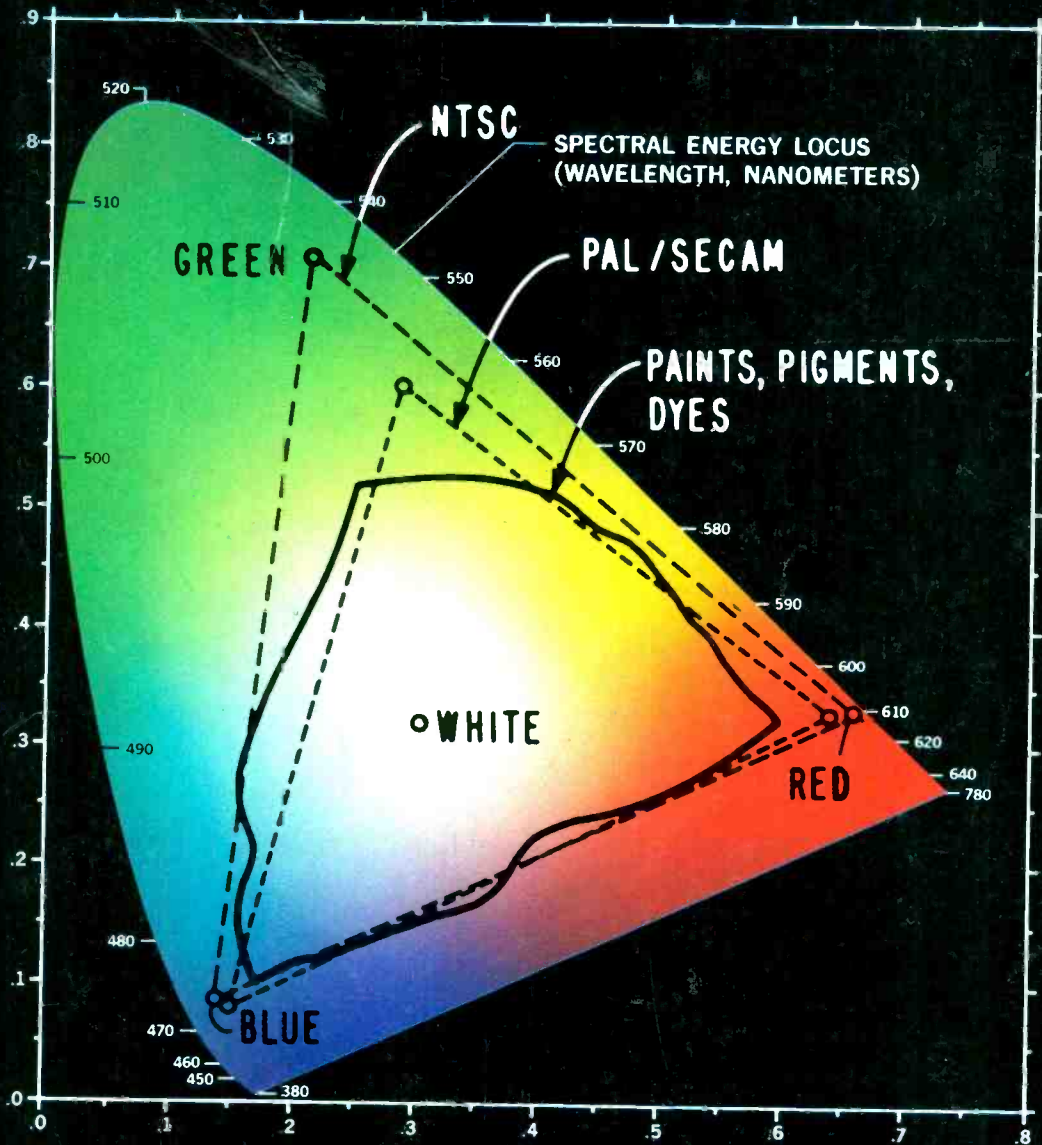


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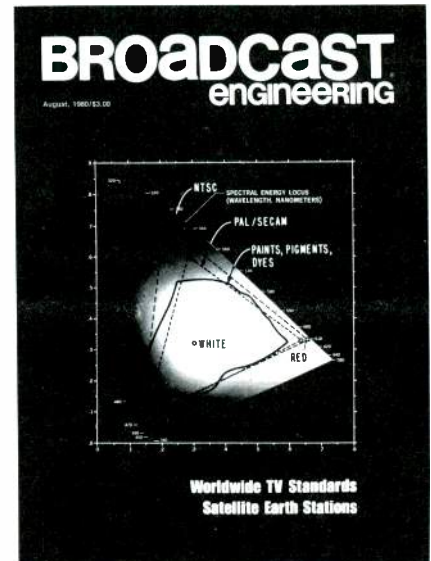
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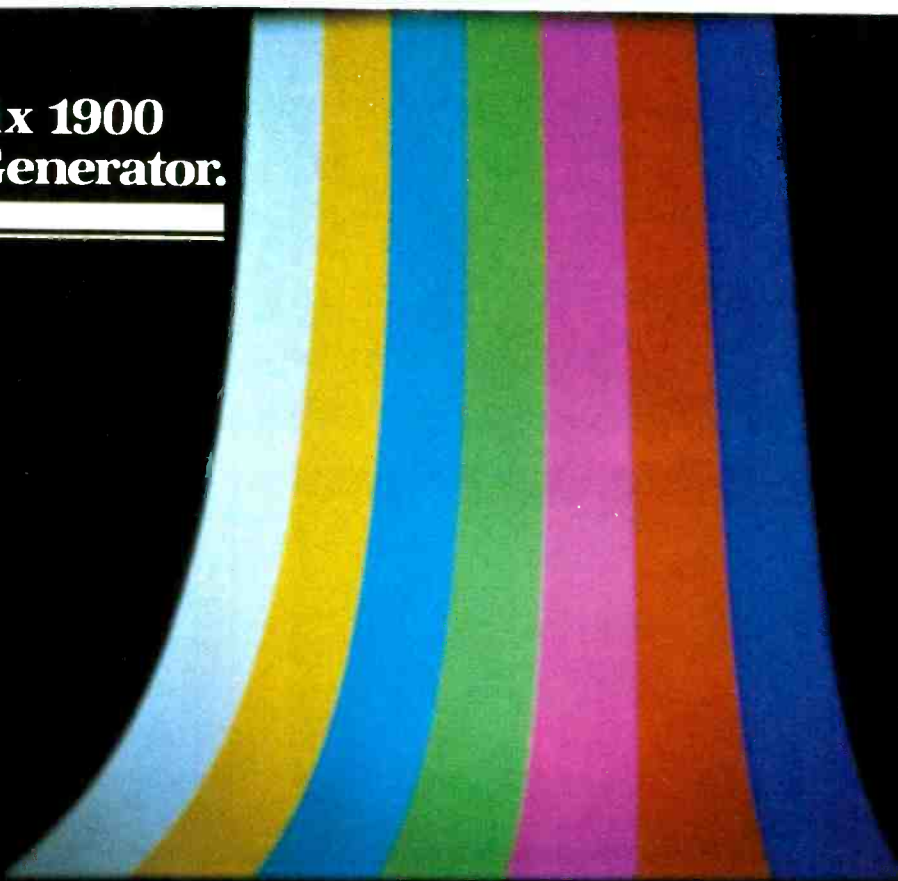
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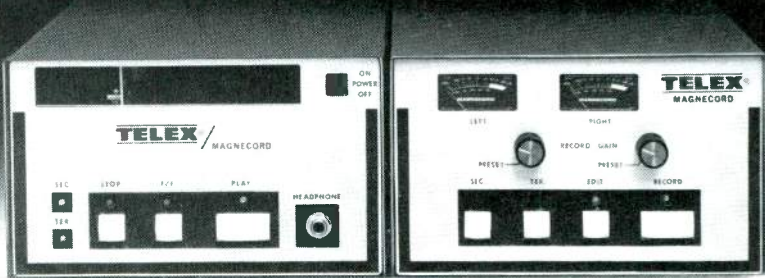
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# FCC update



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## Transponder lottery

The commission has denied petitions to reject or suspend and investigate the proposal of RCA American Communications, Inc. (RCA Americom) for a lottery to allocate the remaining two unassigned transponders on the SATCOM F-3 replacement satellite scheduled for launch in June 1981.

Petitions filed by Eastern Microwave, Inc. (EMI), Home Box Office (HBO) and Spanish International Network (SIN) claimed that the planned procedures are unreasonable, unjustly discriminatory and violate Sections 201(b) and 202(a) of the Communications Act.

RCA Americom proposed to poll its Comstar D-2 customers to determine if demand exceeds supply for the remaining transponders on the satellite that will replace its SATCOM F-3 that disappeared after launch last December. To serve customers originally assigned to F-3, RCA Americom leased Comstar D-2 from AT&T.

## Model EEO program

The commission has proposed changes in its Model Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Program designed to give the commission a more complete and accurate picture of licensee EEO performance while minimizing the administrative burden.

The major changes proposed in the model program include:

- Requiring **all** licensees and permittees to report employment by race, sex, job title and category instead of only requiring those with 50 or more full-time employees to report such data; a requirement that the full-time or part-time status of each employee be reported also would be added.
- Requiring a section on promotions including a summary of those promoted by race, sex, former job title and category and new job title and category.
- Requiring the specific reporting of applicant flow and job hires showing recruitment source, race, sex, job title and category and disposi-

tion of each application but not names of individuals.

- Revising the section on "effectiveness of the affirmative action program" to suggest that applicants and licensees who find their employment profiles unsatisfactory adopt voluntary goals and timetables for compliance.

Currently, broadcast stations with five or more full-time employees are required to file an Annual Employment Report with the commission. This report gives a breakdown of station employment as of the reporting date by specified job categories, racial and ethnic groups, and sex. The job categories are: officials and managers; professionals; technicians; sales; office and clerical; craftsmen; operatives; laborers; and service workers. The racial and ethnic groups include American Indian or Alaska Native; Asian or Pacific Islander; Black, not of Hispanic origin; Hispanic; and white, not of Hispanic origin.

## NAB's EEO guidelines rejected

The commission rejected the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) petition for reconsideration of the FCC's equal employment opportunity (EEO) processing guidelines. It also denied NAB's rulemaking petition seeking a reassessment of the FCC's entire EEO program.

The processing guidelines are used by the commission as a screening device to determine which of the approximately 3000 broadcast licensees filing renewal applications each year will have their station EEO programs subjected to in-depth staff-level review.

NAB contended that:

- The guidelines are substantive requirements improperly adopted without the benefit of notice and comment rulemaking procedures;
- The guidelines are "discriminatory, unfair and unrealistic," in part because they do not properly take into consideration the actual workforce availability of women and minorities in the top four FCC Form 395 job categories—officials and managers, professionals, tech-

nicians and sales workers; and

- The adoption and rapid implementation of the new guidelines were "unwarranted" and ignored "the broadcast industry's EEO-related good faith efforts."

NAB requested that the commission initiate a rulemaking to "reassess its entire EEO regulatory program—processing standards and substantive rules and policies—with a view toward examining its own jurisdictional limitations, the true workforce availability of top four minority and women employees and the good faith EEO-related efforts of the broadcast industry."

## Rulemaking changes

The commission has amended its rules to allow it to dismiss or deny petitions for rulemaking received from the public which are moot, repetitive, premature, frivolous or do not warrant consideration. Action dismissing such petitions would be taken without requesting public comment on the petitions, thereby saving time and effort for both the public and the commission's staff.

It also delegated to the chief, Broadcast Bureau, authority to act on these petitions. Similar authority is already delegated to all other bureau chiefs as well as the general counsel and the chief scientist.

## Interface compliance

The commission has proposed establishing methods of measurements and procedures for manufacturers to show their products comply with the FCC's new technical standards for computing equipment adopted last fall.

The new standards control the interference caused by computers and similar digital electronic equipment to radio and TV reception.

In addition to test procedures, the commission proposed new rules to clarify the manufacturer's responsibility under the verification program. Verification is a new equipment authorization procedure where the manufacturer is required to make measurements or do whatever is necessary to verify compliance, but is not required to submit data to the Commission unless specifically requested.

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## More amateur bands

The Commission has proposed changes in its rules to allow amateur radio operators to transmit television and facsimile signals on all of the amateur radio frequency bands above 3.775MHz where voice transmissions currently are authorized. □



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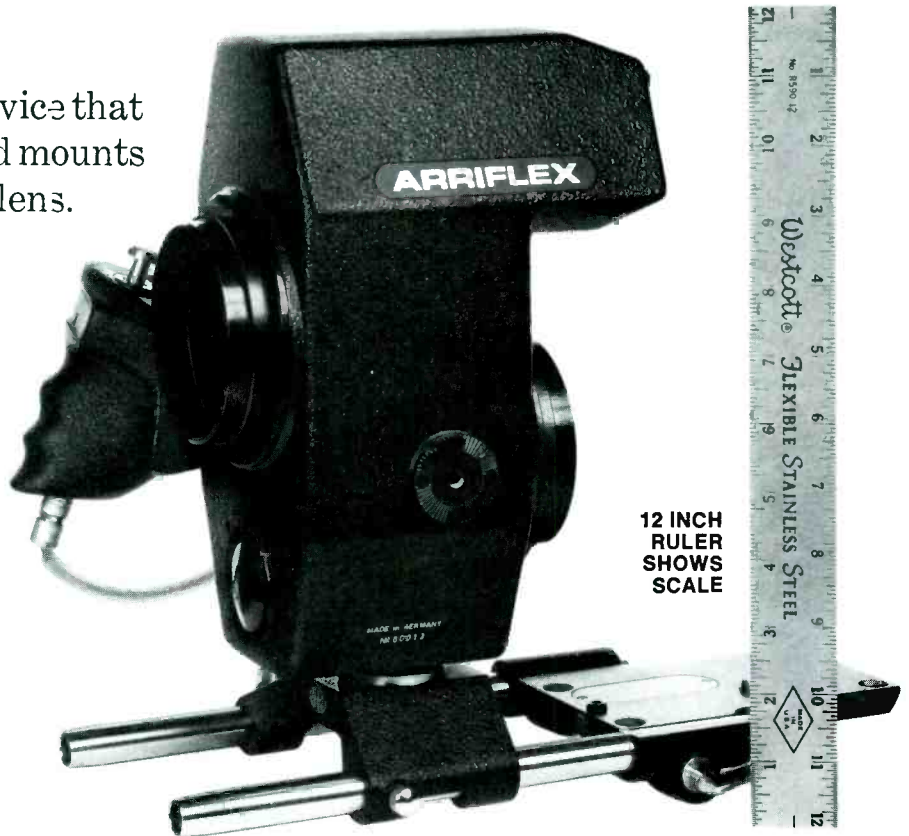
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### Aerospace technology.

A gyro's directional stability makes it resist off-axis movement — such as panning the camera. If you insist, it tumbles in that direction. British Aerospace, the designers, have turned this tendency to advantage. A precession brake causes the gyro to *lean with* the panning motion, steadily. This is military aerospace technology, ingeniously adapted.





**The British Aerospace Steadyscope uses the same stabilization method.**

**Above: surveillance from a NATO army helicopter.**

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**How well does it work?**

In the November 16, 1978 issue of the British magazine *NEW SCIENTIST*, there's an article by Guy Parker on stabilized binoculars. Referring to the Steadyscope, Mr. Parker writes:

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"On pressing the uncage button there is an immediate transformation which is both psychological and optical. The impact is of course greater if one is being shaken in a helicopter, but even on land the image appears in an almost uncanny way to anchor itself in space, even if the instrument is deliberately jiggled about."

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"An optical phenomenon now becomes apparent," writes Mr. Parker. "After the initial pleasure at the disappearance of jitter, the eye seems to demand needle-sharp resolution, now that the visibility of detail is determined mainly by the quality of the optical design. *There is no future for a stabilizer which does not give the highest resolution under all conditions of use.*"

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The Stabilizer is for making shaky shots smoother, *not* for simulating a rock-steady tripod. Its low mass is vital in the unwieldy g forces inside a helicopter. But that's useful in a car, too, or on horseback... You can get out of the car and continue shooting with a body-brace. And the Stabilizer is quiet enough to shoot sync sound out of doors.

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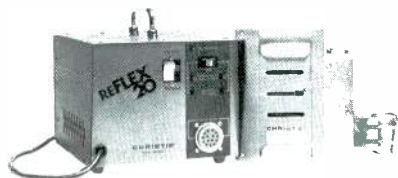
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## industry news

Finley honored as “Man of the Decade”



The 1980 ITA/Time Magazine “Man of the Decade” award was presented to Larry Finley, vice president, events/membership, International Tape/Disc Association. Finley is responsible for the formation of the ITA.

### British Teletext and Viewdata group looking to build in USA on European successes

Against a background of growing commercial success in Europe and Australia for their public Teletext and Viewdata services and related equipment British electronics industry, broadcasting and telecommunications representatives had a coordinated demonstration of their achievements at the Chicago Spring Conference on Consumer Electronics (Arlington Park Hilton, Arlington Heights, IL June 18-19).

The team consisted of representatives from the UK semiconductor industry, original equipment and software companies, the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and Independent Television Companies Association (ITCA), and the British Post Office. It demonstrated the Post Office's Prestel (Viewdata) service, and the Teletext services operated by the BBC and ITCA.

The British Teletext system uses spare lines of the regular TV program transmission signal to carry extra information such as news, weather and sports summaries, stock exchange prices, games, captions for the deaf, travel information, etc. The viewer uses a small key pad to summon the desired page on to the screen in place of, or superimposed on, the regular picture.

Teletext is a UK invention and the BBC and ITCA are the world's most experienced producers of Teletext services, having operated them for some years. Consumer demand for the service, with its ease of access to information, reliability, low cost, and ready availability of the necessary semiconductors from a number of sources, has risen rapidly. Nearly 300,000 Teletext sets will be in use in the UK by the end of 1980, and in a recent survey 30% of those polled said they would be willing to pay the small extra cost to have Teletext adapted sets in their homes.

Although other countries are experimenting with distinctive Teletext systems of their own, successive broadcasting authorities have adopted systems based on Britain's for their public services. Austria and West Germany are the latest countries to do so, along with Belgium, Holland, Sweden and Australia. Thus all currently operating services in Europe and Australia follow the British pattern.

The US has been involved from the start in the development of UK Teletext, with Texas Instruments and Mullard Signetics leading the way in LSI chip development, followed more recently by General



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Instruments. Britain is now looking to further develop this partnership with US interests with a view to the promotion of Teletext services in the US.

**Sony Broadcast receives special recognition award from Videotape Production Association**

Sony Broadcast recently received a special recognition award for engineering from the Videotape Production Association. The award was presented to Sony, Ampex and the Society of Motion Picture Television Engineers (SMPTE) for the development of the one-inch Type C videotape format at the Association's second annual Monitor Awards Dinner.

Accepting the award for Sony Broadcast was Arnold Taylor, vice president of Sony Video Products Company and general manager of the Broadcast Division. "The award signifies the increased usage of videotape by independent production houses who once worked exclusively in film," according to Taylor. "Sony is both proud and grateful to receive this award," he added.

According to Taylor, "The growth and impact of one-inch tape would have been unthinkable without the SMPTE standards. Those standards would have been just another one of these good ideas without the cooperation of SMPTE and our colleagues in this exciting business."

