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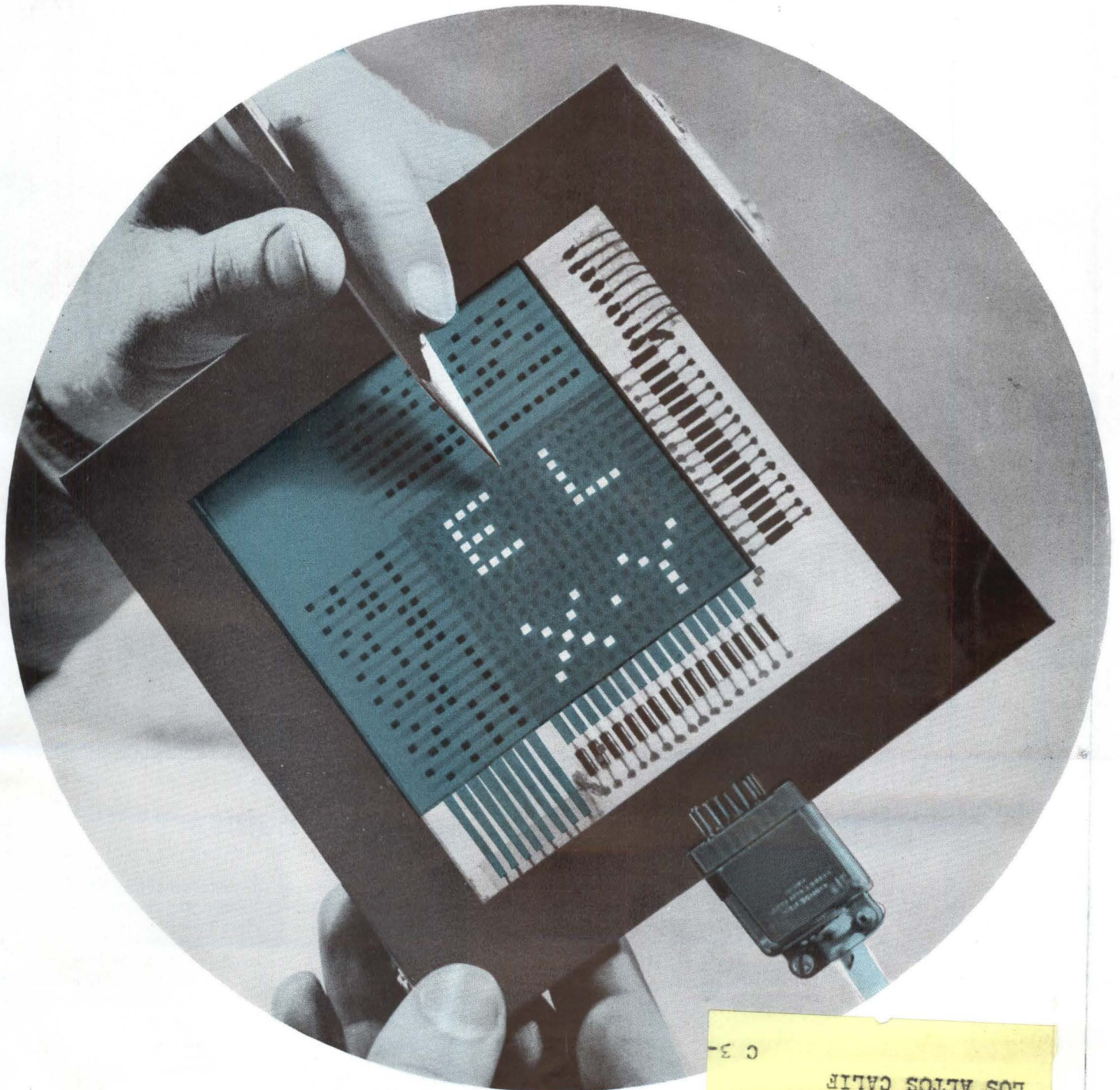
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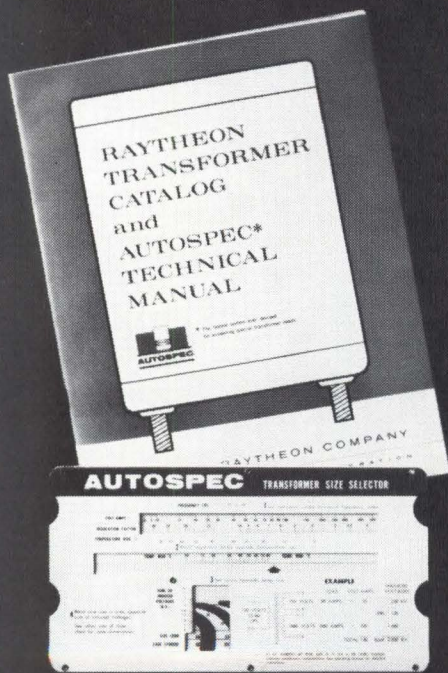
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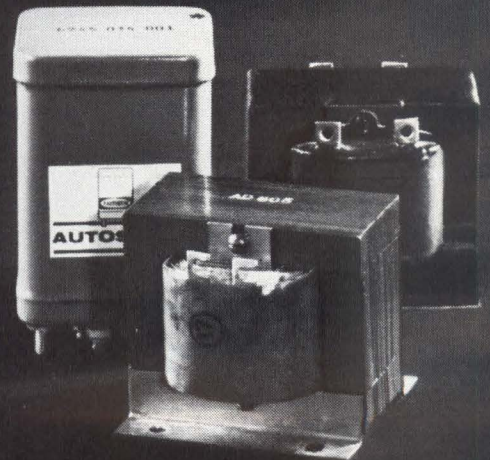
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Satellite Ownership Should Be Private

PRELIMINARY communications experiments using AT&T's successful Telstar satellite have served to focus attention on the Communications Satellite Act of 1962, now before the Senate. This bill, if passed, would set up a private corporation that would own and supervise all satellite communications systems launched from this country. As presented to the Senate, it differs only in minor ways from the bill which passed the House May 3.

THE CORPORATION, planned to be a profit-making entity, would be run by a board of fifteen directors—three appointed by the President, six elected by stockholding communications common carriers and six elected by all other stockholders. Provision is made to prevent any one person or common carrier from gaining control of this voting stock. Bonds and non-voting stock would also be offered to common carriers, for inclusion in their rate base as a capital investment.

The corporation would own all communications satellites, rent communications channels to common carriers and government, hold conferences with the State Department when dealing with a foreign country if required and use its own initiative to stimulate competition among equipment suppliers and common carriers. Common carriers would retain ownership of ground stations and other facilities.

The bill provides for overseeing of the corporation by the President, Congress, and the Federal Communications Commission.

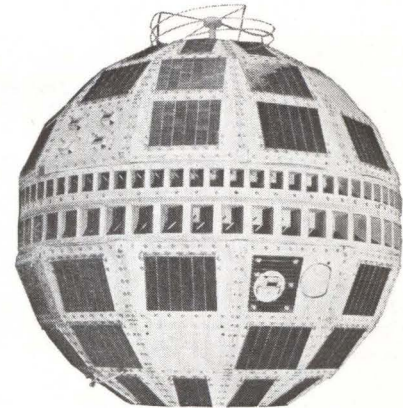
OPPOSITION to the bill centers around the fact that some feel a government run-privately owned monopoly would be created. Others feel that taxpayers, who helped finance development of launching facilities and other systems associated with the satellite communications program, would not have sufficient voice in running the corporation.

Some opponents think difficulty would be experienced selling a stock that would not return a profit for some time, and then only a regulated profit. Some common carriers initially indicated an unwillingness to purchase bonds and non-voting stock; they would much rather invest in capital equipment.

Inconsistencies have also been pointed out in

the concept of corporation-owned satellites and common-carrier-owned ground stations.

AN ALTERNATE PROPOSAL of complete government control is meeting heavy criticism. Although taxpayer - financed projects would remain under full government control, and dealings with foreign countries



could be closely coordinated with foreign policy, private enterprise would be largely left in the cold, with little chance of making a profit based on its own initiative.

The very fact that private enterprise successfully developed an active communications satellite before the federal government is serving to point out that government control of a communications satellite system could lead to a slowing-up of development.

PRIVATE OWNERSHIP of a communications satellite system has not, even yet, been thoroughly explored.

Private enterprise in purer form than the pending bill could continue in its role of developer and operator.

The government could control launchings.

The FCC could act as a watchdog over use of frequencies.

An existing agency or a new one could pass on usage and rates.

Individual corporations would thus be free to continue betterment of consumer service by active competition.

In any event, it is certainly possible that private enterprise and the federal government could, if the government wished, sit down and draft a more mutually suitable plan for the running of a satellite communications system by private enterprise than the bill awaiting action in the Senate.

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Ear and Brain versus Electronics

I noticed in the section of your June 8 *Crosstalk* called *The Wheat From The Chaff* (p 3), you say the ear is way behind modern electronic techniques in picking out signals from a noisy background. To support this you cite a system devised by Robert D. Moore of Princeton Applied Research [described in a technical article on p 40 of the June 8 issue] which will dig out a useful signal (in this case a 4-Kc signal) below the noise.

You might be interested in learning that we have recently conducted experiments in which the human ear-brain combination can be used to extract one relevant binaural voice message from amidst six simultaneous and similar monaural messages (three in each ear). In other words, we have demonstrated that with special utilization of the auditory sense, the human ear-brain combination can extract, with a high degree of intelligibility, one of seven simultaneous voice messages. You will grant that the complexity of a voice message exceeds that of a 4-Kc signal. Can modern electronic techniques dig out this kind of a useful signal? Or, is this still a function that only the human hearing mechanism can accomplish so far?

Incidentally, we would appreciate learning if any of your readers knows of ways or can devise a way for extracting a binaural voice message under the above conditions so that it can be amplified to give a better signal-to-voice ratio.

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It is reassuring to learn that the human being is not yet obsolete.

Standard Sizes and Exponents

The first two letters in *Comment* of 15 June (p 4) have much in common and I will comment on both. A. Hemel accepts that 0•004 is a standard size and blames it on the use of decimal fractions. I maintain that 0•004 is not a stand-

ard size, decimal fraction or not, the standard size being 0•0039 (also note the difference between a decimal point and a period). But then, why use all those insignificant zeros, as in 390,000, just to avoid 0•39? This question leads to the second letter.

R. O. Whitaker proposes the use of exponents to the base ten to avoid a multiplicity of prefixes to units and suggests enclosing the exponent in a circle. This is fine for handwritten notation but is rough on the typist and the printer. The circle has no inherent advantages that I can see, and a more convenient notation could be chosen without detracting from the advantages of an exponential system of notation. The capital letter E could be placed immediately ahead of the exponent, leading to designations such as 39E-10 for 0•0039 μ and 3E9 for a typical microwave frequency. The mantissa should be normalized so that only significant digits are retained. A 120K 10% resistor would always be 12E4 (as it is with its color bands) and never 120E or 1•2E5, and a 1-Meg resistor would be 10E5. For engineering purposes it should not be necessary to include the units at all. Mks units, corresponding to the associated symbol or text, would be understood. What could be easier than writing: Capacitance = 39E-10; or saying: "The capacitance is thirty-nine E minus ten," meaning farads, of course.

An incidental advantage would be to do away with decimal points, thereby removing any confusion with the periods that terminate sentences, and also removing the necessity to place a zero ahead of the point in a decimal fraction.

The use of E within a number to mean exponent should not lead to confusion with other uses of the letter E. Its use in this way is already an established procedure to designate exponents in the floating-point Zebra Simple Code (the Zebra computer, manufactured by Standard Telephones and Cables).

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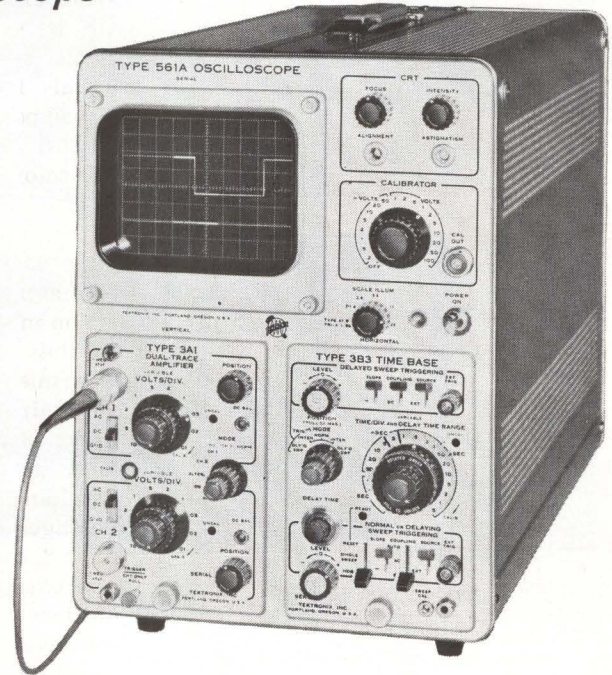
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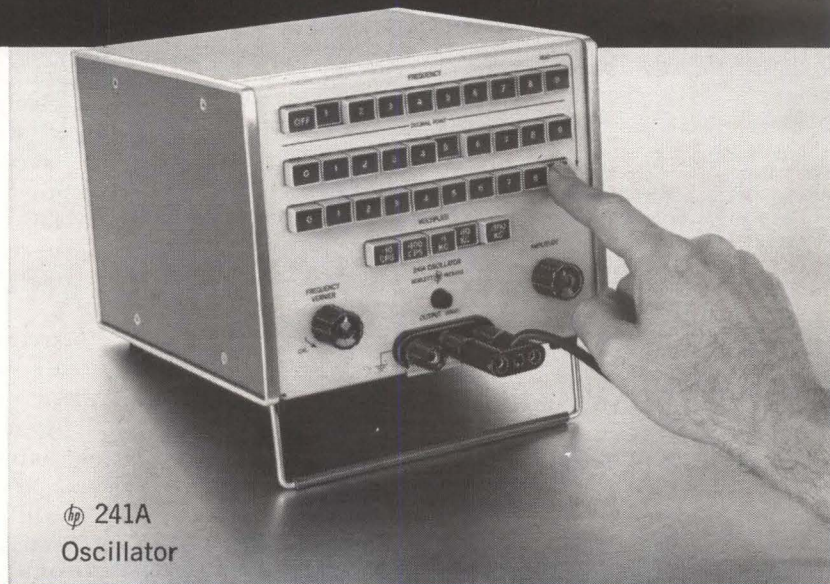
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Blanket waivers will be granted mainly on items that are made commercially, but don't meet NASA specifications. Inventions resulting from producing the items to specifications will belong to the contractor. Such waivers won't be issued for government-financed R&D in new fields of technology.

NASA is also due to make a change in licensing agreements in about a month, to speed up the time taken to get new technology into industrial use. The time, now five years, may be cut to two or three years. If companies don't work the technology in this time, their licenses will be yanked.

The White House plans soon to privately circulate to industry a set of patent rules aimed at getting one standard government policy. Final action, if any, will likely be many months away.

Educational Tv May Get Its Own Broadcast Band

SPECTRUM SPACE outside of the regular uhf-tv bands may be allocated to educational tv broadcasts. Late last week, the FCC asked for comment, by Sept. 17, on a proposal to allow schools to broadcast between 1,990 Mc to 2,100 Mc, or between 2,500 Mc to 2,690 Mc.

The plan would allow schools to operate district networks without using existing uhf channels. Equipment to convert signals for reception on conventional tv sets is available. Adler Electronics, which held feasibility demonstrations earlier this year, said broadcasting would cost less than using cables or leased lines to link schools to a central studio.

An Adler spokesman said the

1,990-2,100-Mc band would probably be more suitable since it is primarily used as for tv auxiliary services linking studios and transmitters. The 2,500-2,690-Mc band is used by fixed point-to-point services and might be more subject to interference from school tv.

Telstar Lives Up to Bell Labs' Expectations

TELSTAR communications satellite is in excellent condition and is functioning as planned, Bell Telephone Laboratories reported last week. The satellite has been used successfully as a repeater for both color and black and white television, one-way and two-way telephone calls, and for transmission of photofacsimile and high speed data.

The satellite's orbit is extremely close to that planned. Tracking and receiving systems have been functioning well. The signal-to-noise ratio at the Andover horn antenna was 43 db during television transmission; this was obtained with an f-m feedback system. Transmission characteristics are exactly as measured on the ground before launch,

indicating launch and space environment had no effect on transmission system (p 28, July 13).

Data telemetered at a rate of 115 items a minute and providing system performance measurements, indicate no solar cell damage during launch, no loss of pressure nor temperature problem inside the satellite. Radiation experiments (p 26, Feb. 16) in the satellite are functioning as planned.

Teracycle-Frequency Laser Would Use D-C Pumping

PALO ALTO, CALIF.—Varian Associates has begun a research program designed to provide a d-c pumped infrared laser with a tuning range of an octave or more in frequency.

The characteristic to be made use of is the anomalously high magnetic moment of some of the electrons and holes in narrow-band-gap semiconductors and semimetals, such as ternary mercury-cadmium-telluride compounds and graphite. The ratio of laser frequency to applied magnetic field (gyromagnetic ratio) is many times higher than for free electrons and may be positive or negative in sign, indicating a high (submillimeter or infrared) frequency for reasonable applied magnetic fields, and the possibility of tuning over wide ranges by varying the magnetic field. The change in sign of magnetic moment may be used to pump the laser by passing direct current through the material.

Measurements on indium antimonide show a characteristically

Communist Chinese Engineers Organize Society

HONG KONG—Report from the official New China News Agency said that a Chinese Electronics Society has been formed in Communist China. Datelined in Peiping, April 21, the report arrived here in July.

The report gave only a general description of the organization meeting and technical sessions. It claimed that a total of more than 10,000 scientific and technical workers in radio electronics attended nine sessions and heard 140 papers.

Stated objectives of the society are to facilitate academic programs and disseminate research achievements. The news agency claimed that China's research has made "rapid progress," particularly since the "big leap forward" in 1958 (p 32, Dec. 23, 1960)

high gyromagnetic ratio of -50 , and a remarkable enhancement of the interaction with the electromagnetic field by an electric dipole interaction. This was explained as being due to the displacement of the carrier in the lattice field of the crystal, by the electric field, which caused extra interaction with the applied magnetic field.

R. D. Bell, company scientist, estimates that solid state lasers using these effects will become available in the wavelength range between 40 and 1,000 microns, where, he said, there are presently no good sources. The tuning field will probably be supplied by a superconducting solenoid magnetic under development.

Cloud Photos Made into Mercator Weather Maps

SATELLITE cloud photos are reproduced on a Mercator projection by a technique developed at IBM. Superimposing several photographs makes possible large-area weather maps. The technique can also be used to make maps from other types of photos.

Films are scanned in discrete portions by a crt beam. Analog output of a photomultiplier tube is converted to a digital signal denoting color tone of the film portion and is recorded on magnetic tape. In a digital computer, the image data is mathematically projected into position on a sphere, then changed to a Mercator image. The output tape is used to make a film of the map by a process that essentially reverses the input process.

Open Plant in Ireland To Compete with Japan

GENERAL ELECTRIC'S Radio Receiver department is establishing a wholly owned subsidiary, E. I. Co. Ltd, at Shannon, Ireland, to manufacture two components used in some G.E. radios. Completion of the facility is expected next January, with production scheduled to start in March.

R. C. Wilson, general manager of the department, said that "our objective is to protect our business and employment in the United

States and help us to remain competitive with the increasing Japanese radio competition that has developed in recent years in the United States." He said the new operation would have no detrimental effect upon Utica, N. Y., employment.

Midwest's Stinted R&D Costs Defense Contracts

CHICAGO—Meeting of several hundred businessmen, labor and educational leaders is being arranged for late September to discuss the midwest's defense contracting problem in greater detail with representatives of government agencies.

At a meeting last week, Robert Steadman, economic advisor to Defense Secretary Robert McNamara, said the area's low level of R&D in private industry is costing it a big share of electronics and other defense contracts, and creating doubts about the future. Universities in the Chicago area have been doing their share. The universities did about \$20 million in R&D in 1960.

Steadman's appearance resulted from a trip to Washington last month by Chicago's Mayor Daley and others seeking to learn why the midwest isn't getting more defense work. He explained the statistics (p 12, July 6) by saying that many negotiated contracts go to areas with the skills needed for highly technical projects. Both business and academic R&D would bring more defense work to the midwest, he said.

Minuteman Ground System Contract Is Announced

COMMAND AND CONTROL ground electronics for USAF's Minuteman ICBM weapon system will be developed by Sylvania's Electronic Systems division. The multimillion-dollar contract calls for design and integration of a blast resistant system to monitor operational readiness of the missiles and provide continuous control of unmanned missile sites. If needed, the ground electronics system would also transmit firing orders and target information to the missiles.

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FOLLOW-ON production contract of \$24 million has been received by Melpar from Autonetics for circuit boards for Minuteman ICBM.

SUPPLEMENTAL contract of \$13.8 million has been awarded by Air Force to Sperry-Rand for the MARS tracking ships program. Sperry Gyroscope is to develop a new passive underwater detection system under a \$1.4-million Navy award.

LEAR SIEGLER will build cloud-height detecting radar for the Air Force's worldwide automatic weather system under \$1.3-million order. The radars' frequency will be 35 Gc.

AMPHENOL-BORG is building a plant in Munich, to tap the European market, will start production late this year with 500 employes, expects to expand it to 1,600 employes.

TOSHIBA has developed a 31-Mev betatron for use in cancer study and treatment at the National Institute of Radiological Sciences. X-ray range will be 120 to 2,500 roentgens a minute at a distance of 1 meter.

THREE MORE ground stations and command clock systems for the Nimbus weather satellite will be made for NASA by California Computer Products.

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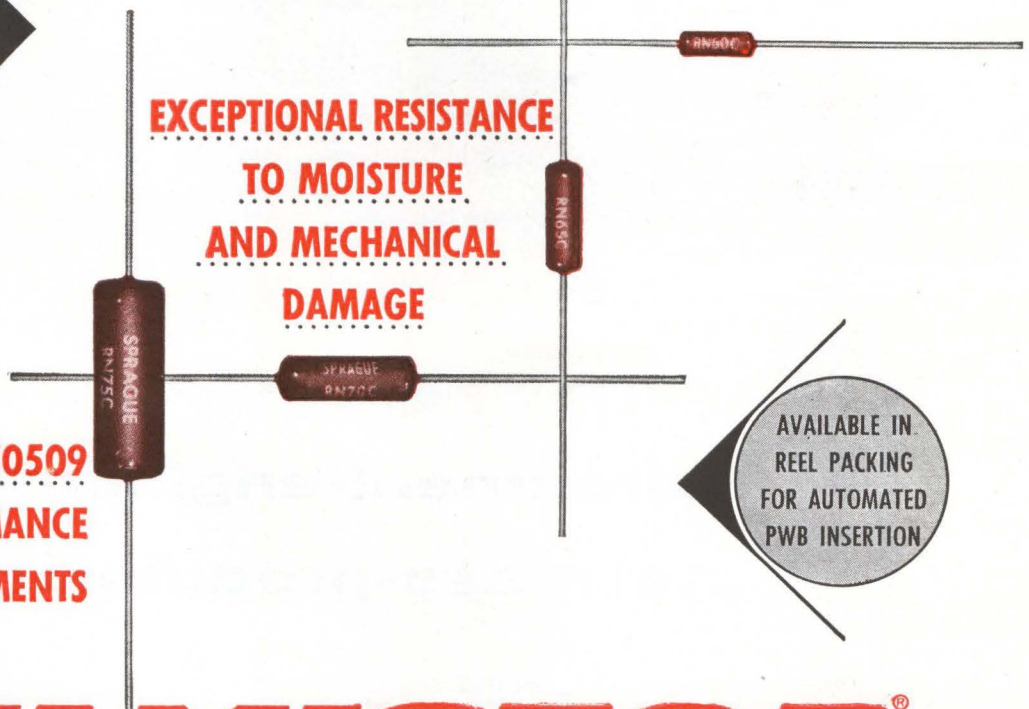
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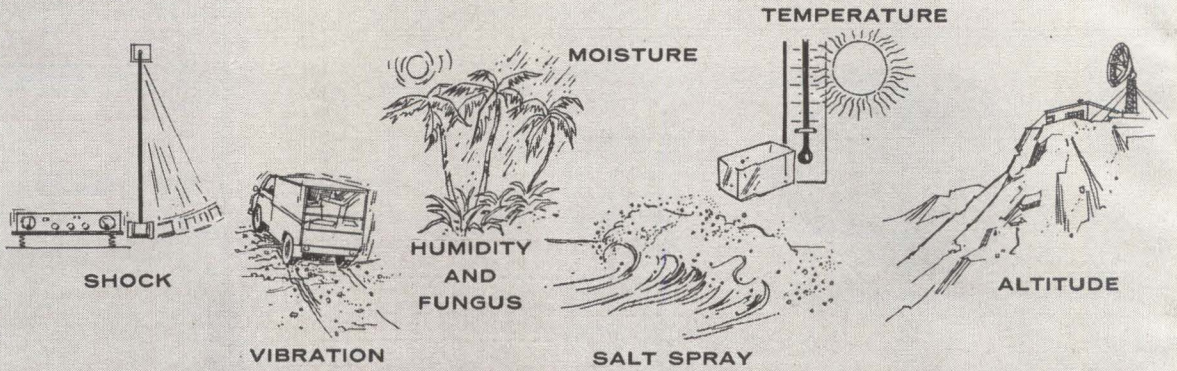
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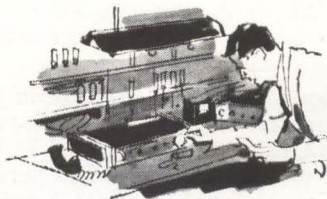
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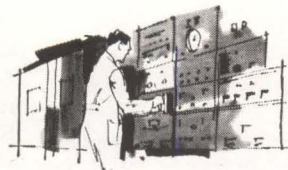
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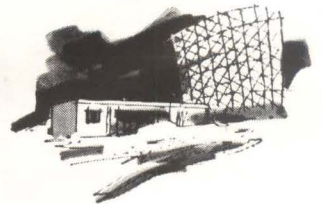
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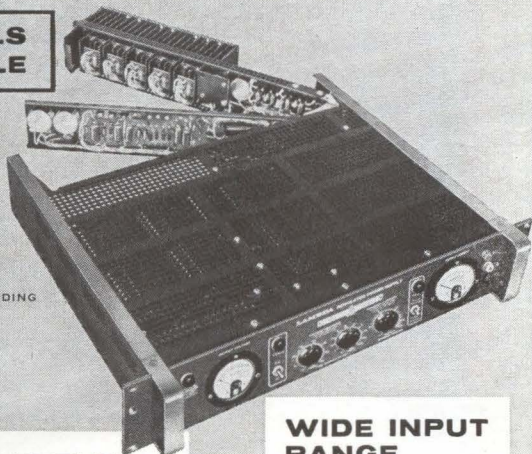
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PRIVATE SATELLITE OPPONENTS STALLING

BACKERS OF PRIVATE OWNERSHIP for a satellite communications system are expected to win over senators demanding government ownership. A bloc of a half-dozen or so senators were arguing at press time that since the government paid for most of the development, the program should not be handed over to industry.

