  $T_1$ , and the  $T_1$  primary current automatically adjusts itself to this load according to the turns ratio. But  $T_1$  primary current is the base drive for  $Q_3$ . Hence  $I_B =$  $N_1I_c/(N_1 + N_2)$ . By setting  $(N_1 + N_2)$ .  $N_{2}$ )/ $N_{1} = \beta_{\min}$ , then  $I_{B} = I_{C}/\beta_{\min}$  $N_{2}$ )/ $N_{1} = \beta_{\min}$ , then  $I_{B} = I_{C}/\beta_{\min}$ .

If the load current increases, the immediate result is that current  $I_c$ also increases; primary current in transformer  $T_i$  also increases and this in turn causes current  $I_R$  to increase. Thus base drive current regulation is both instantaneous and automatic. As a further benefit from the circuit, no power has to be supplied only to be wasted by being dissipated in base drive resistors, and transistors  $Q_s$  and  $Q_4$  are operated at their full power gain.

The complete schematic diagram of the satellite power supply is given in Fig. 3. Operating frequency is set at the relatively high value of 10 Kc, since a high frequency reduces the size and weight of transformers and the components of the filtering portion of the circuit. The circuit is adaptable to frequencies lower than the 10 Kc actually used, and lower frequencies will actually allow somewhat better efficiencies than the curves given in Fig. 4. The input filter to the supply is formed of  $L_1$  and  $C_1$ . The main purpose of this filter is to prevent the sharp current steps being drawn by the converter from appearing as hash on the input line.

Diodes  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ , and resistor  $R_1$ stabilize  $T_1$  by providing a load for the turnoff spike generated at the end of each half cycle. The control circuit is operated from the output voltage, with  $R_2$  for starting.

#### POWER SUPPLY SPECIFICATIONS

#### Input voltage-20 to 34 volts dc

Output voltage—15 volts d-c  $\pm 1$  percent

- Output power-5 to 25 watts
- Ambient temperature— -55 C to 100 C Efficiency—80 percent minimum for any operating conditions
- Protection—Able to withstand a continuous short circuit without damage. Resume normal operation upon removal of short

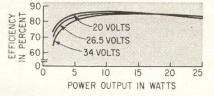


FIG. 4—Efficiency is high, even at low loads, because drive power varies with the load

For a short circuit or overload,  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  limit when demands are made for collector current beyond  $\beta I_{\nu}$ . In this case no voltage is induced in the turnoff winding of  $T_1$ and the base drive is clamped through the turnoff diode. Hence an attempt is made to fire only during the charging time of the bypass capacitors. Failing this, the power stage remains quiescent for the remainder of the multivibrator half cycle, with no damage to the circuit.

Efficiency is shown in Fig. 4 for three input voltages. A further increase in input voltage serves only to decrease the efficiency. Regulation is within 1 percent until the breakdown voltage of the transistors is reached (about 50 volts input).

The completed breadboard weighs 0.75 lb. Operational size and weight depends on packaging.

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# Radiation Survey Meter

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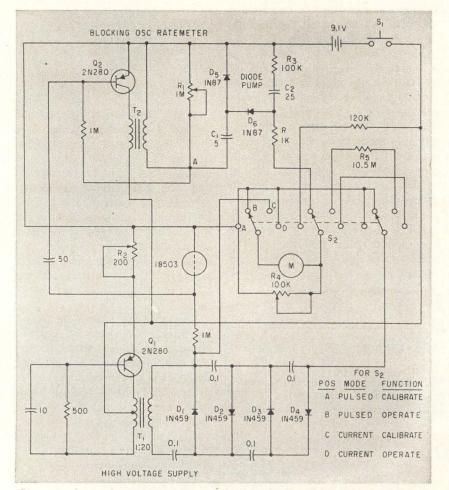
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A SMALL RADIATION survey meter with two modes of operation pulsed and current—can detect the contamination of a nuclear explosion.

In the circuit, an 18503 or 18504 G-M counter tube is the detector for the 0.5 mR to 5 R/hr range. The 18503 is a small gamma-sensitive counter while the 18504 is an endwindow beta-sensitive counter with the same gamma sensitivity. The Geiger plateau extends from 425 to 650 v with a slope less than 2 percent per 100 v. Other tube types and their ranges are: 18550—0.5 to 10 R/hr; 18509—6 to 100 R/hr and 18529—20 to 500 R/hr.

The high voltage d-c source uses a blocking oscillator and a Cockcroft-Walton multiplier. Oscillator frequency is approximately 10 Kc. Diodes  $D_1$  to  $D_4$  rectify and multiply the a-c to d-c of approximately 550 v. This output is stabilized by the Zener region of  $D_1$ . If the blocking oscillator output tends to increase beyond 140 v, reverse breakdown in diode  $D_1$  occurs.

In pulsed operation (position Bof  $S_2$ ), the G-M pulses are fed to  $Q_2$ . Transistor  $Q_2$  acts as a switch, closing every time the G-M tube fires. When firing takes place, full



Because slope of response curve of both pulsed and current modes are the same, only one meter scale is necessary

battery voltage is applied to the primary of  $T_2$ , inducing a voltage pulse in the secondary. Conduction time of  $Q_2$  and duration of the voltage pulse in the secondary of  $T_2$ depend on the characteristics of  $T_2$ and the value of  $C_1$ .

A pulse from the G-M tube causes a negative rectangular pulse at point A. Each pulse places a charge on  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . As pulse repetition rate increases,  $R_3$  slows the charging of  $C_2$ . This gives a logarithmic output. (Removing  $R_3$  gives a linear response). The current flows around loop  $C_2$ ,  $D_6$ ,  $C_1$  and the secondary of  $T_2$ . On the positive half cycle of the blocking oscillator,  $C_1$ discharges through  $D_5$ . Capacitor  $C_2$  discharges slowly through R and meter M. At equilibrium, the discharge current of  $C_2$  is equal to the charging current from the pump circuit.

Potentiometer  $R_4$  compensates for a change in battery voltage. To calibrate the instrument,  $S_2$  is placed in position A and  $R_4$  is adjusted until M reads half scale. The instrument is calibrated initially by adjusting  $R_4$  and then setting  $R_5$  to obtain a full scale meter reading in a 50 mR/hr field. Range for pulsed operation is 0.5-50 mR/hr.

In the current mode of operation, the same G-M tube is used and the current in a given radiation field measured. This current in the range of 50 mR to 5R/hr is a logarithmic function of the radiation intensity.

In calibrating in the current mode, meter M in series with  $R_3$  is placed across the high voltage generator when  $S_1$  is in position C. Potentiometer  $R_2$  is varied until the meter reads half scale. There is now 550 v at the output of the high voltage generator.

For a sample of 100 G-M tubes, the probable error of a measurement of radiation field with 550 v anode voltage is 10 percent. The instrument has been packaged in a box 3 in.  $\times$  5 in.  $\times$  2 in. deep.

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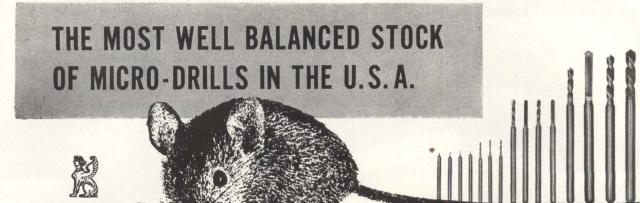
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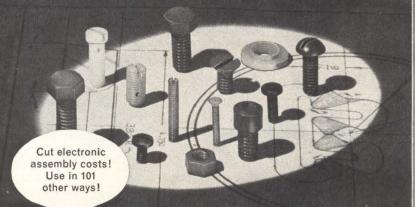
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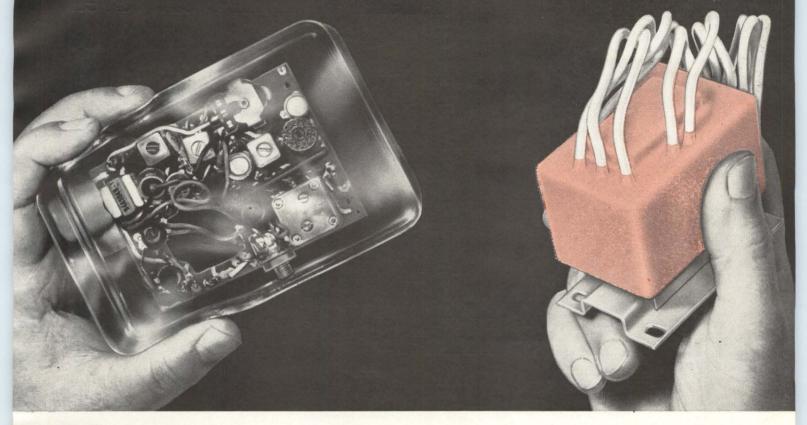
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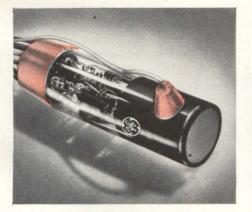
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# Experimental Tube Generates Millimeter Waves

EXPERIMENTAL backward wave oscillator tube indicates that existing microwave concepts can be extended to the millimeter wave portion of the spectrum. The tube, designed for operation at frequencies from 50 to 75 Gc, generated 1.6 watts of c-w output power under laboratory conditions.