**Broadcasting industry among fastest growing in the 80s**

The US economy will provide more jobs for radio and TV announcers than ever before, according to recent projections compiled by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, and private career schools will train thousands of new workers in the specialized skills required by the broadcasting industry.

The BLS predicts total employment for radio and TV announcers will continue to grow, increasing by about 22% by 1989. Some 850 jobs will open each year for radio and TV announcers, the government says.

Private career schools will train many of the new radio and TV announcers needed in the coming decade, in as little as 13 to 48 weeks, according to the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, private career schools graduate their students 25% faster than their public competitors on the average.

**Radio spectrum program invites intern applicants**

Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) is recruiting five graduate engineers for training as interns in its Radio Spectrum Management Intern Program. The program is designed to produce a pool of federal government experts in radio frequency management. The interns selected will be virtually full-time students during their eight to nine months of training.

In addition to intensive formal classroom training, the program provides on-the-job experience and rotating assignments between field activities and NTIA headquarters in Washington. Each intern will obtain a working knowledge of national and international radio frequency planning, engineering, coordination and assignment processes during work assignments with several federal agencies.

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## Effects upon data processing computers.

When these power disturbances occur in your data processing center they can cause entry errors, program changes or loss, head crash, data loss, the generation of false or garbled data, the need to rerun programs, and computer downtime.

## Effects upon computerized process control equipment.

Process control equipment is also vulnerable to power disturbances. Common problems created by these

disturbances include improper batch termination and even program changes. The program changes can result in the repetition of process errors and in downtime while equipment is being reprogrammed.

## Effects upon energy management systems.

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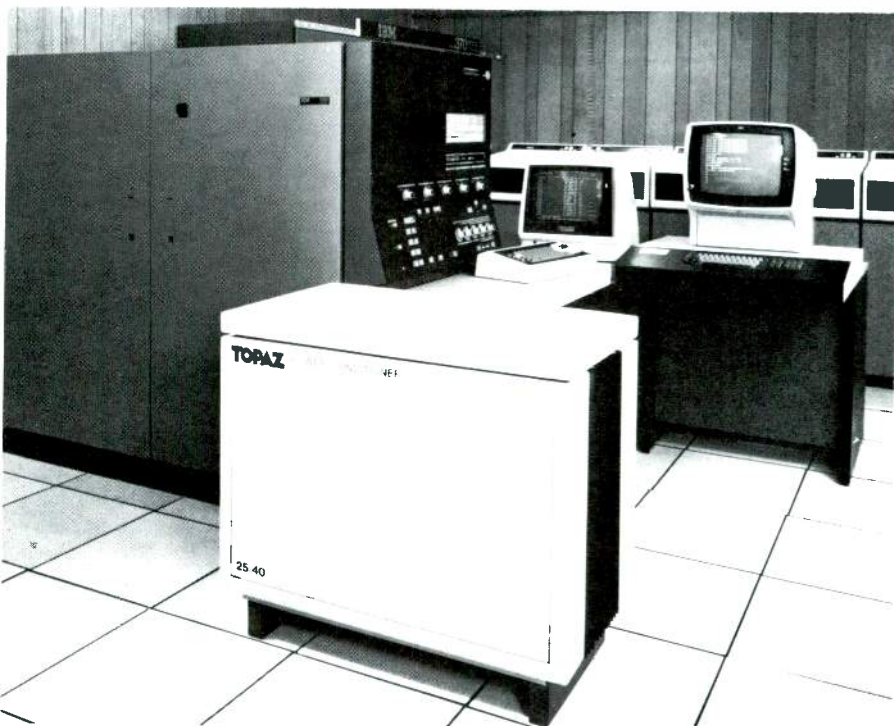
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Saying that recent international and domestic actions by the federal government "make it clear that a potentially disruptive restructuring of the American system of broadcasting...may be imminent," the National Association of Broadcasters' radio board of directors took action to urge Congress to assure that the FCC develops a master spectrum allocation plan before implementing any new proposals

and appoint a government/industry advisory committee to chart the course.

Emphasizing the importance of such a master plan, the board also authorized the immediate formation of a special NAB task force that would oversee the preparation of in-depth studies dealing with technical and economic realities of additional radio stations and their impact on service to the public.

**FCC authorization**

The NAB and seven other organizations have asked the Supreme Court to overturn an appeals court decision requiring the FCC to authorize a particular format change for a radio station.

At issue is the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia's ruling that the commission, under certain circumstances, must conduct a hearing whenever a unique program format is changed. The FCC maintains it should not tell broadcasters how to program and the appellants agree. In its pleading, NAB said the appeals court decision requires the commission to abandon a 40-year tradition and charged the court with establishing communications policy and ignoring "important statutory and constitutional restraints on government intrusion into broadcast programming."

**Fritts, Tarleton elected officers**

Edward O. Fritts, president, Fritts Broadcasting, Inc., Indianola, MS, has been elected to a one-year term as chairman of the NAB's Radio Board of Directors.

Cullie M. Tarleton, vice president, radio, Jefferson Pilot Broadcasting Co., Charlotte, NC, was elected to a one-year term as vice chairman.

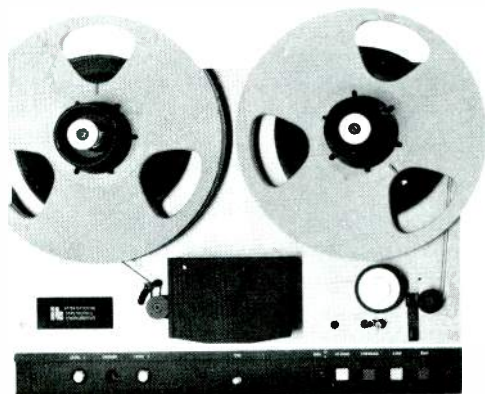
Fritts, who has served as vice-chairman for the past year, succeeded Arnold S. Lerner, chairman, WLLH Inc., Lowell, MA, who did not run for re-election.

As chairman and vice chairman, Fritts and Tarleton also are members of NAB's Executive Committee, which advises Vincent T. Wasilewski, president, on the implementation of NAB policies.

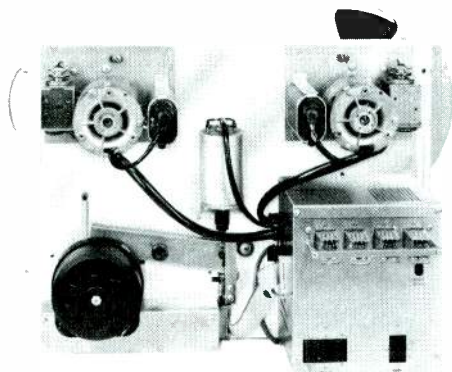
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## EEO Inquiry

On May 30, NRBA filed with the FCC a petition calling for a broad inquiry to review its EEO policies and to "adopt new EEO procedures and policies more reasonably related to the circumstances of American society generally and the broadcast industry in particular."

The NRBA petition stated that the FCC's EEO policies have "evolved into a quota system, which is based on workforce statistics and individual licensees employment profiles."

NRBA suggested that the inquiry be "undertaken in cooperation with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the primary governmental agency charged with enforcing the EEO laws."

Abe Voron, executive vice president, said that the petition was prompted by "the growing uneasi-

ness among broadcasters and objective observers caused by the FCC's rapidly proliferating EEO policies and rules...rules that seem to be rigid, inequitable and perhaps counterproductive."

"It takes courage to question policies in an area as sensitive as EEO," Voron stated, "but as sympathetic as we are to the goals of EEO, we can no longer remain silent."

## ARB negotiating committee on hold

The embryonic All-Radio Negotiating Committee has retained a New York law firm specializing in anti-trust matters to provide advice and counsel to the committee that may be formed to negotiate Arbitron's new radio contract.

NRBA will issue updates on the status of the negotiating committee pending further developments.

## Full-time authorization for daytimers

NRBA last field a Petition for Rulemaking urging the FCC to amend Section 73.37(e) of its rules to permit daytime-only licensees to operate on a full-time basis, providing it would not create objectionable interference or prohibited overlap

with other stations.

NRBA's petition called many of the restrictions, such as the "two-station to a community" rule, "unjustifiable" and "discriminatory." This discriminatory effect will become even more pronounced should the FM channel allocation proposals, which would create hundreds of new FM stations, be adopted.

Eliminating the artificial barriers to full-time service "would permit freer interplay of marketplace forces to the ultimate benefit of the public interest," NRBA stated.

## All-radio industry negotiating committee

Reacting to certain provisions Arbitron has proposed to include in their new radio contracts, the Arbitron advisory council is advocating the establishment of an All-Radio Industry Negotiating Committee to negotiate a new contract with Arbitron. It is expected that the committee will be patterned after committees formed to establish ASCAP/BMI licensing fees.

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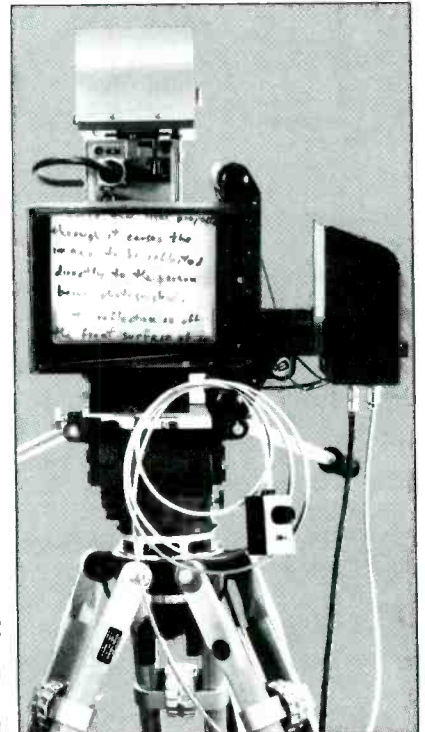
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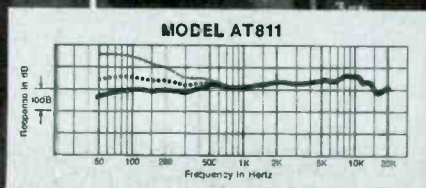
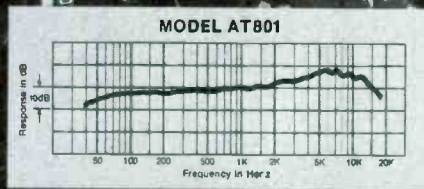
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# Planning a receive-only satellite earth station

By Elmer Smalling III, president, Jenel Corp., Dallas, TX

Many earth station owners, potential owners or users know very little about the technology of communications satellites that provide their programming. A broad description is given here of these satellites and their workings.

There are two basic types of satellites that differ by the way they maintain orbital stability: spin stabilized and three-axis stabilized. Once a satellite is parked in orbit, it must remain in a stable position so that its antenna and solar cell arrays are pointed in the proper direction.

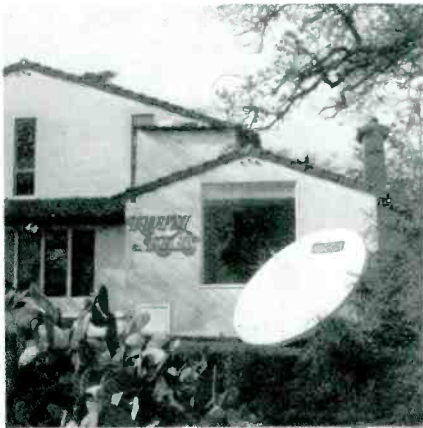
Many factors perturb satellite orbital stability (to varying degrees),

including: (1) gravitational pull of the earth or moon, (2) solar wind or the bombardment of photons from the sun, (3) perturbations of the earth's magnetic and gravitational field, and (4) reaction to on-board mechanical motion. Of the two methods for orbital stabilization, spinning the satellite about its longitudinal axis is the oldest and most frequently used.

Like a gyroscope, the spinning mass of a satellite resists the positional counter-vectors brought about by the aforementioned forces. Small thrusters, working in concert with the spinning vehicle, maintain a given attitude and inclination.

A spin-stabilized satellite should have a minimum of appurtenance. The solar cells as well as the beacon and telemetry antennas are mounted around the periphery of the satellite so that, as the satellite rotates, the cells or antennas are always spinning by the earth or the sun respectively by virtue of the rotation of the vehicle. They rotate rapidly enough to provide ample coverage of their receiving arcs.

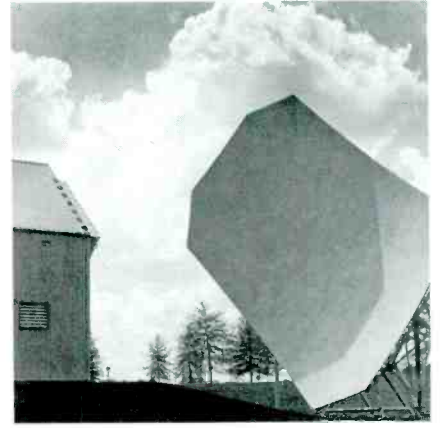
The high gain directional communications antenna cannot be spun for it must always point toward the earth with a great degree of accuracy. To accomplish this, the antenna is rotated at the same



