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Li e most of ELECTRONIC DESIGN's staf reports, this issue's critical comparison of Russian and U.S. test equipment beginning on p 50 has been long months in tie making.
It started last fall, when Associate Editor George Rostky heard a paper by Bruns Weinschel, president of Weinshel Engineering and chairman of the Washington chapter of the IRE Professional Group on Instrumentation, read at a meeting in Philadelphia. Rostky's auriosity was piqued and he obtained permission to publish the findings.
Armed with photos and descriptions of 30 instruments shown at the Russian xhibition in New York a year ago, losky approached leading U.S. manuacturers and asked them to supply picwres and descriptions of similar instrunents made in the U.S.
Roskty also interviewed former IRE resident Donald Sinclair and obtained comments from David Packard of Hewett.Packard on their observations of Uusian test equipment, based on the No men's recent trips to the Soviet Union.
To top off this report, ELECTRONIC IESIGN commissioned Soviet engineer hatoli V. Gorokhovsky to appraise his wn country's equipment. His comments egin on $p 70$.

Focus on Communications
Now, and for several months to come, mmunications will be increasingly in e spotlight. In this issue, ELECTRONIC SIGN carries a report on the Na nal Symposium on Global Communifions (GLOBCOM) as well as a report undelground communications. Both these start on p 4. In the months to ne, we will carry special coverage the Sixth National Communications mposium at Utica, N.Y., and will conve our coverage of frequency alloca, satellite communications, and hious other facets of this field.

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# New Underground Radio Passes Tests 

Lithocom Uses Deep Rock Layers for Transmission;<br>Ranges of Several Hundred Miles Seen Feasible

ANEW APPROACH to underground radio, in which signals are transmitted through deep, non-conductive rock formations, promises to speed development of blast-proof communications for hardened missile launch sites. In recent tests near Carlsbad, N.M., messages were sent 4.5 miles through a layer of dry salt 1,000 ft below the earth's surface. A conventional 60 -words-per-minute Teletype channel was transmitted over this distance via a 150 -kc car-
rier using approximately 200 w of rf power. The new technique, named "Lithocom" (for communication through rock), was originated by the Developmental Engineering Corp., Leesburg, Va. Other underground radio systems being developed for possible use at Minuteman and Titan sites achieve propagation through the atmosphere rather than underground.
In such "up, over, and down" systems, radiation from an underground antenna is directed
up through the earth's surface, propagates through the atmosphere, re-enters the earth, and is received by a buried antenna. Lithocom proponents suggest that this requires comparativel high power, both to achieve propagation in the first place and to overcome atmospheric and man-made interference. Lithocom, on the othe hand, is claimed to be almost completely im mune to interference, since the earth above the rock formation acts as an rf shield. The only

# GlohCom Systems Choice Mired in Studies 

RFI, Spectrum-Space Problems Contribute to Delay; Decision Awaits Evaluations, Symposium Is Told


"World-wide communication via satellites might prove to be a force for peace in its own right," says Dr. R. F. Mettler, executive vice president of Space Technology Laboratories at the Fourth National Symposium on Global Communications.

PROBLEMS, not solutions, characterize the state of the art in global communications. This was apparent at the Fourth National Symposium on Global Communications, held two weeks ago in Washington, D.C.
Some of the difficulties-reliability, timing, and satellite utilization-are clearly the responsibility of designers. But several major problems-interference, economics, and control-will be solved only by cooperation among many groups.
Lumped together, the problems are preventing clear selection of one system or combination of systems as the long-haul communication method of the near future. This much was stated by banquet speaker Maj. Gen. E. F. Cook, deputy chief signal officer of the Army, who said, "We are at a crossroads in global communications," and are examining research efforts in the many component areas of long-haul systems to decide "which direction to take."
Satellite utilization and interference and spectral problems were prominent among the studies discussed at the symposium. Specialists in the latter area were outspoken in calling for im-
mediate action to clear the hf spectrum
C. L. Spencer, Development Engineering Corp., told a large audience that "slum clearance" of the hf spectrum is both possible and necessary. He proposed a four-part program to:

1. Reduce the width of guard bands (which he said account for a 25 per cent loss of spectrum) by using highly accurate frequency standards and frequency synthesizers.
2. Achieve $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$ of information transfer with each kilocycle of spectrum used by clearing out continuous wave from its present channels (which require 3 kc of hf band) and by reducing the present 3 to 4 kc alloted to single-channel teletype to 110 cps (which would also be able to handle cw traffic). Mr. Spencer also called for reduction of voice traffic and for a policy of transmitting only when sending information.
3. Clean up transmitters by reducing selfgenerated interference and minimize spurious response and of receivers; expand use of directional antennas and transmit only at power needed rather than at full transmitter power.
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Transmitting equipment for Lithocom underground radio was tested in mines near Carlsbad, N.M., achieved 4.5 -mile range through 1,000 -ft salt layer.
noise encountered during the experiments has been thermal noise of about 1 db within the equipment itself.
According to Lucien Rawls, technical director for Lithocom at Developmental Engineering Corp., transmission frequencies over a spectrum from a few kc up to perhaps 3 mc could be employed in substrata communications. Given transmitting powers of several kilowatts, communication ranges of several hundred miles are thought to be feasible. Tests to date indicate average propagation losses of about 1 db per mile.
Voice transmissions are also considered possible. In tests at the New Mexico site, vocal communication was established over a 2 -mile path. Fidelity was rather poor due to the narrow bandwidth of the equipment employed, but improved gear would provide a signal of satisfactory quality.

## Several Media Can Be Used

Both the Teletype and voice tests were conducted with equipment located in mine tunnels and employing a layer of dry salt as the propagating medium. Developmental Engineering Corp. has performed geological and technical studies to establish that substrata of the proper types can be found at most sites without extensive drilling. Dry salt, limestone, granite, and quartzite can all be used and occur frequently near the surface.
In an actual Lithocom system, a well shaft would be sunk to the propagating layer and both antenna and electronic equipment would be housed in the shaft for protection against blast. Shafts ranging from 8 in . to 2 ft in diameter can be conveniently sunk and equipment could be readily packaged to fit such dimenions. Dipole or other linear antenna configuraions re suggested.
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The New Mexico tests were conducted using magnetic loop antennas made of copper tubing and having apertures of over 100 sq ft . Dipole antennas would be more convenient and more efficient.
Equipment design for Lithocom would be straightforward. Conventional low-frequency and Teletype gear is being employed in tests. Receivers are however fitted with cascode frontend amplifiers.
Lithocom designers are now trying to estab. lish the optimum transmission frequencies for the various propagating layers which may be used. Bandwidth at all frequencies appears adequate for the purpose intended. The $150-\mathrm{kc}$ transmission tests could have accommodated up to four 60-word-per-minute Teletype channels

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4. Allocate frequencies in steps of 1 kc as done by NATO and some U.S. services. This would maintain orderliness and avoid most of the confusion now rampant in industrial communications.
L. S. F. Meaker, of the directorate of communications electronics, USAF, said in delivering a paper which evaluated the high-frequency band, that the problem with hf is not so much the assignment of frequencies, which is still troublesome, but the effects of interference. He said it is impossible to predict by analysis what the interference characteristics of a new system will be, that it is only by actual operation that the true quality of a design can be learned.

Mr. Meaker concluded that the high-frequencies are good, provided they are properly managed and shared to a maximum. He reported that the exodus of many services from the hf band has slowed and may reverse.
"Electronic Frankensteins" and their use in systems was discussed by General Electric's B. H. Baldridge, who illustrated his subject by saying, "Our laboratories and factories produce receivers capable of detecting two wires rubbing together in Tibet, along with micro electronic with phenomenal parts density. Yet in the adjacent laboratory we create a monstrous mega.

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vintead of the one which was used. At lower f quencies and at longer distances, however, $b$ ndwidth may restrict capacity somewhat, esp cially if voice communication were to be a pirt of the system.
Developmental Engineering Corp. has been working on Lithocom since the beginning of the year and has spent about $\$ 200,000$ of company funds on the project thus far.
Other companies active in hardened communications systems have followed the "up, over, and down" approach. These include Raytheon, Boeing and Space Electronics Corp. Developmental Engineering Corp. is also active in this area and until the end of last year was working jointly with Raytheon on Minuteman launch-site communication studies.
The desirability of underground radio for missile sites is indicated by the cost of deep-buried cables which might otherwise provide blastproof communications. Cabling costs run as high as $\$ 20.000$ per mile with several hundred miles of cables needed for a 50 -missile complex. - -
watt radar set that will curl up the thin-film circuitry, change all the ones to zeroes in the computer, fuse the micromodules together, burn out crystals, and saturate the sensitive detectors, rendering them useless."
He called for better system and equipment engineering to utilize the spectrum more economically. This would result in systems requiring a minimum use of the "natural resource" of spectrum.