They've been overruled by the administration and the House (which has already passed a bill calling for stock ownership by common carriers and the public), and a majority of the Senate favors private ownership. The lone hope of the holdouts was to delay action on the bill long enough to sidetrack it until next year.

One upshot of the stand for government ownership may be preferential rates for government use, primarily for tv transmissions. There is growing feeling that lower government rates will be approved. World reaction to Telstar tv programs aptly demonstrated the propaganda value of the media, but the U. S. Information Agency could not afford full utilization at commercial rates.

It will be a couple of years, however, before a system is ready for FCC rate approvals.

TRADE BILL HEARINGS NEAR END

HERE IS THE SITUATION as the Senate Finance Committee moves into the final days of hearings on the House-approved trade bill (ELECTRONICS, p 14, July 13): Senator Paul H. Douglas (D-Ill.) wants to give the President a "strong stick as well as a carrot" to deal with the powerful European Common Market—the stick, special powers to raise tariffs as a lever against European trade restrictions; the carrot, power to lower tariffs.

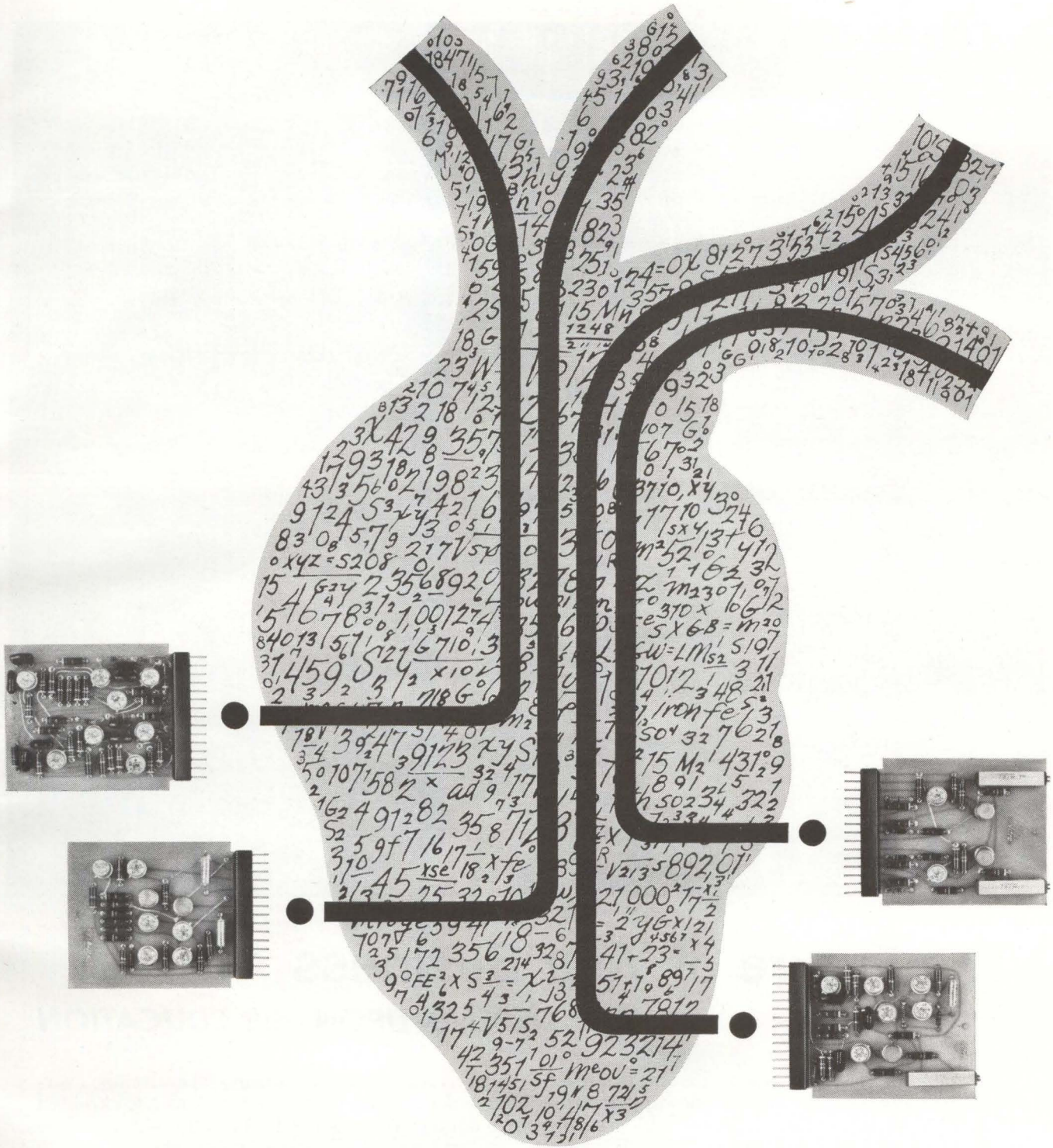
Industry and agriculture representatives favoring the bill urged that the special representative for trade negotiations, a post created by the House, be upgraded from ambassadorial to cabinet rank. They also want him to head the new Inter-Agency Trade Council, a top-level forum where industry can state its case against foreign trade restrictions before actual trade negotiations start.

CAN BRITAIN AFFORD EEC'S CLUB DUES?

NEGOTIATIONS IN BRUSSELS for British entry into the European Common Market entered a crucial stage last week. The talks were to go past the July 31 deadline and into August. Still moot: EEC's terms for letting Britain into the club and whether the British can meet them. The two big uncertainties are: maneuvering among the six EEC nations over whether and how far to move toward a European political confederation before Britain joins, and the deterioration of Prime Minister MacMillan's position as dramatized by his recent cabinet reshuffle. Last week, however, MacMillan defeated a censure move in Britain's Parliament.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATION SETS RECORD

DEFENSE APPROPRIATION passed by Congress sets a peacetime record of \$48.1 billion, slightly more than the administration requested. The major changes in the R&D budget proposals were additional funds for the Air Force's RS-70 and Dyna-Soar (X-20) projects. Only a token amount of the 50 percent extra for the RS-70 is likely to be spent. (For details on military budget proposals, see ELECTRONICS, p 20, June 15; p 26, June 1; p 26, May 15; p 20, May 18, and p 30, April 27).

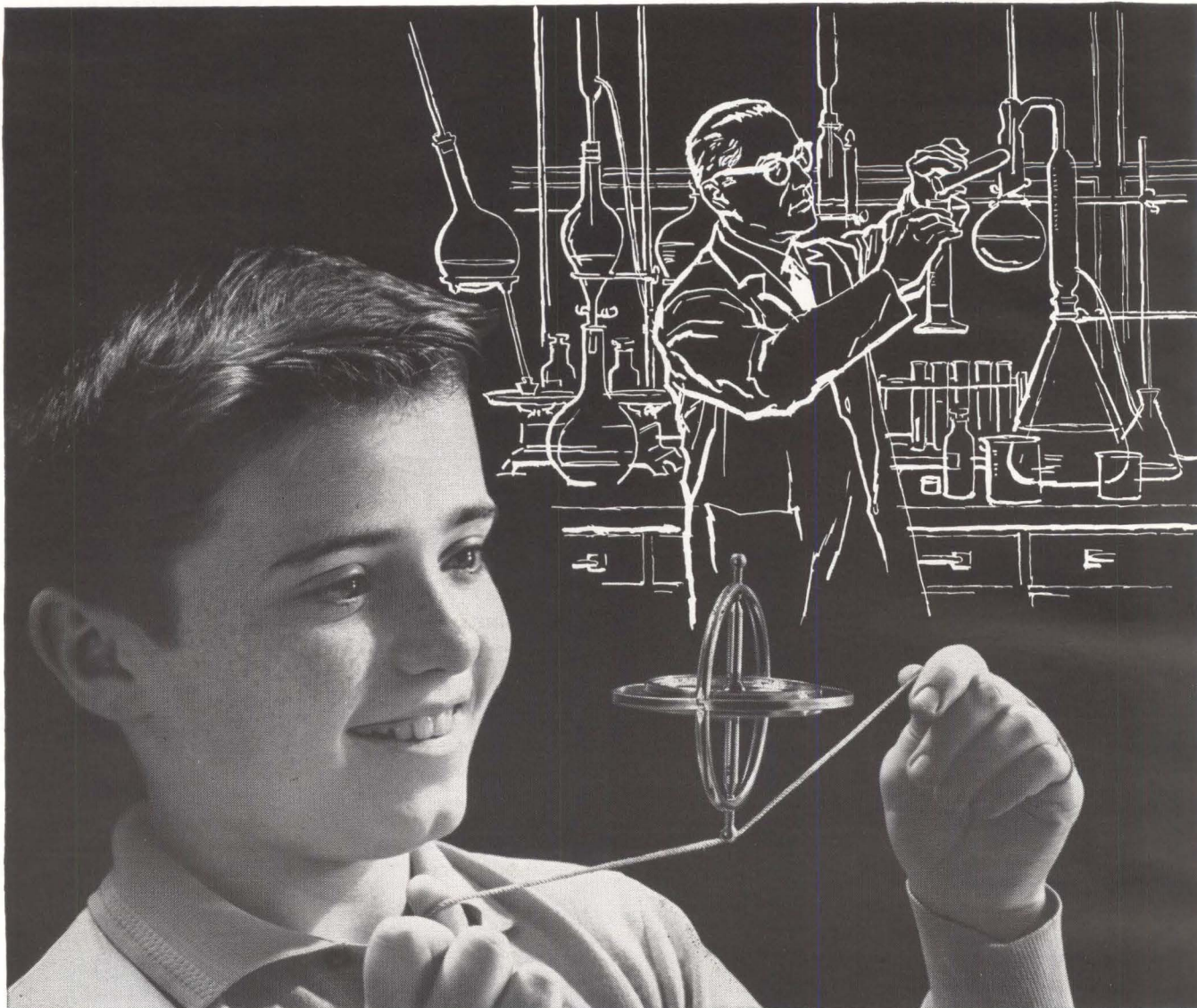


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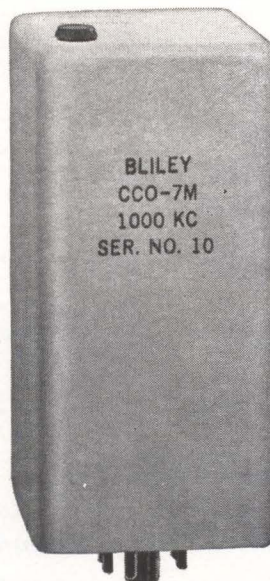
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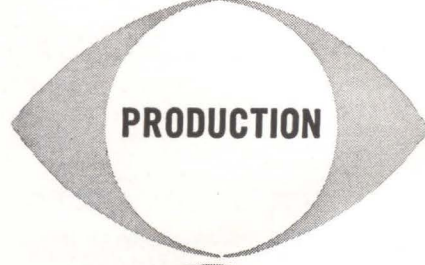
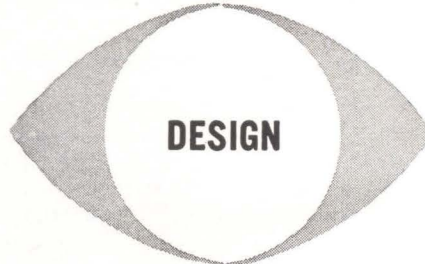
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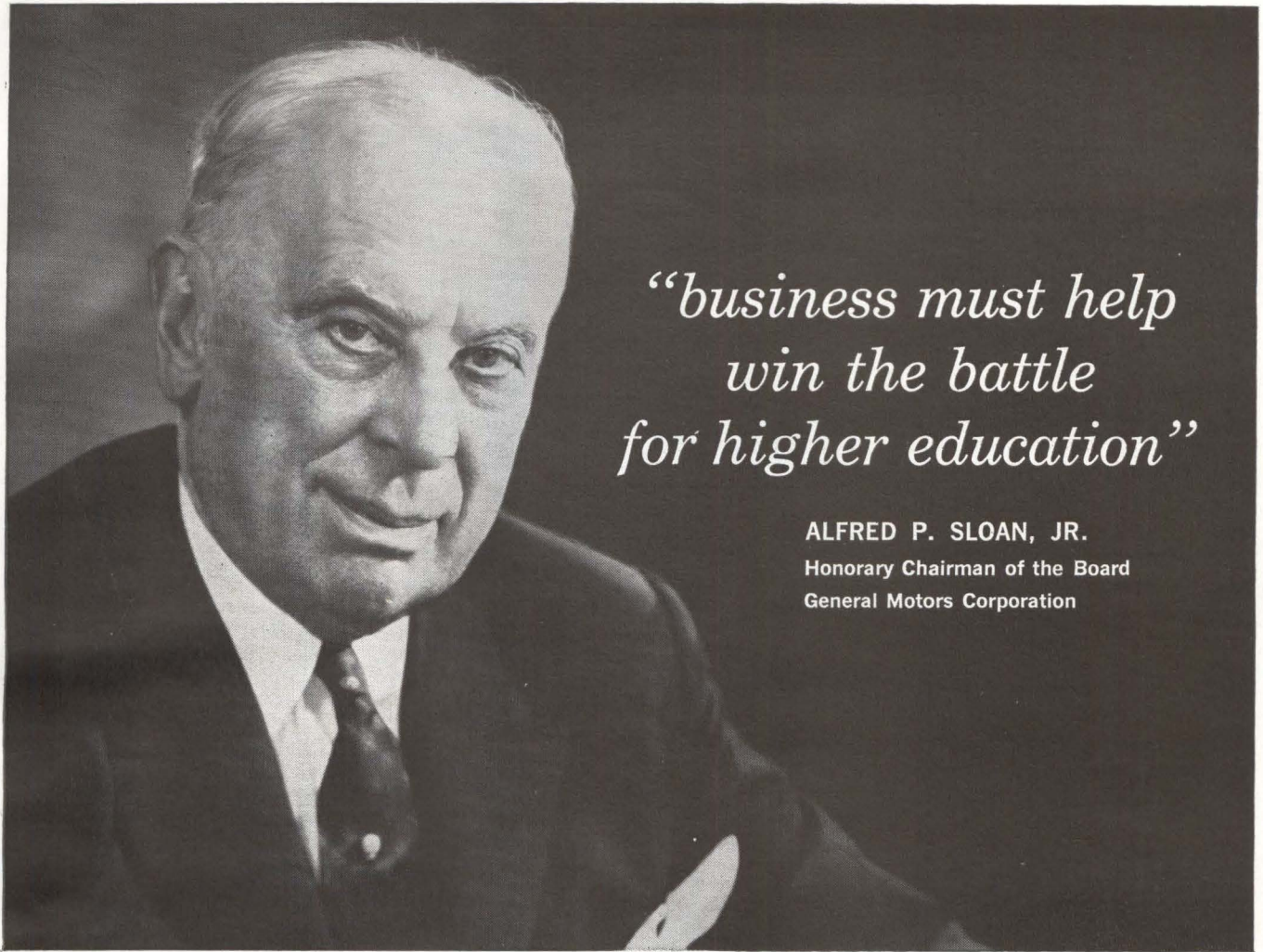
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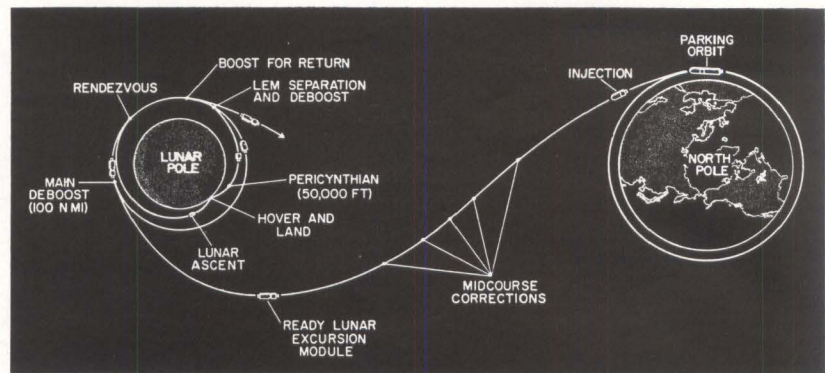
Lunar Orbit Rendezvous Decision to Spur

Electronic subsystem awards will follow "Bug" contract in Fall

ELEVEN AIRCRAFT manufacturers were asked last week by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to submit proposals by Sept. 4 for research and development of the Lunar Excursion Module (LEM), or "Bug", that will deliver two men to the surface of the moon and return them to their mother ship, waiting in lunar orbit. (ELECTRONICS, p 12, July 20).

A contract will probably be awarded in October. The invited companies are: Boeing, Douglas, General Dynamics, Grumman, Ling-Temco-Vought, Lockheed, Martin, McDonnell, North American, Northrop, and Republic. Winner of the competition will let subcontracts for electronic subsystems for the two-man craft.

SPACECRAFT—Some of the details of the Lunar Orbiting Rendezvous technique (LOR) were given by D. G. Holmes, Director of the Office of Manned Space Flight, NASA, at the American Rocket Society meeting in Cleveland, late last



LUNAR ORBIT rendezvous flight sequence described here by Space Technology Laboratories, requires accurate mid-course correction to assure precise, circular lunar orbit

month: The 280-foot, three-stage Advanced Saturn (C-5) will be topped by the spacecraft and ejection tower which reach an additional 75 feet above the booster. The total lift-off weight will be about 3,000 tons.

The spacecraft will consist of three major elements: the command module (weighing five tons), service module (21 tons) and the LEM (12½ tons). North American is prime contractor for the command and service modules.

The command module will carry the three-man crew with guidance, communications and life support

systems. The service module will contain propulsion systems for mid-course maneuvers and for deboost into, and escape from, lunar orbit. Finally, the Bug will carry two of the crew to the moon, along with communications, guidance and propulsion for return to the orbiting command module, and 200 pounds of scientific instrumentation.

Approximately 45 minutes after injection into the flight path, the Apollo crew will make the first mid-course correction maneuver with the service module propulsion system. The magnitude and direction of the maneuver will be determined by computer calculations, backed up by information from the crew and from the ground support systems, which will maintain communication with the spacecraft throughout the mission via the Deep Space Instrumentation Facilities (see p 26 this issue). A number of midcourse maneuvers may be required to place the spacecraft into position for deboost into a precise, circular lunar orbit some 100 nautical miles above the lunar surface.

MOON LANDING—Once in lunar orbit two of the crew will transfer to the Bug, separate it from the command and service modules, and by a combination of manual control and automatic system operation, descend to the surface of the moon. After a stay of a day or more on the moon, the crew will launch the Bug, rendezvous with the mother craft, transfer to the command

Satellites Outdate Radio Telescope

WASHINGTON—After eight years of planning and four years of construction the Navy has been ordered by Defense Secretary McNamara to halt work on the 600-foot steerable radio telescope at Sugar Grove, W. Va. The reason: technological advances in other areas, mounting costs and design problems.

Although the Navy first called it a scientific project, the telescope's main purpose was later identified with military communications and navigation. Unconfirmed reports were that the real purpose was listening to lunar reflections of Soviet communications. Satellites are expected to perform this intelligence task much better.

Cost estimates have risen from

\$60 million in 1958 to \$200 million. The Navy has spent \$41.8 million—mostly for heavy construction—and has obligated \$95.5 million to contractors. Last year, Congress set a ceiling at \$135 million.

Structural weight—30,000 tons—and dish accuracy difficulties were the chief design problems, causing a halt in construction two years ago and redesign.

Efforts are being made to get other agencies to use the facility. NASA might put an 85-foot, satellite tracking and data acquisition antenna there. National Science Foundation is studying the matter, but has its own national observatory only 40 miles away at Green Bank. Another study is being made by the Commerce Department.

New Space Contracts

module, eject the Bug, and take off for earth.

Three guidance techniques will be used on the LOR mission, according to G. Allan Smith, of NASA: space sextant, inertial guidance, and radio command from the earth.

The close coordination necessary between the orbiting command module and the Bug requires rendezvous and docking radar and optical devices in both craft, A. B. Mickelwait, Space Technology Laboratories, told the ARS meeting. Also,

necessary are certain duplications of Deep Space Instrumentation voice, telemetry and tv links, Bug-command module voice links, and guidance and navigation subsystems.

Communication between the Bug and the orbiting mother ship may be accomplished via an earth-based relay station rather than from Bug to command module directly. Reason for this is the short periods of time the command module and the Bug will be in line-of-sight positions.

Space Controls Center Takes Shape

HOUSTON—National Aeronautics & Space Administration's Manned Spacecraft Center, now beginning to take shape here, will let construction contracts early this fall for mission control and data processing facilities, MSC officials report.

The 200,000-square-foot center will house flight control equipment similar to that now used at Cape Canaveral. Cost of equipping the center is expected to exceed \$20 million. Building construction will cost \$9 million.

When the control center is completed in about one year, it will take over control of long-range manned space flights after they are fired from Cape Canaveral. Present plans call for the Canaveral control center to initiate firings and control early stages of flights, then transfer control to the Houston center, MSC reports.

A \$1.2-million structure to house MSC's data processing center will be one of the early buildings constructed on the center's 1,600-acre site about 25 miles south of Houston. A construction contract for it was due to be let this month.

MSC now has its computers and other data processing equipment at a temporary location in Houston. It is expected that additional data processing equipment will be needed by the time the permanent edp building is completed. MSC officials report that time on its present

equipment is already entirely taken up. The center, now paying \$500 an hour on the equipment, is gradually switching over to buying its computers.

In addition to these facilities, present plans call for contracts to be let starting next spring on major research and test facilities that will require considerable electronic instrumentation and control systems.

In the early part of 1963, for instance, contracts are expected to be awarded for a \$20-million environmental chamber, and a \$10-million centrifuge.

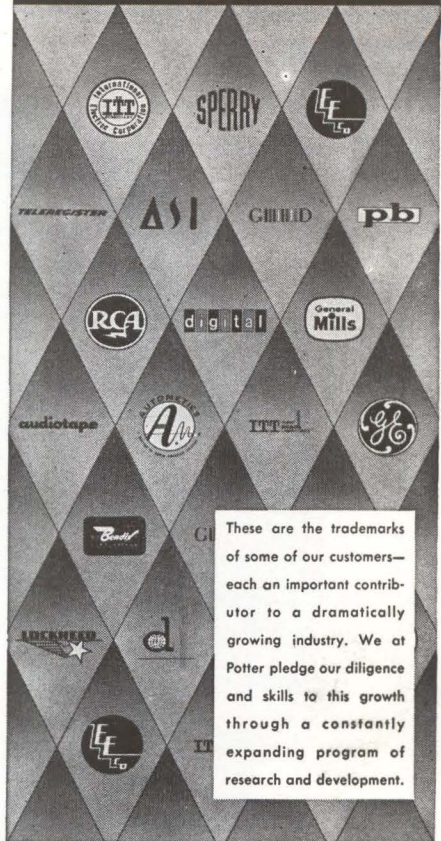
A lunar landing simulation facility is also planned to simulate spacecraft response within lunar gravitational environments. At present, although an MSC spokesman says "we haven't the slightest idea what it will look like," plans call for this to be started before the end of fiscal 1963. It is presently tagged at about \$7.5 million.

Meanwhile, construction contracts are expected to be let at two stages this fall for administrative and other buildings. NASA says of the \$90-million budget currently approved for the center, about one-third will go for buildings and laboratories, with the remainder for major research facilities.

MSC now has about 1,500 people in Houston, will have about 3,000 when it starts occupying its permanent facilities in December, 1963.

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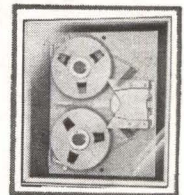
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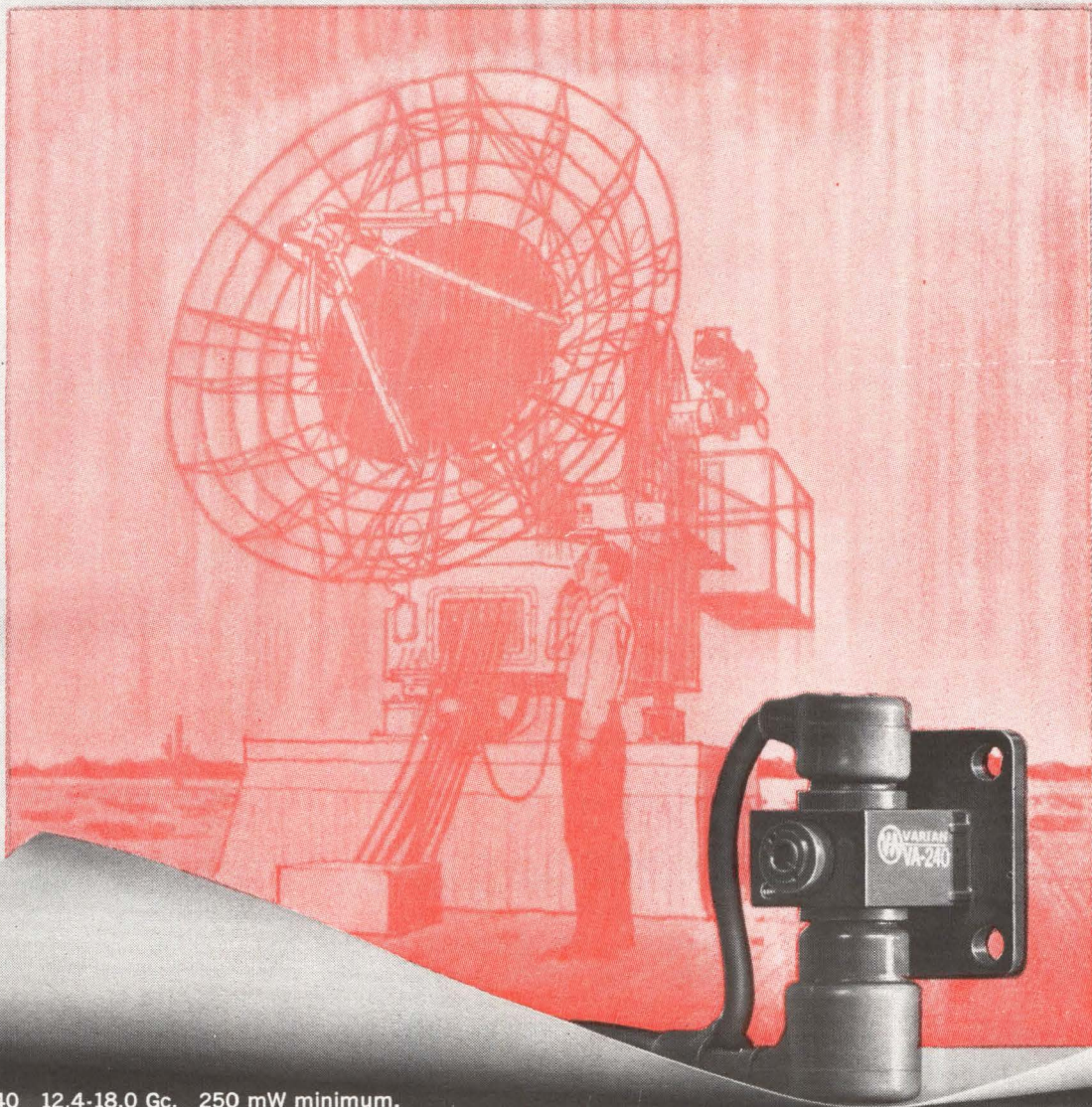
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NASA Will Spend \$194 Million for

Networks are being readied for deep space vehicles and probes

MORE DETAILS are now available on what the National Aeronautics and Space Administration will buy with the nearly \$194 million, just approved by a Senate-House conference committee, for tracking and data acquisition facilities (ELECTRONICS, p 22, May 4).