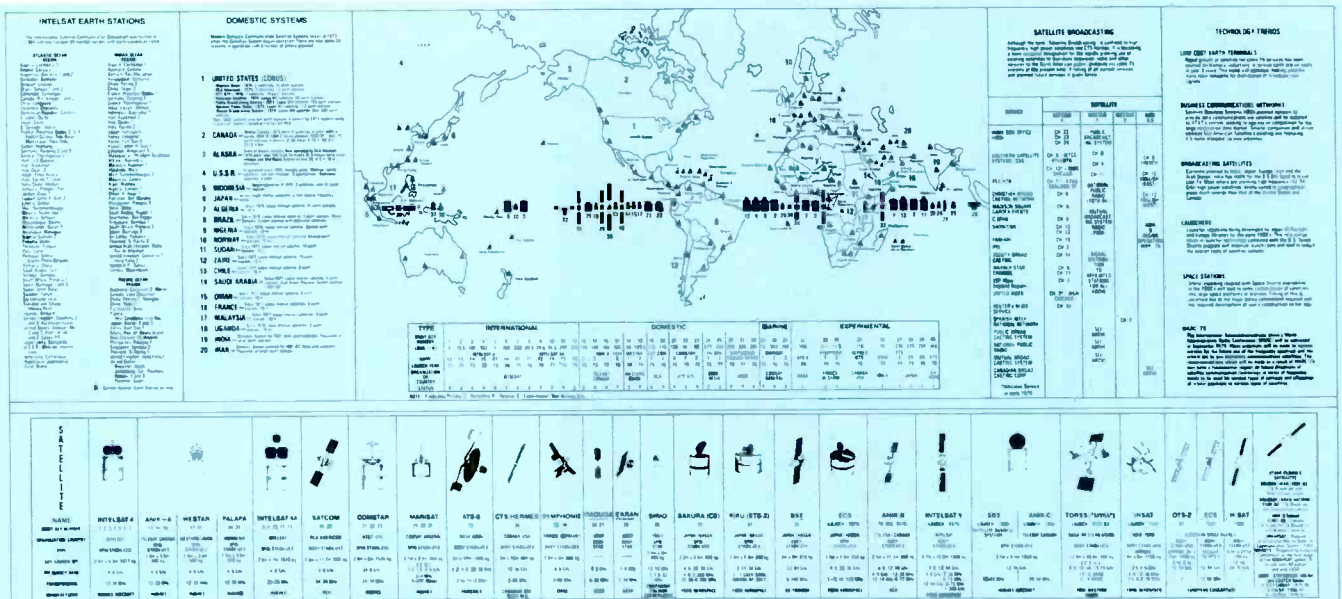
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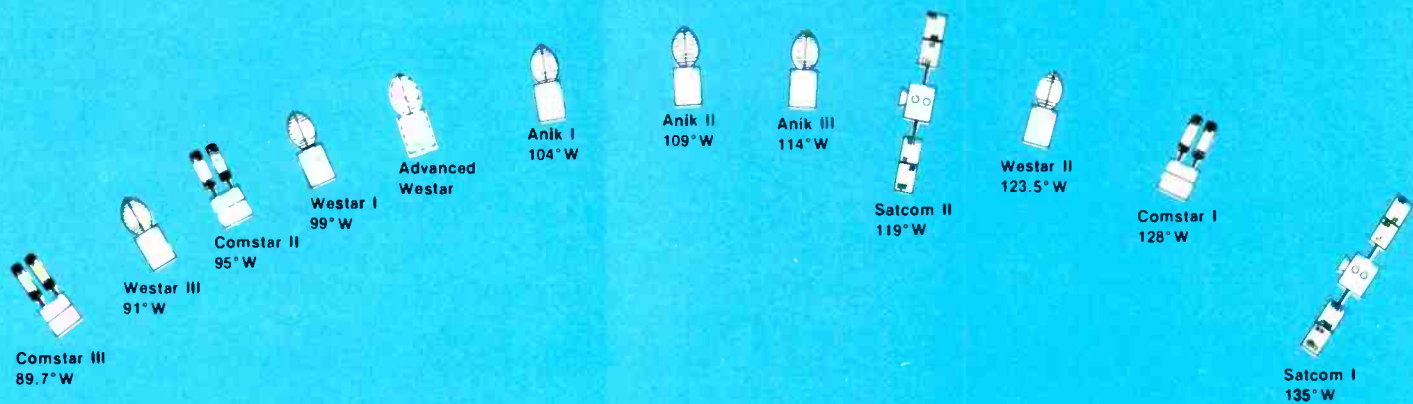
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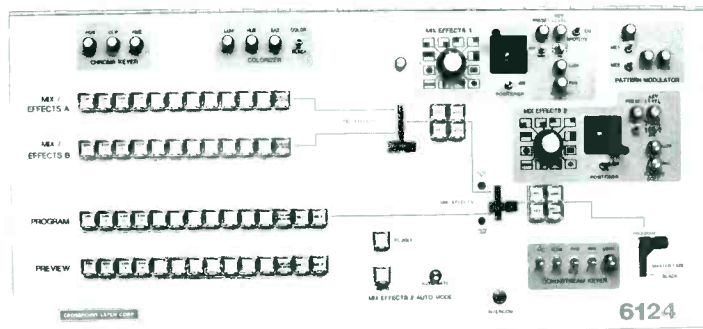
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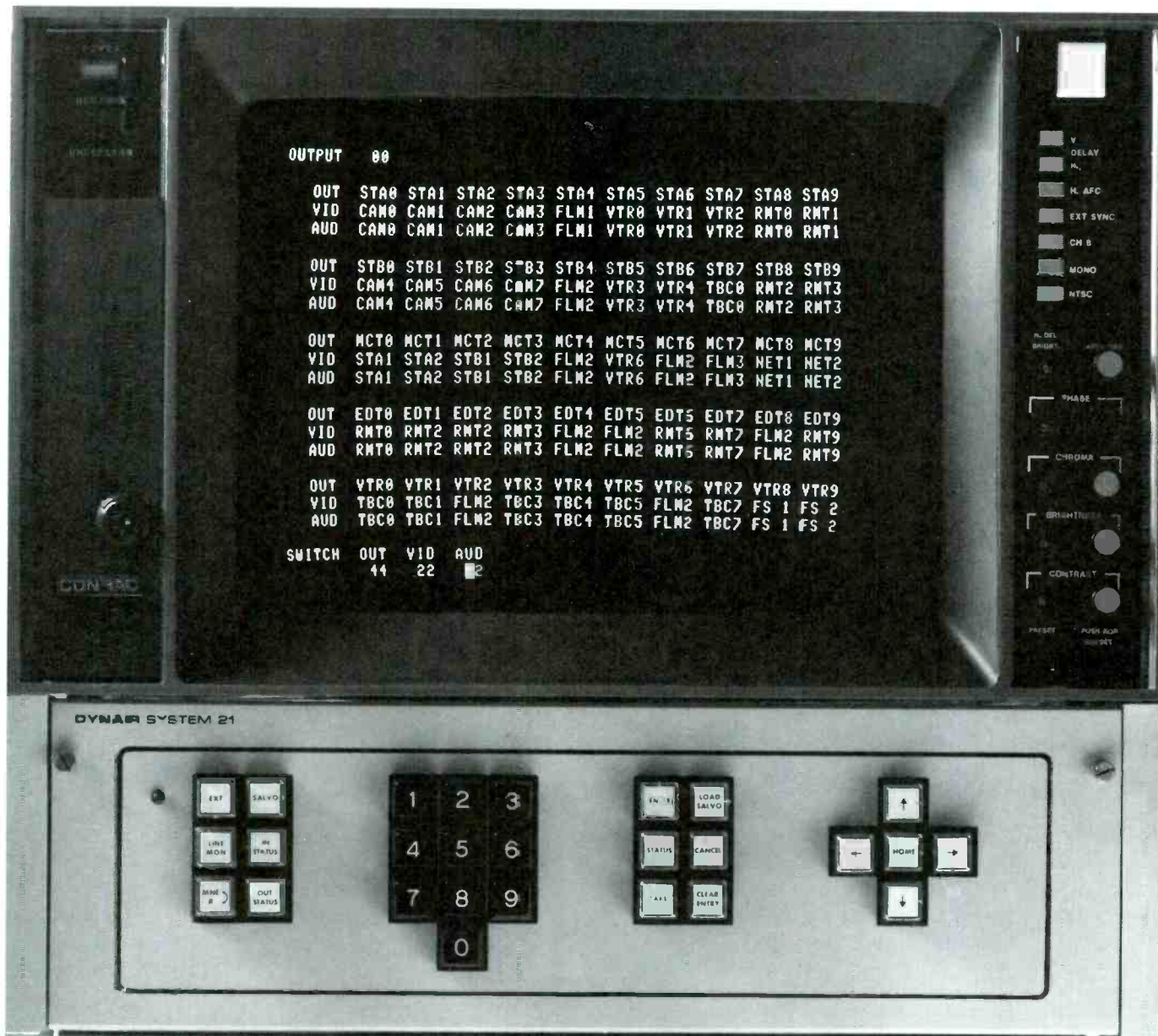
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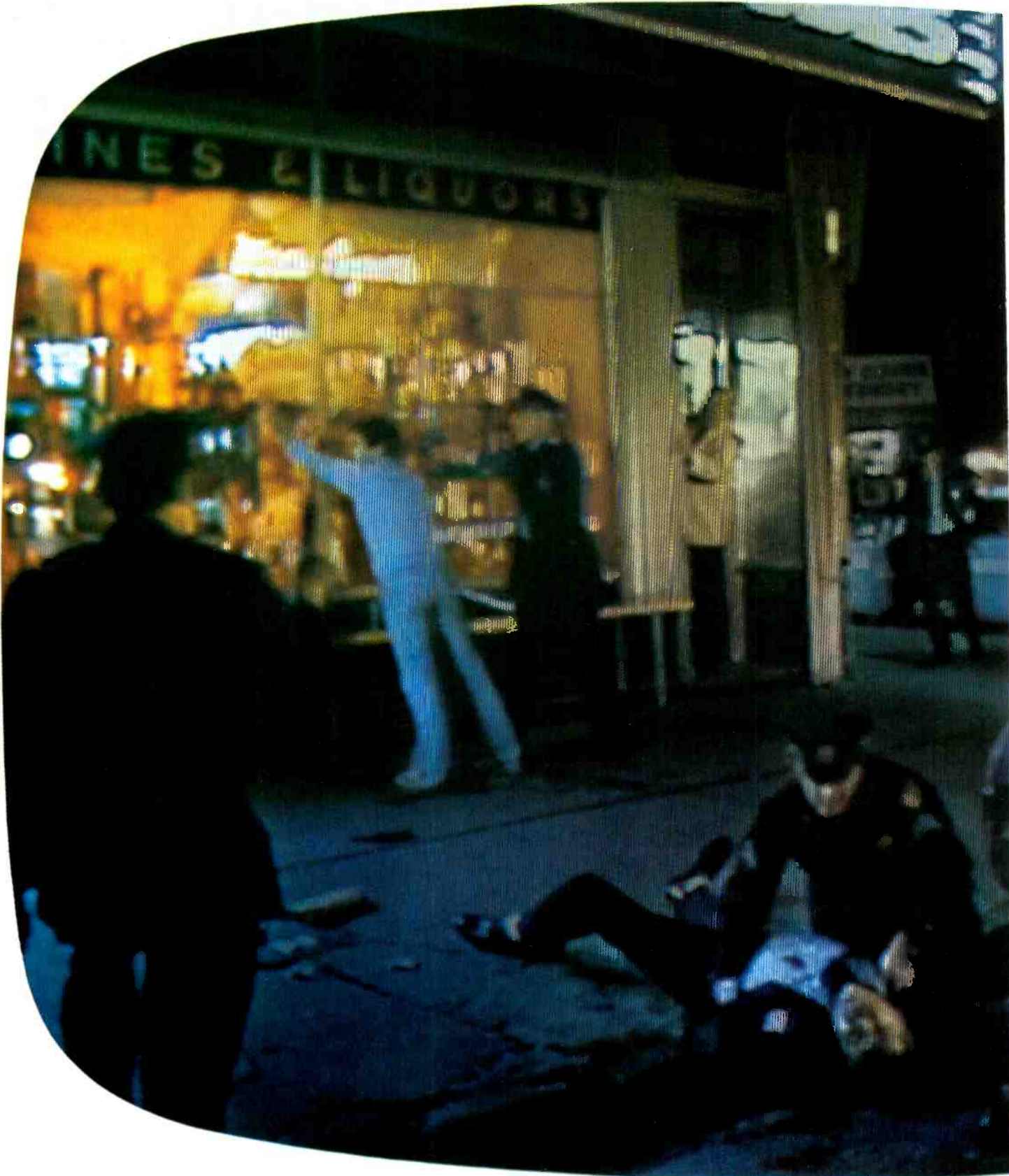
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## Earth Station Antennas

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	ESA10-46CP	X	...	10	6	4
	ESA12-46	X	...	12	6	4
	ESA12-46HP	X	...	12	6	4
	ESA12-46CP	X	...	12	6	4
<b>Anixter-Mark (151)</b>	ES-40200SD	...	X	5	...	4
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	SAT6	...	X	1.8	...	4
	SAT10	...	X	3	...	4
	SAT15	...	X	4.6	...	4
	C6040	X	...	10, 11, 12	6	4
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<b>COMSAT (154)</b> Note (5)	Multibeam Torus	X	...	5-10	6, 14	4, 12
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	...	...	X	2,2.5,3	...	4
<b>Gardiner Communications (162)</b>	5.6	...	X	5.6	...	4
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	5251	X	...	8.8	6	4
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<b>Microdyne (159)</b>	PR23	...	X	7	...	4,12
<b>Scientific Atlanta (160)</b>	8006	...	X	3.0	...	4
	8005	X	...	4.6	6	4
	8008	X	...	5.0	6	4
	8010	X	...	7.0	6	4
	8002	X	...	10	6	4
	8007	X	...	11	6	4
	8101-5.5	X	...	5.5	14	12
	8101-7.7	X	...	7.7	14	12
<b>US Tower (161)</b>	USTC 3.3	...	X	3.3	...	4
	4 MLF	...	X	4.0	...	4
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**Note 1:** HP configurations exceed US and CCIR pattern recommendations for greater frequency coordination in frequency-congested areas.

**Note 2:** CP configurations are specifically designed for use with Intelsat satellites.

**Note 3:** All systems designed to handle program audio material; in addition, SAT6, 10, and 15 designed to handle data transmission; the C6040 handles program, data and TV transmissions.

**Note 4:** Mobile uplink/downlink system uses Scientific Atlanta 5m parabolic antenna.

**Note 5:** COMSAT: The Multi-Beam Torus Antenna (MBTA) was developed to transmit/receive from as many as seven satellites simultaneously.

speed as the satellite only in the opposite direction causing it to appear stationary. The drawbacks of this system are the complex mechanics of coupling a spinning antenna with multiple feeds to a fixed vehicle and its transponders and the maintenance of a motor system for a long period of time in orbit.

The second method of orbital stabilization is three axis stabilization. After the satellite is parked in orbit, control is maintained using an internal gyroscopic inertial wheel that serves, in a small way, like the spinning satellite. Minor position correction is accomplished using three axis thruster jets located outside the vehicle. On this type of satellite the solar cells are deployed mechanically on long telescoping or folding arms and are kept pointed toward the sun by small solar array control motors and an on-board computer.

The antenna system which is firmly attached to, and an integral part of, the satellite is kept pointed toward the earth by the position of the vehicle. It can be seen that, in this type of vehicle design, the rather large supply of propellant needed determines the usable life of the satellite, which is in most cases seven years.

However limited, the two previous schemes for stabilizing a satellite



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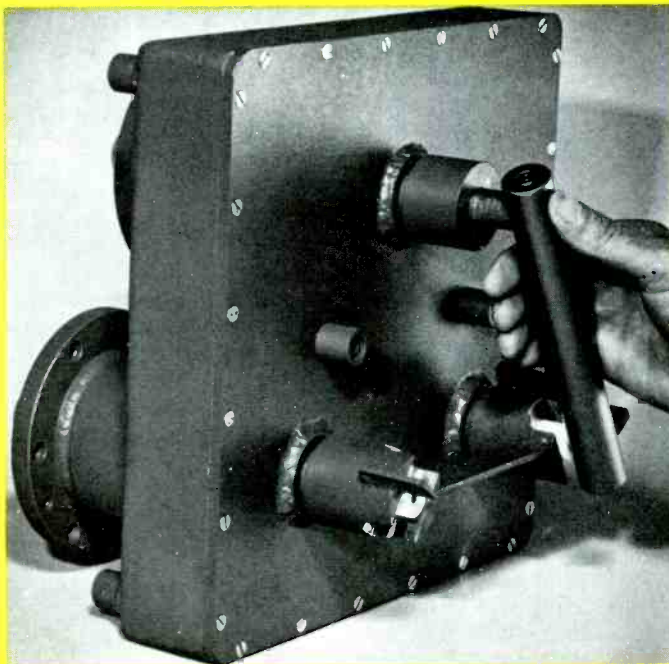
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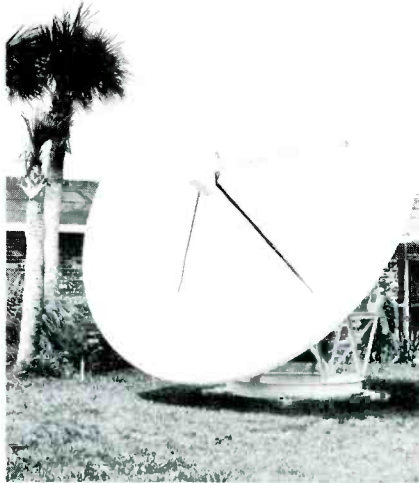
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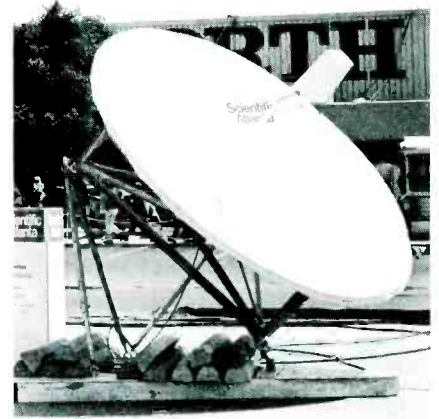
are utilized on all existing vehicles. The loss of mechanical coupling, thruster engines, system power, or propellant can doom a \$25,000,000 communication satellite.

Both types of communications space vehicles have many systems in common. Some of the general features are described below.

**Antennas.** The main antenna system, which provides spot beams, horizontal and vertical polarization and gain is one of the major elements of a communications satellite. Engineers have had to incorporate all of these functions, along with considerable gain and highly controlled bandwidth, into the communications antenna design. Satellite-borne antennas are usually  
(Continued on page 32)



**Microdyne:** Receive-only dish specified at 6 and 12GHz.



**Scientific Atlanta:** Earth station antennas at NAB-80/Las Vegas.

### SATELLITE TELEVISION BACKGROUND

The first use of a man-made orbiting satellite to relay television pictures occurred in 1962, with an early generation satellite called *Teletstar*. Compared to today's sophisticated satellites, this early *Teletstar*, like many others lifted into orbit by rocket in the '60s, was a *low-orbit* instrument. Because of limited rocket power, it was not possible to lift a weighty communications relay station (television satellite, and its on-board control systems) into a *high orbit*.

This early satellite, therefore, orbited close to the earth's surface, often as close as 100 to 150 miles, and circled the earth at high speeds. To transmit or receive a message from such a satellite relay station, a ground-based earth station was utilized with an antenna that was capable of tracking the satellite as it orbited overhead. Since the satellite's elevation was quite low, the earth station antenna could view the satellite for only a small portion of its orbit.

In 1963, these primitive satellites gave way to a new concept, pioneered by the Hughes Aircraft, which was called *Syncom*. The *Syncom* experiment placed a satellite approximately 22,300 miles above the earth's equator and pointed the satellite's motion along a line identical to the earth's rotation on its axis. Telemetry was used to carefully control the speed of the satellite to match that of the earth's rotation, and the satellite achieved a *geostationary orbit*. For communications, this means that the satellite appears fixed in space, and an earth receiving station merely has to direct its antenna at this location to receive the satellite transmission.

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### Glossary of Terms

#### C/I: Carrier to Interference

This measurement is the ratio in (decibels) of the level of the received carrier above the total interfering radio frequency source/s such as: (1) satellites other than one desired; (2) terrestrial microwave; and (3) terrestrial radar. The minimum ratio should be 18dB (received carrier approximately 63 times that of received interfering signals).

#### C/N: Carrier to Noise

This measurement is the ratio (in decibels) of the desired carrier received to the noise detected at the same frequency. The sources of noise may be considered as: (1) atmospheric absorption; (2) rain attenuation; (3) pointing accuracy of the satellite and earth station antennas; (4) polarization; and (5) satellite and earth station equipment degradation.

Other elements that degrade the signal are: (1) thermal noise (due to motion of electrons and defined by Boltzmann's constant at -228.6 dBW/K); (2) path loss (in geostationary satellite work this loss amounts to approximately -200dB); and (3) noise bandwidth (where noise increases as bandwidth increases).

The greatest factor, by virtue of weakening of the received signal after 22,000 miles through space is approximately -198dBW (about  $10^{-18}$ W).

#### T: System Temperature

Measured in degrees Kelvin (K), the system temperature is derived by adding: (1) antenna temperature, consisting of line, sky, ground, rain temperatures, to (2) Low Noise Amplifier (LNA) temperature (K).

Typical values are 30K for antenna temperature and 100K for LNA temperature.

#### G/T Figure of Merit (gain/temperature)

Assessment of the quality of communications between earth stations and satellites is complex because of the extremely long path, complex noise calculations, and various signal degradations. An overall figure of merit can be established which relates to the performance of a receiving station (satellite or earth) by considering the following factors: (1) carrier-to-noise ratio; (2) FM threshold characteristic of the receiver; (3) free space loss; (4) transmitting and EIRP; (5) bandwidth; (6) thermal noise; and (7) system losses. An average G/T for a small TVRO would be about 23 (dB/K).

#### EIRP: Effective Isotropically Radiated Power

An isotropic antenna is a theoretical radiator which has a gain of 1 or 0dB, for it radiates equally in all directions. Antennas are passive devices and have no way of creating gain or other through directionality, e.g. a particular antenna might radiate power applied to it in one direction only.

Actually, isotropic radiators are almost impossible to construct because of the following effects: mechanical and electrical nonlinearities and near-field coupling. Since gain measurements would have little meaning with every antenna (having a possible variance of up to 3dB), the isotropic source is used as a standard of comparison.

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is then the transmitter power times the antenna gain (above isotropic, or dBi) less any transmission line loss.

#### FM Threshold

The FM threshold can be considered the signal capture point of a receiver. There are two thresholds to consider:

1. Noise Threshold—the point where, for every 1dB increase in the carrier to noise ratio (C/N), the signal to noise ratio increases by 1dB. This normally occurs above a C/N of 10dB on most receivers.

2. Improvement Threshold—a point close to the noise threshold where the signal to noise ratio takes a sharp jump, at least 30dB.

Beyond the Improvement Threshold, the signal to noise ratio improves 1dB for every increase of the carrier to noise ratio of 1dB until the receiver is saturated—that is, the mapping of C/N and S/N is no longer increasing on a one-to-one basis.

#### C/T: Carrier to Thermal Noise Power

Power measurement will increase or decrease with bandwidth. The C/T measurement enables calculation of absolute power regardless

of bandwidth. It is related to the carrier to noise measurement by the addition of the logarithmic functions of bandwidth and Boltzmann's constant to C/N.

#### TVRO: Television Receive Only Earth Station

Receiving satellite television signals requires a sophisticated system of microwave equipment called a TVRO, that features:

1. Low Thermal Noise—accomplished in some cases by thermo-electric or cryogenic cooling.

2. High Gain—accomplished by using Gallium Arsenide field-effect-transistors, stripline circuits, and parametric amplification.

LNA's are sold with varying gains and noise temperature ratings, e.g. 40K at 55dB to 200K at 42dB, each to fit a particular TVRO application.

#### ELEV: Antenna Elevation Angle

Depending upon the location of the satellite in the geostationary arc to be received, or transmitted to, and the geographical location of the antenna, the vertical *look angle* or *elevation* will change. Because the location of most of the communications satellites above the equator is between longitudes 90° and 137°, most Eastern US and

Canadian stations look to the Southwest, and most West stations look toward the South. Since the orbital location from 90° and 137° appears as an arc above the horizon, the vertical elevation (look angle) will be slightly different for each earth station, varying from 15° to 45°.