It has long been accepted that many interesting and useful systems for research, communications and national defense could be built using the properties of millimeter waves if suitable power sources were available. It has also been assumed that mere extension of existing microwave concepts are entirely inadequate to provide millimeter wave power. Recently it has been shown at Varian Associates, Palo Alto, Calif., that this belief is incorrect. Substantial amounts of c-w power can be generated by judicious extension of present power-tube techniques.

The experiments from which this conclusion was drawn involved testing of the first model of a backward wave oscillator tube. Although the tube was designed to provide one-half watt c-w power in the frequency range from 50 to 75 Gc, it oscillated strongly and generated 1.6 watts c-w in the laboratory tests.

Performance of the experimental tube, designated the VA-171, is shown in Fig. 1. The tube was operated over only part of the desired frequency band because of a faulty ceramic insulator that prevented the application of the full tuning voltage. However, good agreement existed between predicted low-frequency performance and that observed during actual operation. It is therefore reasonable to conclude that subsequent versions of this tube will oscillate at frequencies up to 75 Gc with equal or even greater power output than already obtained.

The significance of the partial success of this tube is that it has given affirmative answers to two basic questions about millimeterwave power tubes. A small diameter

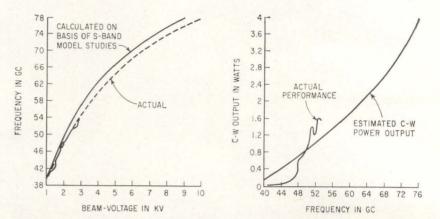


FIG. 1—Frequency as a function of beam voltage is shown at left while at right power output is shown as a function of frequency

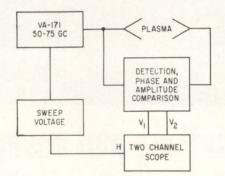


FIG. 2—Typical application of millimeter wave oscillator tube is in plasma profile studies for which a test setup is shown

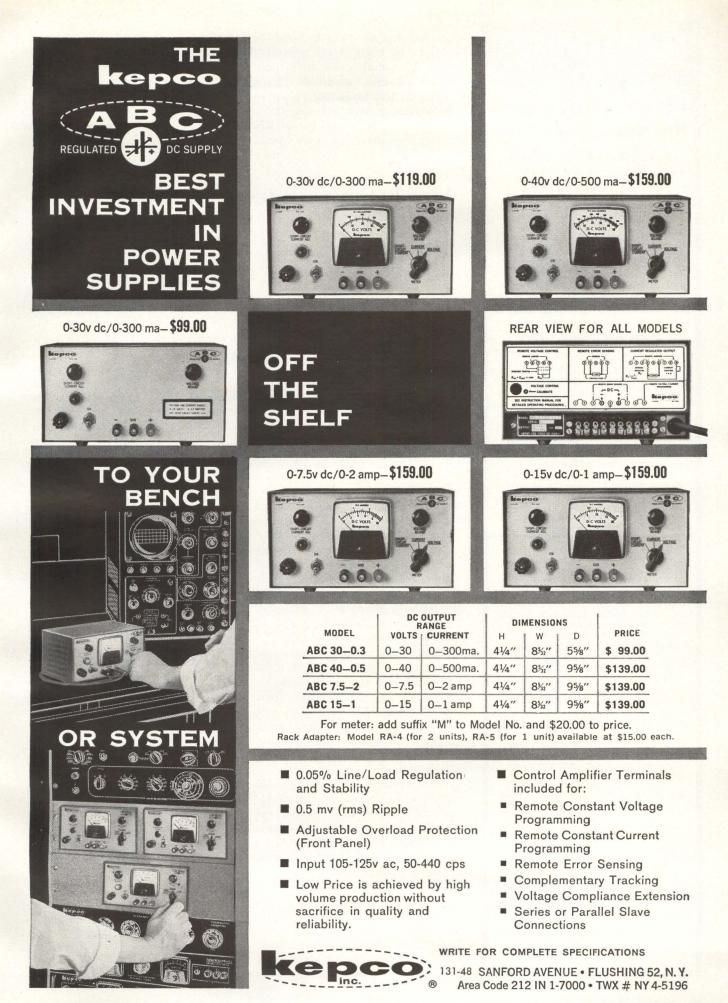
electron beam can be reasonably well focused at power densities of  $10^5$  watts per cm<sup>2</sup>; millimeter-wave circuits capable of withstanding such power densities can be designed and constructed.

Both of these affirmative answers were made possible by extending existing microwave tube techniques. For example, the high density electron beam is the result of an almost direct scale change from a 20-Kw, c-w, X-band klystron amplifier, the VA-849<sup>1</sup> also produced by Varian. The beam, with a diameter slightly more than 0.012 inch. was confined to the center of the interaction structure by a powerful electromagnet in the experiments. However, a permanent magnet is being designed for the tube. Unconventional fabricating techniques made possible the realization of a quite small circuit with thermal conductivity comparable to that obtained in megawatt klystrons.

Some interesting predictions have been made by Varian based on the results obtained with the VA-171. Since this device is an oscillator having about one-half percent efficiency, an amplifier of 20 percent efficiency using the same electron beam could easily produce more than 40 watts. Such an amplifier would quite probably provide 100 watts in the frequency range from 50 to 75 Gc with 3 to 5 percent bandwidth. The tube would be only slightly more difficult to achieve than the oscillator. Equally possible but requiring more development effort would be a pulsed amplifier to operate at 5 Kw peak and 500 watts average power output. Beamwidth might be 7 percent.

Among the applications of the VA-171 backward-wave oscillator tube will be plasma profile measurements, which will be made for the first time continuously from 50 to 75 Gc. A typical test setup for such studies is shown in Feb. 2. The tube will also be used for parametric amplifiers and masers and to obtain multi-channel communications in the 60-Gc frequency range both above and within the atmosphere.

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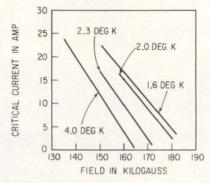
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fiers like the VA-171, it should be possible to make high resolution radar for amphibious operations, guided missiles, accurate station keeping in fleet formations, position information in helicopter operation, and precision gun and rocket fire control. For these and other special applications, systems engineers will probably determine the direction of further development by the characteristics they desire in such tubes.

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#### Wire Is Superconducting in Strong Fields



Critical current versus critical field is plotted at different temperatures for niobium-tin

NIOBIUM-TIN has been shown to remain superconducting in pulsed magnetic fields up to 185 kilogauss. When extrapolated to zero measuring current, the critical field appears to be about 188 kilogauss at 1.6 degrees K. The investigation of superconductivity was conducted by NBS in cooperation with the department of physics, Univ. of Colo. and sponsored by AEC.

High magnetic fields are required for many scientific and industrial purposes, but the electromagnets generally used to produce them consume large amounts of power. By using superconductivity, strong magnetic fields can be produced with limited power. However, most metals do not remain superconductive when even small magnetic fields exceed a critical value. Development of alloys such as Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn has resulted in wires that remain superconducting in strong magnetic fields. (See ELECTRONICS, p 9, Feb. 10 and p 96, Nov. 10.)

The niobium-tin wire used in this study was prepared using previously reported procedures' except that the wire was swaged rather than drawn to its final diameter of 0.5 mm. Measurements were made with the wire parallel to the field of a pulsed magnet 6.4 cm long and 1.4 cm in inside diameter. The current and potential leads were left outside the magnet. The wire was immersed in a liquid helium bath, and the magnet was placed in a surrounding bath of liquid nitrogen.