The authorization for research, development and operation amounts to \$158,410,000, and for construction of tracking facilities, about \$35,100,000. Included in totals are:

- Systems development for future space mission, \$15,950,000 (Table I).

- Total cost of operating the various networks, \$67,815,000, including \$17,794,000 for the satellite network, \$9,272,000 for the deep space network, \$24,047,000 for the manned space flight network, \$13,234,000 for communications and \$3,468,000 for data processing.

- Equipment and components, \$74,645,000, as itemized in Table II and detailed below.

SATELLITE NET—Over \$20 million will be spent on ground facilities for satellites for replacements

and for new gear to handle the larger volume of data from the big orbiting observatories.

Installation of 136-Mc yagi self-tracking antennas for all stations, which began in 1961, will be completed in fiscal 1963. In addition, mobile stations of medium bandwidth capability, between the yagi type and the large data acquisition facilities of the Alaska type, will be installed to give perigee coverage for the Eccentric Geophysical Observatories (EGO) and emergency support to Orbiting Astronomical Observatories (OAO), Polar Geophysical Observatories (POGO), and the Nimbus satellites.

To support telemetry from scientific and applications satellites, stations will get new receiving, detection and signal conditioning equipment. Ten stations will be equipped with pcm systems, including signal conditioning, synchronizing and decommutation instrumentation, and display gear. Also to be installed are coherent and pcm detectors, and miscellaneous equipment to handle special-purpose requirements of satellites that fail to obtain programmed orbital altitudes and positions.

Procurement and installation of specialized command instrumentation including antennas, transmit-

ters and encoders was begun in fiscal 1962 and will be completed for 10 stations in fiscal 1963. Special real-time, read-out telemetry at selected sites will also be installed to aid command control of satellites such as the EGO and OAO.

New data reduction equipment at Goddard will include digital recording, memory and translation equipment plus analog and digital computing units. For the sophisticated tracking data needed for EGO and Syncom, range and range-rate equipment will be installed at several stations.

MANNED FLIGHT—Almost \$36 million will go toward expansion of nets to support Gemini and Apollo. Although much of the needed equipment can be specified and bought, some must await final decision on techniques to be selected.

Equipment that will be bought for Apollo includes: pcm telemetry ground gear at all stations and real-time telemetry read-out equipment at selected sites; S-band ground-to-capsule communication, telemetry and tracking equipment for selected sites to monitor the R&D S-band equipment to be tested on the orbital Apollo flights; S-band equipment for the Apollo lunar mission to insure compatibility with the existing deep space network.

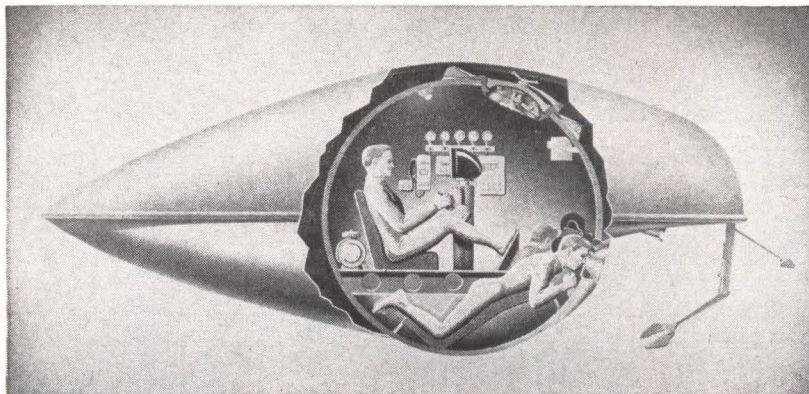
Present telemetry, tracking and acquisition aid systems and antennas will be modified to make them compatible with the airborne pcm telemetry equipment.

The present Mercury control center will be equipped with additional communication terminal and data transfer equipment to accommodate the increased workload of more complex Apollo missions.

Ranging and positioning terminal equipment will be needed at several existing sites to enable the Apollo orbital mission to reenter and land on land instead of sea. Standard f-m telemetry ground gear is needed at the few sites not so equipped to increase orbital coverage of early Apollo missions.

DEEP SPACE — Heavy flight schedule in deep space for fiscal

Diving Saucer Will Maneuver 2½ Miles Down



OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH and other tasks are to be performed by three-man craft to be developed by Westinghouse Defense Center. Equipment will include three sonars, gyrocompass, tv, radio communications and a radar transponder to allow the mother ship to locate the craft. The craft, called Deepstar, and a smaller one able to dive to 1,000 feet are expected to be operational by the end of 1963

Ground Tracking in 1963

By JOHN F. MASON
Associate Editor

1963 will require round-the-clock, seven-days-a-week operation, resulting in increased maintenance and heavy replacement of wornout equipment.

To meet the high data reception requirements of the Mariner and Surveyor missions the noise level of the electronic equipment will be reduced by installation of masers. New data recording and handling equipment will be bought for all stations.

Antennas will be converted from prime-focus-feed to a Cassegrain feed system, further increasing the overall system sensitivity. To handle reception of data from three space shots simultaneously (two Surveyors may both be active on the Moon while a Mariner is traveling toward Venus) the deep space frequency band of 2,290-2,300 Mc has been divided into three channels. Multichannel receivers and automatic detection and frequency acquisition electronics will be installed at all stations, enabling them to shift quickly from one mission to another.

Automatic checkout and calibration equipment will be installed at Goldstone to reduce preflight and post-flight preparations and to provide maximum accuracy of tracking data as early in the flight as possible. Also, secondary microwave standards and special receiver and antenna checkout instrumentation will be installed at Goldstone.

Precision time standards, angle encoding equipment and star tracking and pointing equipment will be installed at all sites to upgrade the network tracking accuracy for Mariner and Surveyor.

GROUND COMMUNICATIONS—The Nimbus and observatory class satellites and Surveyor all require large amounts of data transmitted between ground stations and the control centers. Updated terminal equipment, video monitoring facilities and test equipment, channelization equipment and circuit assurance and checkout equipment must be provided.

More than \$35 million for construction will include \$14.2 for the

TABLE I—SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT FOR GROUND TRACKING

	1962	1963
Improvement of existing systems and operations:		
Data acquisition.....	\$1,004,000	\$1,503,000
Electronic tracking.....	761,000	794,000
Data processing.....	1,461,000	2,213,000
Spacecraft command.....	805,000	994,000
Antennas.....	2,419,000	2,493,000
Calibration.....	515,000	628,000
System testing.....	852,000	911,000
Subtotal.....	7,817,000	9,536,000
Subsystem development.....		
Subsystem development.....	1,050,000	1,111,000
New systems development:		
Data acquisition.....	1,165,000	1,194,000
Electronic tracking.....	668,000	975,000
Data processing.....	1,137,000	1,285,000
Spacecraft command.....	357,000	450,000
Optical.....	440,000	837,000
Timing.....	417,000	562,000
Subtotal.....	4,184,000	5,303,000
Total, systems development.....	13,051,000	15,950,000

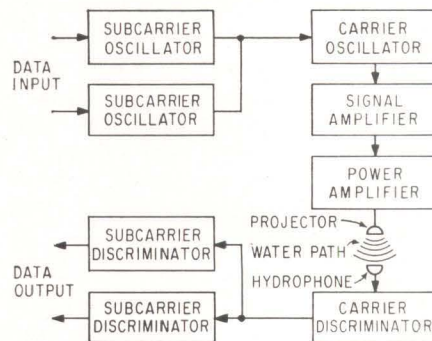
TABLE II—EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS FOR GROUND TRACKING

	1962	1963
Satellite network:		
Maintenance, spares, and replacement.....	\$2,765,000	\$6,778,000
Expansion of network capability:		
Antennas.....		4,674,000
Receiving and recording.....	951,000	3,168,000
Command.....	618,000	2,175,000
Data handling and processing.....	166,000	1,654,000
Tracking.....		1,781,000
Subtotal.....	4,500,000	20,230,000
Manned flight network:		
Maintenance, spares, and replacement.....	3,260,000	3,269,000
Expansion of network capability:		
Augmentation of ground voice communications.....	3,803,000	
Automatic telemetry read-out equipment.....	2,445,000	
AN/FPS-16 radar equipment.....	2,988,000	
Telemetry decommutation equipment at command sites.....	1,494,000	
Data terminal equipment for Bermuda station.....	2,716,000	
Data and computer terminal equipments for the computer center.....	1,630,000	
Computer reprogramming.....	1,090,000	
PCM ground station equipment (receivers, recorders, discriminators, demodulators).....		14,379,000
S-band ground-to-capsule data and voice communications systems.....		5,882,000
Modification of telemetry and acquisition aid systems.....		5,882,000
Control center equipment.....		2,615,000
Ranging and positioning equipment for terminal trajectory instrumentation.....		2,615,000
FM/FM telemetry equipment.....		1,308,000
Subtotal.....	19,426,000	35,950,000
Deep space network:		
Maintenance, spares, and replacement.....	1,945,000	4,095,000
Expansion of network capability:		
Masers.....		1,396,000
Recording and data processing instrumentation.....		785,000
Modifications to DSIF antennas.....		3,050,000
Multichannel receivers and automatic detection and frequency acquisition.....		2,789,000
Automatic checkout and calibration equipment.....		3,316,000
Precision ranging.....		1,569,000
Subtotal.....	1,945,000	17,000,000
Ground communications network.....	546,000	1,465,000
Total, equipment and components.....	26,417,000	74,645,000

advanced antenna system at Goldstone; \$10 million for two new 85-ft antennas at the overseas deep space stations; \$6 million for data acquisition facility in the Far East;

\$3.5 million for an 85-ft antenna at Rosman, N. C.; and \$1.5 million for an advanced data acquisition system at the station at Wallops Island.

Oceanographers Grapple with Telemetry



ACOUSTIC TELEMETRY system by Bendix-Pacific transmits voice and 10 channels of data underwater

ACOUSTIC FLOWMETER developed by Westinghouse uses spherical array of acoustic probes to measure water currents in three dimensions. More conventional flowmeters are shown at right

Russian interference and a frequency squeeze add to technical problems

By LAURENCE D. SHERGALIS
Associate Editor

TELEMETRY PROBLEMS faced by oceanographers have been made more urgent by the continuing installation of two large fields of Soviet buoy transmitters—one in the North Atlantic and one in the North Pacific.

U.S. oceanographers have complained about Russian interference on telemetry frequencies but no action can be taken against the Soviet vessels since they do not use call signs.

The already short supply of telemetry frequencies for oceanography is a major problem for researchers in this field. Among the complications are:

- A single frequency range doesn't satisfy oceanographic requirements. Frequencies and telemetering methods may differ according to the type of data to be collected and its use.

- Often, permanent use of a frequency is not needed. An allocation

may be useful only for the few months of a year that a survey lasts.

- All data need not be collected in real time. A buoy transmitter can be interrogated for stored data.

Spot frequencies for such occasional use are not available and other services are not interested in sharing. FCC does not favor unattended transmitters on buoys since they might be hard to reach for repair or adjustment.

Oceanographers have suggested that the FCC reserve frequencies for temporary use by scientists, as one way of relieving the problem.

HIGH FREQUENCIES — Even though the coming move of telemetry into the 2.2-Gc to 2.3-Gc band will make more frequencies available, this won't help oceanographers much. Overwater duct effects, now under intensive study, make line-of-sight transmission useless at certain frequencies and times.

Experiments at Scripps Institute of Oceanography showed that a 100-Mc line-of-sight transmission could not be received with antennas 20 to 30 feet high—800-foot antennas were needed. A 250-Mc signal carried only one-half mile.

Interrogating vhf transmitters from aircraft is probably the most

effective way to get data from a buoy field. Vhf hardware is readily available.

High-frequency, sky-wave transmission is not feasible. Antennas needed are too high, noise and limited bandwidth restrict data rates, and propagation conditions affect reliability of 24-hour reception. The bobbing of buoys makes for wobbling antenna patterns and erratic reception. This effect, first noticed on small-boat transmission at 2 Mc, needs more study.

Robert Walden, of Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, has reported reliable reception of h-f signals from 20-w to 30-w transmitters at 6.9 Mc over a distance of 750 miles. But selective fading tends to require lower bit rates and 24-hour contact for continuous readings is very unlikely. Diversity reception may be successful, however.

VLF AND CABLES — Although matching transformers will give vlf systems a good impedance match with the ocean, vlf is greatly subject to atmospheric noise. Phase-lock and data-sync techniques must be used. Long, high-power antennas are needed for effective transmission; antennas supported by balloons and kites have not been satisfactory.

Problems

OCEANOGRAPHIC AIMS

Oceanographers use telemetry to gather data on sea parameters like water temperature, current direction and speed, wave height and direction, sea state, light intensity and radioactivity.

Fritz Koczy, of the University of Miami marine laboratory, says these are among the many unknowns of the ocean. Oceanographers want to develop equations that would enable them to predict these processes.

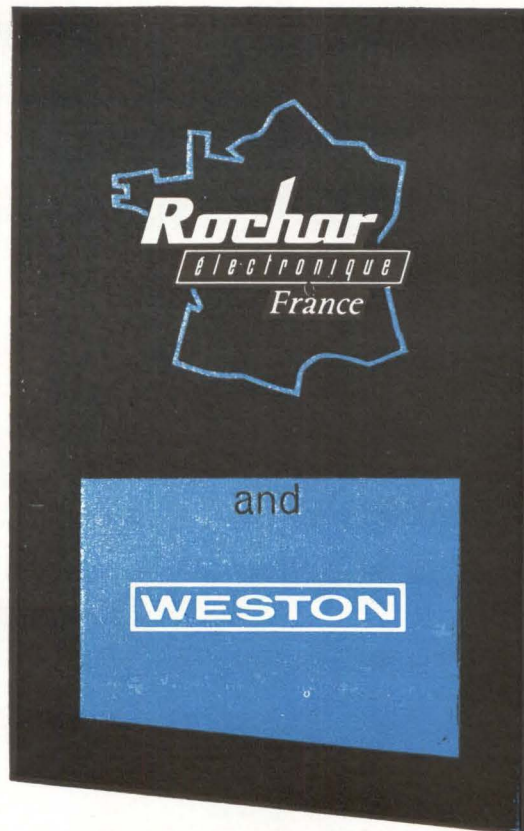
Today, oceanographers are studying such parameters, making predictions and making surveys that use and check the predictions. Tomorrow, they plan to prepare oceanic charts similar to weather maps

Small buoy fields can use submarine cables, armored in shallow water. Unarmored, semiexpendable cables for deep water cost about \$25 a mile. Cables and equipment must be replaceable and instrument packages have to withstand forces over 1 g during heavy seas and high winds.

ACOUSTIC TELEMETRY—Acoustic telemetry is effective for vertical communications in sea water, but not horizontal. There is a multipath problem—three spurious signals are received, one reflected from the surface, one reflected from the bottom and one bounced between surface and bottom. Attenuation is about 1 db a mile.

One system commercially made for this service is an f-m/f-m Bendix-Pacific system (ELECTRONICS, p 53, Jan. 12, 1962).

Acoustic techniques are also used in a transducer developed by Westinghouse Ordnance division. Under test at Woods Hole, it is a flowmeter that can measure water velocity to a fraction of a knot. Speed and direction of ocean currents are indicated in three planes by the time it takes for sound to travel between sets of acoustic probes mounted in a spherical array. It has transistor circuits, no moving parts.



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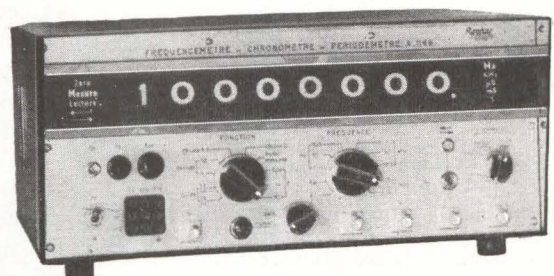
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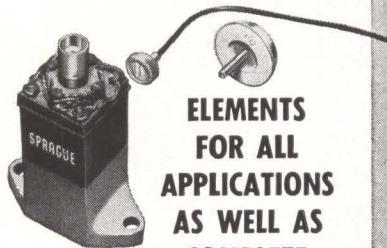
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HEART of the new Univac III large-scale computer is an executive program that controls its concurrent processing. Called Chief (concurrent handling of internal executive functions), this set of routines also automatically controls the scheduling of computer runs, allocation of memory and input-output devices and interruptions.

For example, to read 3,500 punched cards onto magnetic tape, print 5,000 lines from tape and sort 20,000 items on tape would take 21 minutes on previous Univacs because the three jobs must be handled in sequence. The Univac III executive program runs all three concurrently in nine minutes.

SUBROUTINES—Chief consists of five types of subroutines:

- Operational control—schedules applications, loads the program into the computer and performs run-to-run linkage.
- Synchronizer control—controls switching from application to application during concurrent operations, permitting several programs to share available computer time, and monitors all computer input-output channels.
- Contingency control—allows supervisors to modify operations and insert type-ins, and also handles errors due to overflow and use of invalid operation codes.

• Rerun—establishes and executes any necessary reruns.

• Processor error control—recognizes and logs machine malfunctions and interrupts the program when they occur.

Subroutines that had to be programmed in previous Univacs are now handled automatically. As an example, when the machine is fully programmed, and the operator types in the name of the program to be run, the computer types out start and end locations in memory and a table listing allocations of peripheral equipment. If allocations are acceptable to the operator, he types in an acceptance of the designations and indicates go.

PERFORMANCE—Univac III has up to 32,000 words of main memory storage, a 4- μ sec memory cycle

time and an 8- μ sec add time. There are eight general-purpose channels for input-output equipment and five magnetic-tape channels. Using tape synchronizers, up to 32 magnetic-tape units can be accommodated. The Uniservo 3 tape handler transfers 200,000 pulse-phase-modulated digits per second, and holds 4 million characters on a reel of tape, at a recording density of 1,000 pulses per inch.

Infrared Detector Theory Based On Energy Change

PARIS—A new theory for development of tunable infrared detectors, based on cyclotron resonance absorption by free carriers in a semiconductor, was reported by V. Roberts, of Britain's Royal Radar Establishment, at the Agard Avionics Panel meeting.

Radiation absorbed by free carriers (electrons) raises them to a higher energy level in the conduction band. The longer the electron energy relaxation time, the greater the departure from the energy distribution for thermal equilibrium. Roberts said the end result is a change in direct current conductivity.

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CRYOGENIC ENGINEERING CONFERENCE, University of California; at UCLA, Los Angeles, Calif., Aug. 14-16.

CIRCUIT PACKAGING SYMPOSIUM, U. of Colorado, et al; at U. of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., Aug. 15-17.

AIRCRAFT & MISSILES JOINT WESTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE, ASQC; Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Seattle, Wash., Aug. 16-18.

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FOURTH JOINT AUTOMATIC CONTROL CONFERENCE, AIC, AIEE, IRE, et al, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, June 19-21, 1963. September 30 is the deadline for submitting 100-word abstracts to: member society headquarters or Otis L. Udike, Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., Areas of interest include: control theory, applications, and components.

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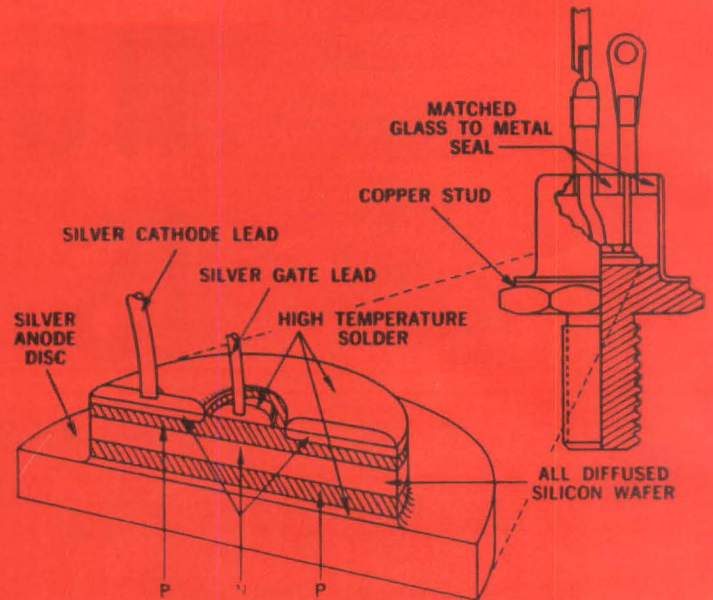
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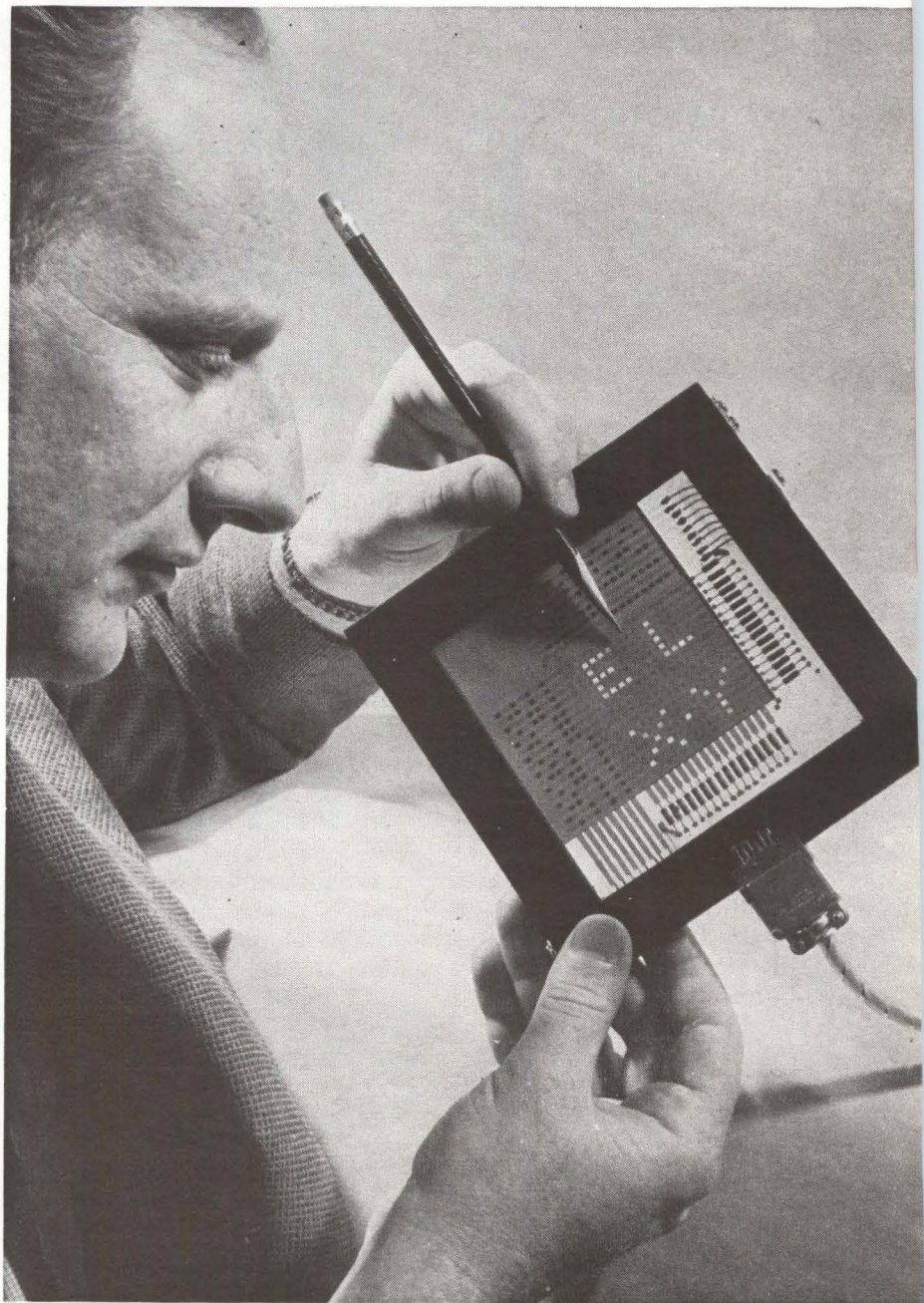
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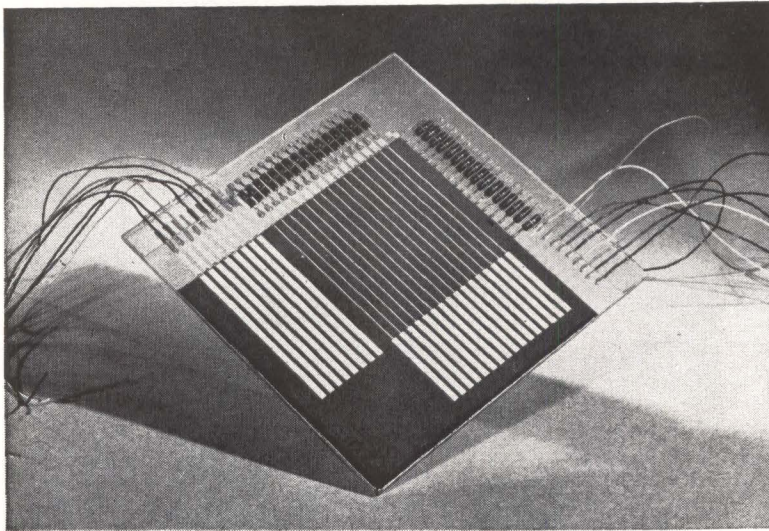


EL DISPLAY panel operating in a random access mode

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ELECTROLUMINESCENCE (EL) provides a new approach to constructing large-area displays such as traffic-control boards, situation plot displays and computer read-outs.^{1, 2} The EL lamp, which consists of a phosphor embedded in a dielectric layer placed between two electrodes,

emits light when a voltage is applied to its electrodes. A crossed-grid EL lamp, combined with techniques using a nonlinear resistance (NLR) layer to perform logic and improve contrast, have led to a flat, lightweight electroluminescence display driven directly from binary



BACK SURFACE of the display panel

inputs. Using the same techniques, panels of larger area and higher resolution can be constructed.