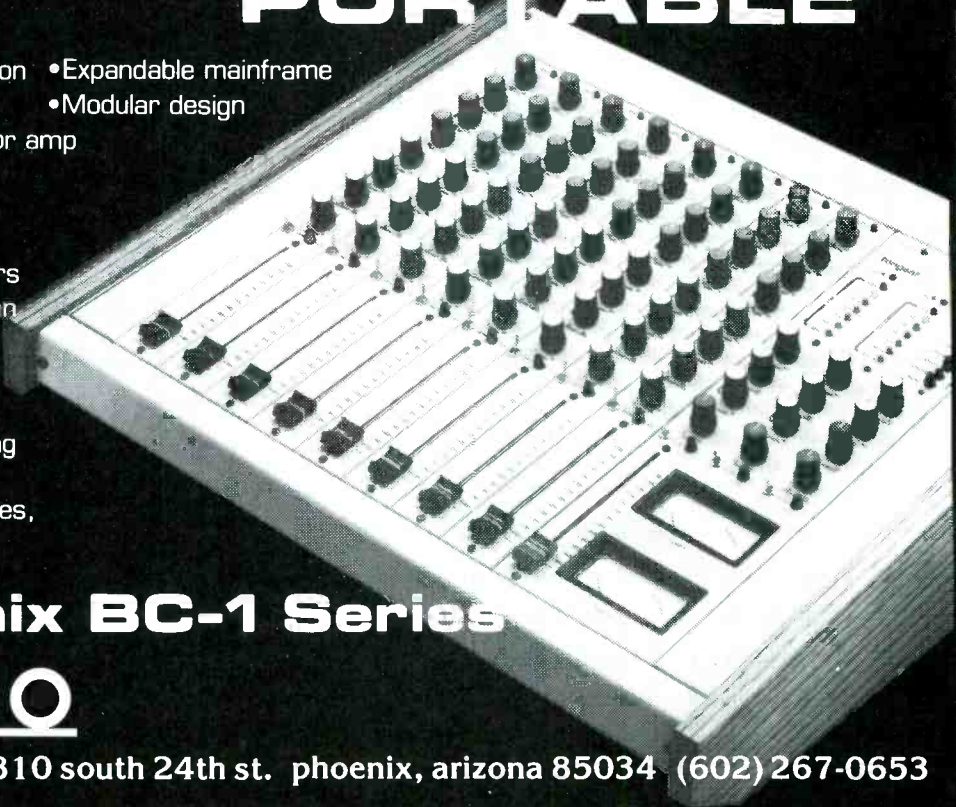
Because transmission through more of the earth's atmosphere, stratosphere, and ionosphere (static cover) encounters more thermal noise, higher elevation angles are preferred.

#### AZ: Antenna Azimuth

Depending upon the location of the satellite in the geostationary arc to be received, or transmitted to and the geographical location of the antenna, the *horizontal bearing* or *azimuth* will change. Because of the location of most of the communications satellites above the equator is between longitudes 90° and 137°, most Eastern US and Canadian stations look to the Southwest and most West stations look toward the South. Since the orbital location from 90° and 137° appears as an arc above the horizon, the horizontal bearing (Azimuth) will be slightly different for each earth station.

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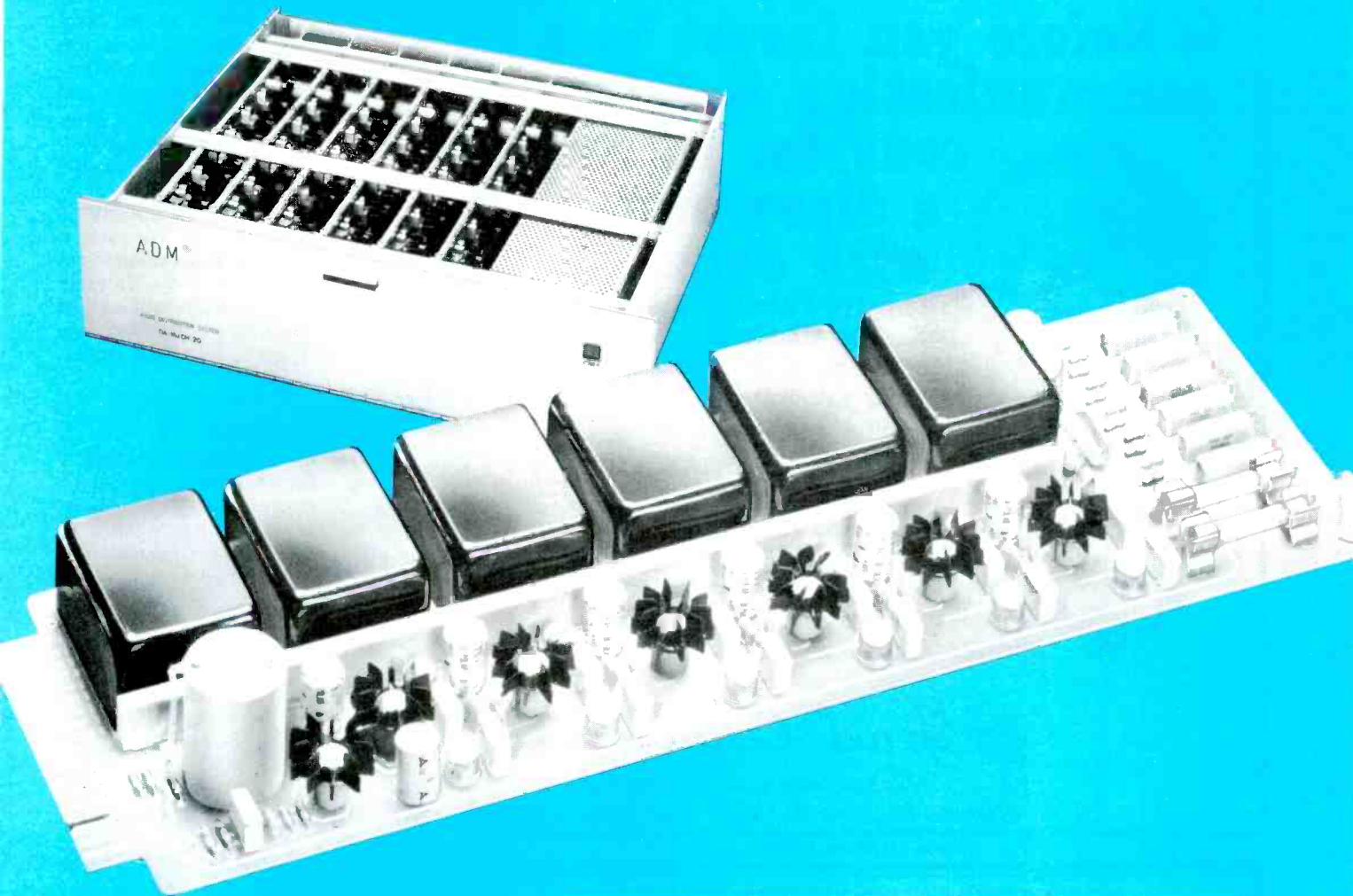
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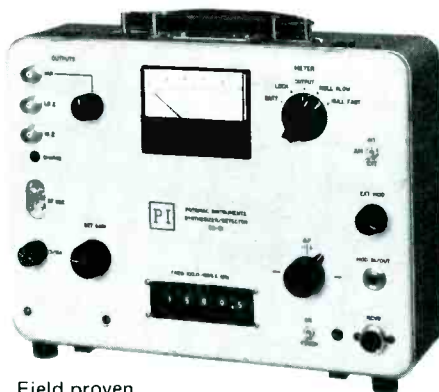
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modified parabolas or small aperture horns. In addition to the main communications antenna, there are omni-directional antennas for telemetry, initial post-launch location and beacons. These are small, low gain, broadband devices—the type which have been used for years in the aerospace industry.

**Transponders.** A transponder is normally a device that receives a signal on one frequency and re-transmits it on another. Satellite transponders normally consist of sophisticated and redundant low noise input systems that feed redun-

### The Future of Satellite Communications

This issue has dwelled on existing communications philosophy and technology, both of which are evolving rapidly. In the near future, satellite systems, as now known, will be replaced by far more sophisticated systems.

The present system of small, transponder-limited satellites that ring the earth is certainly not in keeping with the state of the technology. A severe curtailment of the space program some years ago, and the small amount of funds and research allocated to space travel, have severely limited the implementation of satellite communications technology.

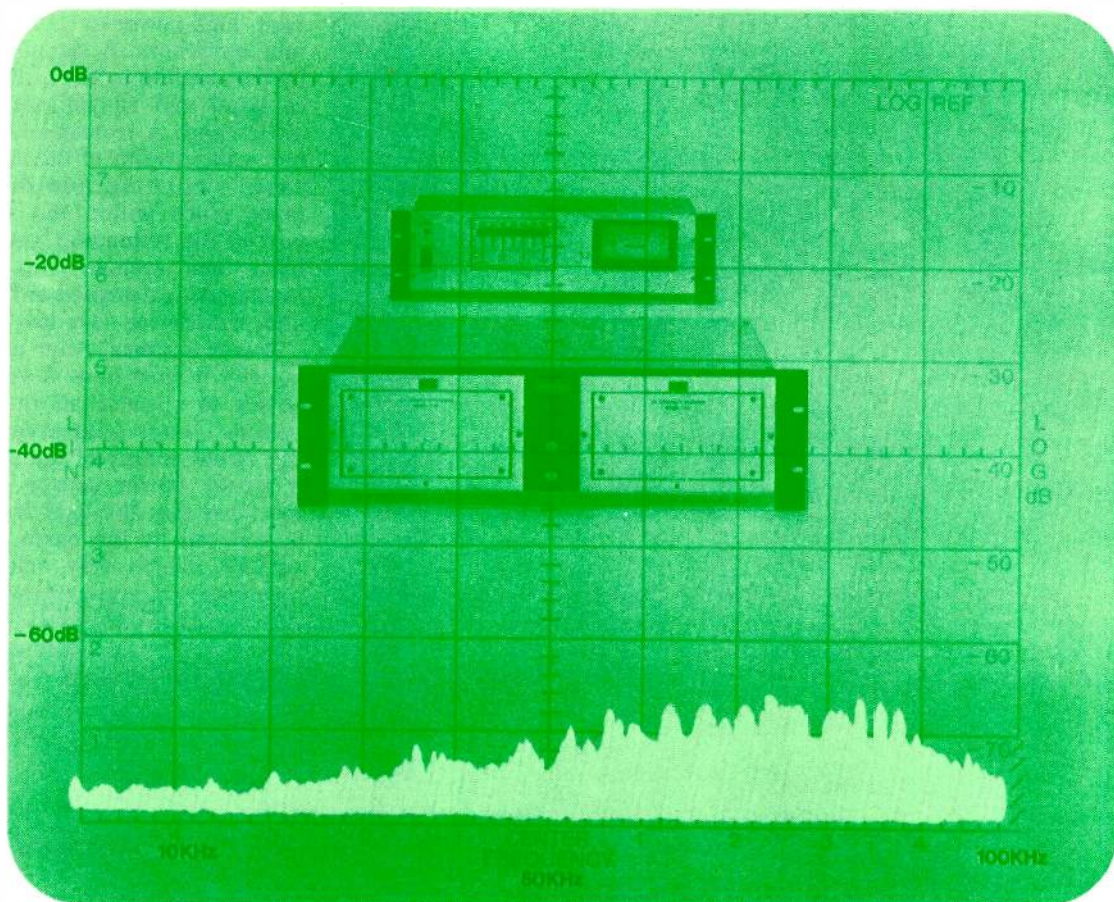
One large space “antenna farm” that would be put in place, constructed and serviced by a shuttle-type vehicle would satisfy most communications needs.

Spot beams, multiple transponders (1000+), and variable power transmitters (which would be serviced in-place) could cover the western hemisphere, providing a host of communication possibilities. Some concepts which could be realized are:

1. Direct-to-home broadcasting.
2. Small (aperture) antenna usage (1 to 3 foot diameter).
3. Personal communications (to wristwatch type transceivers).
4. Manned space communications center.

In addition to improving the space transponder systems, schemes for bandwidth reduction for video broadcasting must be developed. Systems that employ fast transforms and statistical signal reconstruction are already in the works. With the advent of large scale micro-storage and very quick miniature computers, extremely wide bandwidth will no longer be required for high quality color video signals.





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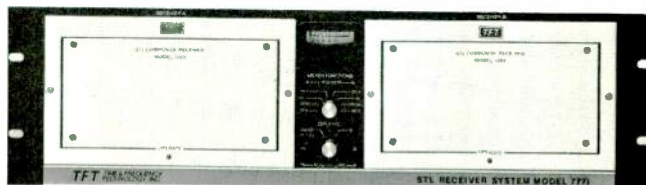
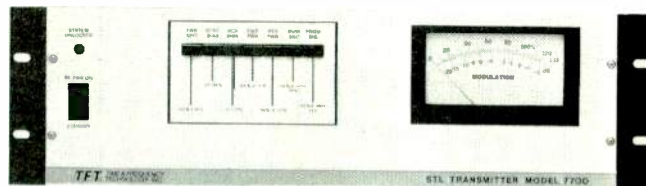
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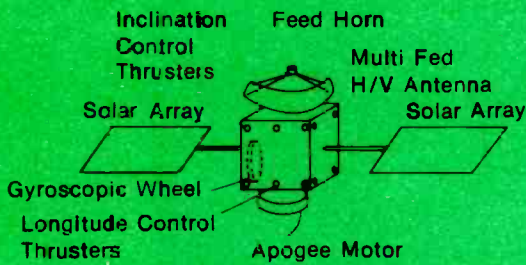


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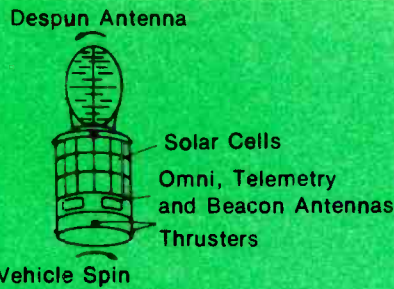
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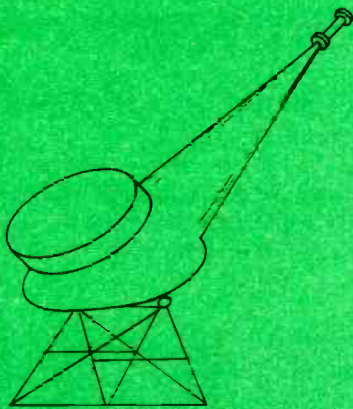
dant high-powered traveling wave tube amplifiers. A signal is received by the satellite in the 6GHz frequency band and re-transmitted in the 4GHz band. A transponder normally has a bandwidth of 36MHz. Complicated switching and distribution takes place within the satellite as part of the redundant amplifier and horn feed system. This plumbers nightmare is designed to be compact and provide for very low loss.

**Power Systems.** After a satellite is in orbit it must have a good deal of power to operate all the on-board systems. Large solar arrays that tap the direct energy of the sun provide a steady power source except for the times that the light from the sun is eclipsed by the earth. For these periods (which may amount to an

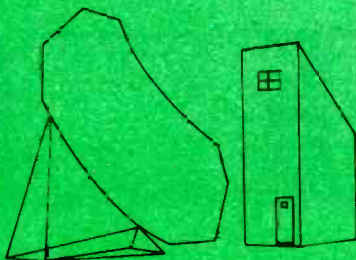
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**Thrusters.** In both types of spacecraft, spin stabilized and three axis stabilized, small thruster rockets mounted in strategic positions permit positive control over momentum and changing space conditions. An on-board computer and telemetry control firing of these rockets to maintain proper attitude and inclination. Controlled low thrusts of less than a third of a second are quite common.

The numerous thrust rockets mounted about a satellite are critically-machined devices that cost around \$1000 each. Preheating of the thruster orifices is available on command for increasing the unilateral vector of thrust from the rocket. This preheating is one application of the spacecraft on-

board power system.

**Sensors.** Monitoring and controlling the many systems on-board a satellite and in the vehicles near space requires a number of sensors that normally correct analogue measurements to data for handling by space and earth computers. Some of the parameters sensed are: earth position, sun position, magnetic field, solar array position, solar array power, battery power, battery drain, battery charge and charge rate, fuel on board, gyro wheel or despin motor rpm, transmitter amplifier parameters, receiver parameters, temperature, micro meteorites, thruster status, and telemetry transmitter and receivers. Most of these sensor (transducer) circuits are redundant.

Thus, a satellite is a complex and delicate instrument that must be designed to withstand the harsh environs of space as well as the hazards of launch and transfer. Satellites have become quite sophisticated over the last 20 years, but satellite design is still in its infancy. As more engineers are trained in space vehicle design and as circuitry improves, the next 20 years should show vast improvements in lifetime sophistication of communications satellites.

## How To Specify An Earth Station

There are many things to be considered in planning a TV Receive-Only (TVRO) earth station, especially because the system must be capable of receiving high-quality video and audio for rebroadcasting. The following steps should be taken by prospective earth station owners to make the start-up task simpler.

### Step 1: Selecting the satellite

Determine which communications satellites (Satcom, Weststar, Comstar) are to be received and which transponder(s) on the satellite(s) the programming will be transmitted on. This year, there will be increased use of Weststar and Comstar satellites because of the loss of Satcom III causing some schedule juggling. It will be necessary to make certain the site selected is capable of viewing the whole satellite arc from 85° to 140° West longitude.



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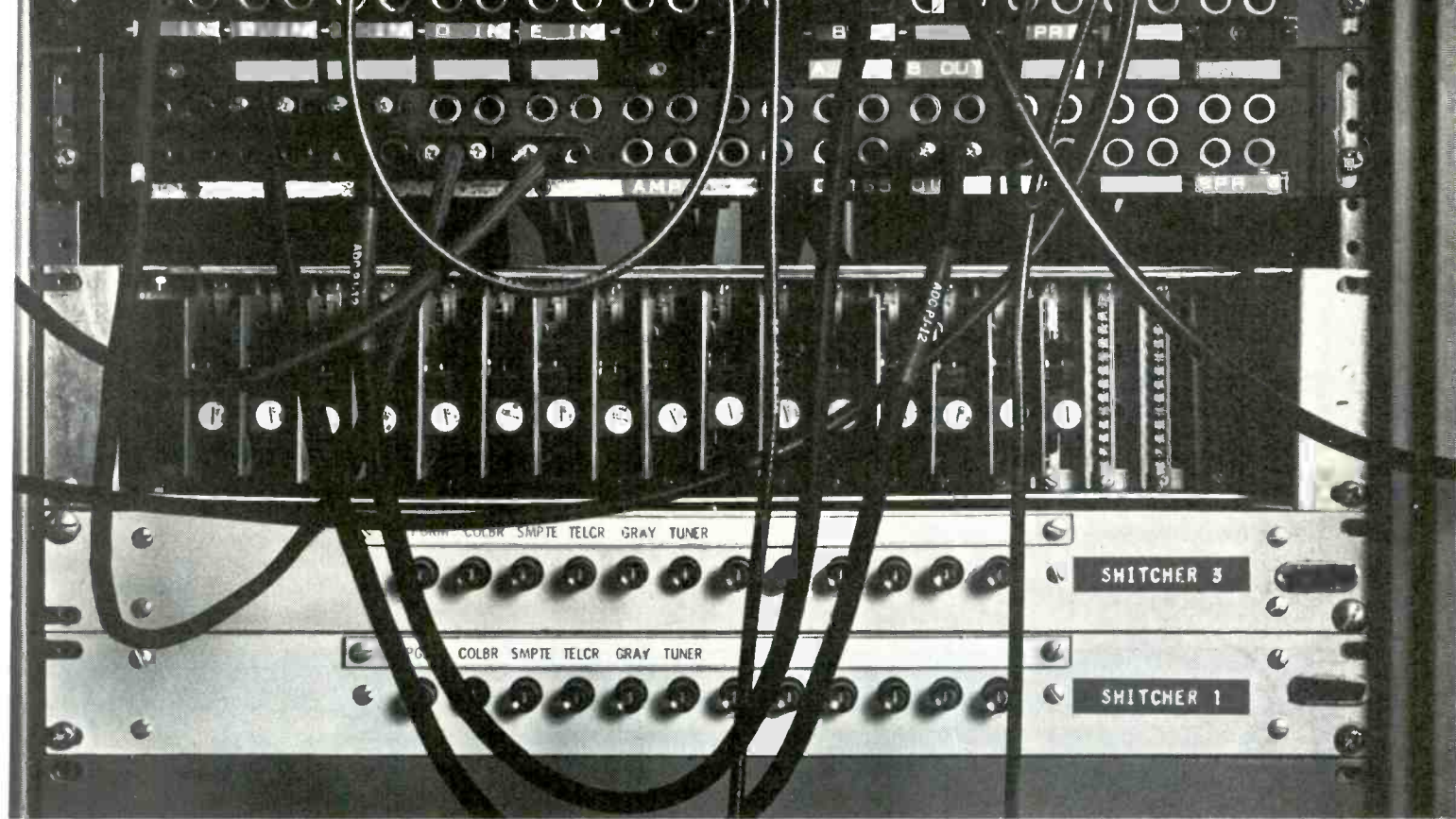
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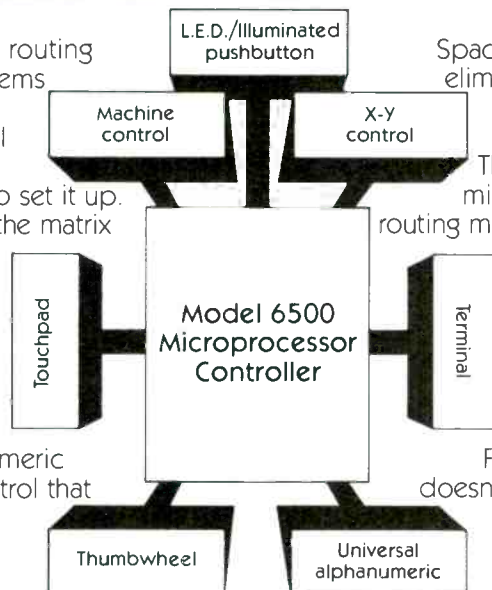


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#### Step 2: The feasibility study

Conduct a feasibility study for each earth station (receive site) proposed. This study should include:

(A) Latitude/longitude and elevation identification.