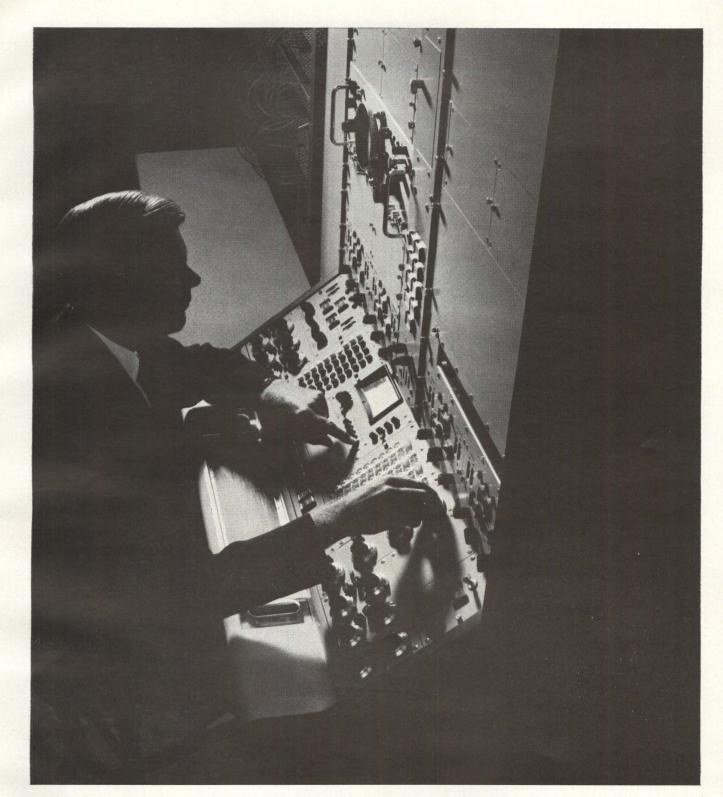
Maximum current applied to the sample was 23 amp; 1,100 amp could be applied to the magnet. The critical field was determined by oscilloscope traces of both magnetic field and voltage across the wire. A transient voltage appears when the field pulse is initiated, and superconductivity is destroyed when voltage returns. A peak magnetic field is reached in 7 milliseconds. Results of measurements are shown in the figure, where critical current is plotted against critical magnetic field at different temperatures.

Eddy-current heating of the sample during the field pulse has been estimated. Above the lambda (2.17 K), the sample might warm as much as 1 degree K, but below this temperature, the rise should be less than 0.5 degree K. Attenuation of the pulsed field through the sheath was found to be negligible.<sup>2</sup>

Using niobium-tin wire in superconducting magnets requires knowledge of the critical field transverse to current flow, rather than parallel to it, as it was in these experiments. Therefore, the experiments will continue to observe transverse critical fields. Materials other than Nb<sub>5</sub>Sn, such as solid solutions of NbZr, are being studied for possibile use in superconducting magnets.

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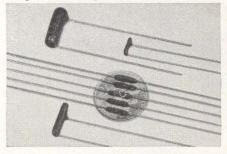
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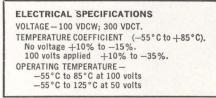
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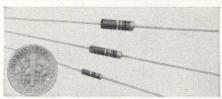


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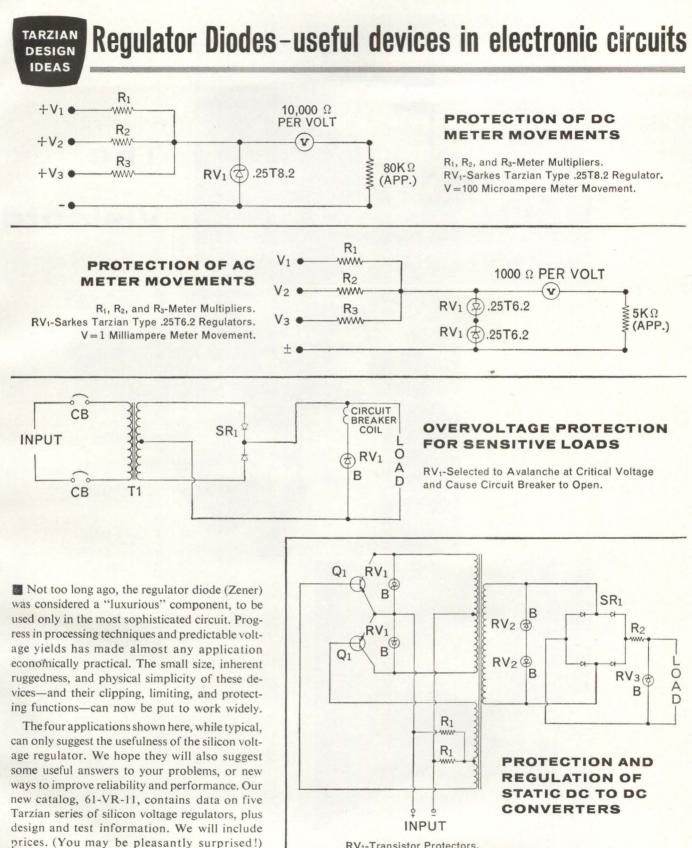


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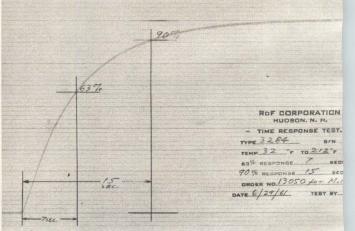


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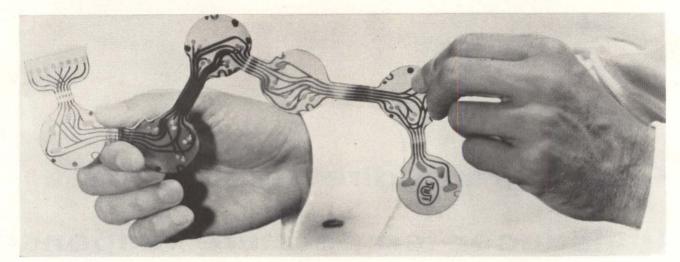
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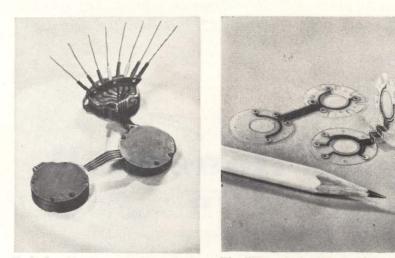
### Applying Flat Wires and Cables SPECIFIC USES IN MODERN ELECTRONIC CIRCUITS

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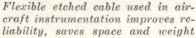
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DESIGN ADVANTAGES offered by flat wires and conductor cables were outlined last week, (see ELEC-TRONICS p. 60 Feb. 16). Configurations now available are being specified and custom-designed in missile, rocket and satellite systems (Minuteman, Titan, Echo, Tiros, Polaris), ground support equipment for defense and weapons systems, computers, test equipment, telephones and communications systems, instrument and controls, airborne electronics and wiring harnesses for various other applications.

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Etched cable (top of page) is installed in this Hi-G switch. Note flexible connections



increasing the scope of applications.

In the Hi-G switch shown, (bottom, left), the layers of cable are constructed with Kel-F insulation, chosen for its abrasion resistance. Where the cable is later fabricated to cast Kel-F housings, which enclose metal actuators, the cable layers are heat bonded to form a rigid area. The leads between the three components are left unbonded for flexibility. The halves of the cast housings are assembled with the etched cable using an adhesive at the same area of the cable which was formerly heat bonded.

Mylar is used as the insulating film for the two flexible etched cables used in airborne instrumentation. Pads are solder plated to facilitate assembly, and are precisely located. Final assembly is accomplished by dropping the cable unit over conductor pins and hand soldering.

In a key ICBM component, also using Kel-F insulation, certain pads of the etched cable are exposed on one side cable, others are open on the reverse side. Gold-plated pads are of different sizes with holes precisely located so that the cable unit will easily slip onto pins of mated

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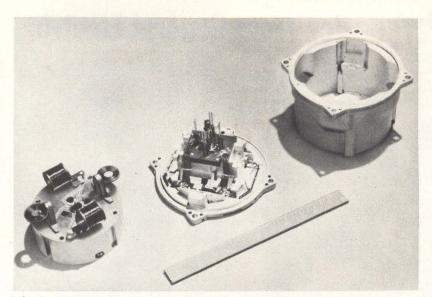
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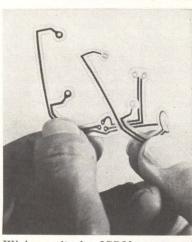


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elements in the assembly. Hand soldering completes the electrical connections. In a telephone relay, Lamoflex cable is used to connect a relay stack to internal header pins with significant size reduction of the relay. Cable for this application is constructed with 4-ounce oxidized copper and bonded with Mylar thermoplastic insulation. Cable is furnished in two portions which fit one on top of the othera high density wiring system replacing 21 round wires. Assembly of this mass of conventional round wire was tedious, with risk of wire breakage and pulled connections.