The most common construction for EL displays is the crossed-grid or X-Y panel. The parallel-plate electrodes are divided into strips oriented at right angles to each other. The strips are referred to as the X (horizontal) and Y (vertical) electrodes. An alternating or pulsed voltage applied between an X and a Y strip, causes the phosphor at the intersection to light. By applying voltages to selected pairs of X and Y strips in sequence, letters, numerals and traces can be displayed.

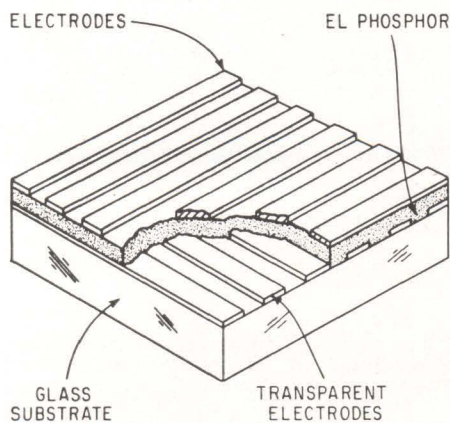
Electroluminescent displays are solid-state devices and do not re-

quire an evacuated envelope as does a c-r tube. Thus, a lightweight flat panel with high density of display elements can be obtained. High resolution, however, requires a large number of input electrodes which, in turn, needs many switching positions. In this device the inputs to be switched are reduced by simultaneously applying binary signals, representing the X and Y coordinates, to two binary-to-decimal decoders. The decoder logic circuits are made of a layer of nonlinear resistor material of the same type used to improve the contrast of the display.³ The similarity of the materials used for the display and the decoder makes it possible to build both components on the same sub-

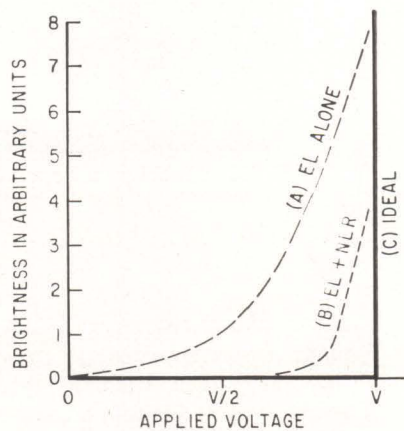
strate. The electrodes of the crossed-grid panel are extended to form the electrodes of the decoders, thus eliminating the need for separate connections.

The complete display device is a $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ -in., 16×16 -element, integrated with two four-binary-bit decoders. The device is operated from a 10-Kc, 250-volt supply and has a spot brightness of 7 foot-lamberts and a resolution of 8 lines/in.

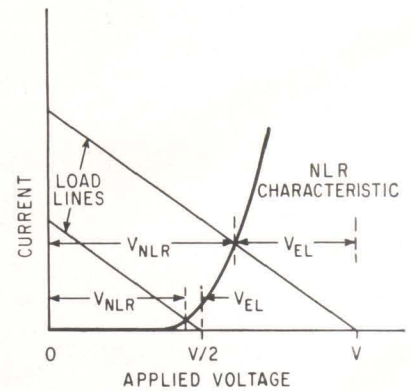
EL DISPLAYS—A cutaway view of a typical crossed-grid EL panel is shown in Fig. 1A. The panel consists of a thin layer of a phosphor, such as zinc sulfide, embedded in a dielectric medium, with the cross-gridded X and Y electrodes on opposite surfaces of the phosphor. For most display devices, the structure is formed on a glass substrate. The lower electrode grid consists of a transparent conductive coating such as tin oxide patterned to form the parallel electrodes. In addition to the bright square produced at the selected X-Y intersection, some light is produced at all other intersections of the selected column and row. The unselected lighted intersections give rise to a cross-grid effect called spurious cross-image effect. The reason for the spurious cross-image is that the all strips are capacitively coupled; thus, approximately half of the applied voltage appears at the unselected intersections of the X-Y strips. The spurious light reduces the contrast considerably, particularly



(A)



(B)



(C)

CROSSED-GRID EL display panel (A). Brightness-voltage characteristics of EL lamps (B). Characteristics of a series NLR-EL circuit (C)—Fig. 1

when a complex image is displayed. Since the brightness-voltage characteristic of the EL material is nonlinear, as shown in curve A of Fig. 1B, the brightness obtained at half voltage is only one eighth of the brightness obtained at full voltage.

A method for eliminating the cross image effect and enhancing contrast is incorporated in the panel. An ideal EL element lights only at full voltage, as shown in curve C of Fig. 1B. The ideal characteristic is approached by placing a nonlinear resistance in series with the EL phosphor (curve B). This is done by interposing an isolating layer having the characteristics of a nonlinear resistor (NLR) between the EL layer and one set of parallel electrodes. The characteristic curve of the NLR layer is plotted in Fig. 1C; the load lines represent the drop across a series EL element. Because of the nonlinear characteristic of the NLR layer, the voltage across the EL element is small when only half-voltage is applied, and increases about ten-fold when full voltage is applied. The brightness discrimination ratio between full voltage and half voltage becomes more than 10,000 to 1, which is more than enough to eliminate the cross-image effect. In addition, because of the greatly reduced capacitance of each element of the crossed grid, the NLR layer increases the impedance of the device. As a result,

the power required from the driving source is reduced and an economy is realized.

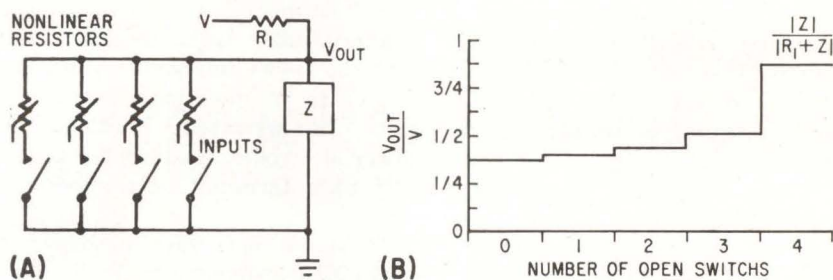
ACCESS CIRCUITS—To operate the crossed-grid display panel, an a-c or pulsed voltage source is needed for each of the X and Y strips. The voltages could be provided by a single source mechanically switched to the desired X and Y strips. Use of a binary-to-decimal decoder, driven by gated amplifiers, reduces considerably the space and complexity required for fast switching. Thus, binary signals, representing a selected address, are applied to the decoder which is an integral part of the display panel.

The binary-to-decimal decoders are matrices of AND gates. To illustrate how the decoders drive the display panel, consider first an individual AND gate, then two AND gates (inverted with respect to each other and connected, respec-

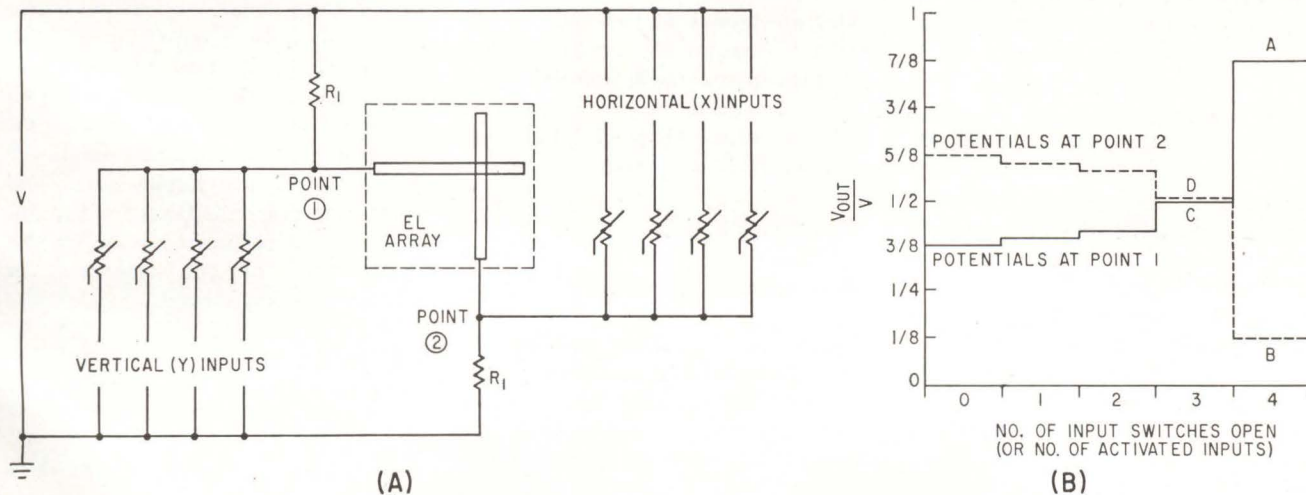
tively, to one X and one Y strip of the panel), and finally, the entire decoder matrix.

Figure 2A shows one of the four-bit nonlinear-resistance AND gates. An open switch represents an activated input. The relative output voltage across an impedance Z is shown in Fig. 2B, where the quantity $Z/(R_1 + Z)$ is chosen to be $\frac{1}{4}$. When none to three switches are open, that is, at least one switch closed, the nonlinear resistors maintain the output voltage nearly constant at roughly $V/2$. When all switches are open, the output voltage rises sharply to within $\frac{1}{4}$ of the full supply voltage. Toggle switches are shown in Fig. 2A but circuits incorporating semiconductors can be used.

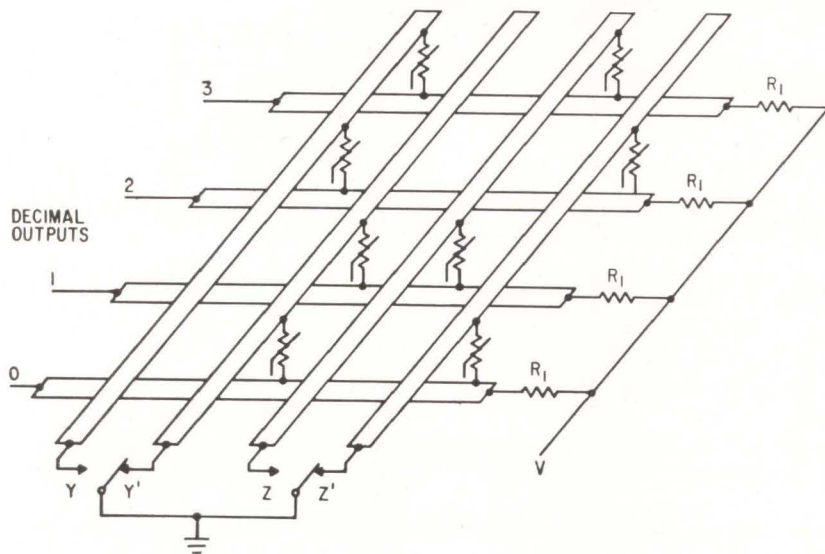
To provide access to one X and one Y electrode of the crossed grid display, two of these AND gates are arranged in a bridge with the panel as the detector (Fig. 3A). The potentials appearing at the outputs



FOUR-BIT nonlinear AND circuit (A); output voltage against number of open switches (B)—Fig. 2



NONLINEAR-resistance decoder and EL display panel (A); output voltage at points 1 and 2 against number of activated (open) inputs (B)—Fig. 3



TWO-BIT decoder matrix (output 3 is energized)—Fig. 4

of the AND gates (points 1 and 2) are plotted in Fig. 3B as a function of the state of the input switches. The potential across the intersection of an X and Y element of the display is the difference between the solid and dashed lines of Fig. 3B. For example, the voltage corresponding to a selection, that is, all switches open, is the difference between levels A and B. Each AND gate is within $\frac{1}{2}$ of its side of the supply voltage, V, which results in the appearance of $\frac{3}{4}$ V across the selected intersection. In the worst unselected case one AND gate is within $\frac{1}{2}$ of its end of the supply (all input switches open), while the other is midway between the two sides of the supply (all but one input switch open). This results in $\frac{3}{4}$ V across the unselected elements, as shown in Fig. 3B by the difference between points A and D or B and C. The voltage difference between points 1 and 2 for all other input combinations will be even less. Thus the select output voltage is always at least twice the nonselect voltage and the panel will light only at a selected intersection because the light output at the worst-case unselected intersection will be several thousand times smaller.

Full access to the panel is achieved by connecting one AND gate to each of the 16 X inputs and another to each of the 16 Y inputs. The AND gates of each decoder are constructed in matrix form as shown in Fig. 4. For simplicity,

only a two-binary-bit matrix is illustrated. The binary inputs are applied to the upper electrodes designated Y, Y', Z and Z' (unprimed inputs represent a binary 1, and primed inputs represent a 0). The appearance of an input signal corresponds to removal of the input bus bar from ground potential, that is switch opens. With the switch in the position shown, output 3 is activated. Each of the lower electrodes is connected at the left to a terminal of the crossed grid panel.

It is not necessary to use discrete NLR elements in the decoder matrices. Instead, a continuous NLR layer of polycrystalline material similar to that used for the cross-effect suppression layer is formed between the two sets of decoder electrodes at two side of the panel. Interposed between this NLR layer and one set of electrodes is an insulator layer containing holes so located that the NLR layer is bridged at the proper intersections.

DISPLAY CONSTRUCTION —

The similarity of materials for the EL display and the NLR decoders, and the fact that they can both be formed in continuous layers, makes it possible to form both components, as well as connections between them, on a single substrate. The steps in the construction of the device are:

- (1) A conducting, transparent

layer of the tin oxide is deposited on the surface of the glass substrate and patterned to form the input electrodes of the vertical AND gates, the output electrodes of the horizontal AND gates, the horizontal electrodes of the crossed grid display, and the connections between the latter two.

- (2) A glass enamel insulating layer is applied over the decoder areas so to selectively expose the lower electrodes and permit formation of NLR crossovers.

- (3) An EL phosphor embedded in a glass enamel layer is applied over the display portions of the panel.

- (4) An array of metallic electrodes is vacuum deposited onto the EL layer to define the display elements.

- (5) A nonlinear resistor layer is applied over both the display and the decoder areas.

- (6) A final metallic electrode pattern is vacuum deposited over the NLR layer to form the input electrodes of the horizontal AND circuits, the output electrodes of the vertical AND circuits, the vertical electrodes of the crossed grid, and the connections between the latter two. The device is completed by forming common supply electrode strips, and connecting the 32 linear resistors (R_i), which drive the individual AND gates of the decoding matrices.

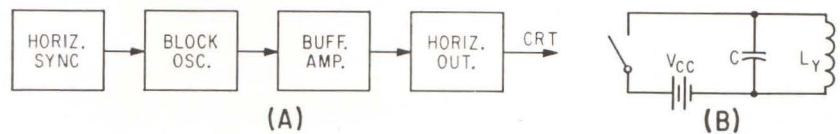
The photo of the back surface of the panel illustrates the positions of the decoder circuits on the panel. For larger displays, the decoders would occupy a smaller proportion of the total area.

The power dissipation is 2.5 watts. Since most of the power is consumed in the unactivated AND gates of the decoders, power dissipation will not increase in direct proportion to the display area. The minimum response time for the device, which is limited only by the capacitance of the elements, is about ten microseconds.

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HORIZONTAL SWEEP *typical system, (A); simple model of the horizontal output circuit, (B)—* Fig. 1



Stop Transistor Failures in Magnetic-Deflection Circuits

Output transistor failures can be traced to energy returned by deflection coil. To eliminate this, consider energy transfer in output circuit design

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HORIZONTAL-DEFLECTION and high-voltage circuit losses account for much of the power consumption in transistor television receivers and other display systems. Larger tubes and wider angles impose rigid demands on deflection circuits and components. A typical deflection circuit is shown in Fig. 1A, and an idealized horizontal output stage in Fig. 1B. The circuit is common in television receivers, but the principles apply to any magnetic deflection circuit.

CIRCUIT OPERATION—When the switch is closed, voltage V_{cc} is impressed across the coil and coil current i_y increases approximately linearly with time

$$i_y = (V_{cc}/L_y) t \quad (1)$$

At a time t_1 , corresponding to the end of the trace period, the switch is opened. Now the circuit consists of an inductance carrying a current I_y and a capacitor across which there is a voltage V_{cc} . The voltage across the capacitor is in such a direction as to keep the current flowing in the coil until the capacitor is discharged. This corresponds to the period t_1 to t_2 in Fig. 2A. The current and voltage now changes direction and the energy is transferred back to the capacitor at t_3 . The current then goes negative as the capacitor returns its energy to the magnetic field at t_4 . From t_2 to t_4 , di/dt is negative, and at t_4 , di/dt goes through zero and begins to go positive. The magnetic field begins to collapse and at t_5 the capacitor is again charged to V_{cc} , the switch is closed and the stored energy is returned to the battery during the first part of the trace period.¹

In a practical circuit, the energy returned to the battery by the tuned circuit is less than that supplied to it by the battery during the trace period. An equivalent circuit then would have to include the energy-loss elements. The losses in a practical output circuit depend primarily on circuit Q and switching

efficiencies, including the Qs of the yoke and high-voltage transformer, ringing in the secondary of the high-voltage transformer, lead losses, series resistances etc. However, only losses directly associated with the output transistor will be considered.

The ideal switch is replaced by a transistor and a diode as shown in Fig. 2B. At the end of the retrace period, the peak current is less than it was at the beginning of the retrace period. The energy loss is then proportional to the difference in the squares of the two currents

$$\Delta E = (1/2) L (I_1^2 - I_2^2) \quad (2)$$

where I_1 is the initial and I_2 is the final value of yoke current.

The energy loss due to the transistor is explained by the decay of the collector current during the first portion of the retrace period. Figure 2B shows the operating load line of the output transistor. At the beginning of the trace period, the current and the voltage are at point A. The current increases from A to its maximum at point B at the end of the trace period. At this point, the transistor begins to turn off and the decay is along BC DA. The decay path along BC is dependent on the base drive and individual transistor switching characteristics. The energy lost in the transistor during this decay is the time integral of the instantaneous power along BC

$$E = \int_B^C P dt = \int_i v_{CE} i_c dt \quad (3)$$

While it is desirable to minimize this loss for efficiency, it becomes necessary to minimize it when it is considered that this energy may destroy the transistor.

RANDOM FAILURES—Reports of random transistor failures led to investigation of the dependence of these failures on normally measured switching transistor parameters. These investigations revealed

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that the only normally measured parameter affecting the failure rate was fall time, and that the failures did not depend on normally measured breakdown voltages. Further investigation showed that the failure rate is proportional to the retrace decay time energy absorbed by the transistor. This agrees with R. P. Miller's finding that power transistor failures depend on their energy characteristics.³ The ability of a germanium transistor to absorb energy is inversely proportional to the reverse base current flowing at the time. A large I_b flowing through $r_{bb'}$ concentrates the emitter current toward the geometric center of the device, increasing the current density and thereby the likelihood of destruction by localized heating.³

REDUCING DECAY TIME—In the circuit of an output transistor whose drive condition and peak collector current are fixed, the energy absorbed will be a function of the rate of rise of collector voltage and collector current fall time. Then for a transistor with a given fall time, an energy reduction may be achieved by reducing the rate of rise of V_{CE} . Compare this energy in a circuit where third-harmonic tuning is employed to one that is tuned to a fundamental frequency. Where third-harmonic tuning is used, some advantage is realized in the reduction of peak voltage during retrace; however, the rate of rise of V_{CE} is increased greatly over the corresponding rise of the fundamental even though the peak of the fundamental may be about twenty percent greater.

Figure 3 compares a fundamental and third-harmonic waveform and the collector current decay on the same time scale. It is assumed that the collector current decays in two microseconds and the length of the retrace period is ten microseconds. The 2N1073B transistor is a diffused-alloy power transistor for which the collector current decay is almost linear, and to a good approximation may be expressed as a linear function of time. The retrace period is ten microseconds and the fall time is two microseconds so the expression for the current is

$$i = I_p (1 - 5 \omega t) / \pi \quad (4)$$

The voltage waveform v_1 is expressed as the sum of a fundamental and third harmonic, neglecting fifth and higher harmonics

$$v = V_p \sin \omega t + 1/3 V_p \sin 3 \omega t \quad (5)$$

where $V_p = v$ (max) fundamental
The energy expression is

$$E = \int_0^{t = \frac{\pi}{5\omega}} [V_p \sin \omega t + 1/3 V_p \sin 3 \omega t] \left[I - \frac{5I \omega t}{\pi} \right] dt \quad (6)$$

The energy is compared for fundamental and third-harmonic tuning where the fundamental peak voltage is twenty percent higher than the peak of the third harmonic. This increase is generally necessary to maintain the same average voltage over the cycle.

E (3rd harmonic) = $0.128 V'_p I_p T / 2\pi = 0.457$ millijoules (7)
where $V'_p =$ peak 3rd harmonic voltage $I_p =$ peak current in transistor and T is the retrace time.

$$E$$
 (fundamental) = $0.065 \frac{V_p I_p T}{V'_p I_p T} / 2\pi = 0.078 \times 0.278$ millijoules (8)

where $V_p =$ peak fundamental voltage

$$\text{or} \quad E_{3H} / E_F = 1.64 \quad (9)$$

This shows a 39-percent decrease in energy dissipation in the transistor for fundamental tuning over third-harmonic tuning with identical conditions.

The maximum retrace time tolerable without retrace blanking is in the neighborhood of ten microseconds, but where retrace blanking is used, the maximum becomes about 14 μ sec. In addition to a reduction in the rate of rise of collector voltage, an added advantage is gained since the longer period gives the same average voltage with a reduced peak voltage. Assuming this reduction is peak voltage to be twenty percent, the energy is again reduced. The current decays in $t = \pi / 7\omega$, (which is 1/7 of the 14- μ sec retrace period).

In terms of $(V'_p I_p T) / 2\pi$ since $T_1 / T = 1.4$, the energy dissipated in the transistor for fundamental tuning is now

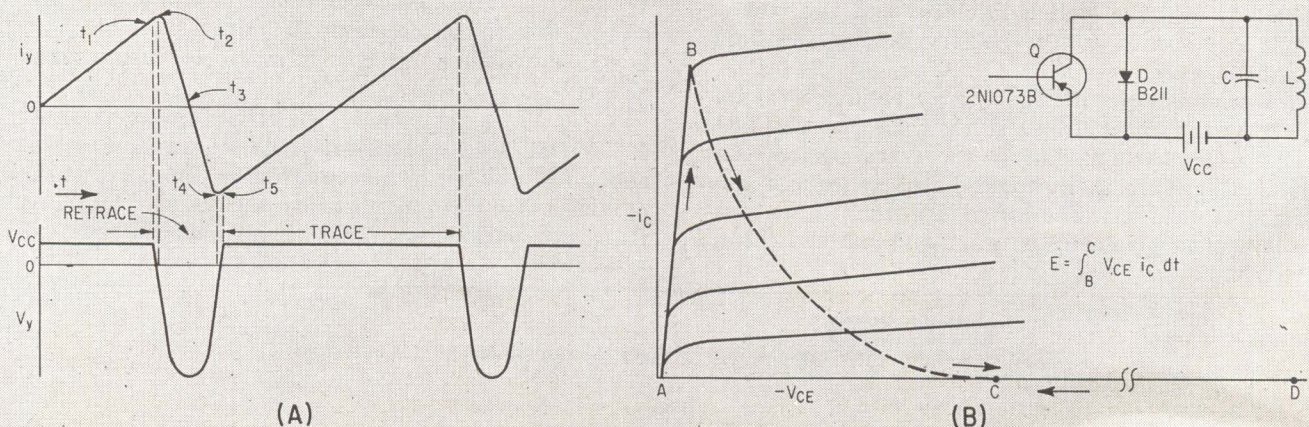
$$E_F (14 \mu\text{sec}) = 0.049 V'_p I_p T / 2\pi = 0.175$$
 millijoules (10)

The ratio of

$$E_{3H} / E_F (14 \mu\text{sec}) = 2.62 \quad (11)$$

The output circuit tuned to a third harmonic will pump more than two and a half times as much energy into the transistor at the beginning of each retrace. This ratio is not significant where the absolute mag-

CURRENT AND VOLTAGE waveforms for the model horizontal sweep circuit of Fig. 1 are plotted in (A); load-line plot for the horizontal deflection circuit output transistor, together with model circuit, are shown in (B), illustrating the turn-off current decay along BCDA—Fig. 2



nitudes are small compared to the limitations of the device; however, when the magnitudes approach the device limitations, this ratio is of consequence.

Any of the energies will be reduced with a transistor having a shorter fall time. The dotted line in Fig. 3 shows a transistor collector current decay in a shorter time. It can be seen that the instantaneous voltage is always smaller.

BASE-DRIVE EFFECT—The energy that a transistor can dissipate is inversely proportional to the reverse base current. Furthermore, in a given tuned circuit the amount of energy that a transistor will see is proportional to the fall time. In a given deflection circuit, the peak collector current is determined and therefore the stored base charge is also determined. The fall time will then also be an inverse function of the average reverse base current flowing during the decay time.

The base current must be increased to reduce the total decay time energy; but, the base current must be reduced to increase the energy capability of the transistor. Decay time energy E_D can be plotted as a function of fall time

$$E_D = f(t_f) \quad (12)$$

as shown in Fig. 4A.