(B) Determination of any terrestrial interference, such as microwave or radar.

There are a number of services available that, using a computer data base, can determine potential interfering sources by azimuth and signal strength. The FCC requires

this type of interference identification in the license application. Prior to contacting a search bureau, obtain a geographic survey map and determine zone latitude and longitude and indications of mean sea level. An X marking the site location will help the service bureau retained for the feasibility studies.

(C) Determine the physical feasibility of mounting the antenna and associated hardware at the receive site.

The location must have a clear sight to the southwest sky for locations in the Eastern or Central United States or to the south for locations in the western states. There should be no obstacles more than 50 feet high within about 100 yards of the site. Constraints at an existing broadcast or cable facility that do not meet these qualifications may require a good deal of engineering.

There are three general types of antennas from which to choose: a spherical antenna, a simple parabolic reflector, or a small aperture horn. The spherical antenna allows the use of multiple feeds, thereby reducing the number of large, single-use reflectors, if multiple satellites are to be received at the

sight. The spherical or torus antenna has just become commercially available. As many as four satellites may now be receiving simultaneously, or in quick succession by moving the feed horn. The spherical antenna system takes up more ground space than one small parabolic antenna, but less than two or more. However, a multiple feed spherical antenna costs more than standard off-the-shelf parabolics.

Be certain that the gain of the antenna and the side lobe characteristics meet FCC requirements for license filing. The spherical antenna, being a relatively new device, has had less commercial experimentation than the horn or the parabolic reflector antennas.

In addition to antenna selection, determine the boresight angle (including the FCC pre-requisite side lobes) making certain that it clears any obstacles near the antenna site. In certain cases, receive-only earth station owners have actually mounted their antennas in a hole in the ground or in a screened off area to shield it from terrestrial interference and to provide a site aesthetically pleasing to neighbors. Complaints from neighbors about a large antenna affecting the environment

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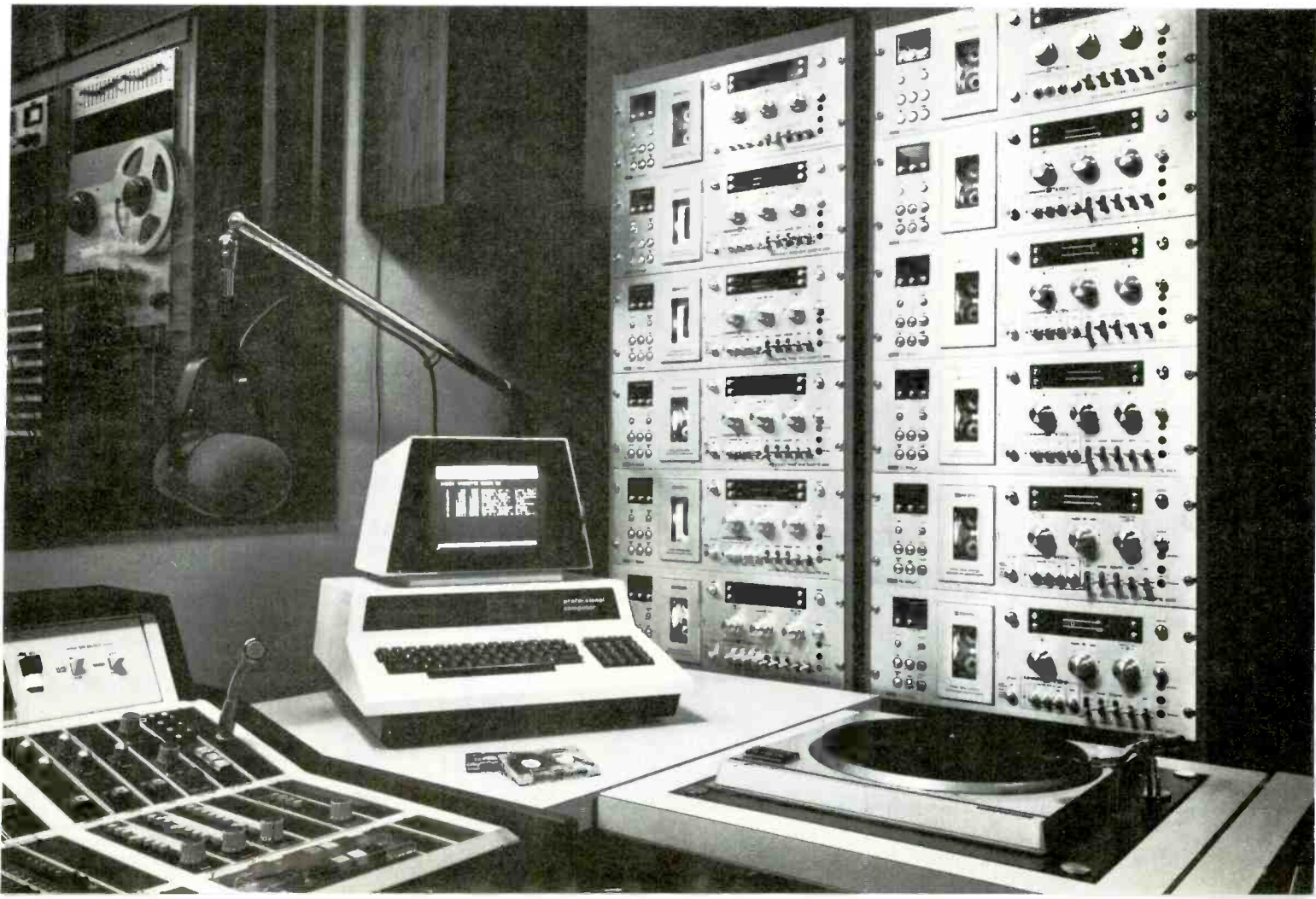
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can quell the filing and license.

Another factor to consider is weather.

In cold regions, ice or heavy snow build-up can reduce frequency/gain characteristics of the antenna. Consider a radome de-icer or take steps to keep ice and snow from covering the antenna.

(D) Once the site has been chosen, establish the satellite footprint and calculate the gain needed for that site. Satellite footprints, from the standpoint of effective isotropic radiated power, differ around the conus (contiguous United States). An antenna gain or station G/T

which is sufficient in Wisconsin may not be adequate in Florida.

### Step 3: Processing the paperwork

Preparing clearance, exhibits, filings and FCC license data can be time-consuming. The FCC requires data to be prepared both technically and financially, but will gladly furnish the license forms and documents.

The FCC application forms must indicate the geographic coordinates of the earth station including the city, county and state. Proof of ownership, or option to buy or lease the land on which the earth station

is to be constructed, should also be included. An overall technical description of the facility will be required, beginning with the major components, such as the antenna, low-noise amplifiers (LNAs), antenna feeds, transmission lines, transceivers, etc. The manufacturer's type will be necessary on all the major equipment.

Drawings of the facility plans, the antenna construction and location, and the electrical/electronic functional diagrams of the TVRO must also be included. The intended use of the earth station, the number of transponders to be received, and the plans for programming should also be provided.

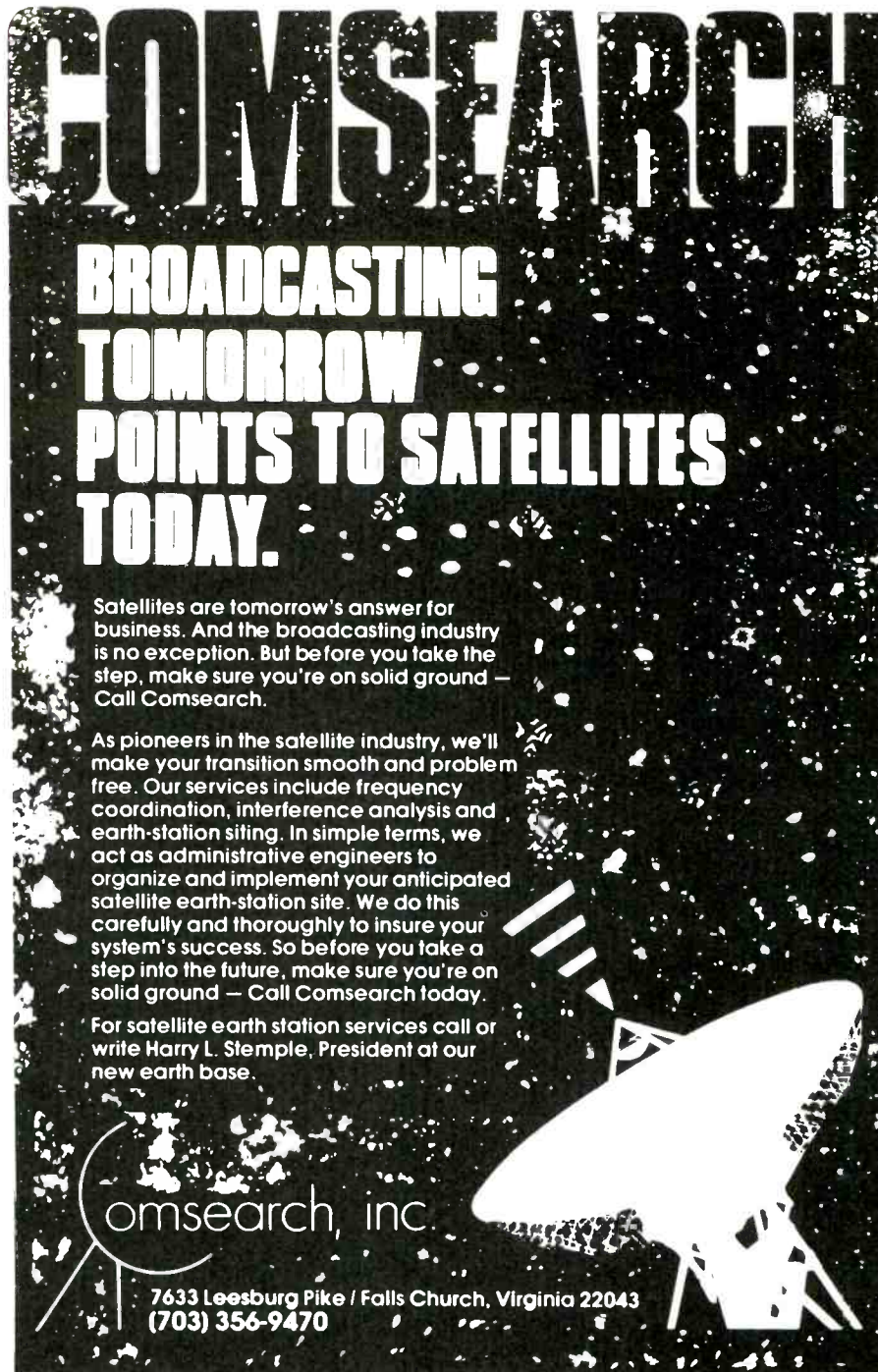
The TVRO applicant must also specify the amount of time required to build the earth station, a date for completion and the estimated total cost of the station, including the land, buildings, transmitting and receiving equipment, antennas, engineering, installation, etc. If this TVRO is part of a downlink or uplink for a particular service, this should be specified.

Finally, a comprehensive description of the antenna facility must be provided on the TVRO application. The FCC requires:

- A description of the antenna: manufacturer, model, diameter and the type of feed.
- Description of the mounting of the antenna, including the range of elevation and azimuth over which the antenna will be moved.
- Gain patterns (these will be provided by the manufacturer of the antenna) and, particularly, a statement concerning antenna performance according to the standards specified by the rules and regulations, Part 25.
- The frequency range over which the antenna will operate, this is usually the entire TVRO segment microwave band from 3.7 to 4.1 GHz.
- The main beam width of the antenna and a full description of the 3dB down bandwidth.
- The polarization capable of the antenna (both horizontal and vertical).
- The noise temperature at the receiving system at the operational elevation angle.
- The elevation of the antenna base above mean sea level (the height of the antenna center-line above the antenna base and, also, the maximum antenna height above the antenna base).

### Step 4: Designing the earth station facility

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factors to be considered because earth stations can range from simple single frequency/polarity units to rather complex multi-antenna/multi-amplifier or receiver systems. To receive more than one transponder or source of programming, an agile receiver or separate/single frequency receiver is needed (although an agile receiver is far more economical). A single antenna with multiple feed horns (and again at far more expense) or multiple dishes are required if more than one satellite is to be accessed. For those who wish to select various satellites with one parabolic antenna, motor control or azimuth and altitude angle of the antenna are provided. However, these are quite costly and require a degree of maintenance.

Alarm systems and backup systems are also important for a TVRO providing programming for a broadcast entity or cable system. There are numerous combinations that include multiple low noise amplifiers, multiple or redundant receivers and alarm systems that detect the loss of video and automatically switch amplifiers or receivers.

Many equipment vendors provide total earth station design, but TVRO owners often find that it is most economical to have their facility custom designed and to use the best of each possible vendor in such a figuration.

#### Step 5: Selecting vendors

A number of manufacturers serve the TVRO field, and the list of such vendors has grown over the last five years.

Important considerations in studying hardware from manufacturers are: price; availability; delivery; warranties, and the vendor's expertise in installation and construction; the interfacability with other equipment in the plant or existing earth station.

A bid document specifying the exact nature and type of the earth station and the functional component parts should be developed even if the equipment is not sent for bids. Such a document provides a better accounting of the hardware and cost than using shotgun purchasing that can be costly.

#### Step 6. Construction and assembly

After all the hardware has been purchased, the earth station can be assembled. Most skilled technicians and engineers are capable of installing a complete earth station from the mechanical work on the antenna mounting and boresighting to the rf, video and audio systems. Often

manufacturers provide mounting templates and instructions for directing the TVRO antenna once it is in place.

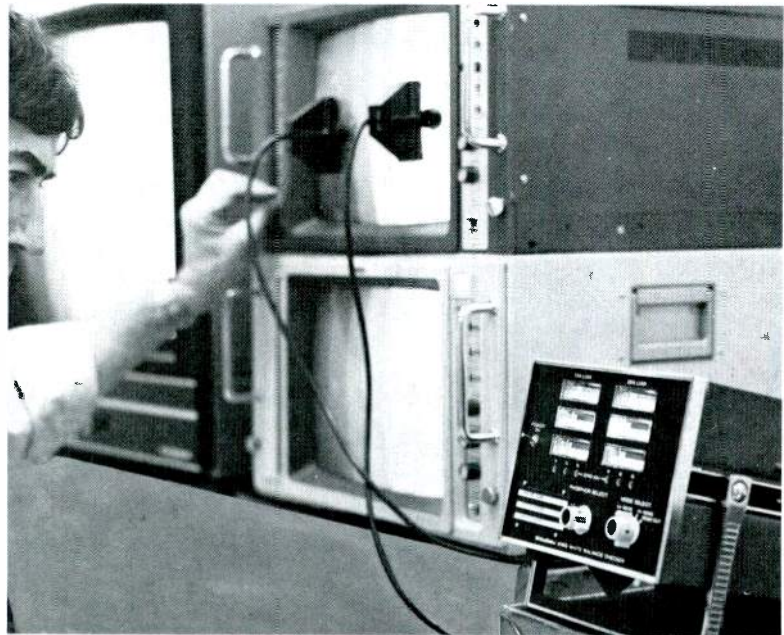
#### Summary

There are a number of things that must be taken in consideration when thinking about designing a TVRO facility. Because more programming will become available, on more and more satellites, the capability of looking at almost any of the satellites at an arc from about 80° to 140° will soon become a prerequisite.