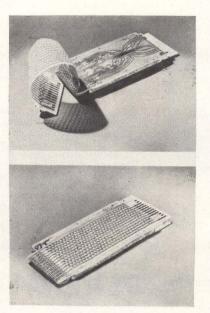
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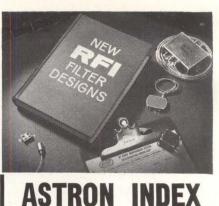
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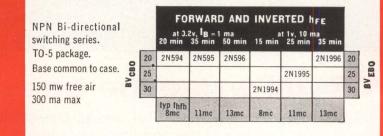
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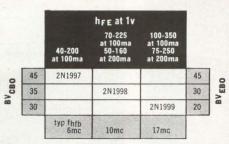
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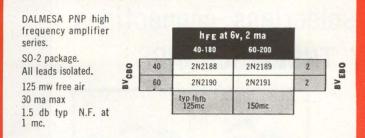


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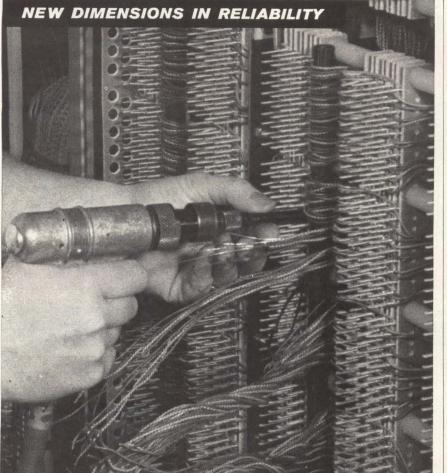
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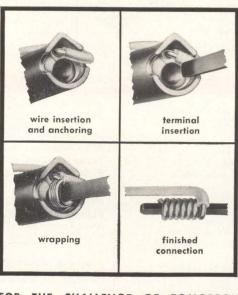


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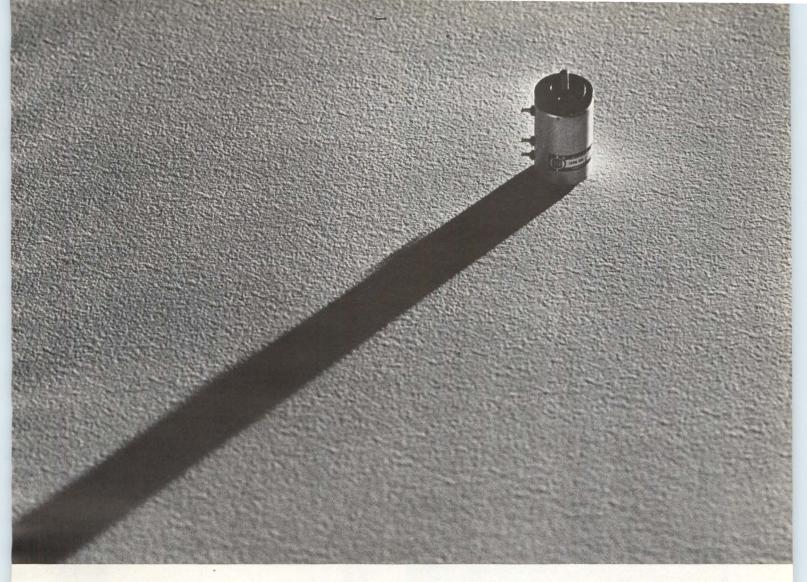


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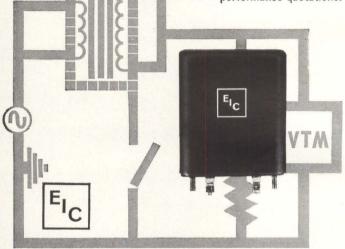


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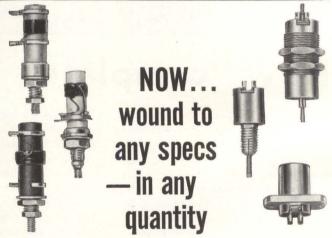
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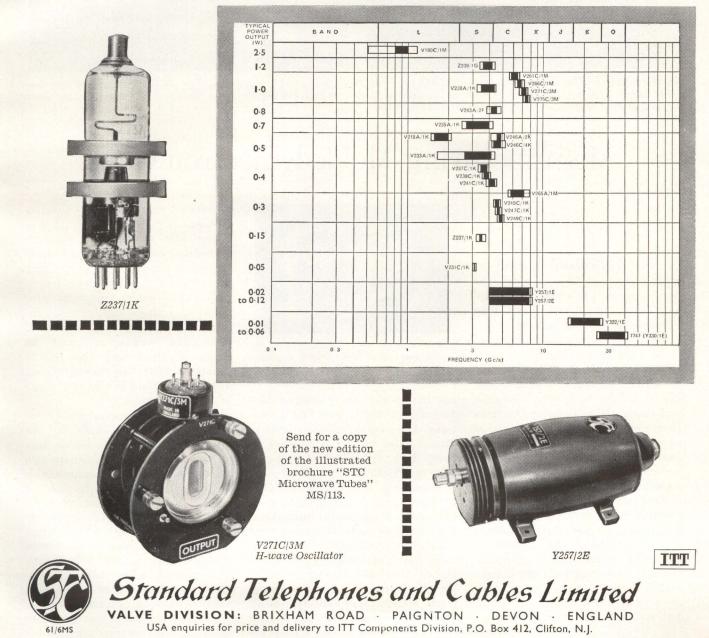


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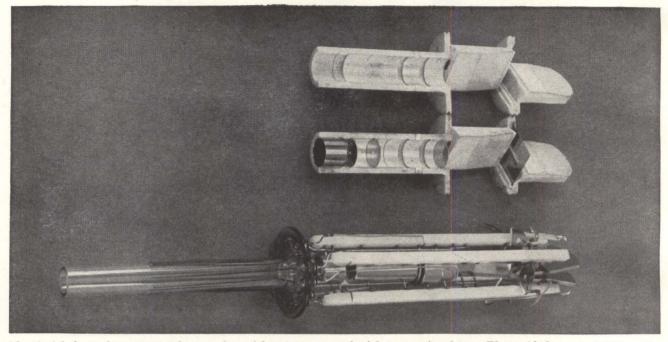
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Identical halves of prototype electron for 5AQ tube compared with conventional gun. The molded gun is held together with snap rings in grooves. Although the molded structure requires a higher focus voltage, it is mechanically more rugged and is highly resistant to shock and vibration

## Manufacturing Molded Electron Guns

By E. C. GEAR General Dynamics/Electronics, San Diego, Calif.

IN THE FORMED-GUN method of manufacturing electron guns, the basic structure is molded of an insulating material and functioning elements are either inserts or are formed by techniques similar to those used in making printed circuits. The formed gun is ideally suited to environments that expose the structure to severe vibration and shock, and to those applications that require extreme precision of assembly. But formed guns are not limited to specialized uses, and the technique has possibilities in mass production.

The economic feasibility of formed guns depends on molded parts, and stringent requirements must be placed on the material of the basic structure. The most obvious possible materials are glasses and ceramics, which rate well on most of the desired characteristics, but are poor with respect to molding precision due to a high shrink-



Molded gun now in development uses one piece cylindrical section

age factor that can be compensated for only by costly grinding operations. After extensive investigation, glass-bonded mica was selected as being both suitable and economically practical.

Feasibility was first established by machining simple electron guns from solid glass-bonded mica stock. Conductive areas were formed with conductive paint, and metallic apertures were pressed into grooves machined into the interior walls of the gun. Performance and life tests were satisfactory and feasibility was clearly established. The Bureau of Ships then sponsored a program to investigate the possibilities further.

The first molded gun was designed as two identical longitudinal halves, a construction with many advantages in the development phase. The entire gun was produced in a single cavity mold; interior surfaces were accessible and production techniques could be easily explored and the results evaluated. The two halves of the gun are held together by snap rings in formed grooves.

The 5AQ was selected as a typical tube type for the study. But the 5AQ gun uses an immersion lens (a large cylinder that overlaps two smaller cylinders), a configuration with obvious problems in molding and in applying conductive coatings. The lens was redesigned for consecutive cylinders of the same diameter. Additional lens design was necessary because a lens with glass-bonded mica between elements is not equivalent to one with vacuum between elements.

Careful attention was given to the mold, with close cooperation be-



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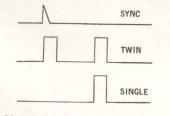
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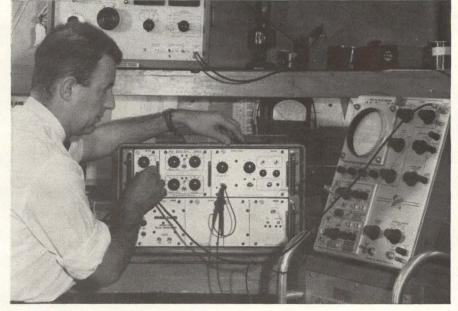
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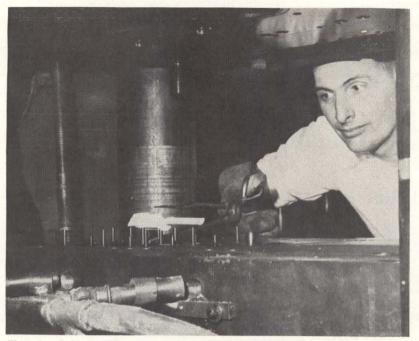
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Processing of the molded parts into complete electron guns required specialized techniques. Conductive areas of the gun were formed with a fired-on silver composition that proved both durable and adherent. The first molded guns warped at the temperatures required for firing but a change in molding composition and a more precisely controlled firing cycle resolved the difficulty.