Figure 4B shows a plot of fall time as a function of average base current

$$t_f = f(I_b) \quad (13)$$

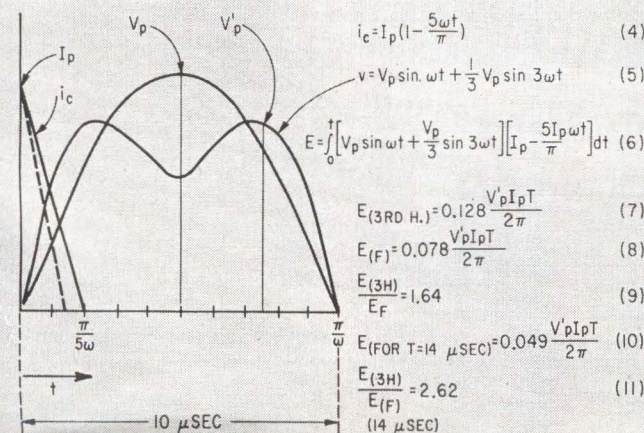
Decay-time energy is then plotted as a function of base current in Fig. 4C

$$E_D = f(I_b) \quad (14)$$

Superimposing the curve of maximum energy capability against base drive, the region between I_{b1} and I_{b2} is seen as a destructive region, for in it the decay time energy is always greater than the maximum capability of the transistor. The maximum energy rating for a given average base current must never be exceeded.

EFFICIENCY—This is important especially with battery operation. The difference in decay-time losses between the short retrace third harmonic and

FUNDAMENTAL and third-harmonic waveforms plotted to the same time scale as collector current decay to show relative effect—Fig. 3



the long retrace fundamental circuit represents considerable power drain. Assuming a peak current of 7 amperes and a peak voltage of 160 volts, Eq. 7 becomes

$$\frac{E \text{ (3rd harmonic)}}{T} = \frac{0.457 \text{ millijoules}}{63.5 \mu\text{sec}} = 7.2 \text{ watts} \quad (15)$$

and Eq. 10 becomes

$$\frac{E}{T} = \frac{0.175 \text{ millijoules}}{63.5 \mu\text{sec}} = 2.75 \text{ watts} \quad (16)$$

A typical horizontal yoke for a 110-deg picture tube requires about 1.5 millijoules at each end of the trace. The ratio of the energy stored in the yoke to the energy lost in decay time each cycle is then from Eq. 7

$$\frac{E \text{ (stored)}}{E \text{ (lost)}} = \frac{1.5}{0.457} = 3.3 \quad (17)$$

for the third harmonic circuit, and from Eq. 10

$$\frac{E \text{ (stored)}}{E \text{ (lost)}} = \frac{1.5}{0.175} = 8.6 \quad (18)$$

for the fundamental circuit with the 14- μsec retrace.

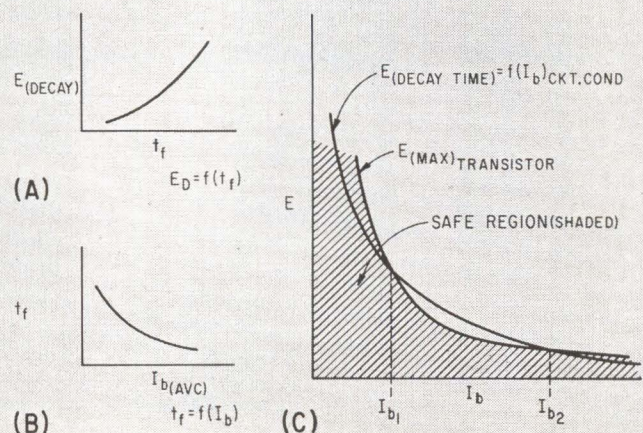
A transistor to be used in a deflection circuit must have short fall time, the collector-to-emitter voltage capability must exceed the peak retrace circuit voltage, and the energy capabilities must exceed the decay-time maximum energy under the drive conditions during retrace.

The 2N1073B is ideal for this type of switching. Its fast fall time allows it to pass through regions of high instantaneous power in short times, thereby reducing its energy dissipation and, consequently, the likelihood of destruction. The low a-c and d-c input impedance of the 2N1073B presents a nearly ideal condition to the driving source, and also allows high instantaneous off-drive currents that generate the fast fall time associated with the device.⁴

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DECAY TIME ENERGY as function of time, (A); fall time against average base current, (B); decay-time energy against base current, (C)—Fig. 4



Unique Power Supply Delivers

Solid-state devices control a power supply that must deliver first constant current, then constant voltage in the production of electrolytic capacitors

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FORMING ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS requires a source of regulated d-c power unique in that the power supply must deliver a constant current during the initial forming; then, when the final forming voltage is reached, the supply must deliver a constant voltage. Furthermore, because a wide range of capacitors may be formed by a given supply, current and voltage must be controlled over a wide range of preset values.

The required mode of operation is shown in Fig. 1. The curve indicates that operation starts at a preset level of current, A, which can range from 0.3 to 4.0 amperes. As this current flows through the capacitor being formed, the current must be held constant since the resistance of the capacitor is changing. This means the voltage across the capacitor is increasing; however, it must not increase beyond a preselected value of final forming voltage. Any value of final forming voltage from 200 to 1,000 volts d-c may be selected. Assume a value

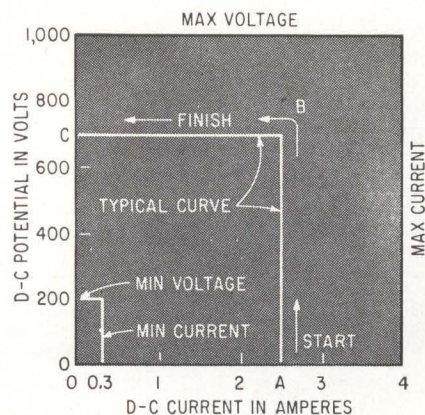
such as C has been selected. When the rising voltage (at constant current) reaches B, current regulation ceases and operation continues at constant voltage C. Current regulation is ± 5 percent and voltage regulation ± 1 percent.

Figure 2 shows the connections between the main assemblies. The constant-voltage transformer provides a sine wave of voltage regulated to ± 1 percent for input values of 100-130 volts a-c unaffected by line transients. The a-c output of the constant-voltage transformer is controlled by a saturable reactor.

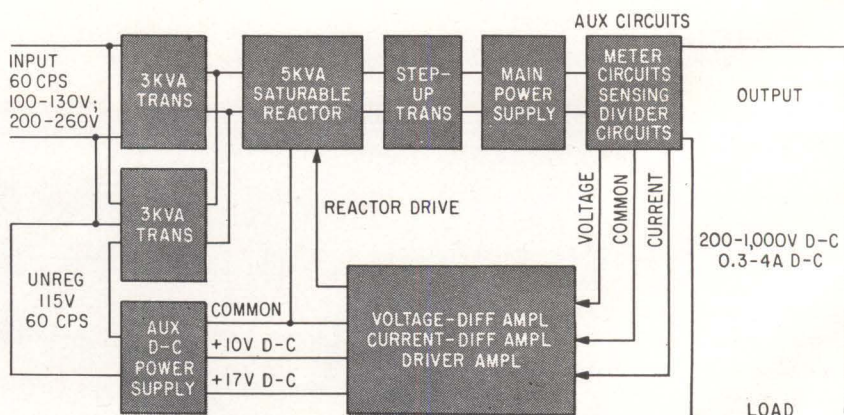
OVERALL OPERATION — The saturable reactor is the major control element and determines the d-c output voltage and current by varying the a-c input voltage into the step-up transformer. The degree of saturation is determined by the current in the d-c bias winding which, in turn, is a function of the output of a current-difference amplifier or voltage-difference amplifier. The schematics of these am-

plifiers is shown in Fig. 3.

The unit is turned on with the load disconnected through relays. The SET CURRENT potentiometer R_2 in the current-difference amplifier and the SET VOLTAGE potentiometer R_1 in the voltage-difference amplifier are at zero. There is no output from either amplifier, and no input to the driver amplifier. Hence no d-c bias current flows in the saturable reactor. The output is then shorted, and the high impedance of the reactor permits a small current to flow through a 4-ohm current-sensing resistor in series with the output. The voltage drop across this resistor is fed to one side of the current-difference amplifier, which operates from the +17 d-c voltage output of the auxiliary supply. Potentiometer R_2 is adjusted, causing an output signal that is amplified in the driver amplifier and fed to the reactor, lowering its impedance until the desired current flows in the current-sensing resistor. Now the voltage drop across this resistor equals the frac-

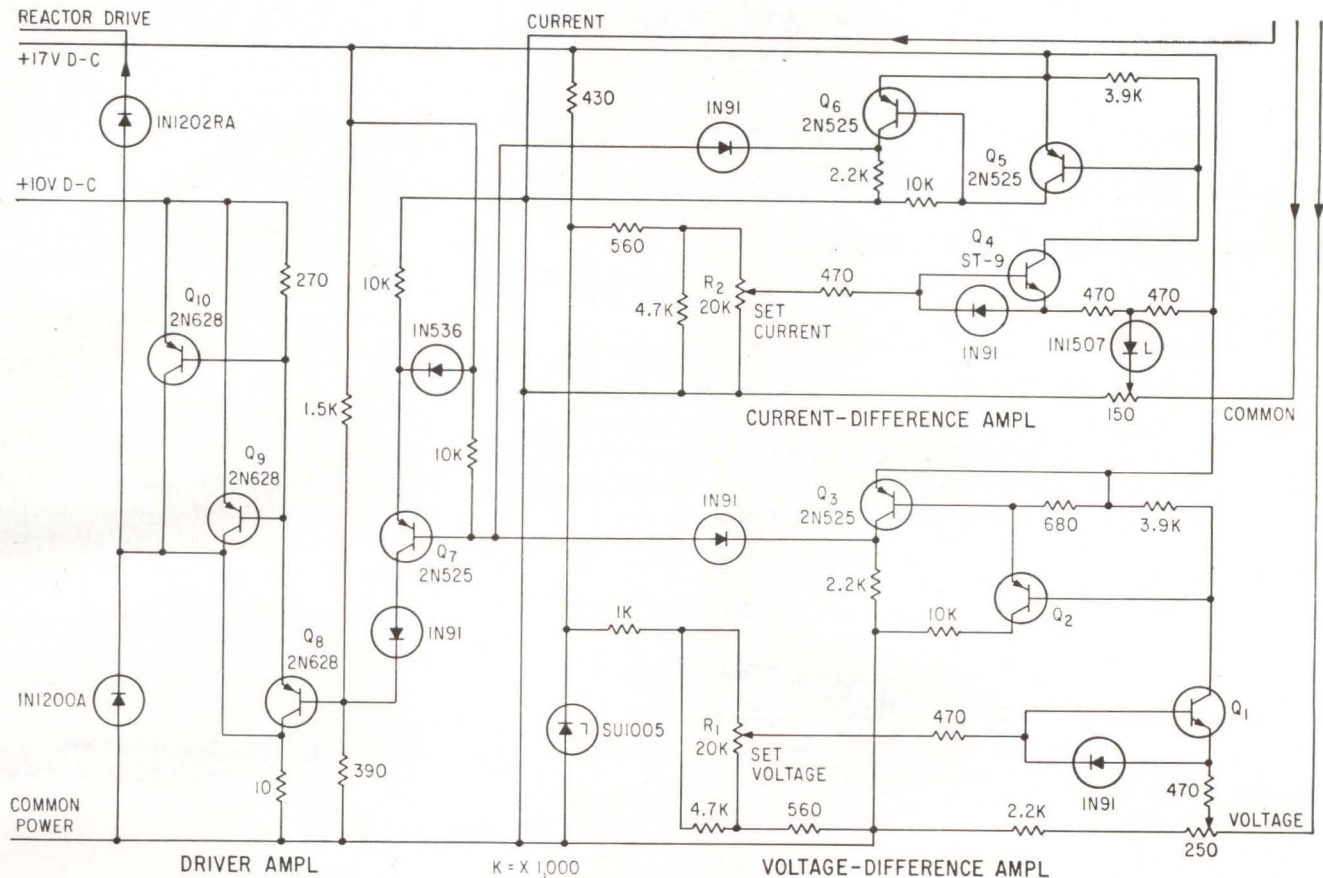


RANGE OF OPERATION of the constant current/constant voltage supply—Fig. 1



MAJOR ASSEMBLIES of constant current and constant voltage supply. To prevent rapid changes in line voltage from affecting the output, constant voltage transformers are used—Fig. 2

Constant Voltage and Current



VOLTAGE-DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER, current-difference amplifier, and driver amplifier—Fig. 3

tion of the reference zener drop selected by R_2 and the output current is clamped at this value. The current-difference amplifier input is then disconnected and the voltage-difference amplifier connected to a 500-ohm tap on a voltage divider in parallel with the output voltage. This portion of the voltage divider can be considered to be a voltage-sensing resistor. Potentiometer R_1 is adjusted and the same action takes place as in the current-difference amplifier. When the voltage drop across the voltage-sensing resistor equals the preselected fraction of the reference zener drop, the output voltage is clamped by the action of the amplifiers and reactor. The load is then connected to the output of the supply, by internal relays, with both difference amplifiers connected to their respective inputs.

The outputs of the difference am-

plifiers control the reactor-driver transistors. Since capacitors are forming from a short circuit, the current-difference amplifier overrides and maintains the output of the supply at a constant preset current. When the voltage developed across the capacitors increases to the preset voltage, the voltage-difference amplifier begins to limit reactor drive. Capacitor-forming current continuously decreases at a constant voltage until the operator turns off the supply. This decreasing of current is a characteristic of the load.

AMPLIFIER ACTION—If a decrease in load current should occur that would cause the output voltage to rise, the increase in output voltage will cause an increased voltage drop across the output voltage divider. This increased voltage will be seen at the emitter of Q_1 , which

will cause Q_1 to conduct less, reducing base drive to Q_2 . Transistor Q_2 will, in turn, reduce base drive to Q_3 , which will reduce base drive to Q_4 . The decreased collector current of Q_4 will result in reduced drive to Q_5 and Q_{10} , thereby decreasing the saturable-reactor control current. This decrease in saturable-reactor control current will cause the reactor to absorb a greater portion of the output voltage of the constant-voltage transformers. Therefore, less input voltage will be supplied to the main power supply and the output voltage will be maintained at a constant value.

When the system is operating in the constant-current mode, output current is sensed as the voltage across the current-sensing resistor. This voltage is applied to Q_1 and the action of the current-difference amplifier is similar to the action of the voltage-difference amplifier.

Can Varactors Get Rid of F-M Distortion in Reflex Klystrons?

Varactor diode used in reflex klystron circuit expands useful frequency range while improving linearity of frequency modulation. Both repeller voltage tuning and varactor tuning can be used simultaneously

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NONLINEAR DISTORTION of frequency modulation (differential modulation distortion)¹, which lowers the quality of communicated

signals, is due to the nonlinear relationships of repeller voltage to frequency in a reflex klystron oscillator (Fig. 1A).

Differential distortion may be compensated for by loading the klystron with an admittance. However, this method of compensation is usually critical, making it too unstable to be used with a reflex klystron. A new solution to the problem of expanding the frequency range, while improving linearity of frequency modulation, incorporates varactor diodes.

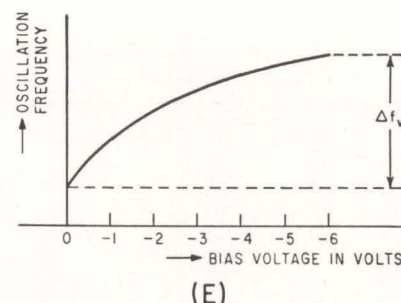
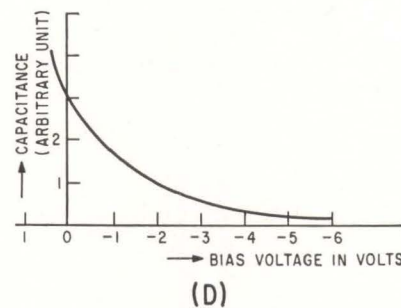
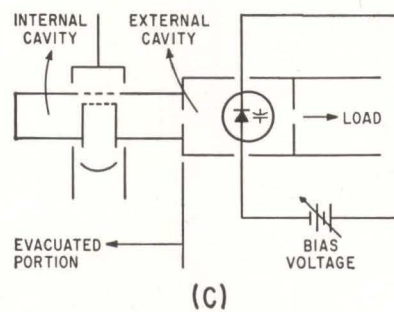
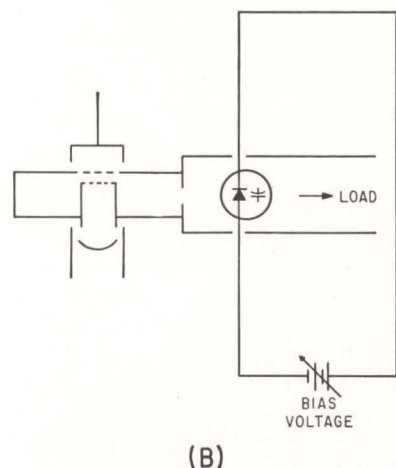
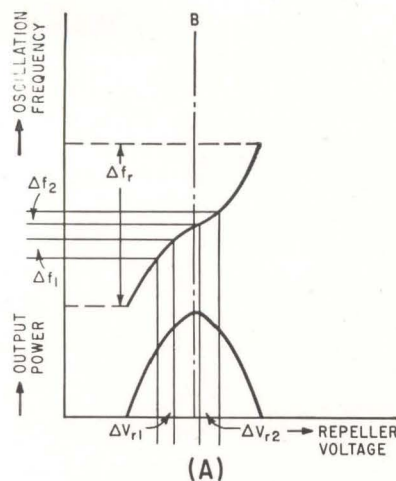
The junction capacitance of a varactor diode changes continuously with the bias voltage V_b according to²

$$C_J = C_0 \left(1 - \frac{V_b}{\phi}\right)^{-1/3}$$

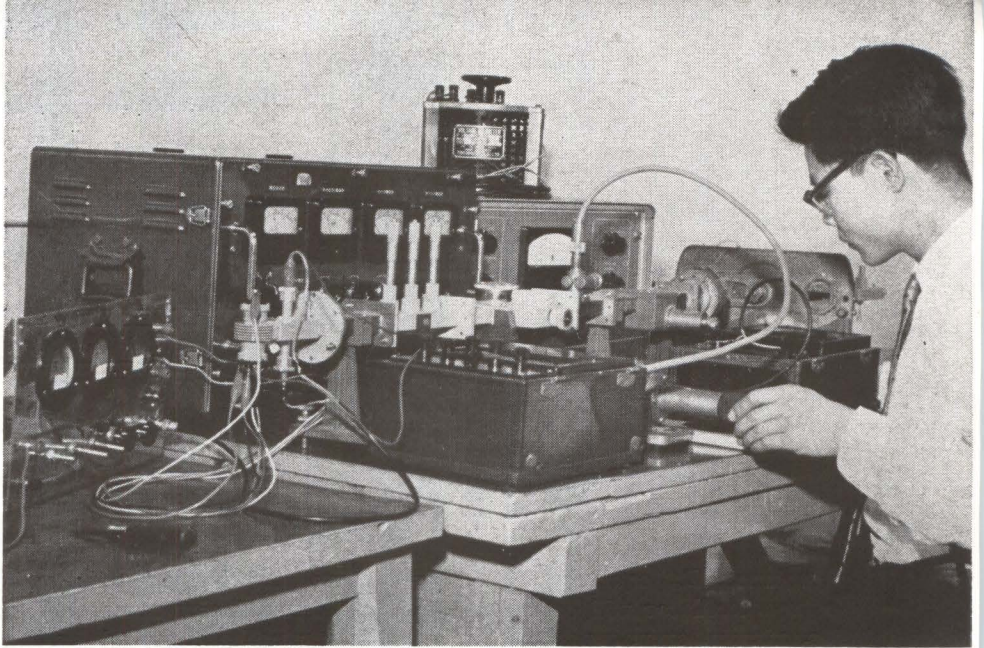
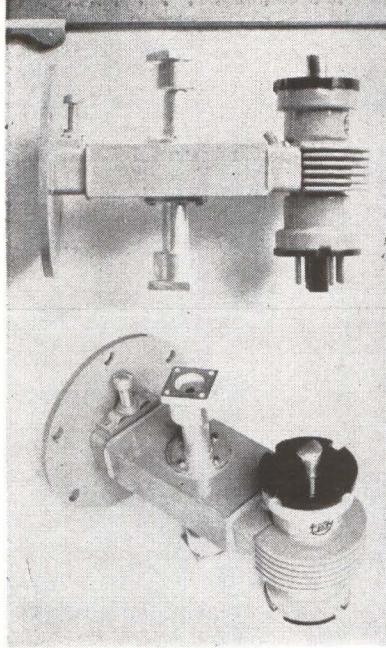
The zero bias capacitance is C_0 ; ϕ is the intrinsic barrier potential (about 0.32 volt at room temperature); and V_b is the bias voltage (negative for reverse voltage).

NEW THEORIES—One method of frequency control is to insert a varactor diode in the output waveguide of a reflex klystron, at a position near the klystron output window. The diode may also be placed in a cavity resonator closely coupled to the klystron (Fig. 1B and 1C).

By changing the bias voltage applied to the varactor diode, the loaded susceptance at the modulation gap is changed (Fig. 1B). In Fig. 1C a change of the resonant frequency of the coupled cavity takes place with a change in bias, resulting in a change in the oscillation frequency. Klystron circuits incorporating varactor diodes are capable of tuning wider frequency



REFLEX KLYSTRON oscillation characteristic shows distortion of frequency modulation (A). Frequency may be controlled by a varactor diode. Diode may be placed in output waveguide of klystron (B), or in a cavity resonator, (C). Since a biased varactor has variable capacitance (D), a new characteristic may be obtained with a varactor diode—Fig. 1



EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS, used by the author to test his frequency modulation techniques (right), and experimental tube (left). Output of tube is at right, klystron left, and external cavity center. Cylinders protruding from external cavity are varactor diode mounts

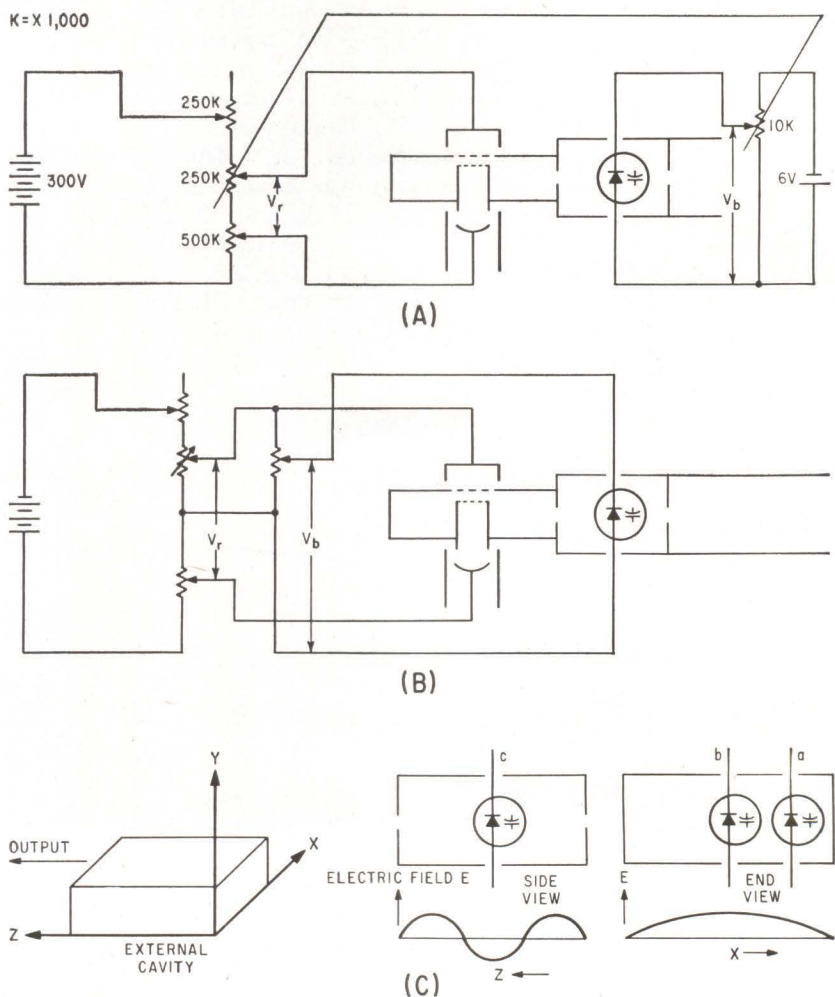
ranges than those which repeller voltage is capable of tuning.

Figure 1D shows that the rate of change of capacitance of a varactor diode is greater for smaller bias voltages than for larger biases. By incorporating this diode in the output circuit of a reflex klystron, a frequency versus bias voltage characteristic upwardly convex in shape is obtained (Fig. 1E).

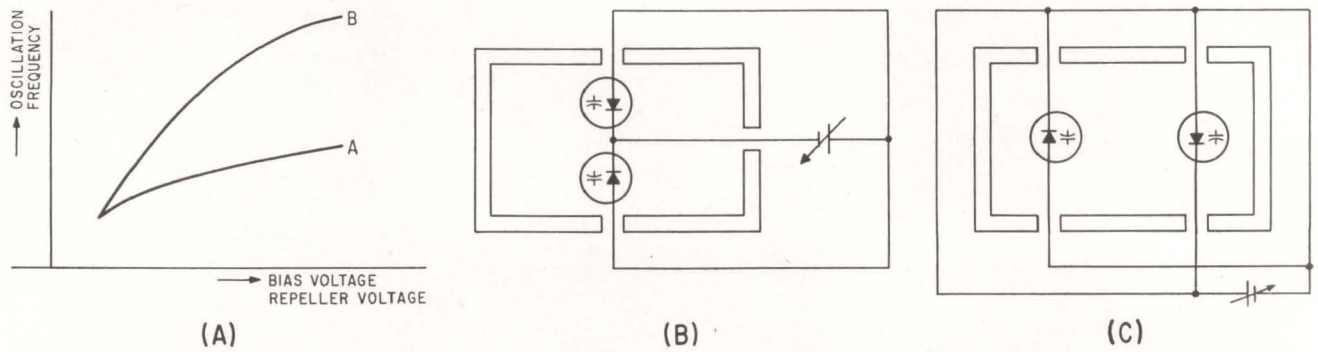
A second method of klystron frequency control utilizes simultaneous variation of the bias voltage of the diode and the repeller voltage of the klystron (Fig. 2A and 2B). This facilitates the superposed controlling of the repeller and bias voltage characteristics indicated in Fig. 1A and 1E.