Multiple agile receivers will be

necessary if it is desired to switch transponders in a second or so, or if the satellite programming is a large part of the operating schedules. Receivers, LNAS and dishes are becoming less expensive as more are built and manufacturing techniques are refined. Also, as an increasing number of amateur satellite receiver hobbyists develop new ways of reception and unique applications of hardware, it seems that in the near future an earth station will become as much of a part of any broadcasting or cable facility as a TV camera or video recorder. □

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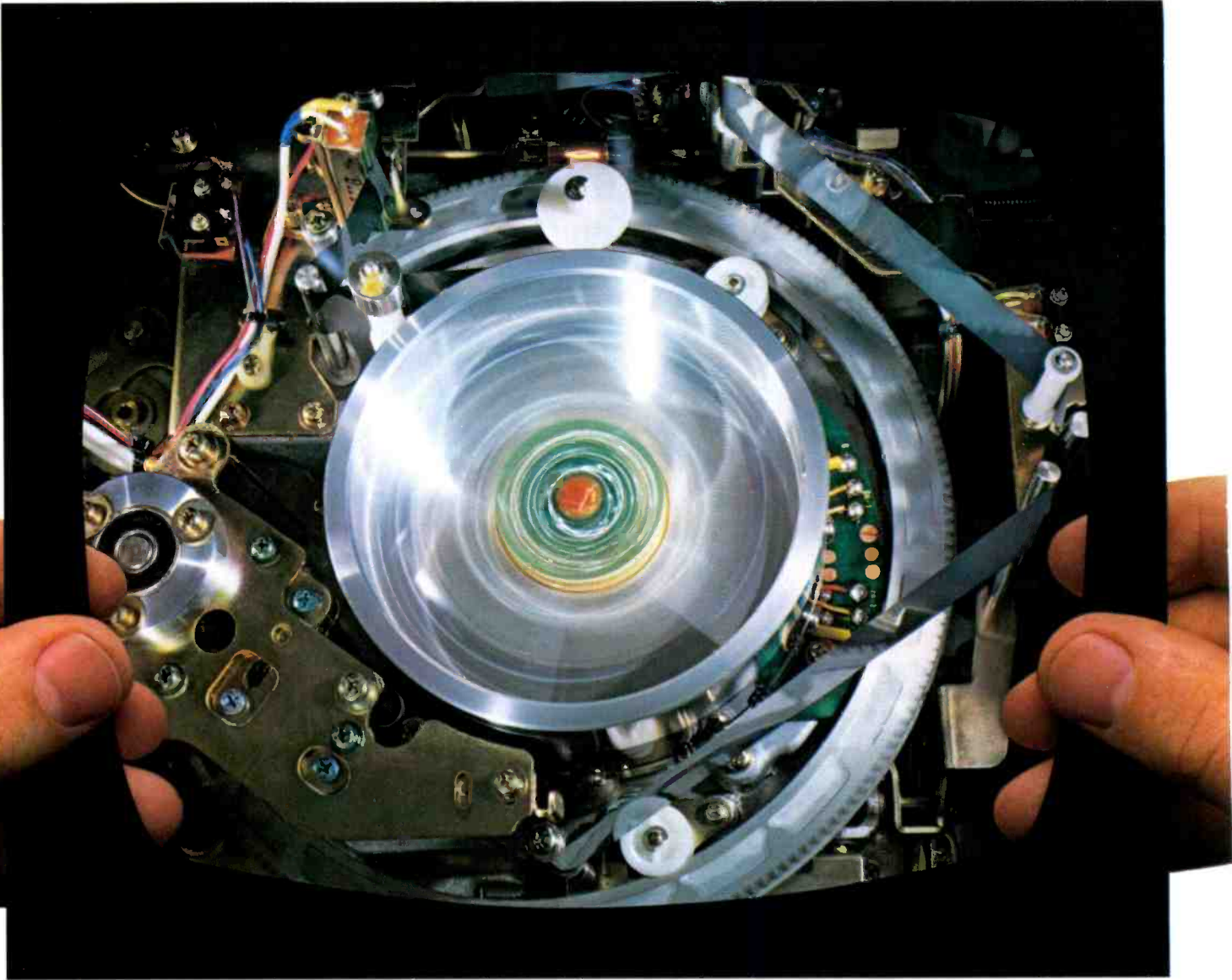
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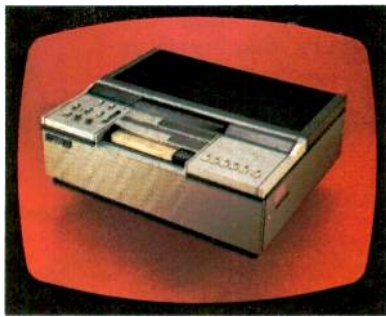
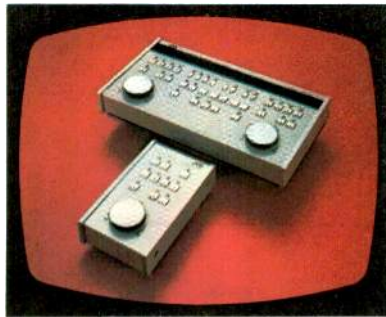
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The June issue of **Broadcast Engineering** presented an in-depth review of hot topics at NAB-'80 Las Vegas and a comprehensive coverage of new products exhibited. The listings below continue **BE's** June coverage so that you can request data on equipment needed in your facility. And, as indicated in June, selected new equipment at NAB-'80 will be covered as hardware reports in future issues of **BE**.

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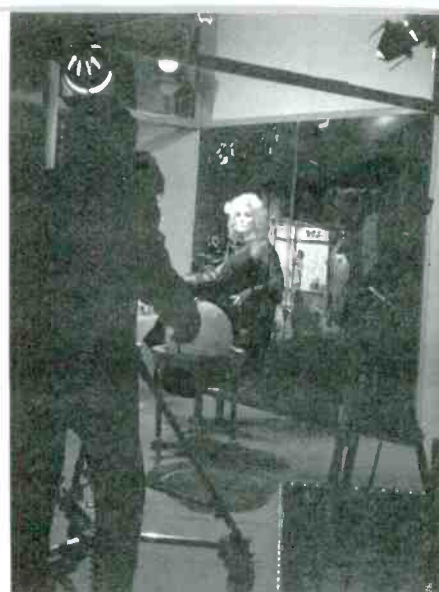
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automation system; digital VTRs; and fiber optics systems were all displayed. Included were the following: BCN 50 Videotape Machines, FDL-60 Digital Telecine, BCN-100 Automatic 1-inch Multicassette VTR, Compositor I Character Generator, KCK Studio Cameras, Mach One VTR Editing System, TVS/TAS 1000 Switcher, TCS-1 Machine Control and Broadcast Automation Bosch Fernseh Broadcast Monitors, and TCF-3000 Film Camera. Telecine, TDF-2 Noise Filter.

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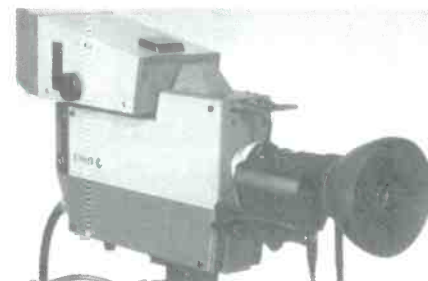
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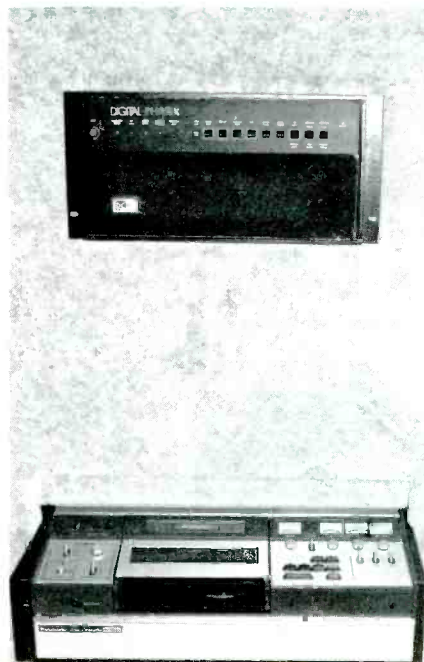
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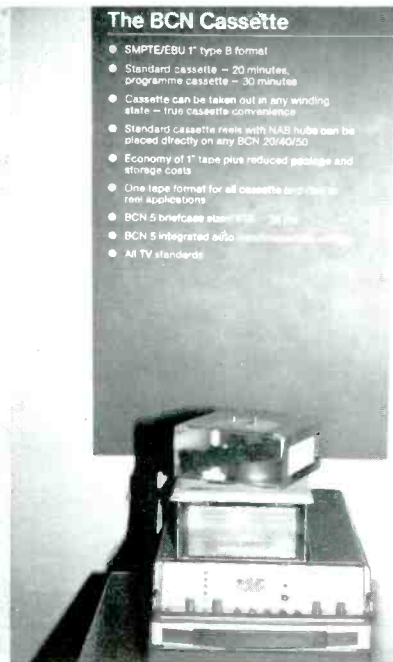
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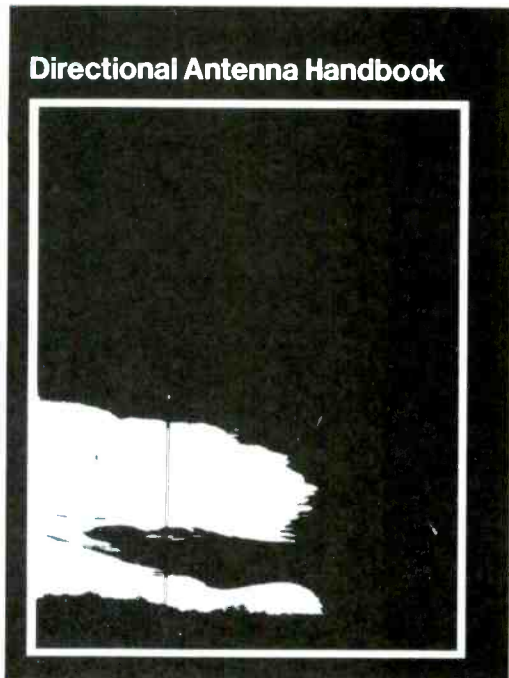
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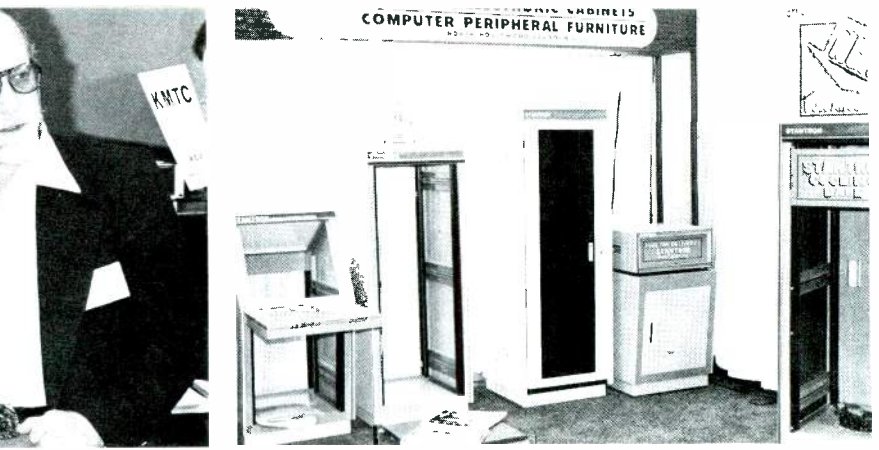
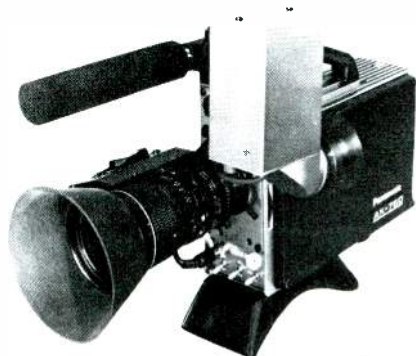
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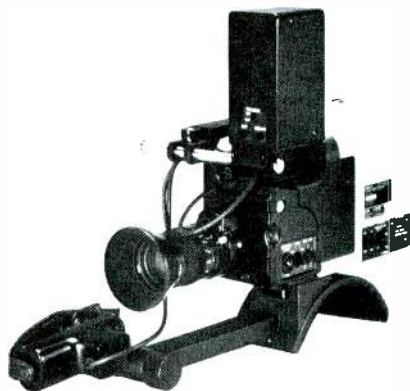
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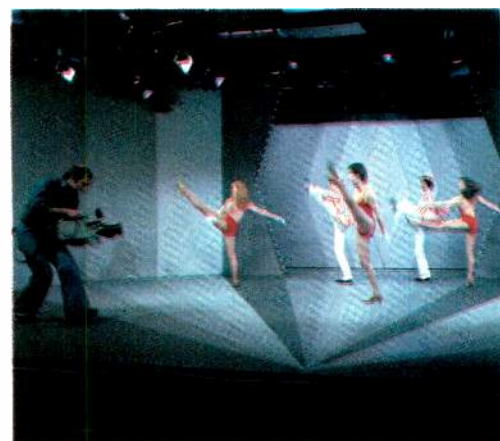
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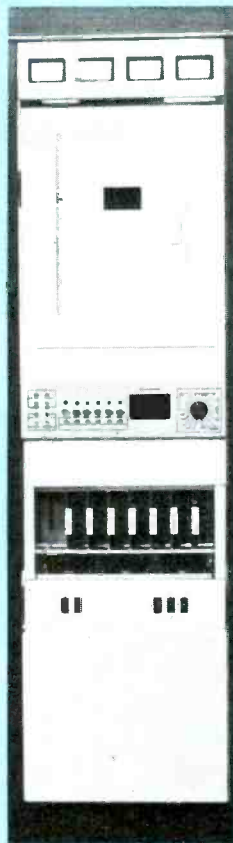
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**S-100** single tube Saticon camera with zoom microphone. Pattern of mic changes electrically as lens is zoomed.

**VM-1200 LU** disc recorder for slow motion or random access storage up to 600 frames. Available with either type of controller. □

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On page 133 of the June issue the side-by-side pictures for Sony and Sintronic got interchanged. For added clarification, the picture above is of the Sony booth with Roger Pryor, general manager, Sony Digital Audio demonstrating one of the Sony PCM systems at NAB. On the wall is shown the schematic circuit for simulcasting digital/audio signals, users of digital audio processors, and records mastered on the Sony digital audio system.

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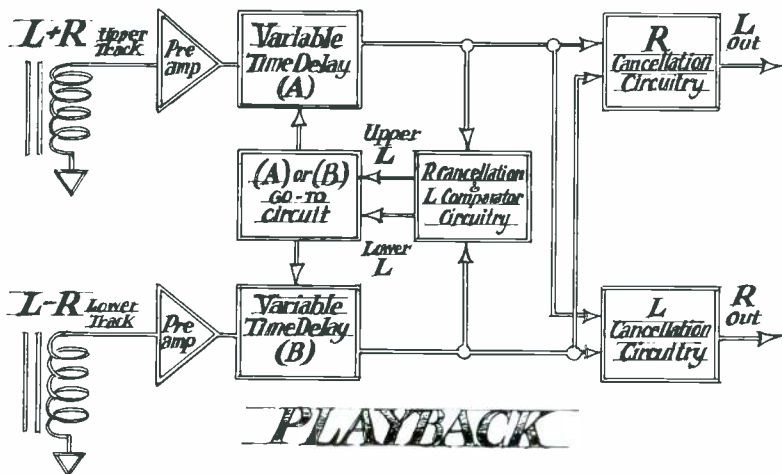
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# Worldwide Color TV Standards: Similarities and Differences

By D. H. Pritchard and J. J. Gibson, RCA Laboratories, Princeton, NJ

**This 2-part presentation summarizes the NTSC, PAL and SECAM color television system standards, pointing out the basic similarities as well as main differences in areas such as bandwidths, field and frame rates, synchronizing approaches, and color encoding techniques. The intent of this material is not to compare system performances but rather to review the technical standardization characteristics pertinent to the topic of international exchange of images. Part II will be presented in the September issue.**

## Introduction

A simple, concise, summary of the similarities and differences in the ever-changing color television system techniques and standards employed throughout the world is difficult to achieve as evidenced by the efforts of the International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) in attempting to establish the elusive universal system. Nevertheless, it is hoped that this tutorial review and update may be useful for those who want a conceptual overview of the technical situation.

The picture performance of a motion picture system in one location in the world is generally the same as in any other location. Thus, international exchange of film programming is comparatively straightforward.

Not so in the case of broadcast color television systems. The lack of compatibility has its origins in many factors, such as constraints in communications channel allocations and techniques, differences in power sources, network requirements, pick-up and display technology and political considerations relating to international telecommunications agreements.

This paper provides a tutorial review of the technical standardization characteristics pertinent to the problem of international exchange of images.

## Background

The most outstanding as well as controversial effort of the XIth Plenary Assembly of the CCIR held in Oslo in 1966 was an attempt at standardization of color television systems by the contributing countries of the world. The discussions pertaining to the possibility of a universal system proved inconclusive. Therefore, the CCIR, instead of issuing a unanimous recommendation for a single system, was forced to only issue a report describing the characteristics and recommendations for a variety of proposed systems. It was, therefore, left to the controlling organizations of the individual countries to make their own choice as to which standard to adopt.

This outcome was not totally surprising since one of the primary requirements for any color television system is compatibility with a co-existing monochrome system. In many cases, the monochrome standards already existed and were dictated by such factors as

local power line frequencies—relevant to field and frame rates—as well as radio frequency channel allocations and pertinent telecommunications agreements.

Thus, such technical factors as line number, field rate, video bandwidth, modulation technique and sound carrier frequencies were predetermined and varied in many regions of the world. The ease by which international exchange of program material may be accomplished is thereby hampered and is accomplished at present by means of standards conversion techniques, or transcoders, with varying degrees of loss in quality.

On the other hand, these techniques have provided surprisingly good service in more recent years with the growing use of satellite relays coupled with the advances in digital signal processing technology in both video and audio domains. In view of this rapidly expanding situation, and recognizing that even more countries are arriving at the decision point every year, particularly in Latin America (Region II), it becomes apparent that a clear understanding of the implications of system variations has a high order of priority for those involved in international live television broadcast and film/videotape programming exchange.

The data quoted herein are referenced to the recent recommendations of the XIVth Plenary Assembly of the CCIR held in Kyoto, Japan in 1978. It should be recognized that the situation is of a continually shifting nature, and future decisions can, and no doubt will, alter some of the details.

## Monochrome-compatible color TV systems

To achieve success in the introduction of a color television system, it is essential that the color system be fully compatible with the existing black-and-white system. That is, monochrome receivers must be able to produce high-quality black-and-white images from a color broadcast, and color receivers must produce high-quality black-and-white images from monochrome broadcasts. The first such color television system to be placed into commercial broadcast service was developed in the US. On December 17, 1953, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved transmission standards and authorized broadcasters, as of January 23, 1954, to provide regular service to the public under these standards. This decision was the culmination of the work of the National

Television System Committee (NTSC) upon whose recommendation the FCC action was based.<sup>1</sup> Subsequently, this system, now referred to as the NTSC system, was adopted by Canada, Japan, Mexico and others.

In 1980, 26 years later, these standards are still providing color television service of good quality that testifies to the validity and applicability of the fundamental principles underlying the choice of specific techniques and numerical standards.

The previous existence of monochrome television standards provided a foundation upon which to build the necessary innovative techniques while simultaneously imposing the requirement of compatibility. Within this framework, an underlying theme—that which the eye does not see does not need to be transmitted nor reproduced—set the stage for a variety of fascinating developments in what has been characterized as an "economy of representation."<sup>1</sup>

The countries of Europe delayed the adoption of a color television system, and in the years between 1953 and 1967, a number of alternative systems that were compatible with the 625-line, 50-field existing monochrome systems were devised. The development of these systems was, to some extent, influenced by the fact that the technology necessary to implement some of the NTSC requirements was still in its infancy. Thus, many of the differences between the NTSC and other systems are due to technological rather than theoretical considerations.

Most of the basic techniques of NTSC are incorporated into the other system approaches. For example, the use of wideband luminance and relatively narrowband chrominance, following the teachings of the principle of mixed highs, is involved in all systems. Similarly, the concept of providing horizontal interlace for reducing the visibility of the color subcarrier(s) is followed in all approaches. This feature is required to reduce the visibility of color information carrying signals contained within the same frequency range as the coexisting monochrome signal, thus maintaining a high order of compatibility.