Problems arose due to non-uniform coatings. The slightest ripple on a deflection surface, for example, causes faulty operation. Therefore a special miniature spray gun was divised and very uniform coatings have resulted. Dimensions of the conductive areas are critical and it was necessary to develop precision masking methods.

Early formed-gun tubes were subject to intermittent electrical breakdown. It was found that cleanliness, always essential in vacuum tube production, was even more important for formed guns. Contaminants such as weld spatter can adhere to the insulating material between elements and cause breakdown. Degreasing, electropolishing, and careful control eliminated this problem.

Operation of the formed-gun tubes is essentially equivalent to a high quality 5AQ. The focus voltage however, is about 760 v above cathode—as compared to above 400 v for a conventional tube—probably because of the high dielectric material between the elements instead of a vacuum. Military specifications for shock and vibration were met in tests made at the New York Naval Shipyard.

Although the split molded gun provides an excellent means for exploring techniques and evaluating results, it does not take full advantage of the inherent precision and ruggedness possible. A second molded gun now being tested has a basic structure of complete cylinders, with flanges to ensure rigid mounting in the tube neck.

At the present state-of-the-art, the molded electron gun crt is probably best suited to applications where precision and ruggedness are of first importance. Radar and instrument tubes are typical examples. Future possibilities in producing commercial tubes on a competitive basis will depend upon automation techniques and the need for guns in large volume. With proper tooling, the chances for commercial application are considered excellent.



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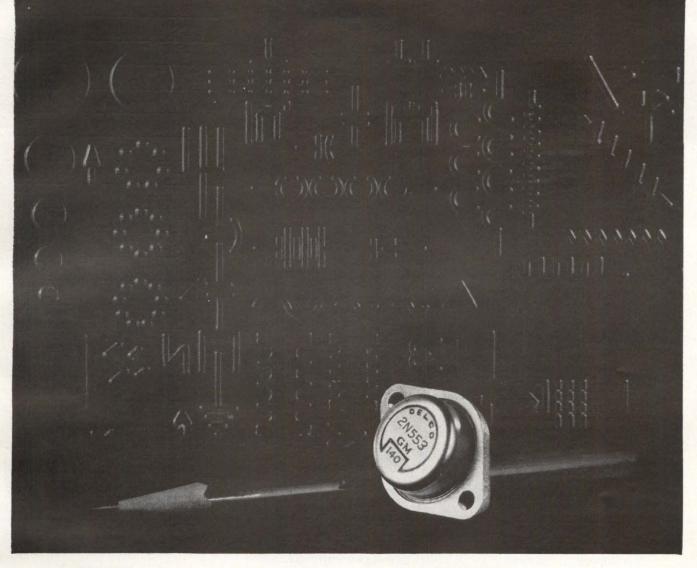
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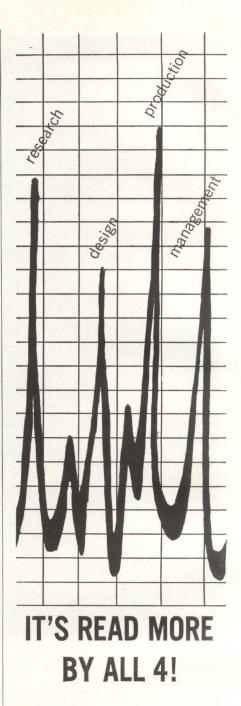
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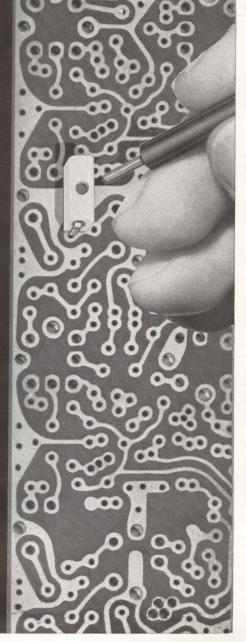


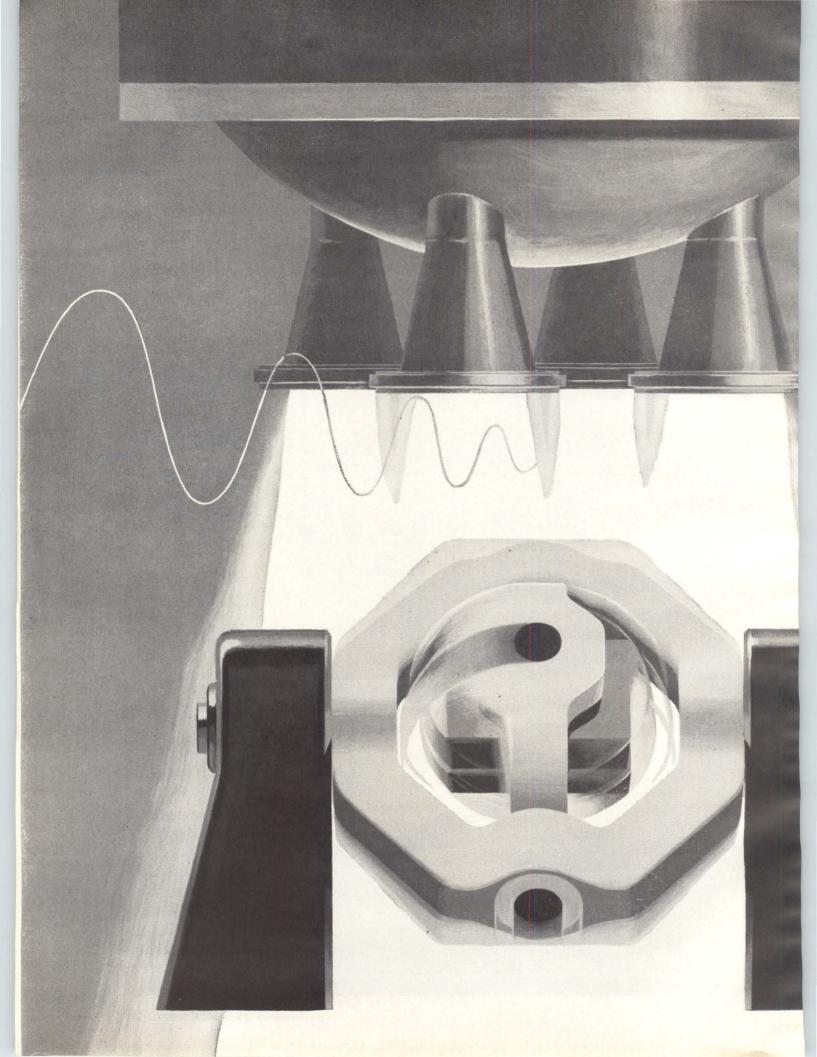
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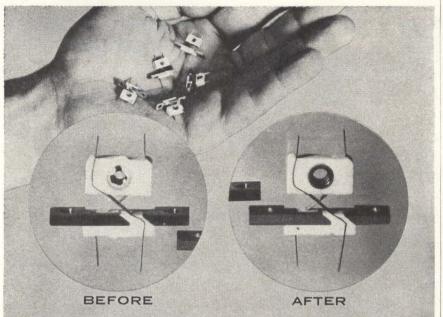
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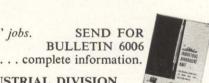
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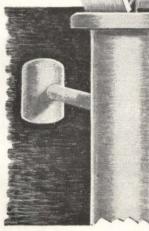
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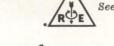
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What seems far clearer, however, is the right answer to the question. It is a resounding NO! This is no time for the business community to ease up in what have been its notably successful efforts to help our colleges and universities get out of the deep financial hole in which they are operating. On the contrary, this is the time to put more steam than ever behind the drive of business to increase its financial help for higher education.

### **Massive Help Needed**

It is easy to understand why any individual businessman or firm might have a rather despairing feeling about the prospect of competing with the federal government, with its almost all-embracing tax arm, in providing financial support for higher education or almost anything else for that matter. But this is not a case of competition. It is a case where our colleges and universities must have massive help all along the line if they are to be put squarely back on their feet financially—a goal of crucial and perhaps decisive national importance. The business community will continue to have both the opportunity and the obligation to keep on increasing its help for higher education as rapidly as possible.

To underline this proposition take a look at the chart at the top of the next page. It shows how far the salaries of college and university faculty members continue to lag behind those of other occupational groups in the U.S.A. There has been some relative improvement in the average of faculty salaries in recent years. And the salary improvement in some fields, such as those of science and mathematics, has been very pronounced. But the chart makes clear how badly the average salary of college and university faculty members still lags.