One case is when the bias tuning range Δf_b is less than that of the repeller tuning range Δf_r . In a reflex klystron, the inflexion point B on the frequency characteristic, Fig. 1A, occurs in practical use at the left of the maximum output power point. By superposing the characteristic of Fig. 1E upon that of Fig. 1A, the resultant becomes linear except in the lower frequency region (Fig. 3A). Another case is for Δf_r greater than Δf_b , and occurs when sufficient variation of frequency can be realized by changing the bias voltage. Simultaneous change of the bias voltage and the repeller voltage is equivalent to simultaneous electronic and circuit tuning.

If the electronic conductance, G_e , plus the circuit conductance, G_c , equal zero; and the electronic susceptance, B_e , plus the circuit sus-



VARYING repeller and bias voltages simultaneously. Separate control sources ganged (A) or a single control source is used (B). Location of varactor in the external cavity with respect to a TE_{013} resonant mode (C). Position (a-c) is the mounting used to obtain Fig. 4, position (b-c) is the mounting used to obtain Fig. 5—Fig. 2



CHARACTERISTICS when bias and repeller voltage are applied simultaneously. Curve A is for $\Delta f_r \gg \Delta f_v$, curve B is for $\Delta f_r \leq \Delta f_v$ (A). Symmetrical positioning of two varactors will result in improved mounting, (B), (C)—Fig. 3

ceptance, B_c , equal zero, the klystron oscillator will oscillate at its maximum output power. At the same time the frequency will be adjustable over the range in which the varactor diode effectively changes the frequency. This suggests the possibility of realizing a klystron oscillator capable of virtually constant power output over a wide range of frequency, with a high modulation sensitivity. The tunable range of frequency will be comparable to that of a backward wave oscillator. This method will not require heavy and bulky magnets to focus the electron beam as is necessary in backward-wave oscillators.

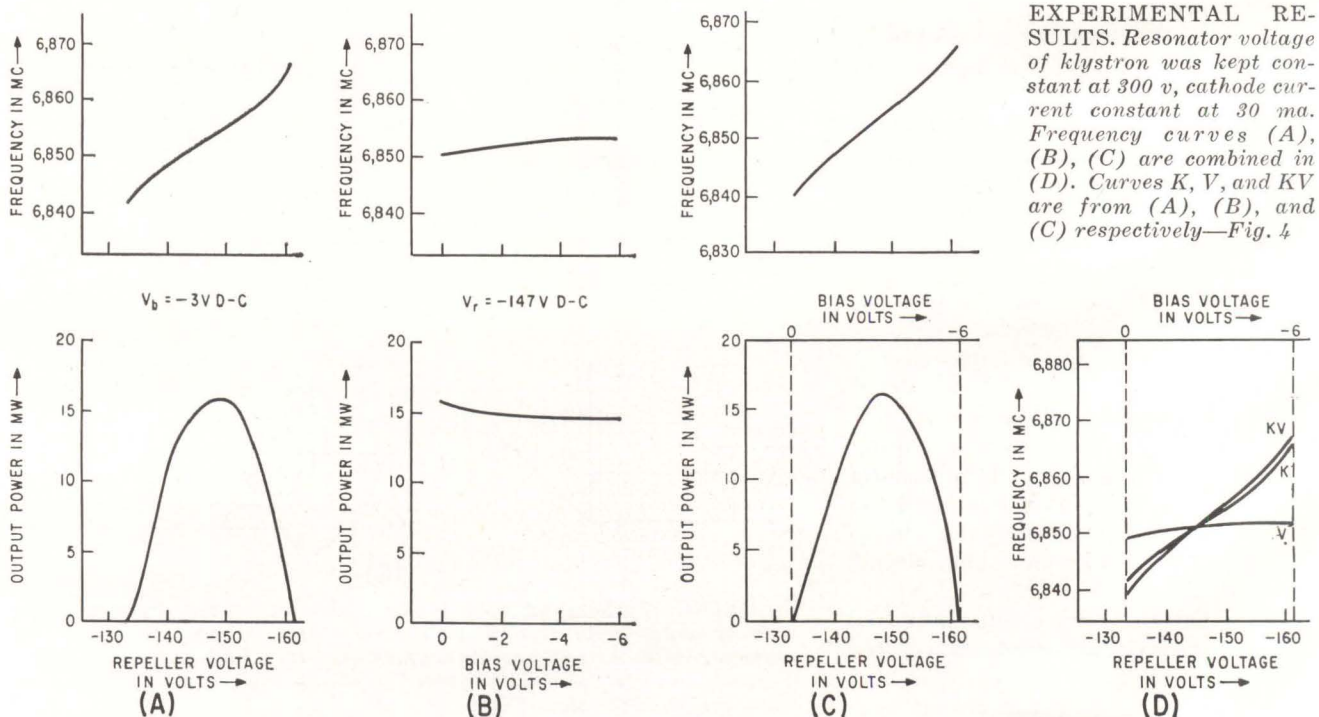
When a varactor diode is subjected to a microwave electric field, a resulting drift of the bias voltage

causes the klystron oscillator to operate in a faulty manner. This effect may be cancelled by placing two diodes in symmetrical positions with respect to the microwave electric field pattern. Diode locations in a TE_{01} mode waveguide or a TE_{01n} resonant cavity are illustrated in Fig. 3B and 3C.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

—An experimental tube was constructed with a conventional 7,000 Mc reflex klystron, 7V204, which has a closely coupled external cavity. An MA450C varactor diode was located in the external cavity (Fig. 2A). A TE_{013} resonant mode was excited in the external resonator, Fig. 2C, to allow space for positioning of the diode in microwave electric fields.

Using the circuit in Fig. 2A, the diode was mounted near the wall of the external resonator in a weak microwave electric field (Fig. 2C). By varying only the repeller voltage, the frequency characteristic, Fig. 4A, followed a third-power curve similar to the usual klystron characteristics. To obtain Fig. 4B, the repeller voltage was kept constant, giving maximum output. The frequency characteristic obtained was an upwardly convex curve, similar to Fig. 1E. The frequency variation obtained for a bias variation of 6 volts was only 2.5 Mc. This may be accounted for by the fact that the diode was mounted close to the resonator wall, where the electric field was weak. The change in shunting capacitance then had little effect on the oscillation frequency of



EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS. Resonator voltage of klystron was kept constant at 300 v, cathode current constant at 30 ma. Frequency curves (A), (B), (C) are combined in (D). Curves K, V, and KV are from (A), (B), and (C) respectively—Fig. 4

the klystron resonator cavity.

To improve the frequency characteristic, the bias and the repeller voltage were varied simultaneously under linear proportion, a variation of 28 volts of repeller voltage corresponding to a variation of 6 volts of bias voltage (Fig. 4C).

A second experiment was carried out by mounting an MA450E varactor diode in the external cavity where a strong microwave electric field existed.

A third experiment was carried out with a conventional 6,000 Mc reflex klystron, 7V242, which has closer coupling between the internal cavity and the external circuit than that of the 7V204. An MA450E varactor diode was used. The result indicated an improved linearity in the frequency characteristic (Fig. 5C). The modulation sensitivity at the maximum output power and the variable range of frequency were increased (Fig. 5A, 5B, 5C and table).

PRACTICAL USAGE — Although the results of the experiments are not in full agreement with the proposed characteristics, they suggest the possibility of an approach. One approach might be the use of high Q varactor diodes, so as not to affect the loaded Q of the klystron. Another approach would be to use varactor diodes with a wider range

RESULTS OF REFLEX KLYSTRON USING A VARACTOR DIODE

Location of Varactor Diode	Variation of Frequency by Bias Voltage V_b	by Repeller Voltage V_r		by Voltage V_b, V_r	
		Variation of Frequency	Modulation Sensitivity	Variation of Frequency	Modulation Sensitivity
in Weak Field	2.5 Mc	24.5 Mc	0.65 Mc/v	26.5 Mc	0.78 Mc/v
in Strong Field	9.2 Mc	17.3 Mc	0.59 Mc/v	25.9 Mc	0.95 Mc/v
in Strong Field ^a	17.2 Mc	23.3 Mc	0.55 Mc/v	39.4 Mc	0.99 Mc/v

(a) With tight coupling between inner cavity and outer cavity

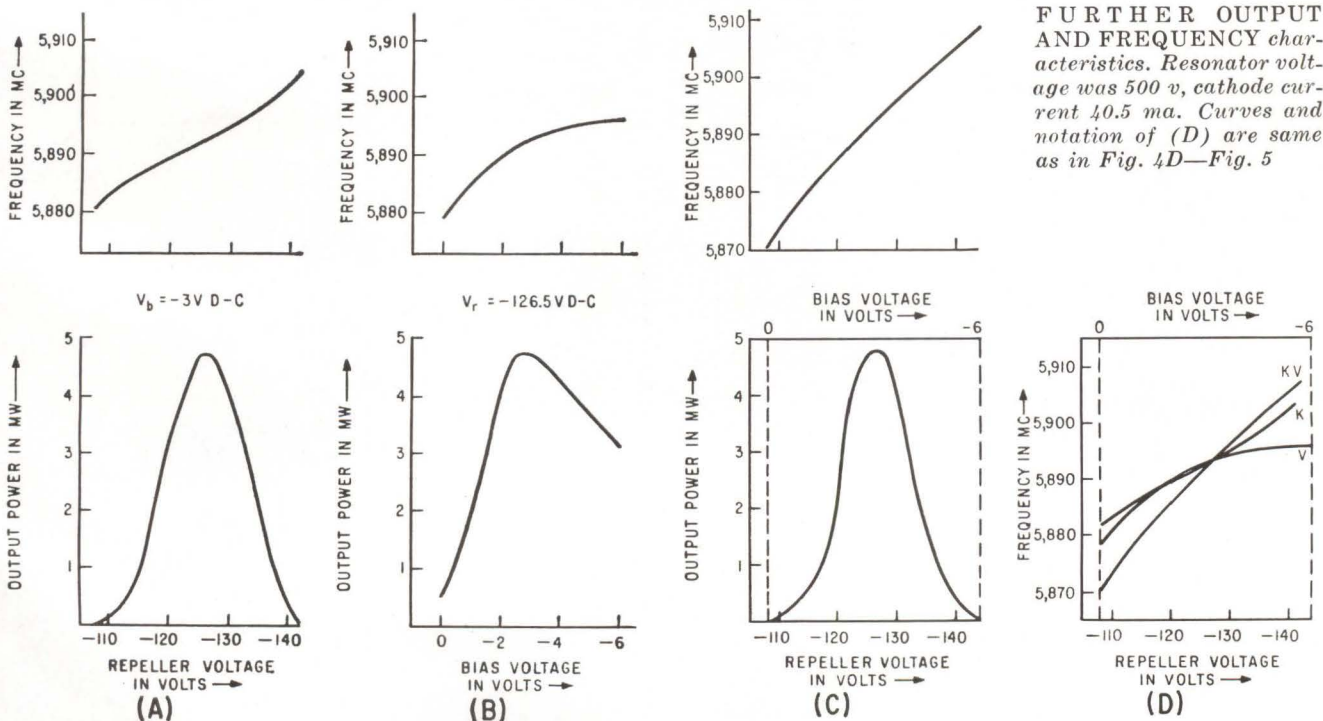
of functional bias voltage, instead of conventional diodes with their limited range of 6 volts. The output power of Fig. 4B is almost flat in that little forward or backward current flows through the diode. This occurs because the diode is mounted in the weak field region. However, the output power of Fig. 5B indicates that there is still some loss of r-f power caused by the appreciable amount of forward or backward current flowing through the diode. Other approaches include the use of a high-perveance klystron capable of delivering maximum output at low loaded Q, and the use of a klystron with a resonant cavity designed to have the

closest possible coupling to the external circuit.

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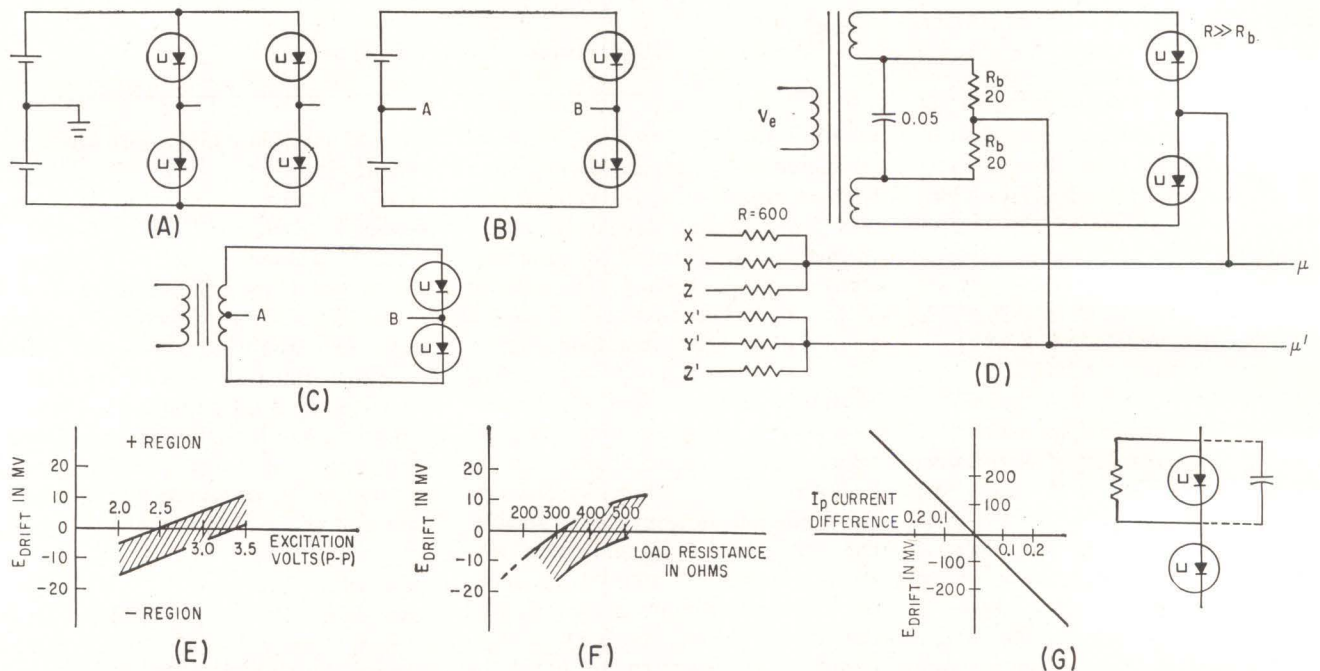
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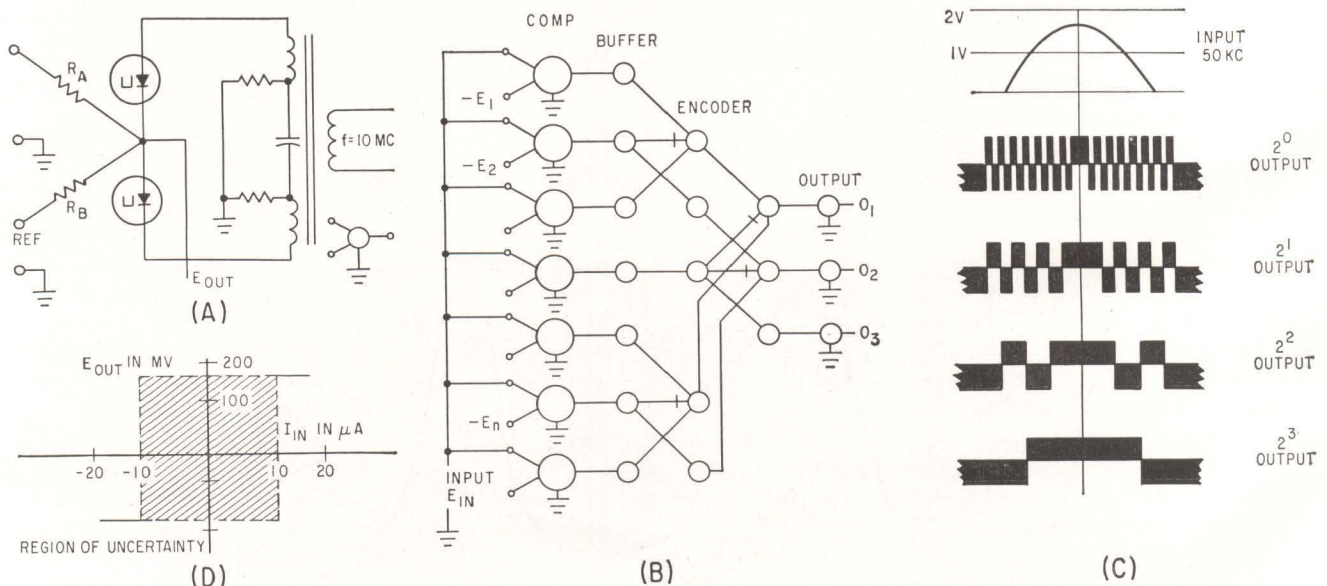
FURTHER OUTPUT AND FREQUENCY characteristics. Resonator voltage was 500 v, cathode current 40.5 ma. Curves and notation of (D) are same as in Fig. 4D—Fig. 5

New Approach to Locked-Pair

Ungrounded locked-pair logic can perform all logical functions in a high-speed analog-digital converter and is used to convert analog television signals into pulse-code modulation



CONVENTIONAL LOCKED pair (A), ungrounded locked pair (B), practical ungrounded locked pair (C) and self-biased diode pair for parametron circuits (D). Trigger characteristics as a function of excitation voltage (E), load resistance (F) and difference in diode peak current (G)—Fig. 1



COMPARATOR CIRCUIT with conventional representation (A), eight sampling level circuit (three binary digits) (B), output for sixteen sampling levels (C) and trigger characteristics of a diode pair (D)—Fig. 2

Tunnel-Diode Logic

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MANY LOGIC CIRCUITS have been developed to take advantage of the high inherent switching speed of the tunnel diode. One of these, the locked-pair (sometimes called Goto pair), has the advantage of high speed and high gain but suffers from the disadvantage that logical inversion is extremely difficult.

Conventional locked pairs as shown in Fig. 1A, are excited by symmetrical positive and negative voltages whose common point is grounded. The single-ended output available from this circuit is what makes logical inversion difficult. Transformer coupling cannot be used between stages for inversion because d-c coupling must be maintained.

Lifting the exciting voltage common point from ground allows both junctions of the diode pair and the common point of exciter voltage to be used as input and output terminals as shown in Fig. 1B. A practical circuit (Fig. 1C), uses transformer coupling of exciting voltage to isolate the common point from ground. Logical inversion can be performed by reversing the polarity of coupling. The transformer also matches the low impedance of the diode pair to the exciting voltage power supply making it easier to drive a large number of circuits.

If the exciting voltage applied to the transformer is sinusoidal, circuit output voltage duty factor becomes small and three-phase excitation is not feasible. To increase the output voltage duty factor, d-c bias is necessary. A self-bias circuit such as shown in Fig. 1D, uses the large backward current of the tunnel diode to get bias voltage, which is superimposed on the sinusoidal voltage.

This diode pair is a majority decision element that permits logical inversion, therefore, logical circuits identical with parametron circuits may be used.

Germanium tunnel diodes with peak currents of 2 ma, 6 pF were used in experimental circuits. Transformers with turns ratio of 20 turns (primary) to 1 turn (secondary) wound on ferrite toroidal

cores were used. It is necessary to keep the secondary winding length short to avoid parasitic oscillations.

Exciting voltage of 6 v peak to peak across the primary induces 300 mv p-p in the secondary. Bias voltage is approximately 140 mv, output voltage is approximately ± 150 mv and duty factor is about $\frac{1}{2}$.

Coupling resistors between stages are 600 ohms. Consequently input current is approximately ± 250 μ a. Diodes are matched for pair unbalance current of less than ± 20 μ a to give circuits a large margin. Under these conditions, sum of fan-ins plus fan-outs may be as large as six. All experiments were performed with a clock frequency of 10 Mc but it appears possible to raise this to approximately 50 Mc.

TRIGGERING — Typical characteristics of the tunnel-diode pair were investigated. During these measurements, precautions were taken to prevent noise from the test instruments from affecting the circuit under test. A parallel resistor was used to balance the diode pair. Trigger characteristics as a function of excitation voltage and as a function of load resistance are shown in Figs. 1E and 1F.

Deviation of the trigger characteristics from zero when load current is increased may be due to the unbalance between the two diodes. Also, the width of the curve representing trigger characteristic may be due to external noise, or stray capacitance or inductance. At present, it is difficult to obtain perfectly matched diodes. Therefore it may be necessary to compensate the diode pair. Figure 1G shows that the parameter having the greatest influence on drift is the difference in I_p (diode peak current). It is advantageous to balance effective I_p by adding a resistor or capacitor as shown in Fig. 1G. The amount of compensation is limited because trigger characteristics may be degraded. Compensated pairs are more susceptible to unbalance by changes such as temperature variations that might affect diode characteristics. Usually, well balanced

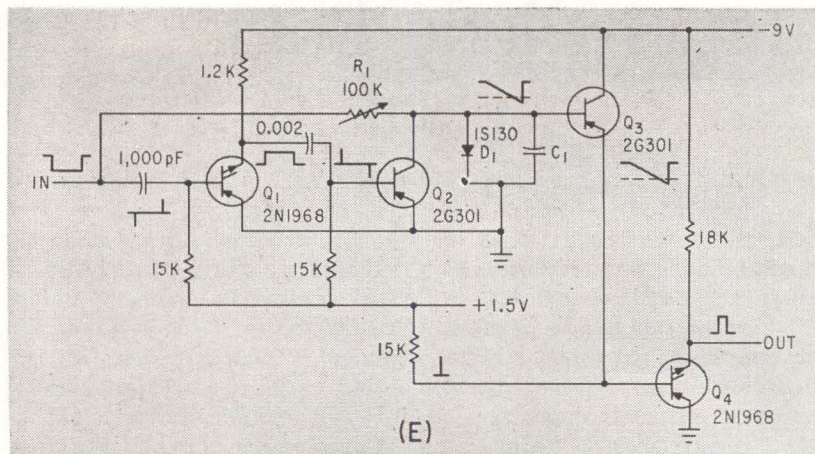
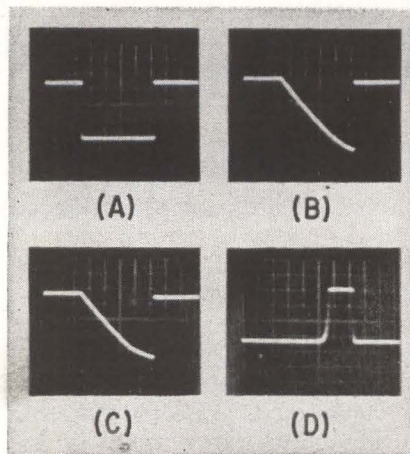
pairs require no compensation.

Tunnel-diode pairs, operating at high clock speeds, can be used to perform all logical functions in a high-speed analog to digital converter. The comparator circuit is a diode pair with two input resistors R_A and R_B as shown in Fig. 2A. If the diode pair is perfectly balanced, the output voltage polarity is determined by polarity of the difference between the two input voltages $E_A - E_B$.

Circuits of this type can be arranged as shown in Fig. 2B where one terminal of each circuit is connected to a reference voltage with $-E_1 > -E_2 > \dots > -E_n$. If input signal E_{in} is in the range $E_{m-1} < E_{in} < E_m$, all circuits from $(m-1)$ down will have a negative output while those from (m) up will have a positive output. These outputs can be converted to a binary code by connecting them to buffer and encoding circuits using ungrounded diode pairs. Figure 2B shows connections for an 8 level A-D converter with a clock frequency of 10 Mc for the three-phase exciting voltage. Figure 2C shows the output of a 16 level A-D converter with a 50-Kc sine-wave input.

SAMPLING—It is possible to further increase the number of quantizing levels with the ultimate number dependent on minimum trigger current I_{min} and maximum diode current I_{max} . Figure 2D shows that the minimum trigger current achieved with the experimental circuit is about ± 10 μ a. Calculated minimum trigger current is much lower but external noise, stray capacitance and stray inductance increase its value. Coupling between stages not directly connected would also decrease sensitivity but if coupling resistors are made large and self-bias resistors made small, this effect may be neglected.

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INPUT PULSE at (A) produces waveform at C_1 (B), Q_3 emitter (C) and output pulse (D). One transistor bistable is shown in (E)

Versatile Discriminator Measures Pulse Length

Circuit using two npnp transistors generates an output pulse when triggered by an input pulse of more than a predetermined length

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DETERMINING the length of an object as it falls past a photocell, direct measurement of pulse lengths either digitally using a multichannel system or in analog form are some of the functions that can be performed by this circuit.

The circuit used in this device uses npnp switching transistors. These transistors have their base circuits returned to the positive supply through bias resistors and can remain in either of two stable states—fully conducting or cutoff. If conducting, they can be turned off by application of a positive voltage to the base. If cutoff, they can be turned on by a negative voltage.

For the transistors to operate in this mode, it is necessary for the collector current to be sufficient for the transistors to remain on once they are switched to the on state. In Q_4 in this circuit, a high collector load is used so that this condition is not satisfied and the transistor

will switch off again if the base switching voltage is removed.

CIRCUIT OPERATION — Negative-going input pulses of constant amplitude are integrated by R_1 and C_1 and applied to the base of Q_4 through emitter-follower Q_3 . When C_1 has charged to a sufficient negative voltage, Q_4 will switch on. Capacitor C_1 is discharged at the end of the incoming pulse by inverting the incoming pulse with Q_1 and differentiating to obtain positive and negative-going spikes on the leading and trailing edges respectively. The negative-going spike is used to make Q_2 conduct. This transistor, which is normally biased off, is connected across C_1 and discharges the capacitor at the end of the incoming pulse.

Diode D_1 prevents any tendency for C_1 to charge in the opposite direction. When C_1 discharges, Q_4 automatically switches off.

If the incoming pulses are too short to charge C_1 to the necessary voltage, Q_4 will not switch on. Threshold length is controlled by the setting of R_1 .

It was required that the trailing edge of the output pulse should coincide with the trailing edge of the input pulse. If output pulses of constant length are required, a monostable stage may be added to the output. Alternatively, the output waveform may be differentiated and the leading-edge only used as an output.

The values for R_1 and C_1 allow the discriminator threshold to be set between about $100\mu\text{s}$ and 1 ms. As the switching time of the transistor is of the order of $0.5\mu\text{s}$, this range can be extended down to a few microseconds or up to several hundred milliseconds. Some care in the choice of R_1 and C_1 is required if a linear calibration is required for R_1 .