An early system that received approval was proposed by Henri de France of the Compagnie Francaise de Télévision of Paris. It was argued that if color could be relatively band-limited in the horizontal direction, it could also be band-limited in the vertical direction. Thus, the necessary two pieces of coloring information could be transmitted as subcarrier modulation that is sequentially transmitted on alternate lines—thereby avoiding the possibility of unwanted crosstalk between color signal components. Thus, at the receiver, a one-line memory (commonly referred to as a 1-H delay element) must be employed to store one line to then be concurrent with the following line. Then a linear matrix of the Red (R) and Blue (B) signal components is used to produce the third Green (G) component. Of course this necessitates the addition of a line-switching identification technique.

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Such an approach, designated as SE-quential Couleur Aver Mémoire, sequential color signals plus a memory (SECAM), was developed and adopted by France and the USSR, and broadcast service began in France in 1967.

The implementation technique of a 1-H delay element led to the development, largely through the efforts of Walter von Bruch of Telefunken Company, of the Phase Alternation Line system referred to as PAL. This approach was aimed at overcoming an implementation problem of NTSC that requires a high order of phase and amplitude integrity (skew-symmetry) of the transmission path characteristics around the color subcarrier to prevent color quadrature distortion. The line-by-line alternation of the phase of one of the color signal components averages any colorimetric distortions to the observer's eye to that of the correct value. The system in its simplest form (simple PAL), however, results in line flicker (Hanover bars). The use of a 1-H delay device in the receiver greatly alleviates this problem (standard PAL). PAL systems also require a line identification technique.

The standard PAL system has been adopted by numerous countries in continental Europe as well as a version in the UK. Public broadcasting began in 1967 in Germany and the UK using two slightly different PAL systems.

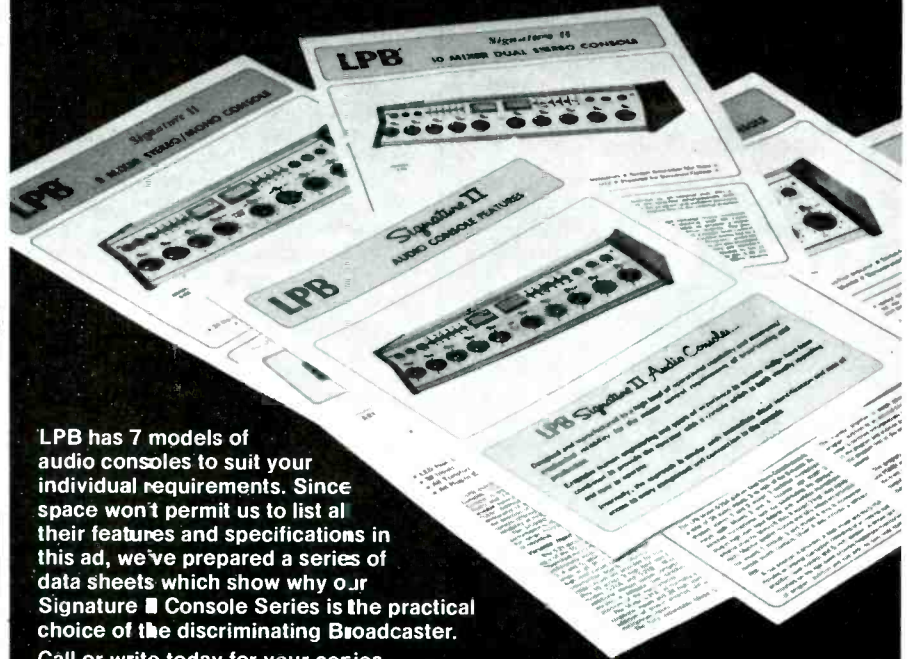
#### NTSC, PAL, SECAM systems overview

To better understand the equalities and differences in systems used today, a familiarization with the basic principles of NTSC, PAL and SECAM is required. As previously stated, because many NTSC basic techniques are involved in PAL and SECAM, a thorough knowledge of NTSC is necessary in order to understand PAL and SECAM.

The same R, G and B pick-up devices and the same three primary color display devices are used in all systems. The basic camera function is to analyze the spectral distribution of the light from the scene in terms of its R, G and B components on a point-by-point basis as determined by the scanning rates. The three resulting electrical signals must then be transmitted over a band-limited communications channel to control the three-color display device to make the perceived color at the receiver appear essentially the same as the perceived color at the scene.

It is useful to introduce the definition of color as being a psychophysical property of light—specifically, the combination of those characteristics of light that produces the sensations of brightness, hue, and saturation as shown in Fig. 1. Brightness refers to the relative intensity; hue refers to that attribute of color that allows separation into spectral groups perceived as red, green, yellow, etc. (the dominant wavelength in scientific terms); and saturation is the degree to which a color deviates from a neutral gray of the same brightness—called purity, pastel, vividness, etc. These three characteristics represent the different information necessary to define and/or re-create a specific color stimulus.

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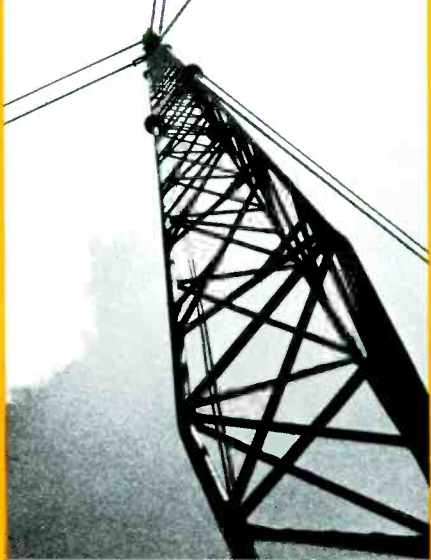
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This concept is useful to communication engineers in developing encoding and decoding techniques to efficiently compress the required information within a given channel bandwidth and to subsequently recombine the specific color signal values in the proper proportions at the reproducer. The NTSC color standards define the first commercially broadcast process for achieving this result.

A preferred signal arrangement was developed that resulted in reciprocal compatibility with monochrome pictures and is transmitted within the existing monochrome channel as shown in Fig. 2. Thus, one signal (luminance) is chosen in all approaches to occupy the wide-band portion of the channel and to convey the brightness as well as the detail information content. A second signal, termed chrominance signal, representative of the chromatic attributes of hue and saturation, is assigned less channel width in accord with the

attributes of human vision that do not require full three-color reproduction over its entire range of resolution, commonly referred to as the mixed-highs principle.

Another principle employed in all systems involves arranging the chrominance and luminance signals within the same frequency band without excessive mutual interference. Recognition that the scanning process, being equivalent to sampled-data techniques, produces signal components largely concentrated in uniformly spaced groups across the channel width led to introduction of the concept of horizontal frequency interlace (dot interlace). The color subcarrier frequency is so chosen as to be an odd multiple of one-half line rate (in the case of NTSC) such that the phase of the subcarrier is exactly opposite on successive scanning lines. This substantially reduces the subjective visibility of the color signal dot pattern components. Thus, the major differences between

- **BRIGHTNESS (Luminance):**  
RELATIVE INTENSITY OF THE COLOR
- **HUE**  
THE ATTRIBUTE THAT ALLOWS DESIGNATION IN TERMS OF RED, YELLOW, BLUE, etc. (Dominant wavelength)
- **SATURATION**  
DEGREE TO WHICH A COLOR DEVIATES FROM A NEUTRAL GRAY OF THE SAME BRIGHTNESS - PURITY, PASTEL, VIVIDNESS, etc.

Fig. 1. Basic Definition of Color.

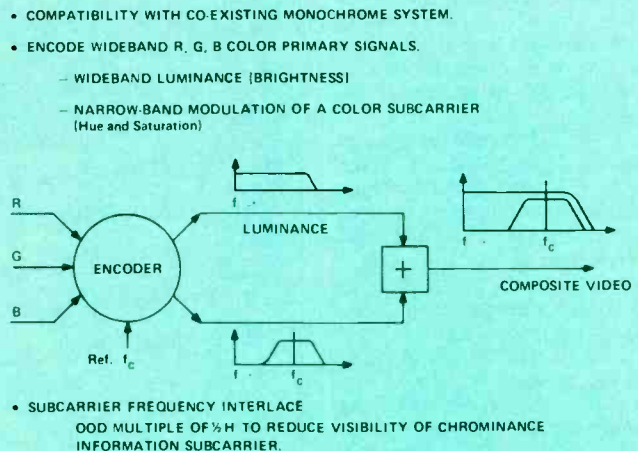


Fig. 2. Basic Communications Channel Principles Applied to Color TV.

- **ALL SYSTEMS:**
  - THREE-PRIMARY ADDITIVE COLORIMETRIC PRINCIPLES
  - SIMILAR CAMERA PICK UP AND RECEIVER DISPLAY TECHNOLOGY
  - WIDEBAND LUMINANCE AND NARROW-BAND COLOR
- **COMPATIBILITY WITH CO-EXISTING MONOCHROME SYSTEM:**
  - INTRODUCES FIRST ORDER DIFFERENCES
    - LINE NUMBER
    - FIELD/FIELD RATES
    - BANDWIDTH
    - FREQUENCY ALLOCATION
- **MAJOR DIFFERENCES IN COLOR TECHNIQUES**
  - NTSC - PHASE AND AMPLITUDE QUADRATURE MODULATION OF INTERLACED SUBCARRIER
  - PAL - SIMILAR TO NTSC BUT WITH LINE ALTERNATION OF "V" COMPONENT
  - SECAM - FREQUENCY MODULATION OF LINE SEQUENTIAL COLOR SUBCARRIERS

Fig. 3. General Comparison of Worldwide TV Systems.



the three main systems of NTSC, PAL, and SECAM are in the specific modulating processes used for encoding and transmitting the chrominance information. A summary is indicated in Fig. 3.

The following four sections discuss the basic television systems in technical detail, including some never implemented. A summary and comparisons of system standards and specifications appear in a later section.

### NTSC color system

The importance of the colorimetric concept of brightness, hue, and saturation comprising the three pieces of information necessary to analyze or re-create a specific color value becomes evident in the formation of the composite color television NTSC format.

The luminance, or monochrome, signal is formed by addition of specific proportions of the R, G, B signals and occupies the total available video bandwidth of 0-4.2MHz. The NTSC, PAL, and SECAM systems all use the same luminance (Y) signal formation, differing only in available bandwidths.

The Y-signal components have relative voltage values representative of the brightness sensation in the human eye. Therefore, the red (E<sub>R</sub>), green (E<sub>G</sub>), and blue (E<sub>B</sub>) components are tailored in proportion to the standard luminosity curve at the particular values of the dominant wavelengths of the three color primaries chosen for color TV. Thus, the luminance signal make-up for all systems, as normalized to white, is as follows:

$$E_Y = 0.299 E_R + 0.587 E_G + 0.114 E_B \quad (1)$$

The equations for the chrominance signal components are given in Fig. 4. Signals representative of the chromaticity information (hue and saturation) that relate to the difference between the luminance signal and the basic R, G, B signals are generated in a linear matrix. This new set of signals is termed color-difference signals and is designated as R-Y, G-Y and B-Y. These signals modulate a subcarrier that is combined with the luminance component and passed through a common communications channel. At the receiver, the color difference signals are detected, separated, and individually added to the luminance signal in three separate paths

\*The signal of Eq. 1 would be exactly equal to the output of a linear monochrome camera tube with ideal spectral sensitivity if the red, green, and blue camera tubes were also linear devices with theoretically correct spectral-sensitivity curves. In practice, the red, green, and primary signals are deliberately made nonlinear to accomplish gamma correction (adjust the slope of the input/output transfer characteristic). The prime mark (2) denotes a gamma-corrected signal.

+The IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronics Terms notes that in constant-luminance transmission the sole control of luminance is provided by the luminance signal and no control of luminance is provided by the chrominance signal. Noise signals falling within the bandwidth of the chrominance channel produce only chromaticity variations which, if coarse-structured, are subjectively less objectionable than correspondingly coarse-structured luminance variations.

to re-create the original R, G and B signals according to:

$$E_Y + E_{(R-Y)} = E_Y + E_R - E_Y = E_R$$

$$E_Y + E_{(G-Y)} = E_Y + E_G - E_Y = E_G \quad (2)$$

$$E_Y + E_{(B-Y)} = E_Y + E_B - E_Y = E_B$$

In the case of NTSC, two other color-difference signals, designated I and Q, are formed at the transmitter and used to modulate the color subcarrier, indicated in Fig. 4. (The reason for the choice of I and Q signals is discussed later). It may be noted that the B-Y, R-Y, and G-Y color signal modulation components are the same in NTSC, PAL and SECAM.

Another reason for the choice of signal values in the NTSC system is that the eye is more responsive to spatial and temporal variations in luminance than it is to variations in chrominance. Therefore, the visibility of luminosity changes due to random noise and interference effects may be reduced by properly proportioning the relative chrominance gain and encoding angle values with respect to the luminance values. Thus, the principles of constant luminance† is incorporated into the system standards.1,2

The voltage outputs from the three camera tubes are adjusted to be equal when a scene reference white or neutral gray object is being scanned for the color temperature of the scene ambient. Under this condition, the color subcarrier also automatically becomes zero. The colorimetric values have been formulated by assuming that the reproducer will be adjusted for Illuminant C, representing the color of average daylight.

A CIE (Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage) chromaticity diagram indicating the primary color coordinates for NTSC, PAL, and SECAM is shown in Fig. 5. It is interesting to compare the television available color gamut relative to that of all color paint, pigment, film, and dye processes.

(Part 2 in September issue.)

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### LUMINANCE

$$E_Y = 0.299 E_R + 0.587 E_G + 0.114 E_B$$

(Common for all systems)

### CHROMINANCE:

#### NTSC

$$E_I = -0.274 E_G + 0.596 E_R - 0.322 E_B$$

$$E_Q = -0.522 E_G + 0.211 E_R + 0.311 E_B$$

$$B-Y = 0.493 (E_B - E_Y)$$

$$R-Y = 0.677 (E_R - E_Y)$$

$$G-Y = 1.413 (E_G - E_Y)$$

#### PAL

$$E_U = 0.493 (E_B - E_Y)$$

$$\pm E_V = \pm 0.877 (E_R - E_Y)$$

#### SECAM

$$D'_R = -1.9 (E_R - E_Y)$$

$$D'_B = 1.5 (E_B - E_Y)$$

Fig. 4. Color Signal Values for NTSC, PAL, and SECAM.

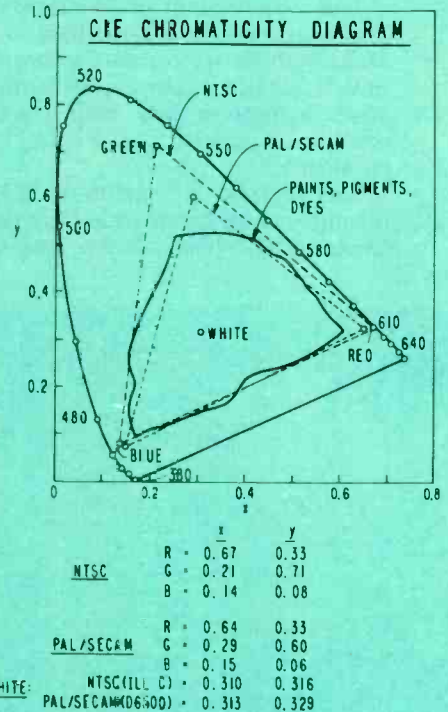


Fig. 5. CIE Chromaticity Diagram System Comparison. (See cover for color spectrum.)

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By Bill Rhodes, editorial director

- September 20-23, 1980
- 46,280 sq. ft. exhibit space
- Exhibit space sell-out

The upcoming International Broadcasting Convention (IBC) is to be held at the Metropole Conference and Exhibition Centre, Brighton, 20-23 September 1980, with a press preview planned for Friday 19 September.

This will be the eighth of these biennial conventions, which are now firmly established on the interna-

tional scene as one of the few that meet the specific requirements of those with interests in the wide technical field of broadcasting and allied services.

The primary aim of the IBC continues to be to provide a forum for the exchange of information and views on the latest trends and developments in broadcasting technology and an exhibition at which the latest broadcasting equipment and services can be displayed and demonstrated by leading world manufacturers and broadcasting organizations.

The move of the IBC this year from its traditional home in London to Brighton is to ensure that the

conference facilities and the exhibition areas are adequate to meet the continued growth of the IBC. The Metropole Conference and Exhibition Centre, a modern purpose-built complex with multiple conference rooms, provides some 70% more exhibition space than IBC 78 had.

As an indicator of the IBC popularity all exhibition space has been taken up. The accompanying table lists the current exhibitors, but changes are still anticipated. The floor plans included show locations for most exhibitors to help plan IBC exhibit visits, but these plans are still subject to change.

The technical sessions at IBC cover a broad range of topics.