## Active Satellite Best in One View

One of the highlights of the symposium was the detailed report delivered by C. A. Brown of Convair (Astronautics), which showed figures said to demonstrate that from both a technological and economical standpoint, active communications satellite systems appear superior to other long-haul systems for global communications.
The satellite system his group analyzed for comparison with other communications systems would handle TV and voice at up to 100 mc with no more than an average error rate at rang that could vary from 2 to 10,000 miles. The ystem would have 16 satellites costing $\$ 4$ milli $n$ each and a $\$ 24$-million ground station. Life vould be about two years, reliability would prob bly be high and security would be good. .


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## NBS Building Analog-Digital Machine

Differential Analyzer Will Combine Analog Speed and Digital Accuracy

ADIFFERENTIAL analyzer combining the advantages of both analog and digital computation is under construction at the National Bureau of Standards dataprocessing systems laboratory.

Design of an analog-digital integrator has been completed and the digital portion of the first prototype unit has been built. Work has also begun on a multiplier designed for the prototype machine, according to Walter D. Urban, electronic scientist for the laboratory.

If the analyzer proves feasible it will probably find applications in the solution of dynamic differential equations, such as those used in missile or aircraft design, where required accuracy is much greater than that provided by present analog computers. Accuracy 10 to 100 times better is expected from the hybrid analyzer.

The analog-digital differential analyzer, proposed by Dr. Harold K. Skramstad, assistant chief for


Diode bridge transmission gate isolates integrating capacitor, which is shunted across an operational amplifier, during a clock cycle. A positive pulse from the pulse amplifier at the end of the cycle allows the capacitor to discharge into the dc sources at the top and the bottom of the diagram. One diode in each arm of the bridge is a silicon junction type with high back impedance to prevent leakage, and the other is a germanium fast recovery type.
systems in the laboratory, at the Eastern Joint Computer Confer. ence in December, 1959, represents the value of a changing variable by two quantities, one of them digital and the other analog. The more significant portion of the value is represented digitally, and the less significant portion in analog form.

## Deficiencies Overcome

This technique combines the best features of the DDA and the analog computer, overcoming some of the deficiencies of each, according to Dr. Skramstad.

The analog computer operates at high speed and gives a continuous solution. Long term stability is a problem, however, because resist ance changes and other factors during a long run reduce accuracy. The computer must be scaled so that the values of variables being represented do not fall outside of the voltage range being used. If wide dynamic range is required very large changes in the variables may be represented by small voltage variations because of this scal. ing requirement.

A digital differential analyzer, on the other hand, can have any accuracy required and scaling is not

Graph illustrates method of integrolif in the planned NBS analog-digital difit ential analyzer. The major portion of dependent variable, $x$, is represented of tally, as shown by areas $x_{D_{1}}, x_{D 2} \ldots x_{1}$ The remainder of the variable's volve represented by either a positive or neg tive analog voltage, indicated by shaded area. At the end of a clock cra $\Delta t$, if the analog value shifts over a spa fied threshold amount, the digital volue $x$ is incremented or decremented by unit. The total integration is provided a tinuously by summing areas 1 and 2 the shaded area 3.

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If uired. Speed is a problem and solutions are not continuous.
The system being built combines the speed and continuous solutions of the analog computer with the wile dynamic range and accuracy of the digital machine. Scaling is required, however, the required scaling range is much smaller than that required in fully analog computation. Scaling over a small range of values also helps overcome the stability problem because small value shifts in the analog circuits have little effect on accuracies.

## Still Restrictions

There is a restriction with this type of computation on the rapidity with which a variable can change, or on the time derivative of the variable. This can be seen by referring to the accompanying graph illustrating the computation method. If the analog voltage equivalent to a unit increment in the digital value of the variable, $x$ in this case, is designated $\alpha$, then $d x / d t$ can not exceed $a / \Delta t$.
This is necessary because if the analog portion of the variable changes by a set threshold amount over the course of a clock cycle$\Delta t$ in the graph-then the digital value is incremented, or decremented in the case of negative slope, by one unit at the end of the cycle. If the analog value begins to change too rapidly, however, even the one unit incrementing each clock cycle will not prevent the value of variable from moving outside the scaled analog portion.
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a resettable integrator at the end of each clock cycle turned out to be one of the toughest pri $b$. lems facing the NBS researchers. The bridge i ircuit diagram, includes a pair of diodes in eich arm of the bridge. One of these diodes is a germanium type with a fast recovery characteristic, and the other is a silicon junction diode with high back impedance-on the order of 1,000 meg.