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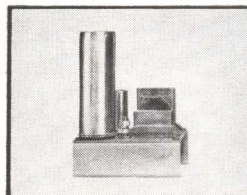
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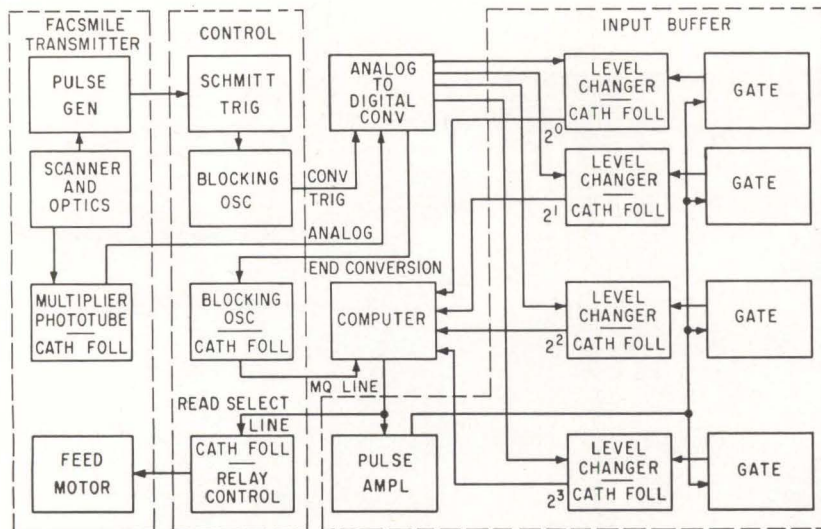


PHOTO INPUT system is synchronized by pulse generator in facsimile transmitter and completely controlled by digital computer

Digitizer permits computer handling of photographic and graphical inputs

PHOTO-INPUT device has been developed that enables photographic or graphical inputs to be supplied directly to general-purpose digital computers. The equipment was needed to test image-processing routines for research in pattern recognition. Working with the device is also providing experience in applying logical designs and in general optical-electrical transducer problems to establish specifications for future special-purpose photo-input devices.

The system shown in the figure uses a standard facsimile transmitter that accepts flat copy 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ inches wide. It scans at 6 lines per second, corresponding to a feed rate of 3.6 inches per minute. A pulse generator, incorporated into the transmitter to synchronize the system, consists of an inductive pickup and a 180-tooth gear driven by the scanner at five times line-scanning

rate. The resultant clock frequency is thus 5.4 Kc with 900 pulses per line locked to the scanning motion.

DATA CONVERSION—The clock signal, after shaping, is used as a trigger to control conversion time of the analog-to-digital converter. A continuous analog signal from the multiplier phototube in the facsimile transmitter is fed through a cathode follower to the analog-to-digital converter. The instantaneous amplitude of the analog signal at the time of each trigger pulse is converted to a 4-bit binary number and appears on one of the four converter output lines in 22 microseconds. The converter also furnishes an end-of-conversion pulse 0.5 microsecond after conversion, which is shaped and used to control computer read time through the line labelled MQ in the figure.

The input buffer section accepts information from the four converter output lines and modifies the levels corresponding to zero and one to make them compatible with the computer. A gate for each level changer is controlled by the read-

select line of the computer. An open gate permits information transfer, but a closed gate clamps the cathode follower to the zero level. The read-select line also controls copy feed by a relay controlled through a cathode follower in the control section.

The computer completely controls the photo input system. A computer program has been developed that uses the copy content to control registration. A 4-inch black bar $\frac{1}{4}$ inch wide is placed 0.4 inch above the first line to be read. When the facsimile transmitter is energized starting the scanner, the copy is inserted by hand until it is engaged by the pinch roller using the roller handwheel.

READ-IN PROGRAM—The computer program is read into the computer as usual, and when a step in the program selects the real-time input, the read-select line is energized. As a result, the gates in the input buffer are opened and the copy feed motor is started. Another program step initiates a search routine in which the digital information presented on the one-zero bus is examined until the black bar is intercepted. The copy is then advanced 0.4 inch, and a second search routine is used to locate the pedestals (black level interval at the end of each scan line).

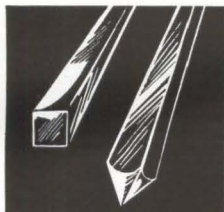
When the pedestal has been found, a count is started of the number of MQ pulses received as scanning advances from left to right. When the desired level (100 counts per inch) has been reached, the computer transfers the digital number on the one-zero bus into core storage. Each succeeding sample is transferred until a total MQ count of 900 has been reached. Counting is then continued until the desired level is again reached on the next scanning line (without digital number transfer). Reaching the desired level again initiates



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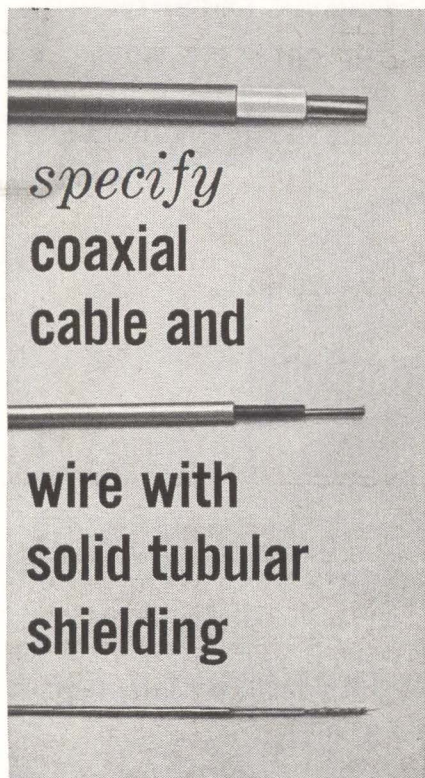


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Thus the recorded area of the copy is controlled vertically by the black bar and the total MQ count and horizontally by the MQ count along the scan line. In the actual program, a packing routine conserves core storage by consolidating nine 4-bit samples into one standard 36-bit computer word, which also enhances flexibility.

APPLICATIONS—The photo reader has contributed to research in automatic character recognition¹ and photo interpretation.² Its availability has led to feasibility studies of many applications not originally evident, such as curve reading. Large volumes of data that appear only as two dimensional plots produced by strip chart recorders, recording oscillographs and oscillo-

scope photographs can be digitized and read into a digital computer. Particle counting and sizing has also been investigated. Copy material produced photographically or by direct deposit on sample cards representing the distribution of material can be read at 16 levels of intensity with spatial integrity. Separating, sizing and counting routines can then be performed.

The photo input device was developed as part of a contract on applications of perceptron concepts to photo interpretation, which is jointly sponsored by Geography Branch, Office of Naval Research and Photographic Management Division, Bureau of Naval Weapons.

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Eye Examinations Are Automated

CHICAGO—Automation of eye examinations and a nerve-locating instrument for heart surgery were among the medical electronics developments reported at the annual meeting of the American Medical Association.

Automating eye examinations will permit some tests to be made in 10 seconds that otherwise require up to a half hour of an ophthalmologist's time, according to Dr. Jerome Gans, Cleveland. The apparatus demonstrated and currently undergoing evaluation uses a thyatron stepping switch to light serially 24-volt miniature light bulbs positioned 5 degrees apart on 12 principal axes of a peripheral bowl, Gans explained to *ELECTRONICS*. Pulse intervals are adjustable depending on response time of the patient.

The patient fixes his attention on a central target and pushes a button as soon as he perceives one of the lights at the outer periphery of his field of view. The machine records the position of the light farthest from the patient that he can identify on each axis. The resulting points can be joined to pro-

vide a pattern of the outer limits of the visual field. Peripheral visual field tests are useful in diagnosis and treatment of glaucoma, brain tumors and neurological diseases.

NERVE PATH FINDER—Electronic apparatus for the location of nerve conducting systems during open-heart surgery was demonstrated by Derward Leplay, Marquette University. A three-pole probe connected to a 50-Kc oscillator and an impedance bridge locates areas of the heart in which impedance is different. Movement of the probe over an area of nerve conduction where impedance is lower unbalances the bridge. Blood clots may also be located because of their different impedance. Unbalancing the bridge causes an audible signal to be emitted from a loudspeaker. By monitoring the speaker and a meter, nerve conduction areas can be located within one millimeter, according to Leplay.

The third probe in the device, which is manufactured by Medtronics, Minneapolis, is used to help solve the dual problems of depth and surface interference. Current

driven deeper into tissues by the third probe locates conduction systems as deep as 3 millimeters.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS—The Volemetron measures the volume of circulating blood in patients before, during and after surgery. It reduces the time required for such determinations from 1 hour to 15 minutes, according to Drs. Rominger, O'Sullivan and Flandreau, Philadelphia. The equipment is useful for examining elderly patients and for handling cases of stomach hemorrhages, severe burns and during cardiovascular surgery.

The combination of two scintillation detectors and a 120-transistor digital computer calculates blood volume by measuring radioactivity after administration of radioactive albumin. Detectors simultaneously measure and subtract background activity from specific activity of the blood samples. The equipment is manufactured by Atomium Corp., Waltham, Mass.

A sonic tranquilizer for irritable infants, produced by United Medical Products Company, Hopkins, Minn., uses a single-transistor circuit driven by a penlight cell to generate a 300- to 350-cycle tone. The unit is most successful with infants under seven months, reported Drs. J. Olson and E. Nelson, Minneapolis.

Fifty-Millisecond Delay To Process Radar Signals



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NAE	1 3 9 .0 8

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3 0 0 .8 1
2 3 .8 6
8 7 1 .8 8 T

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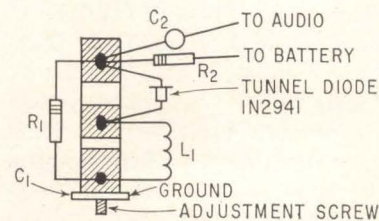
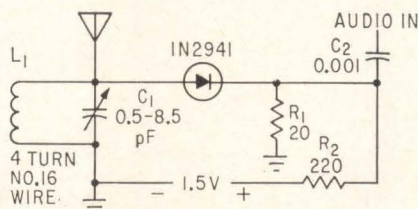
These capacitors are specified in sophisticated navigational equipment, fixed-frequency receiver-transmitters, missile remote-control navigation, and microwave equipment. Piston or cylindrical types have been made by such firms as J.F.D. Electronics, Corning Glass Works, and Erie Resistor.

ELECTRODE BAND — Roanwell Corporation has now designed several basic types of piston capacitors based on a new construction approach. Components can be soldered directly to an electrode-band assembly of the trimmer unit itself, see diagram. The new series will be shown and evaluated by engineers attending WESCON this month.

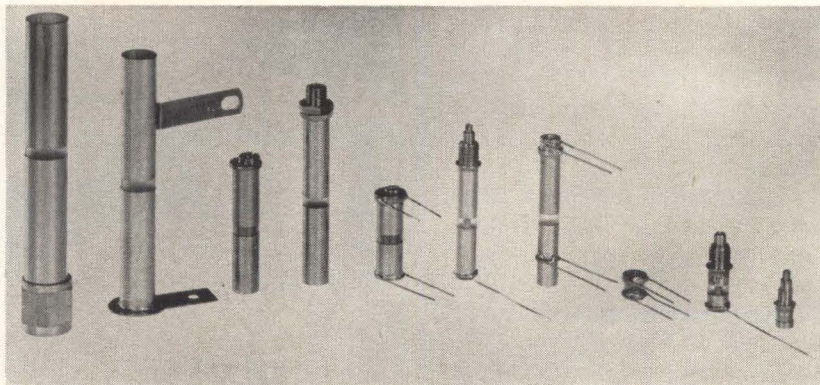
In addition to the solid-metal construction, the new piston-capacitor design features a new drive mechanism and precision parts. According to company's Mark Harwood, who designed and developed the new units, the series offer maximum capacity per size, and a bonding process of solid metal to glass or quartz leads to improved performance.

Some 250 to 300 types of capacitors will be offered by Roanwell. All types will be electrically and mechanically interchangeable with presently-available units, and the devices meet all applicable specifications for this type of component.

Capacitance range of the new capacitors are from 4.5 pf to 100 pf. Company claims 30 percent reduc-



TUNNEL DIODE transmitter (A), used for remote control, is frequency-modulated with audio or other pulses, has frequency range from 50 to 250 Mc. Actual physical layout (B) shows how components are mounted to body of trimmer capacitor



IMPROVED LINEARITY and accuracy, especially in uhf and microwave regions, are claimed for these representative types of trimmer capacitors, developed by Roanwell

tion in size. Tests show minimum capacitance variation of 0.5 pf from specified value from one unit to another in the same lot.

Performance is improved in the vhf, uhf and microwave range, according to Harwood, primarily because user can solder to electrodes at any point on the capacitor. New drives provide uniform torque throughout the capacitance range. The Q , or quality factor, range is from 500 to 2,000, depending on dielectric used. Several types of glasses are being used depending upon the requirements and application of the units: high capacity, high Q glass; high capacity medium Q glass; as well as glass offering nominal values for both capacity and Q .

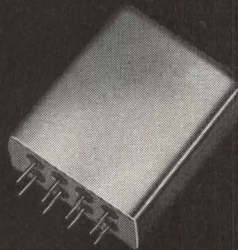
The new capacitors are classified in basic groupings: a miniature series with nominal capacity and nominal Q (Q is 500 minimum at

one megacycle); a subminiature series with high capacity, nominal Q , closed bottom; and a low capacity piston trimmer with extremely high Q —2,000 min at one Mc.

VOLTAGE BREAKDOWN—Since most piston capacitors are used in some kind of tuned circuit, potential difference existing between components of opposite polarity is an important consideration in circuit design. Proper spacing between components must be maintained to assure that no voltage breakdown will occur which may damage the capacitor, cause a malfunction of the apparatus, or cause damage to other components. Naturally, the higher is the requirement for the working voltage, the larger spacing between components of opposite polarity is required, or artificial means have to be employed to meet



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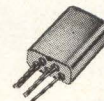
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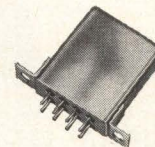
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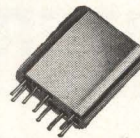
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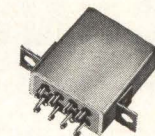
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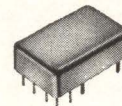
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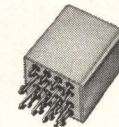
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Since most circuits have to operate through a certain temperature range, before a steady state is reached, the amount of capacitance drift due to temperature increase or decrease, also becomes an important factor in selection of a proper piston capacitor. Inasmuch as the proper selection of materials may improve capacitor drift, the actual mechanical design offers more of a challenge to the piston capacitor designer, according to Harwood. Proper mechanical construction may offset effects due to thermal expansion of one component by the same phenomena of another component. Since there is no fixed rule to determine the actual capacitance drift by calculation, the only way to determine the amount of drift is to measure it with special equipment.

Temperature coefficient range of the new piston capacitors is ± 50 ppm per deg C to 200 to 400 ppm per deg C, operating temperature range is -55 to 125 C.

SOLID METAL — Any plating, from tin to gold, is available for the electrode band assembly. The user can solder to electrodes at any point on the capacitor.

Strength of the units depend upon the strength of the metal, not the glass, for support. Outer diameters of the units do not vary more than ± 0.005 in. in same lot. There is no upper limit to diameter or

length. Standard diameters are 0.210 in., 0.250 in. and 0.312 in., and capacitors are available mechanically open or hermetically sealed.

Standard capacitors have a voltage rating of 1,000 volts d-c working voltage and a breakdown voltage of 1,250 v dc at 50 percent relative humidity. Others are available on request.

Drive bushings are made of brass or Invar and four types are available: split bushing, which is claimed to improve existing drives; a nonrotating piston drive which is new; a new nonprotruding lead screw type; and a unitorque bushing.

The new mechanical drive offers an adjustable torque as well as a uniform torque throughout the entire range of the piston capacitor, and in addition, eliminates the problem of flake-off which is often noticeable, especially on piston capacitors having solid-plated drive mechanism.

Capacitors may be panel mounted, designed for printed circuits, floating drive and split stator, and the units are also made without leads. Outer diameters will not vary more than 0.005 in. in the same lot.

Dumet wire leads offer advantages if the printed-circuit type of capacitor should be spot welded.

Extensive work is being continued at Roanwell to further improve the design and to offer a piston capacitor with a nonrotating slug.

Resistor Accuracy for Instrumentation

TIN-OXIDE film resistors were specified for more than a quarter of the general purpose resistor sites and more than half of the precision and power sites in an accurate oscilloscope developed by Analab. The oscilloscope provides accuracy of one per cent in quantitative time and amplitude measurements, thus all components had to be judged critically for reliability and stability.

Special manufacturing techniques make tin-oxide resistors resistant to damage or change. Corning produces them by fusing a metal oxide resistive film to the surface of a Pyrex glass rod, spiral-

ing the film to the desired ohmic value, attaching leads and encapsulating the body. Once the film is fused to the substrate and spiraled, it is extremely stable, inherently impervious to moisture and unaffected by heat of soldering, repeated overloads and normal production handling.

Morton G. Scheraga, Analab president, said N-style and S-style precision tin-oxide resistors were chosen for the new 'scopes because of their low voltage coefficient.

Where power dissipation was high, Corning LPI-style tin-oxide resistors were selected for 'scopes because of low reactance and mini-



ACCURACY OF one percent in quantitative time and amplitude measurements are provided by oscilloscopes here being checked by Analab President M. G. Scheraga. Tin oxide resistors were selected for precision, power and general purpose sites

mum drop-off in resistance with increasing frequency.

In the general purpose sites, C-style tin-oxide resistors were chosen because of performance and and price.

VOLTAGE COEFFICIENT — of tin-oxide resistors averages less than 0.001 per cent per volt, and temperature coefficient is less than ± 0.01 percent per degree Centigrade. Above 300 ohms, the resistors are non-inductive. Noise level averages less than -20 decibels (0.1 microvolt per volt) when measured according to the proposed National Bureau of Standards noise measurement system.

Application of the resistors in the new scopes was conventional, even though circuits represented new design ideas. The instruments utilize a new null balance technique for data readout. Analog data is translated to dials showing direct measurements of time and amplitude, instead of being scaled or interpolated from cathode ray tubes.

Analab's newest oscilloscope, Type 1120R/700, utilized about four percent more tin-oxide resistors than were used in their Type 1100/700 'scope.

So far, according to Scheraga, not a single failure of a tin-oxide resistor has been reported to Analab from the field.

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Preparing Tapes for Audio-Visual Aids

Scripts and recorded tapes become production tools, replacing drawings

By THOMAS J. GRIFFIN, JR.
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SUCCESS of audio-visual methods in electronic production can be attributed mainly to the reduction in the time required by the operator in finding out precisely what to do next. There are many ways to wire a unit from a wiring diagram; there is only one way to wire it from a set of instructions recorded on tape. Savings in wiring time of 30 to 40 percent over written instructions have been obtained by most users, even though the operator does not speed up actual work motions. Along with speedier assembly goes a reduction of 40 to 50 percent in defects per unit.

Higher quality and speedier assembly go together since the operator has fewer mental and visual

TYPICAL FORM FOR WRITING A SCRIPT

Audio Instruction Script

Sheet..... of.....
Reel No.

UNIT RUN WRITER:
ANNOUNCER:
CHECKED BY:

1. Unit XXXX, run number XX. Wiring and assembly instructions.
2. Position unit so that the wiring side is up. The tube socket number five is in the upper right hand corner.
3. Connect bare tinned strap wires between the following locations: in the upper left corner, at tube socket one: between tube socket one, terminal two and the standoff terminal mounted to the right of the tube socket. Between tube socket one, terminal four and terminal six. Between tube socket one, terminal seven and tube socket two, terminal seven.

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steps to take before proceeding to the next operation. Eye fatigue is reduced, attention is centered closely on the work, and the assembly sequence prescribed by the tape—

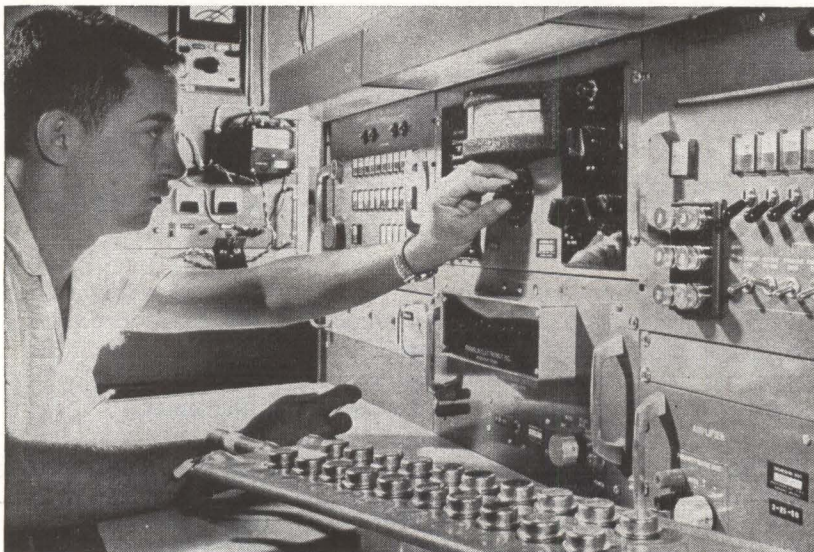
and therefore easily optimized—is followed.

Although taped wiring instructions were tried years ago, they were not successful at first primarily because the available machines used up tape too fast. Suitable modern machines have a tape speed of 1½ inches per second, cartridge or reel type feed, ear-phone output, good speech fidelity, and foot pedal control of start, stop and rewind. The machine is not used to force-pace the operator.

Taped instructions work best for small run production of complicated circuits, where one operator usually completes the assembly because it is not economical to set up a sequential wiring line. When large scale production does not warrant a sequential wiring line, audible techniques are desirable, and the more complicated the circuit the better the results.

SCRIPT WRITING—Tapes should be recorded from a written script of the type illustrated. Each step in the assembly and wiring operation should be written into the script, and the steps should be de-

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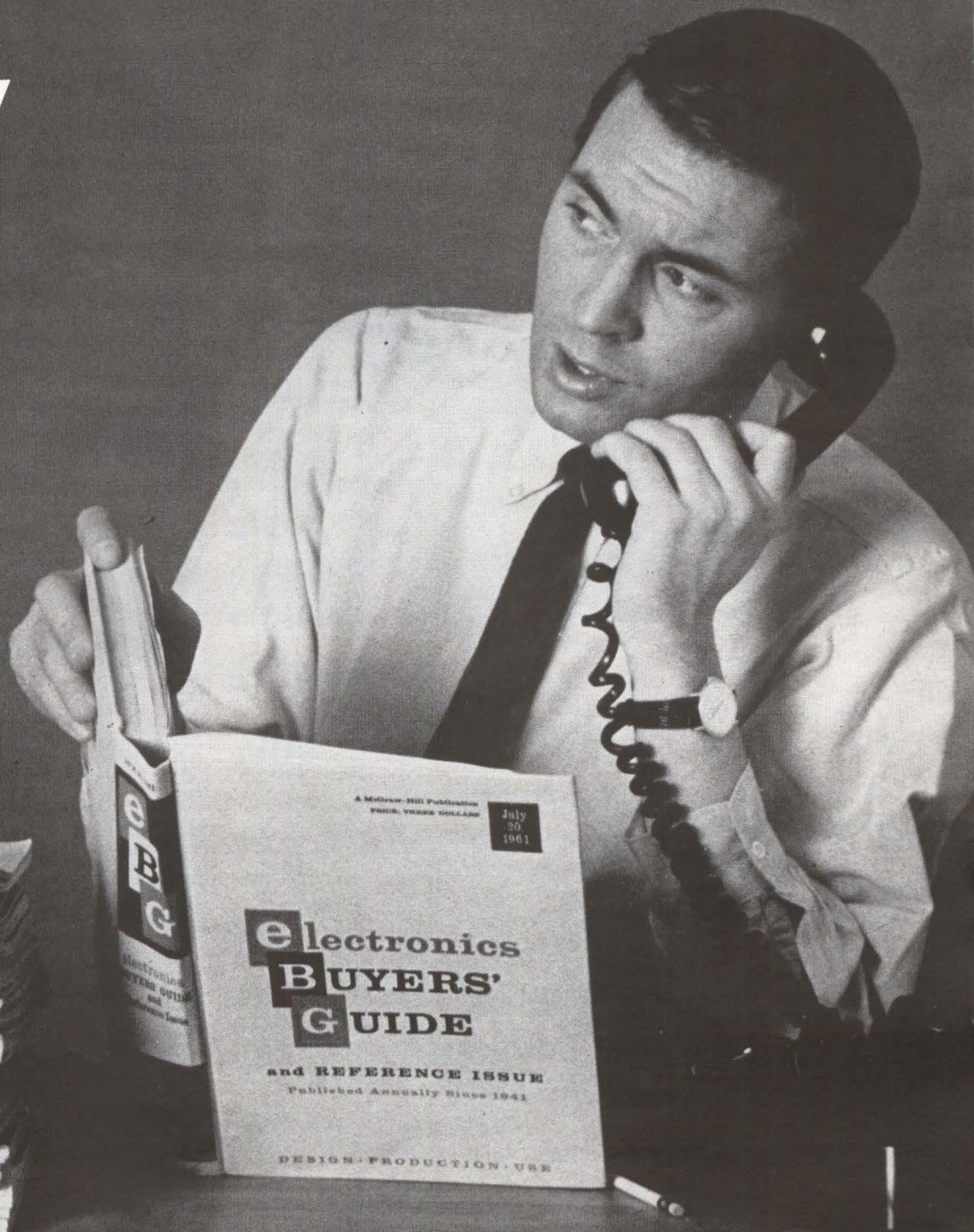
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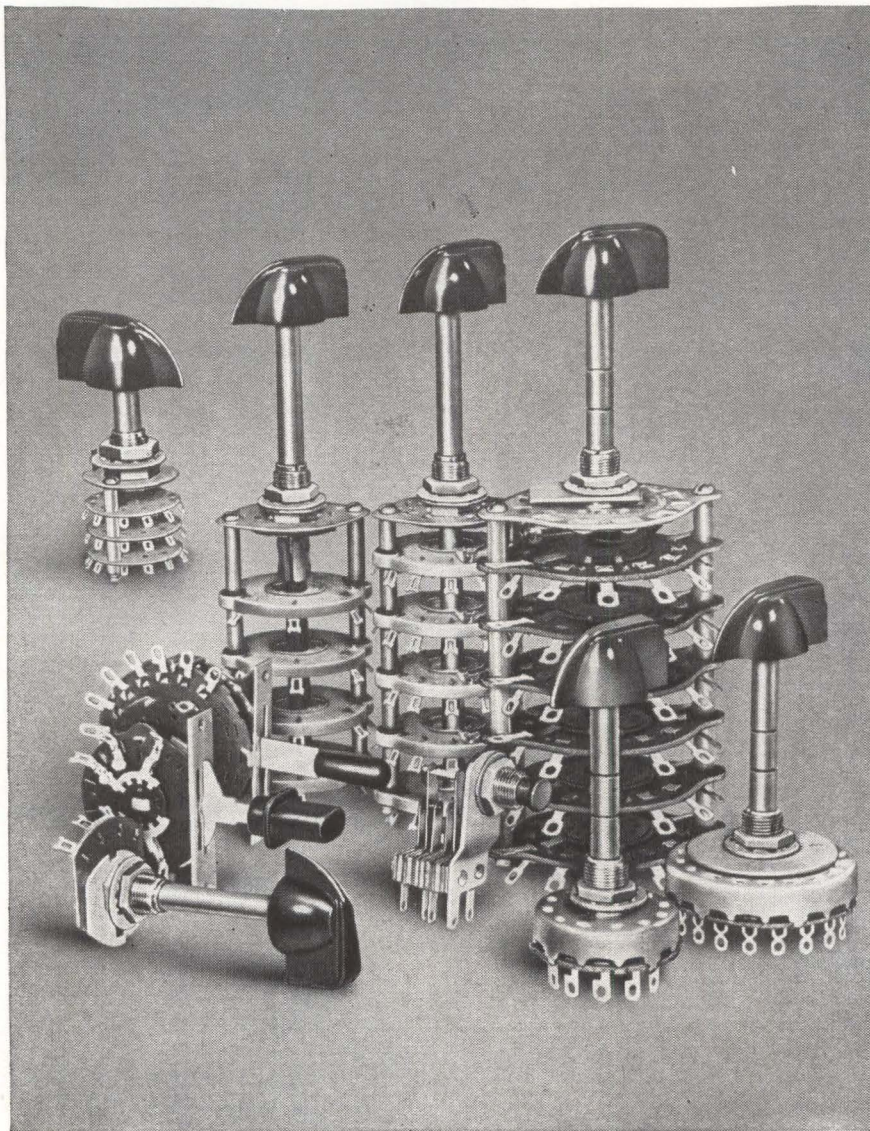


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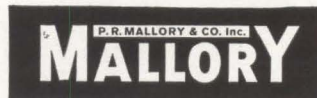
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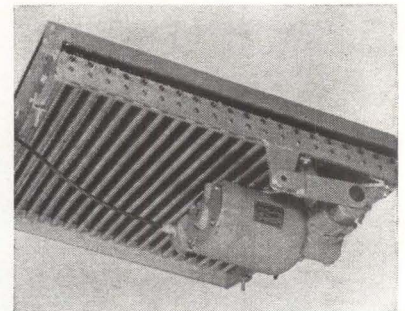


terminated by using the components, tools, wire strippers, soldering irons, etc., that the operator will use in production. The script writer should be familiar with standard shop practices for wiring and assembly, and it is desirable for him to have a knowledge of time and motion economy. An engineer with a background in manufacturing, production, quality control or methods should write the script for the first units in a tape wiring program. Since the script (and eventually the tape) will be used instead of the usual blueprints, it should be checked and signed as regular drawings are.