## CONVENTION PROGRAM

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10.00 hrs			Technical Session: <i>Signal origination - Part 1</i>	Technical Sessions: <i>Teletext Transmitters and transposers</i>	Technical Sessions: <i>Recording and storage Satellites</i>
11.00 hrs		Ladies' Program Opens - LP1			
14.00 hrs	Registration Opens	Technical Session: <i>Broadcasting technology in the 80s</i>	Technical Sessions: <i>Signal origination - Part 2 Digital television coding standards Ladies' Program Visit - LP2</i>	Technical Sessions: <i>Signal processing Antennas and propagation Training and maintenance</i>	Technical Sessions: <i>Transmission and distribution Measurements Receivers</i>
18.00 hrs		Technical Session Closes	Technical Sessions Close	Technical Sessions Close	Technical Sessions Close
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19.00 hrs	Registration Closes	Registration Closes	Registration Closes	Registration Closes	Registration Closes
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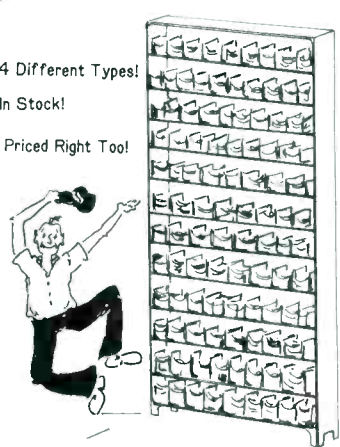
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**Saturday, September 20**

**BROADCASTING TECHNOLOGY IN THE '80s**

(Chairman: J.A. Flaherty)


- The coming crisis in television technology
- How will broadcast programs reach the home in the future?
- Wideband transmission by optical fibre systems
- The future of home viewing
- High-definition television system—signal standards and transmission

**Sunday, September 21**

**SIGNAL ORIGINATION I**

(Chairman: D.H. Mills)

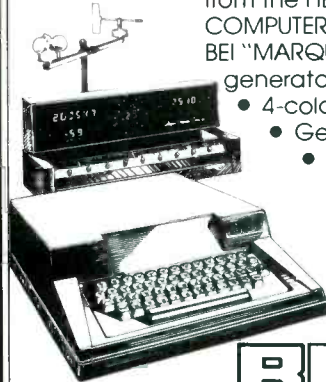
- A 385 x 576 picture element CCD image sensor for 625-line solid-state TV cameras
- The performance of solid state telecine
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- A TV camera with fibre-optical transmission
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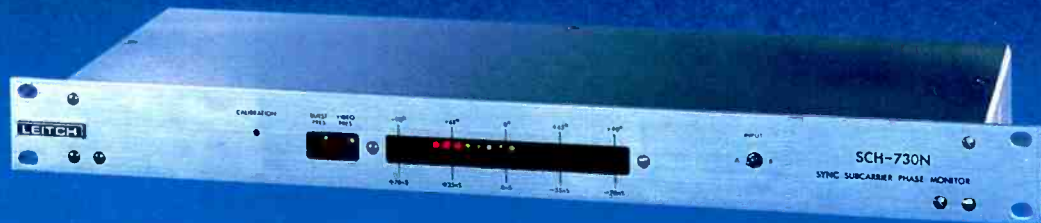
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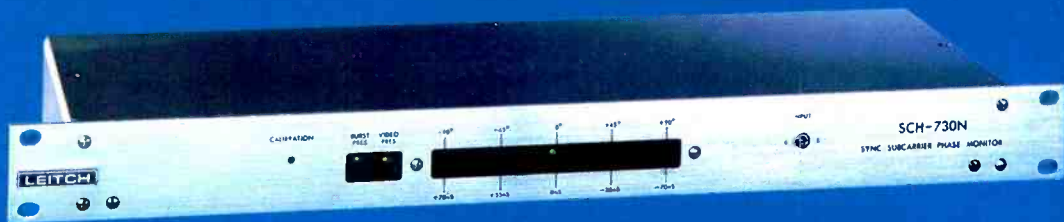


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- single pick-up tube
- Editing systems for single camera videotape production
- ENG—3 years later
- A roving eye outside broadcast vehicle

## SIGNAL ORIGATION II

(Chairman: P. Hansen)

- Some unusual aspects of the SABC's second television channel
- The third television network of the RAI—production facilities in the regional stations
- Practical computer graphics for television

- Computer graphics in BBC television
- A computer assisted dubbing system for modern television and film post production
- Television lighting—a review of changes in equipment and techniques

## DIGITAL TELEVISION CODING STANDARDS

(Chairman: P. Rainger)

- Digital television standards
- SMPTE study group on digital television tape recording progress report

- Digital coding standards for television studios

## Panel Discussion—

- R. F. Appleton, London Weekend Television
- K. Barratt, Sony Broadcast
- C. P. Ginsburg, Ampex
- H. R. Groll, Robert Bosch GmbH
- R. J. Taylor, Quantel

Monday, September 22

## TELETEXT

(Chairman: L. Free)

- The economic preparation of teletext subtitles
- The possibility of teletext usage in multi-lingual medium
- Teletext subtitles for the deaf—problems in linguistics and psychology
- A teletext system for ideographic information
- Teletext—the potential of an extended system
- Introduction of an auxiliary speech channel in the TV lines
- Transmission techniques for picture viewdata

## TRANSMITTERS AND TRANSPOSERS. I

(Chairman: R. Hills)

- Engineering for the fourth UHF TV channel in the UK
- A new generation of medium power UHF television transmitters
- Development of operational efficiency and broad tuning range techniques for UHF-television klystrons
- A range of UHF television transmitters designed for the 1980s
- Programmable transmitting station control system
- High power filters in UHF television transmitters

## SIGNAL PROCESSING. I

(Chairman: Y. Guinet)

- A single field 625 line synchronizer
- An alternative approach to frame store synchronizers for 625 line systems
- A digital television standards converter with random access memory storing four fields
- Distributing digital video
- Digital PAL decoding using line-locked sampling
- A 28MB/S NTSC color television system for ENG applications

## TRANSMITTERS AND TRANSPOSERS. II

(Chairman: C. Terzani)

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- Providing and controlling power supplies at transmitting stations—recent developments and future prospects
- Tandem television transposer chains
- Automatic ghost image reduction equipment for a television transposer
- Multipath effects in ENG/EJ systems
- The planning and design of two high power MF stations in the Middle East including ground conductivity studies

#### SIGNAL PROCESSING. II

(Chairman: Y. Guinet)

- Study of digital television standards when codecs are used in tandem
- Primary signal component coding
- VIMACS—A vertical interval machine control systems

#### MULTI-CHANNEL SOUND

(Chairman: C. P. Sandbank)

- Stereophonic sound and 2 languages in TV—the double-sound-carrier method
- A two-channel sound system for television
- HiFi-sound in television receivers
- Stereo sound in television studio productions
- "Kunstkopf" Sterophy: Results of recent investigations and development of a new Kunstkopf-System
- A stereo-compatible surround-sound system for broadcasting

Tuesday, September 23

#### RECORDING AND STORAGE

(Chairman: J. A. Roizen)

- User requirements of digital video tape recorders
- Formats for digital video tape recorders
- Digital video tape recorders—formats and standards
- Digital VTR error characteristics and a proposed protection scheme
- Audio recording for DVTR
- A digital storage system for an electronic rostrum colour camera
- Fixed head sound PCM (pulse code Modulation) tape recorder for broadcasting
- Audio post-production for VTR—the second generation

#### SIGNAL DISTRIBUTION

(Chairman: R. Gressmann)

- A contribution network for ILR
- Digital stereo sound transmission for outside broadcasts
- NICAN 3: a companded system for the transmission of high quality sound-programmes

- Digital sound in blanking
- Program LINCOMPEX

#### SATELLITES IN BROADCASTING

(Chairman: A. Baldry)

- Low-power direct broadcasting satellite trials in Canada
- CBC-2—Starting a second television network using satellite and cable TV technology
- Crosspolarization in the antenna feed for individual reception from broadcast satellites
- Television signals via satellite: the digital approach
- A digital codec for satellite TV

#### MEASUREMENT TECHNIQUES

(Chairman: J. J. Geluk)

- The electronic zone plate and related test patterns
- Automatic measuring—process, tone and colour rendition in film and television
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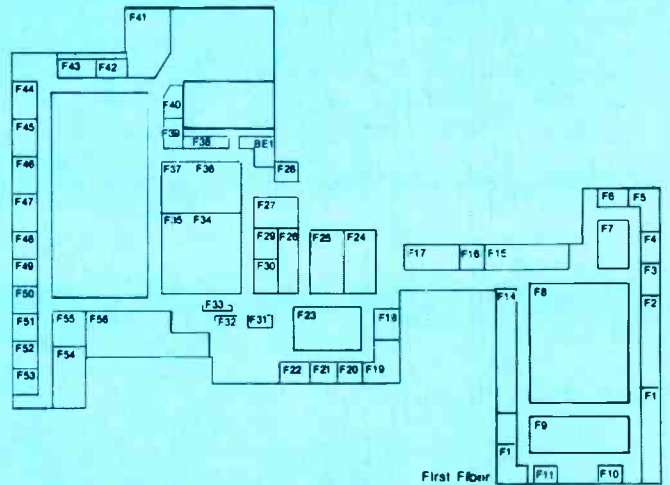
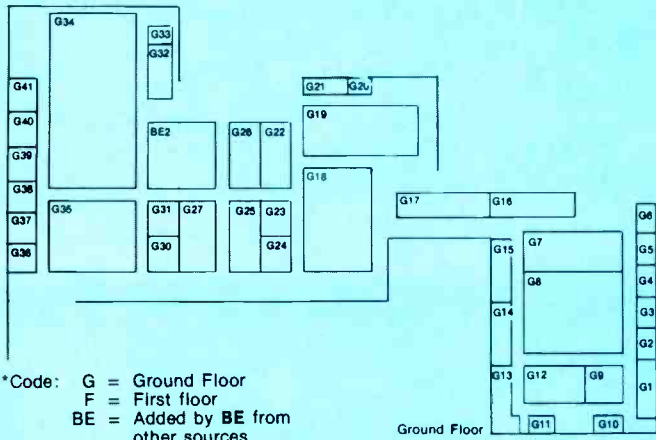
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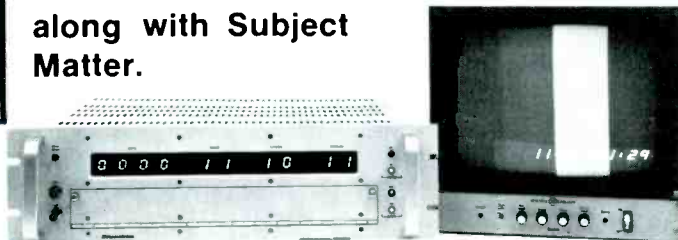


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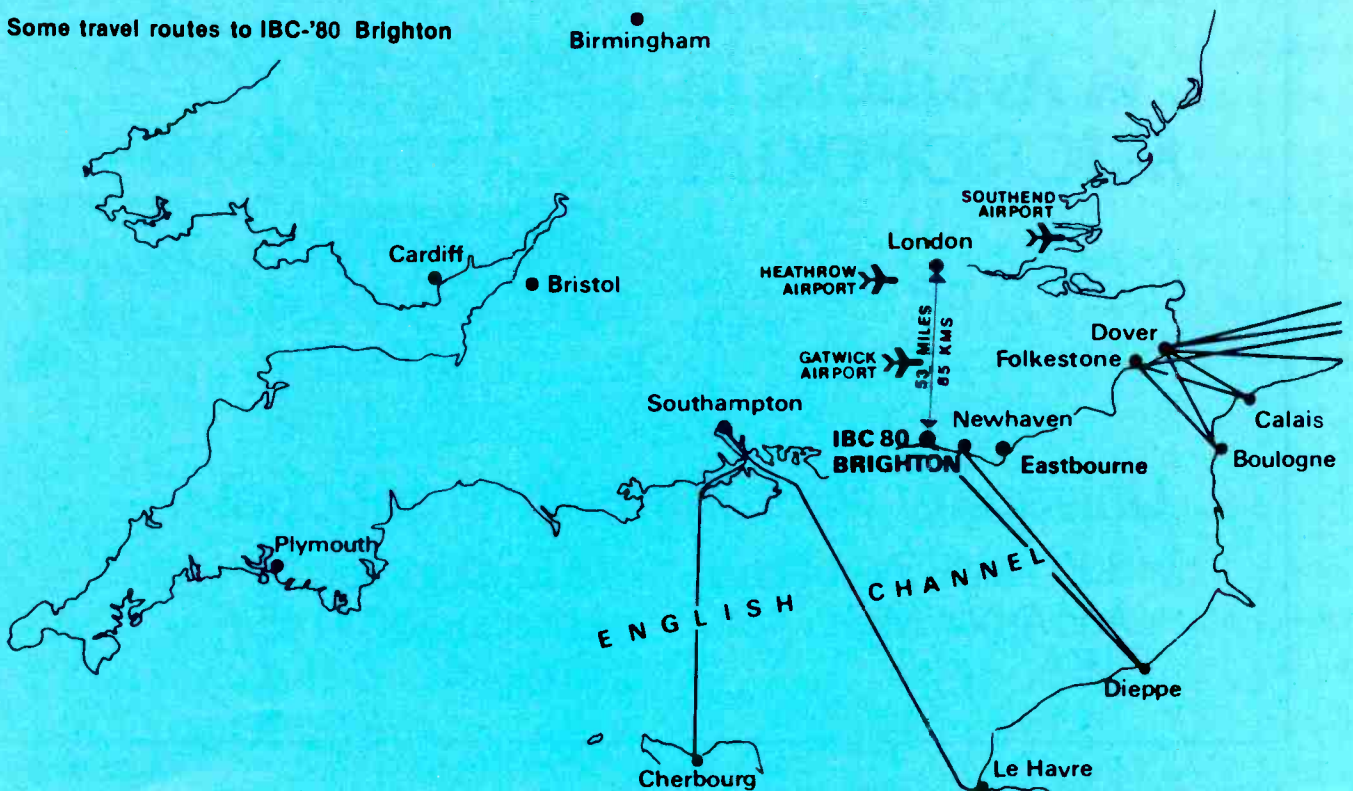
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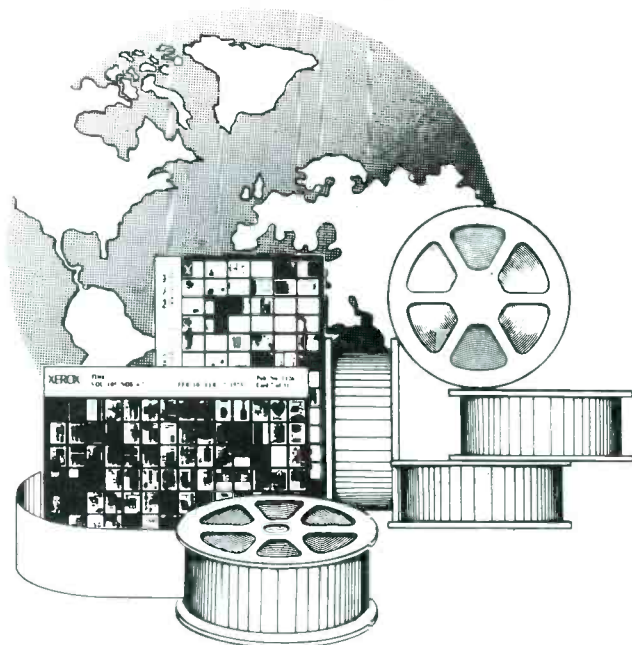
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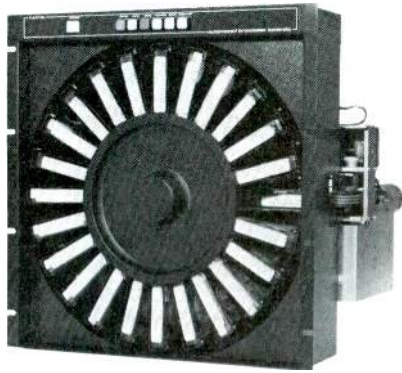
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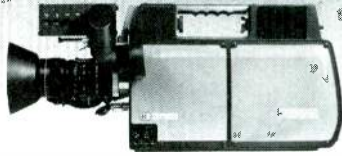
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**Hitachi expansion**

Hitachi has opened two new offices.

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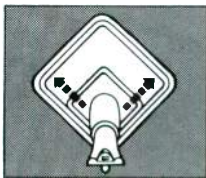
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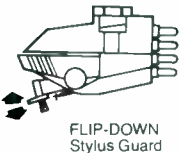
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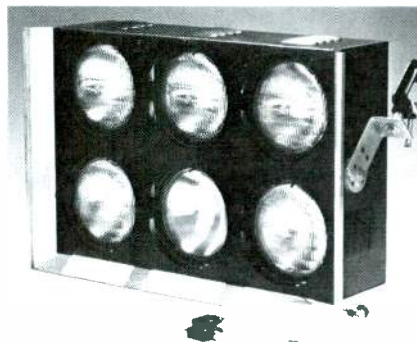
**Rack Mounting**  
Television Equipment Associates has introduced low-cost rack mounting for Matthey boxed video and pulse delays.



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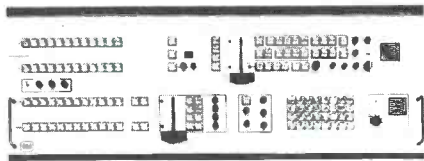


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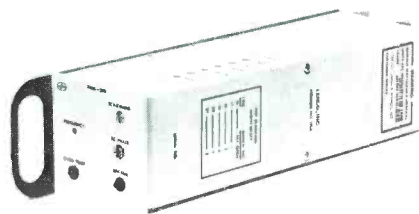


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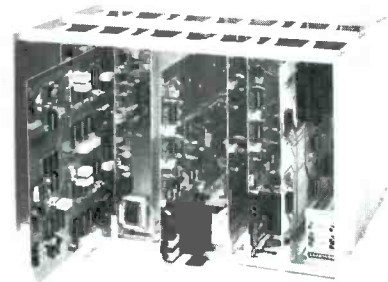
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tion of stereophonic or dual channel audio. The 523 terminal will accept alternate group band inputs and provide multiple isolated outputs without additional outboard equipment. Dual cueing channels and a fully alarmed redundant power supply are available. A complete duplex 523 terminal is housed in a compact 10.5-inch standard equipment shelf.

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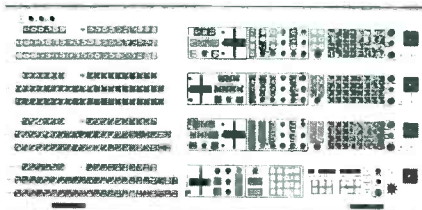
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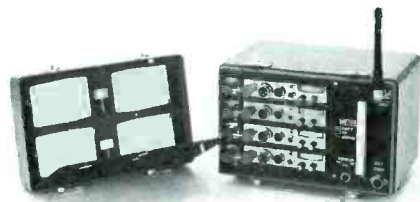
#### Graphics generator

Software for creating logos, symbols and characters for television broadcast has been introduced for the 3M D-8800 Graphics Generator by 3M's Mincom Division. Developed as a standard addition for all current and new D-8800 customers, the new Logo Compose software package does not require an additional hardware purchase. Calibrated grid sheets supplied with the package allow the creation of logos from one to 400 TV scan lines in height. Logos can be drawn by hand or traced with various projection techniques available. Multiple and large character logos can be accommodated.

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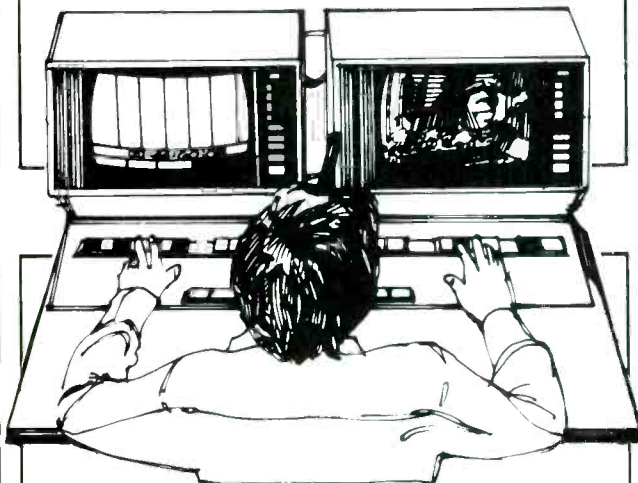
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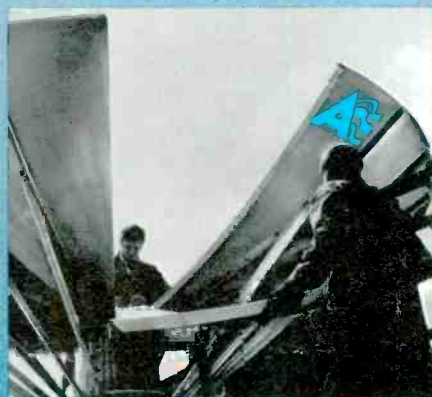
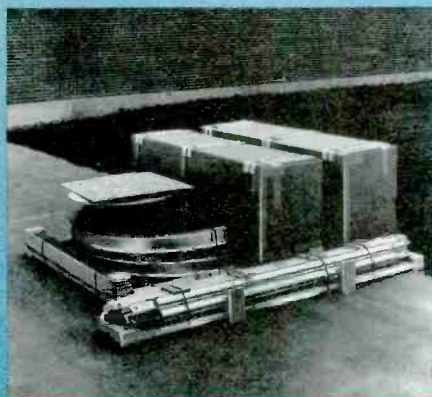
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