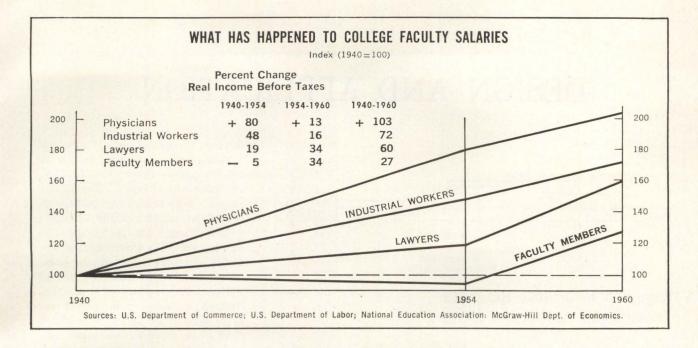
### **No Federal Funds For Salaries**

The plans for increased financial aid for higher education, proposed by President Kennedy, do not contemplate increased expenditure for faculty salaries. This, we believe, is wise whether or not you feel, as many do, that resort to this kind of federal financing would inevitably carry with it federal controls that would ultimately undermine academic independence. The fight over federal appropriations for faculty salaries would be so long and bitter that it would be destructive to the aid program as a whole.

However, what the federal government will not be doing to remedy the deplorable condition of faculty salaries, as reported by the chart, is one indication of the tremendous scope that remains for crucially important help for higher education from business. Manifold other indications are available.

### **Disaster Escape Route**

One of these indications is provided by the careful calculation that the annual income of our colleges and universities must be increased by about  $4^{1/2}$  billion (from about  $4^{1/2}$  billion to about \$9 billion) over the next eight years if the tremendous wave of students



now gathering to descend on these institutions is not to wind up in both a financial and an educational disaster. This wave promises to add more than 2.5million, or 75%, to college enrollments by 1970.

Thus far, the program for financial help for higher education by business, spearheaded by the Council for Financial Aid to Education, has been a remarkable success in all dimensions. The dollars contributed have increased rapidly—from about \$100 million five years ago to about \$150 million this year. Contributions of \$500 million a year by 1970 are a clear possibility.

One of the inspiring developments increasing this possibility stems out of Cleveland, Ohio. There through their chief executives, an imposing group of business firms have established one per cent of their profits before taxes as their minimum goal for contributions to higher education, to be reached within three years. General acceptance of this goal by business would go most of the way toward getting our colleges and universities firmly on their feet financially.

### **Mutual Respect Increased**

The mutual esteem of the academic community and the business community, an element of enormous importance to a free society, has been increased by the manner in which the program of financial aid has been carried out. In making its contribution, there has been no attempt whatsoever on the part of business to encroach upon the academic freedom of the institutions financially benefited. And the program of financial aid has greatly increased the knowledge; understanding and respect which the colleges and universities and business have for each other. The Kennedy Administration's program to enlarge federal financial support of higher education is certain to arouse strenuous controversy. As proposed by its Task Force, it avoids some of the most controverial areas of principle. However, the very magnitude of the proposed extension of the federal government's already vast program of financing higher education involves fighting issues.

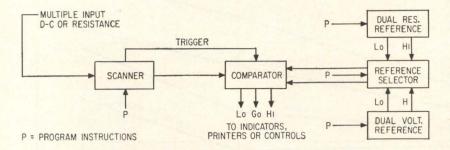
But if the enlargement of federal aid were to be deeply discouraging to the continued expansion of private aid for higher education, it would be a national misfortune of major proportions. There is no good reason why it should be. On the contrary, there is compelling reason for the business community to continue giving higher education all the financial help it possibly can, thus speeding onward a program that has been and continues to be a major constructive force for our colleges and universities, for business and for the nation.

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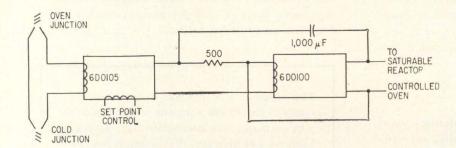
# DESIGN AND APPLICATION



### Voltage and Resistance Reference PROGRAMMED MODULAR UNITS

RECENTLY announced by Binary Electronics, Inc., 30-48 Linden Place, Flushing 54, New York is a modular dual-voltage and dual-resistance reference. In the block diagram shown, the dual-resistance reference features a two-channel output, is programmable and measures zero to 10 megohms with 0.01percent accuracy. It provides a voltage proportional to resistance under test plus high and low limits in voltage form. It also provides resistance bridge and voltage for null measurements. The dual-voltage reference also has a twochannel output, is programmable and measures zero to  $\pm 9.999$  v in 1 my steps with 0.02-percent accuracy. The set-up shows a test system assembled on a resistance go-no go basis and to rapidly check many different d-c voltage inputs. Program command signals control the addressing of the input scanner, selection of reference and settings of high and low reference limits for both resistance and voltage. Decision outputs of go, high or low are given by the comparator in visual, voltage or continuity form at a maximum rate of 10 tests per second.

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### Magnetic Amplifiers SINGLE AND DUAL CONTROL

A NEW LINE of magnetic amplifiers was recently announced by Military and Computer Electronics Corp., 900 N.E. 13th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The 100 Line Ultramag D series are d-c to d-c magnetic amplifiers powered directly from the 115 v line. Ten different control configurations are available ranging from current sensitivities of 50  $\mu$ amp for full output to units with voltage gains of 1,000. Single and dual control models are provided for magnetic summing or mixing. Power gain of all units are approximately 43 db delivering  $\pm 7.5$  v across 1.000 ohms for 1 to 10 microwatts input. The sketch shows a high sensitivity model connected as an integrator amplifier driven from a low-resistance unit being used as a thermocouple amplifier. Voltage gain of the combination is approximately 100,000 with a time constant of 2 minutes. System provides full output for error signals of 75 µv. Stability is  $\pm 50 \mu v$  referred to the input. Control accuracy is therefore approximately one degree C.

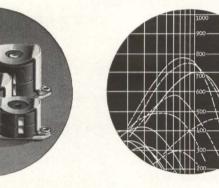
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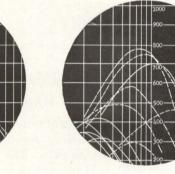


### Light Actuated Chopper ALSO RELAY AND SWITCH

THE Photocom chopper recently announced by James Electronics Inc., 4050 North Rockwell Street, Chicago 18, Illinois, is an all solidstate device for low-level instrument modulator and demodulator service. It operates on the principle of modulating a light source used to illuminate a photoconductor. The photoconductor changes resistance

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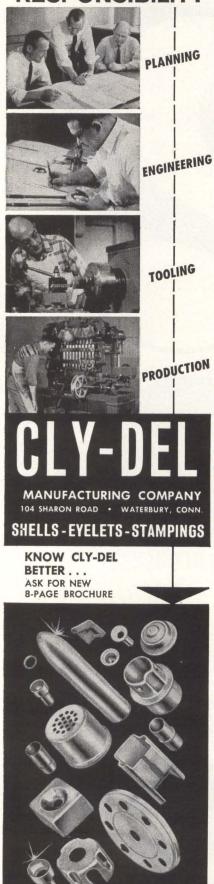
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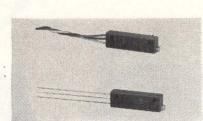


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in inverse proportion to the level of illumination. The light source is electrically well shielded from the photoconductor resulting in extremely low coupling of drive voltage to signal circuit. Conversion efficiency is improved by using two photoconductive elements illuminated by each half cycle of the modulating voltage. It has a switching efficiency up to 98 percent, no magnetic or chemical switching noise and electrostatic noise less than 3  $\mu v$  with a 1 megohm load. It can be driven from d-c as a relay to 2,000 cps for extreme response. It also can switch from zero to 300 v and can accommodate signals from d-c to 2 Mc r-f. Typical on resistance is 150 to 400 ohms with typical off resistance greater than 10<sup>s</sup> ohms.

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### Subminiature Pot 1 W MAX POWER RATING

BORG EQUIPMENT DIVISION, Amphenol-Borg Electronics Corp., Janesville. Wisc. The 2700 subminiature (1 by  $\frac{3}{16}$  by  $\frac{5}{16}$  in.) trimming Micropot is able to withstand temperature extremes to 175 C, and is 100 percent humidity and moisture proof. Featuring a wirewound resistance element, the resistance range offers values from 10 to 30,-000 ohms. Termination includes color coded Teflon insulated wire leads, and uninsulated copper wire leads. Actuation is leadscrew with a safety idle at each end of the resistance element.

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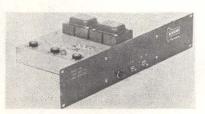
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### Coax Termination SLIDING MOVEMENT

RADAR DESIGN CORP., Pickard Drive, Syracuse 11, N. Y. Model D-715 in. coaxial sliding termination has element vswr below 1.1 from 1,000 Mc to 2,000 Mc and below 1.05 from 2,000 Mc to 4,000 Mc. It has sliding movement at least half a wavelength. Connector is UG-45/U or UG-46/U. Price and delivery: \$256 each, 4 weeks.