The first entry in the script identifies the unit being wired and will be something like "Unit XXXX, run number XX. Wiring and assembly instructions." The next instruction should tell the operator how to position the unit, such as "Position the unit so the wiring side is up, with tube socket five in the upper right hand corner."

From this point on the script follows the usual wiring sequence, which in most of the industry is first, point to point or strap wires, then harness wires, then components. Wiring should begin at the upper left, if possible, and move toward the right. After a number of wires have been put in place, soldering instructions are given, as, "Go back and solder the following connections: at socket one, solder ter-

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minals 2, 4 and 7."

Inspection instructions can easily be added into the sequence. These will be something like "Go back and check for solder; at socket one, check terminals 2, 4 and 7; at socket two, check terminals 3 and 6." Inspection instructions can conveniently be inserted after 15 to 20 soldered connections have been made.

The next assembly step is often a wiring harness. Thus, "Insert wiring harness XXXX (identification) into the following path: mount the connector to the chassis in its bracket on the left wall. The first leg of the harness goes up between sockets 2 and 3." Wires in the harness are connected and soldered as before.

Resistors are usually identified as R1, R2, etc., capacitors as C1, C2, etc., and similarly for other components. Instructions for assembly include connection points, how to dress the leads, how polarized devices such as electrolytic capacitors are to go in. The last entry in the script is a statement of completion: "This completes the assembly and wiring of this unit."

RECORDING—When the script has been checked by using it to wire a unit, it is ready for recording. A male announcer with a relatively deep voice should read the script at slightly slower than normal conversational speed; the recording studio or office should be quiet and the tape should have little or no background noise. There should be uniform pauses between sentences and paragraphs but there should be no gaps of silence since the user would have to wait idly for these sections; the operator controls with foot pedal the amount of wait between instructions. All words on the final tape must be clear and distinct.

Placement of critical wires and components can be illustrated with photographs, either 8 x 10 glossies, color shots, or 35 mm slides.

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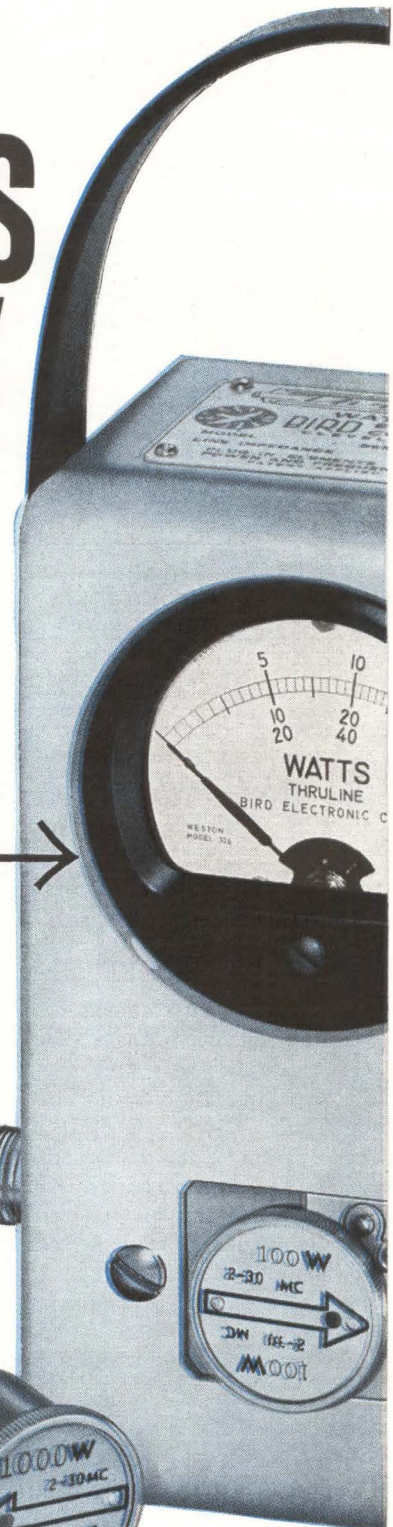
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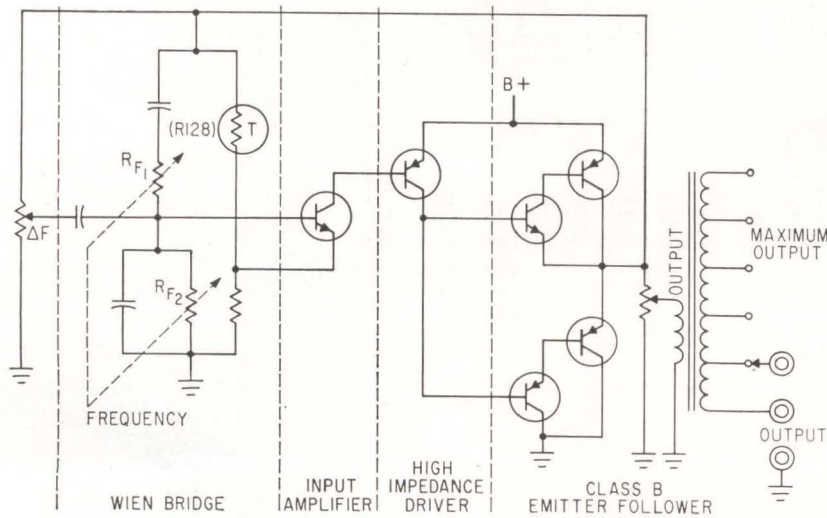
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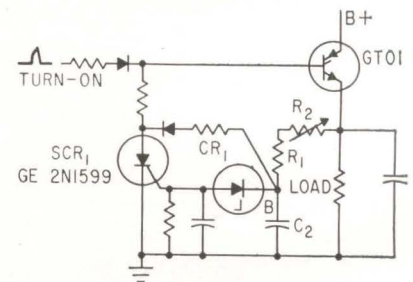
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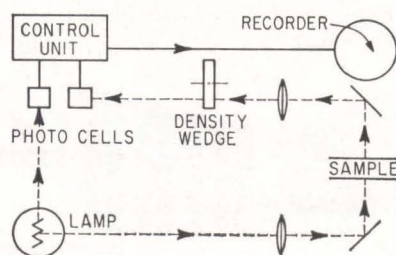


time is one microsecond. Housed in a JEDEC TO-5 package, the unit can block up to 400 v with currents up to 2 amperes. It can be used in low-power inverters, power flip-flops, high-speed solenoid and relay drivers, sawtooth generators, oscillators and ring counters. It also may be used to drive conventional scr's or transistors in high-frequency, high-power inverter applications. Typical application in a high-power pulse generator is shown in the sketch. The GTO_1 is turned on and the load energized by applying a signal to GTO_1 gate input terminal. Full load voltage is then applied to the integrating circuit $(R_1 + R_2) C_2$. As soon as the voltage across C_2 exceeds break-over potential of zener diode CR_1 ,

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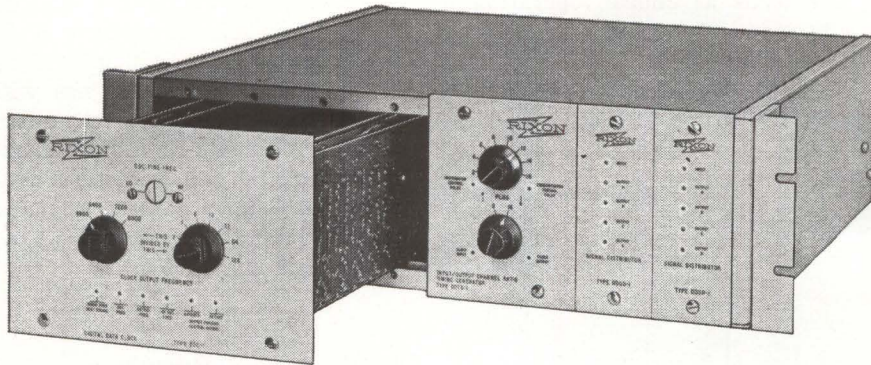
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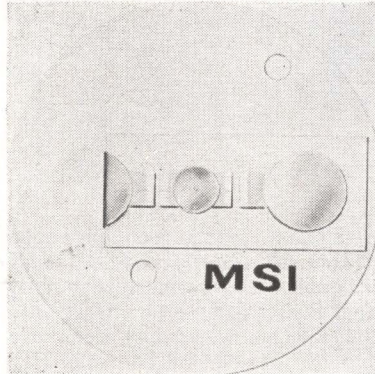


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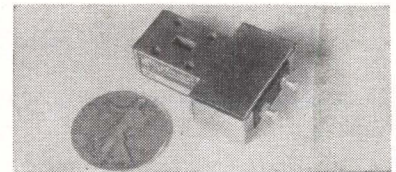
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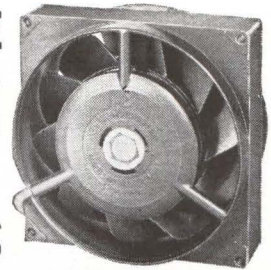
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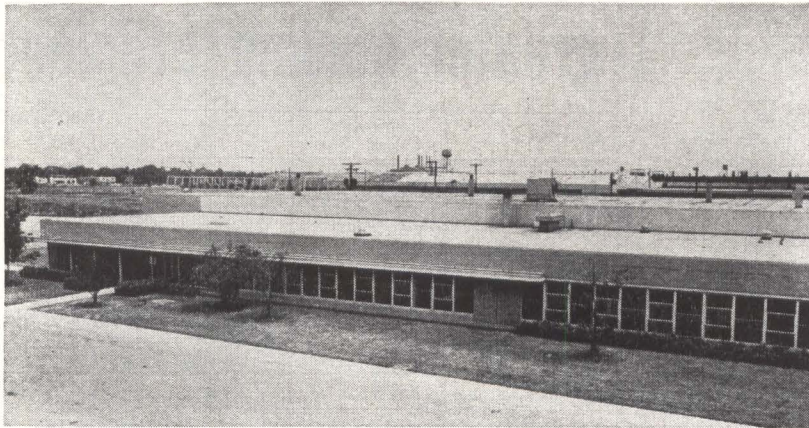
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Controls Company Moves Home Office



CONTROLS COMPANY OF AMERICA moved its corporate headquarters on August 1 from Schiller Park to Melrose Park, a western suburb of Chicago. The new facilities will enable the company to consolidate its corporate R&D group and its Andrick Tool Mfg. Co. division with the executive office.

The corporation's world-wide business, which employs 4,350 people in 24 plants in the United States,

Canada, South America and Europe, will be directed from the headquarters. Also from this location the company will conduct long-range research and development programs and coordinate engineering and product development projects carried on by its various divisions and subsidiaries throughout the world.

The Andrick Tool Mfg. Co. division, formerly located in a separate building in Schiller Park, produces

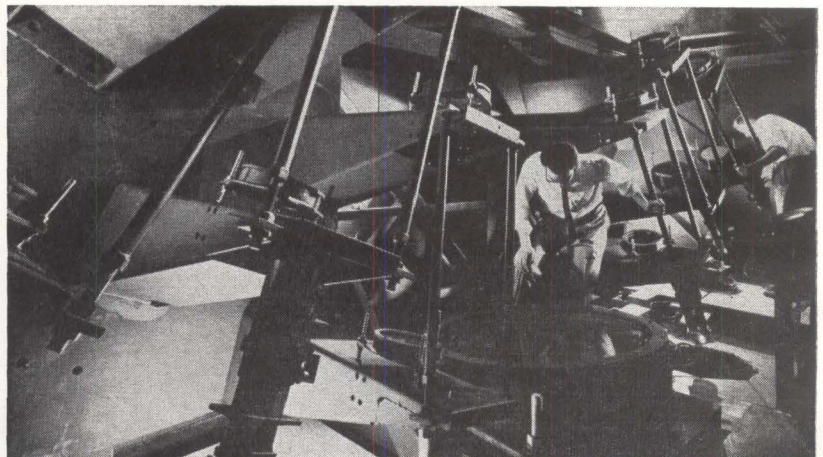
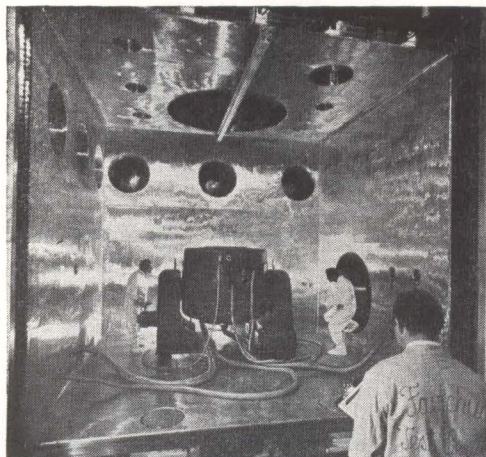
automation machinery, special tools, and dies. Control Company's Appliance and Automotive division headquarters will remain in Schiller Park.

Controls Company manufactures controls and control systems for the electronics, aviation, missile, industrial automation, and other industries.

Department of Defense Names Burkhart

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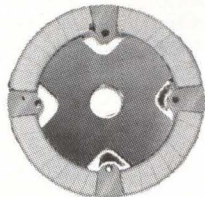
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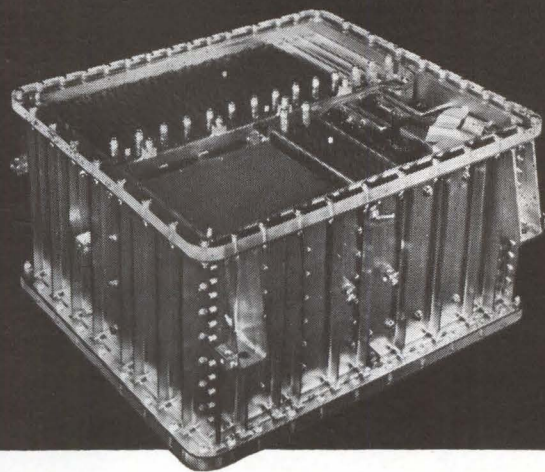
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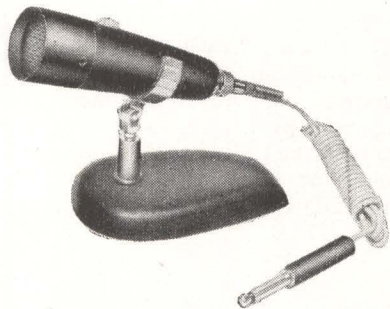
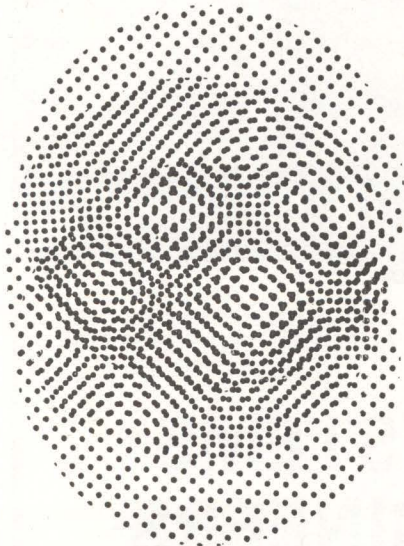
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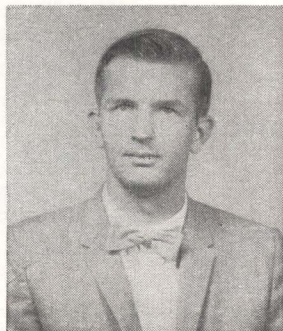


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Duain A. Bowles and **James K. Churchill**, formerly with Thiokol Chemical Corp. and Ordtech Corp., respectively, appointed design engineers for the Pelmec div., Quantic Industries, Inc. **David H. McConnell** of RCA named mgr., engineering, for the Industrial and Automation Products dept. **David C. Baker** moves up at Scintilla div. of Bendix Corp. to asst. chief engineer for electronic products. **Edward F. Miller** advances to director of quality assurance at The Technical Materiel Corp. **W. M. (Jack) Silhavy** appointed technical asst. to the president of Varian Associates. Succeeding him as mgr., field engineering, Palo Alto Tube div., is **Clifton Rockwood**, formerly mgr., applications engineering. Raytheon Co. ups **O. P. Susmeyan** to director of interdivisional services. **Roger R. Noble**, previously with G. A. Philbrick Researches, elected president of Nexus Research Laboratory, Inc. **Peter D. Lubell**, ex-Narda Corp., joins Airtron as a project engineer for microwave diode devices. **George A. Peck** leaves Dresser Electronics to become director of mfg. operations for communications at ITT Federal Laboratories. **George W. DeLorie**, from Sanders Associates, Inc., to Microwave Electronics Corp. as mgr. of quality assurance. **E. Eugene Ecklund**, formerly with ITT Federal Laboratories, named president of Thomas Electronics, Inc. **Clifford J. Helms**, ex-Ampex Computer Products Co., now chief engineer, western operations, of Data Products Corp. **Frank Woolam**, previously with GE, has joined the Scientific Data Systems technical staff.

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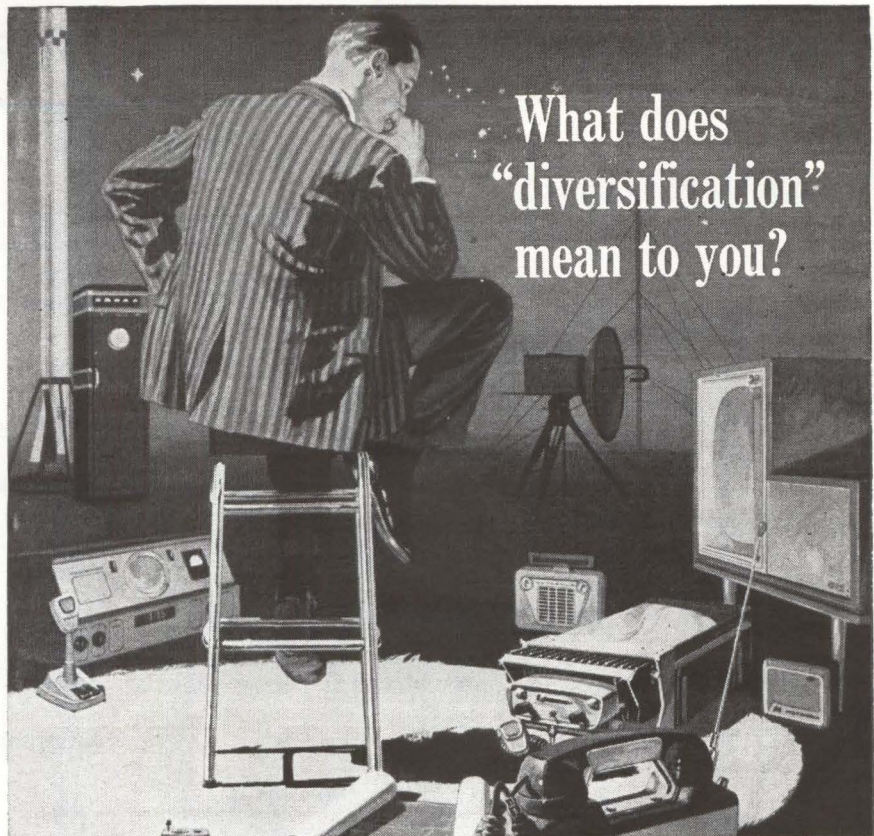
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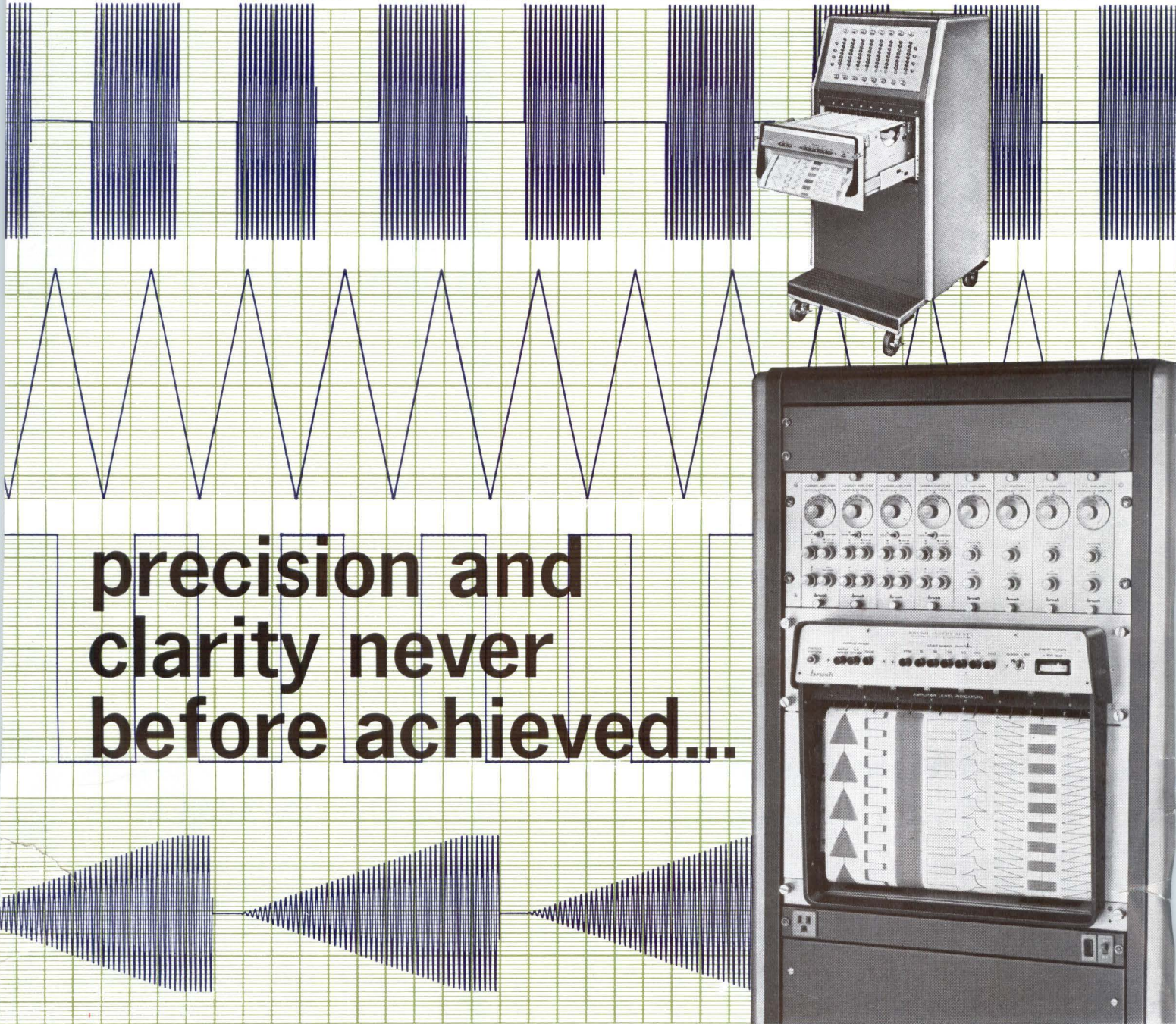
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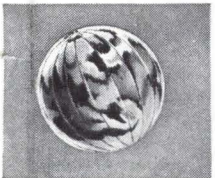


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