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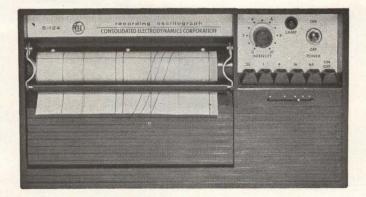
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### Impedance Network LOW PHASE

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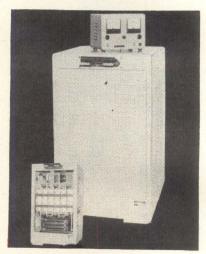
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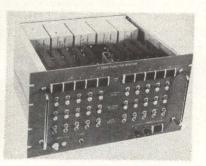
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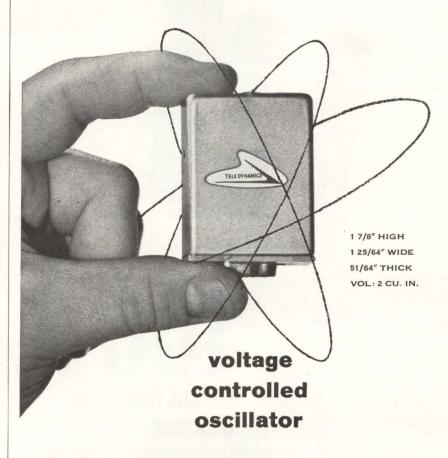
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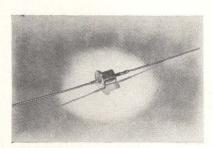


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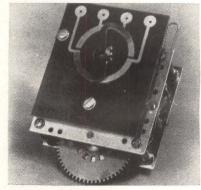
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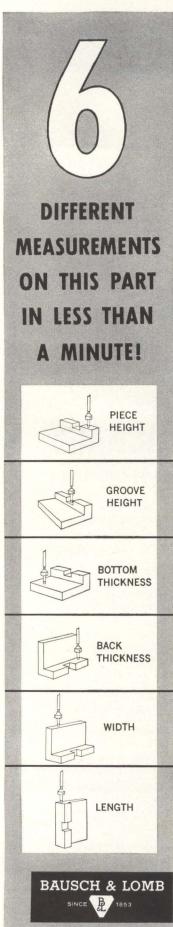
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PACKAGED COOLING EQUIPMENT Mc-Lean Engineering Laboratories, P.O. Box 228, Princeton, N. J., has published a 16 page short-form catalog on packaged equipment for electronic rack cooling. (334)

MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC CAPABILITIES Itek Laboratories, Lexington 73, Mass. Bulletin announces a custom capability for design and production of micro-images on film, glass or metal. (335)

TEMPERATURE CONTROLS Assembly Products, Inc., Chesterland, O. Easy-to-install packages for accurate temperature control are described in bulletin 108-A. (336)

DYNAMOMETER TEST STATIONS Dunn Engineering Corp., 225 O'Brien Highway, Cambridge, Mass., has published a brochure on dynamometer test stations for multiple evaluation of inertial gyro spin motors. (337)

DIGITAL MODULES Digital Equipment Corp., Maynard, Mass. A complete listing of 86 fully coordinated computer circuit modules is included in a recently published catalog. (338)

CERAMIC STANDOFFS Centralab, The Electronics Div. of Globe-Union, Inc., 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wisc., has announced a catalog and price list of JAN ceramic standoffs. (339)

DELAY LINES PCA Electronics, Inc., 16799 Schoenborn St., Sepulveda, Calif. Catalog sheet covers PCDL series of miniature constant lumped delay lines. (340)

INTEGRATING DEVICES Leesona Moos Laboratories, 90-28 VanWyck Expressway, Jamaica 18, N. Y. Data sheet describes the Betachron series 1268 time-pressure integrating devices. (341)

SUBMINIATURE SWITCH Micro Switch, a division of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Freeport,

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Ill. Data sheet 192 covers the 1HM1 hermetically sealed subminiature switch. (342)

CONTROLLED RECTIFIER Westinghouse Semiconductor Department, Youngwood, Pa. Bulletin 54-564 covers the Trinistor controlled-rectifiers for controlling medium power loads. (343)

HEADERS & MODULE PACKAGES Epoxy Products Div., Joseph Waldman & Sons, 137 Coit St., Irvington 11, N. J. Bulletin describes 19 different electronic headers and module packages. (344)

TEST INSTRUMENTS Sperry Microwave Electronics Co., Clearwater, Fla., announces a 112-page catalog entitled "Sperry Microline Test Instruments." (345)

ALPHANUMERIC LINE PRINTERS Potter Instrument Co., Inc., Sunnyside, Blvd., Plainview, N. Y. Data sheet covers the LP-600 series transistorized high speed alphanumeric line printers. (346)

DIODE TESTING National Transistor Mfg., Inc., 500 Broadway, Lawrence, Mass. Bulletin covers environmental testing of gold bonded germanium diodes. (347)

EPOXY CASTING RESIN Emerson & Cuming, Inc., Canton, Mass. Technical bulletin 7-2-26 describes Stycast 1264, a transparent high impact epoxy casting resin. (348)

VOLTMETER APPLICATIONS Boonton Electronics Corp., 738 Speedwell Ave., Morris Plans, N. J. A brochure presents engineering notes on the applications of a series of r-f voltmeters. (349)

LEVER-TYPE SWITCHES Switchcraft, Inc., 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill. Catalog S-307 covers lever-type switches. (350)

SILICON RECTIFIERS Diodes, Inc., Canoga Park, Calif. A two-page bulletin describes miniature <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> amp silicon rectifiers designed to withstand dipsolder range temperature conditions. (351)

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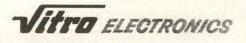
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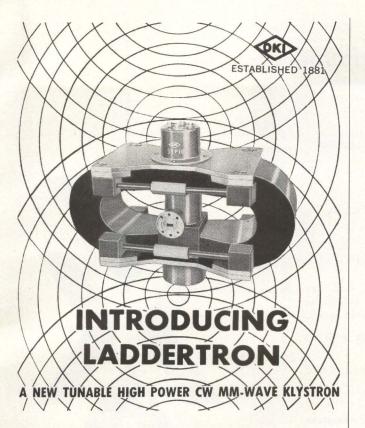
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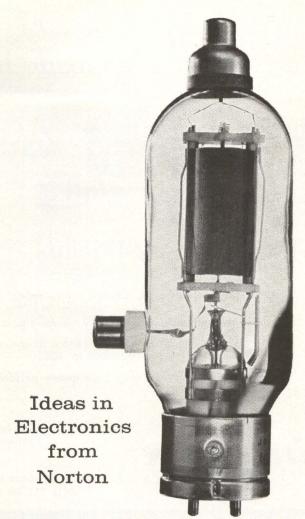
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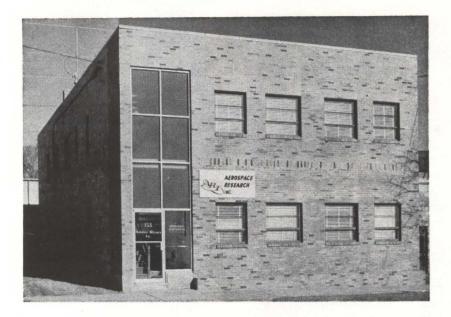
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### PEOPLE AND PLANTS



### Aerospace Research Opens New Plant

AEROSPACE RESEARCH, INC., formerly of Cambridge, recently opened new laboratory, production, and office facilities at Newton, Mass. Rapid expansion in the wake of new research contracts and the necessity of production line manufacturing of company products prompted the move.

The company is engaged in research and development in radio propagation, communications, solid state instrumentation and ionospheric physics. Prime contract activity is largely with the Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories in Bedford, Mass.

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### Granger Associates Expands Staff

THREE ADDITIONS to its senior engineering staff have been announced by Granger Associates, Palo Alto, Calif.

Bernard M. Schiffman and Willis E. Moore have been assigned to the antenna department, to develop and design log periodic antennas for h-f communications and other applications.

Wayne A. Downie is engaged in

propagation research. Very low frequency equipment is a specialty. Company says items such as an electrostatically shielded loop antenna, and the Caliverter, a vlf to h-f broadband converter, have found a wide market.

The company's latest development for the Air Force is an improved Riometer (Relative Ionospheric Opacity Meter), for detecting ionospheric changes. ARI is presently manufacturing these for the general industry.

L. Dennis Shapiro, president and director of research, says that the company will continue to expand along the same lines, balancing R&D and product sales.

new product development in the aviation products department.

Schiffman joins Granger Associates from Varian Associates. Moore was previously associated with Convair Div. of General Dynamics. Downie was formerly with Pan American World Airways.

### Victoreen Elects Vice President

JAMES P. MCMAHON, president of Tullamore Electronics Corp., a subsidiary of The Victoreen Instrument Co., New York City, has been elected a vice president of that company.

After nine years with the AEC's Argonne National Laboratory as an electronics instrument designer, McMahon left to found Tullamore Electronics Corp., which early in 1959 became a wholly owned subsidiary of Victoreen.

### Three Engineers Join TRG-West

TRG, INC., Syosset, N. Y., announces the appointment of Mogens Andreasen, Eugene Sharp and G. R. Hilbers to the staff of TRG,West, Menlo Park, Calif.

All were formerly with Stanford Research Institute.



Hirsch Assumes New Position

MILTON D. HIRSCH has been appointed contracts manager for Western Design & Electronics, a division of U. S. Industries, Inc., Santa Barbara, Calif.

Prior to joining WD&E, he was director of engineering liaison at Radiatronics Inc. in Van Nuys, Calif. He has also been associated with the Schutter Microwave Corp., Lindenhurst, N. Y., as executive vice president.

### Hughes Aircraft Promotes Lutz

SAMUEL G. LUTZ has been appointed chief scientist of Hughes Aircraft Company's research laboratories in Malibu, Calif., where he will direct studies of satellite communications.

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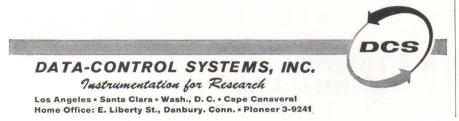
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before that, he directed the company's communications engineering from 1951 to 1958.



Research-Cottrell Names Division Mgr.

CHARLES N. HOOD II was recently appointed manager of the new electronics division of Research-Cottrell, Inc., Bound Brook, N. J.

Hood comes to his new post from Airborne Accessories Corp., Hillside, N. J., where he was engineering director.

### Loral Electronics Hires Horowitz

LES HOROWITZ has been appointed product line manager at Loral Electronics Corp., New York City.

Prior to joining Loral, and since 1950, Horowitz held various supervisory engineering positions at Picatinny Arsenal. His last post was as chief, Atomic Ammunition Development Laboratory, Special Weapons Group.



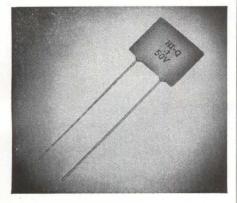
MSI, Inc., Appoints Wallace Anderson

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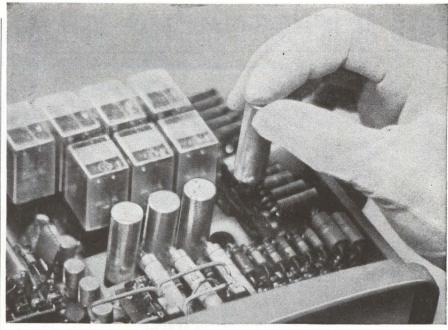


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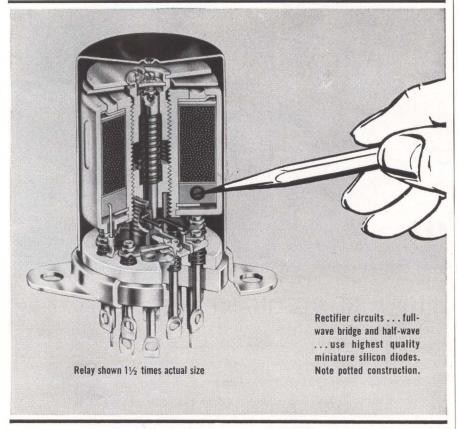
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wave propagation.

Anderson is currently an associate professor of electrical engineering at New York University.

### Aerospace Corp. Promotes Hansen

ROBERT C. HANSEN has been appointed associate director for satellite control in the engineering division at Aerospace Corp., El Segundo, Calif. He previously worked as senior staff scientist in the company's electronics laboratory.

### PEOPLE IN BRIEF

Henry W. McMurtray, formerly with Raytheon, appointed director of quality control and reliability at Microwave Associates, Inc. Andrew E. Trolio and Boyce M. Adams, both ex-Omnitronics, Inc., are now president and vice president, respectively, of the newly formed Adtrol Electronics. Inc., in Philadelphia. B. Cletus Kirchner, previously with RCA, Electrons, Inc. and Cetron Electronics, has joined the Thyratron and Rectifier div. of National Electronics, Inc., as production mgr. Herman H. Frahme, president of Alberox Corp., has been elected chairman of the electronics division of American Ceramic Society for the vear beginning in April. Joseph P. O'Reilly moves up from v-p and g-m to president of Ferroxcube Corp. of America. Maurice M. Rosen, president of Progress Mfg. Co., Inc., is also named president of Progress Webster Electronics Corp. Ivan L. Brandt, from Rescon Electronics Corp. to Erie Resistor Corp. as director of R&D. Morris Cohen rejoins PRD Electronics, Inc. from Loral Electronics Corp. in the position of microwave dept. head of the Products and Components div. G. R. Gunther-Mohr is promoted to director of solid state engineering, International Business Machines Corp. Urner Liddel leaves the Department of Defense to become asst. director of Hughes Aircraft Co.'s Research Laboratories. W. Robert Wilson, formerly with Texas Instruments, is hired by Data-Control Systems, Inc., as mgr. of systems programs.





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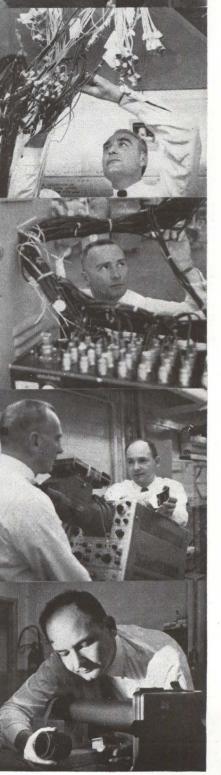
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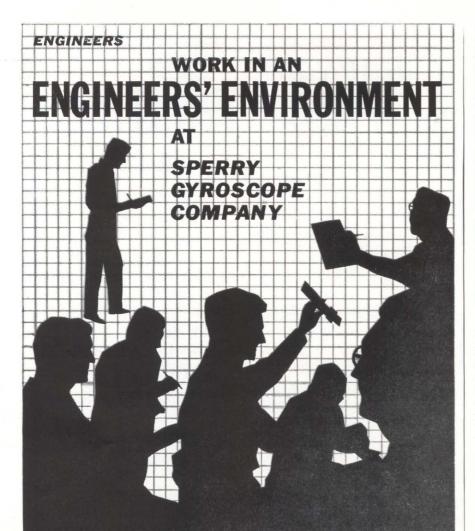
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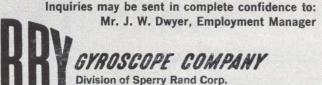




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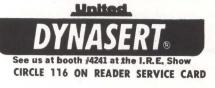
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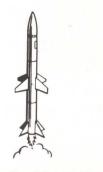
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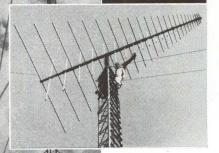
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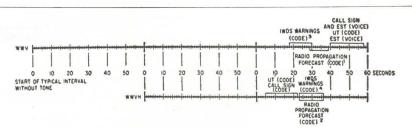
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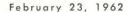
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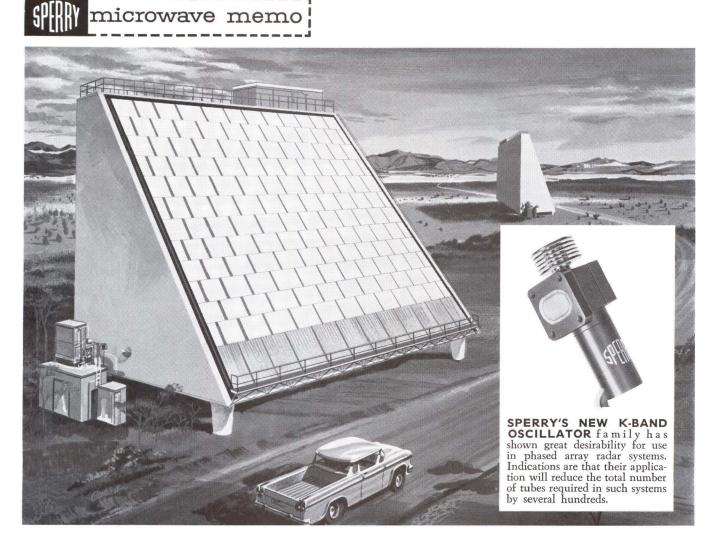
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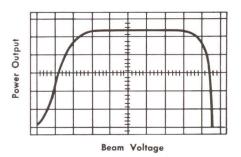
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