## Infegration Must Resume Quickly

The fast recovery is necessary so that integration can resume quickly after the capacitor is discharged at the end of each clock cycle, and the high back impedance is required to hold leakage to a minimum during integration.

The function of the circuit, a diode bridge transmission gate, is to discharge an integrating capacitor at the end of each clock cycle in minimum time, so that the capacitor is ready to re sume integration at the beginning of the next cycle.

Output of the integrating capacitor, which is shunted across an operational amplifier, is fed to a summer which sums the result of this analog integration with other integration results required in the total continuous solution.

When no pulse exists in the primary of the pulse transformer at right in the diagram, the diode arrangement is designed to isolate the capacitor from the bridge and transformer. In this condition, the diodes between points 1 and 2 at the top and bottom of the bridge and the secondary coils of the transformer are conducting. This means that point 1 is essentially at -10 v and point 2 is at +10 v , so that the diodes in the bridge are back-biased, effectively isolating the integrating capacitor.

At the end of a clock cycle a pulse of about $0.3-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ duration is applied to the primary of the pulse transformer. This is a positive pulse of at least $20-\mathrm{v}$ magnitude. This pulse drives the top secondary coil in the diagram to at least +10 v , cutting off the diode between this coil and point 1. Similarly the bottom coil is driven to at least -10 v , cutting off the diode between this coil and point 2. Under these conditions, the diodes in the bridge are biased in the forward direction and the capacitor is quickly discharged into the dc sources at the top and bottom of the circuit.

## Leakage No Problem

Because of the high back impedance of the silicon junction diodes, leakage current is not a problem during integration, and because of the
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Fut recovery of the germanium diodes the capu itor is isolated very quickly after the end of the pulse so that the next cycle can begin. The machine now planned by NBS will have ab ut 0.01 per cent accuracy using two decimal disits represented by 7 bits plus the overflow value obtained from the analog circuits. A cycle time of 1 msec is being used on the prototype machine, although the clock rate could easily be stepped up considerably for an operating analyzer. A serial adder is planned although parallel adders could be adapted to the machine, according to Mr. Urban. - -

## 11,000 Applying For Permits To Operate Citizen Radio Band

Applications, at the rate of 11,000 a month, are reportedly pouring into the Federal Communications Commission office, for permits to operate Citizen Radio Band.
More than 100,000 stations are now using the Citizen Radio Band and a total of 250,000 will be doing so before a saturation point is reached on the 23 channels provided for this service, according to Allan W. Greene, president of the Heath Co., Benton Harbor, Mich.
The band, with ranges up to 10 miles, provides transmission of messages relating to the business or personal affairs of the applicant. Small businessmen are using it to keep in touch with their delivery trucks and servicemen. Farmers, from their homes, direct the activity of their field forces and plant executives talk with foremen in remote units, or keep in touch with inter-plant truckers. As a result of the high demand for Citizen Band the FCC recently redefined permissible communication in the Citizen Band Service. The new rules prohibit the use of a Citizen Band radio station as a hobby, because frequencies for activities are available on the portion of the spectrum reserved for the Amateur Radio Service. They also require that all communications of a station licensed for the Citizens Band be directed to units within the local ground wave coverage area of the station.
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## Latin America Still Good Market For U.S. Tubes and Semiconductors

DESPITE increasing competition from Western Europe and Japan, the U.S. continues to be the main supplier of electron tubes and semiconductors to Latin America, according to the Business and Defense Services Administration of the Dept. of Commerce.
A nine-country survey points to a continuing demand for tubes and semiconductors from the U.S. The survey was prepared by the BDSA's Electronics Div., and like a previous survey of selected European countries prepared by the division, shows a strengthening market for these devices.
Highlights from the survey are:

- Argentina: In 1958 the United States supplied about 78 per cent of the electronic components imported by Argentina. The Netherlands, Italy, and the United Kingdom are the next largest suppliers. Domestic production of tubes has increased with the growth of television and the expanding production of TV receivers, radios, and phonographs. This production may stimulate further
production and lessen imports.
- Brazil: Although the United Statts is the main supplier of tubes and s cmi conductors to Brazil, ahead of the Netherlands, West Germany and Japan, im. ports of U.S. products are not expected to increase because of foreign-exchange difficulties. Increased Brazilian produc. tion of electronics equipment is expected to reduce the need for imports, except for specialized tubes required for over. all expansion of the local industry. A number of U.S. firms have established manufacturing operations in Brazil.
- Chile: Limited consumer purchasing power has restricted the market for radio receivers, and thus decreased the sales of receiving tubes. About 50 per cent of the receiving tubes purchased are for replacement. Imports account for abou 40 percent of the Chilean requirements for receiving tubes and total require ments for transmitting and power tubes The U.S. is the major supplier, followed by the Netherlands and West Germany

| U. S. Domestic Exports of Electron Tubes' and Semiconductors to Selected Latin American Countries, 1959 in dollars |  |  |  |  |  |
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- Colombia: Electron tubes and semiconductors ure not produced locally. Requirements are mainly for receiving tubes and TV picture tubes. ipanese prices reportedly are much lower than (hose quoted by U.S. and European firms, but price has not yet become a determining factor $i_{11}$ imports. The market so far is small and local firms have not encouraged direct investment or licensing operations by U.S. firms.
- Cuba: Electron tubes and semiconductors are not produced locally. Until the recent troubles, imports were supplied chiefly by the U.S., although the Netherlands and Britain have exported some receiving tubes to Cuba. Imports from Japan may provide increased competition. Local conditions will determine the future potential for U.S. electronic products in Cuba.
- Mexico: Receiving tubes are in considerable demand, both for the manufacture of radio and television receivers and for maintenance. Four firms are making TV picture tubes; only one firm manufactures receiving tubes. Imports have been supplied mainly by the U.S. It is expected that a new receiving tube plant will be able to supply domestic requirements.
- Peru: The development of television has enlarged the market for electron tubes, all of which are imported. The U.S. is the principal supplier, but competition from Europe and Japan is increasing, particularly in the sale of low-priced receiving tubes. The use of semiconductors has not developed significantly. The Peruvian market is probably too small to justify local manufacture of tubes and semiconductors.
- Uruguay: Only a few types of receiving tubes are manufactured in Uruguay. The U.S. was the principal supplier of electron tubes in 1958 and 1959, supplanting the Netherlands. A sharp decrease in the imports of receiving tubes has taken place since 1956. Radio and television receivers are produced locally.
- Venezuela: Most of the electron tube requirements are met by imports, supplied mainly by the U.S. Increasing quantities, however, are being supplied by the Netherlands, West Germany, the United Kingdom, and Japan. Active sales promotion by dealers handling European products and the price advantage in offerings by Jajan are important factors in the marked incre ise in imports from these areas.

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- The GE-312 digital control computer system (General Electric Co., Phoenix).
- The G-20 digital computer system (BendixComputer Div., Los Angeles).
- The RPC 4000 digital computer system (Librascope Div., General Precision, Inc., Glendale, Calif.).
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## NEWS

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The equipment consists of two identical wideband amplifiers Type NT 203, separated physically by a central frame housing a switching unit, a coil unit, a monitor unit providing continuous crt monitoring of rf output waveform, and rf load units with rf power measuring probes.
Each NT 203 unit embodies a wideband amplifier with its associated control system and power supply unit. The two NT 203's are connected in parallel by a special combining system for the provision of a peak envelope power of 2.8 -w continuous two-tone rating.
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Strap-Down Gyros in Titan System


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## Electronic Imports from Japan Show Sustained Increase

Imports of Japanese electronic equipment during the first quarter of 1960 were almost double those of the first three months of 1959 , reports the Electronic Div. of the Business and Defense Services Administration, Dept. of Commerce.

In 1959 the total value of all Japanese electronic products imported into the U.S. rose from about $\$ 8.3$ million in the first quarter to more than $\$ 29$ million in the last. Imports in the first three months of 1960 even though seasonally declining, reached nearly $\$ 16$ million. Largest gains in imports were accounted for by receiving tubes, transistors, speakers, and "sound recorders and reproducers."
Transistor imports increased during the first quarter of 1960 by more than 1,000 per cent over those of the first three months of 1959.

Here is a three-year comparison of U.S. imports of electronic products from Japan:

| Japanese Exports of Electronic Products to the United States January 1958-March 1960 Value in thousands of dollars (1) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 1958 \\ & \text { Year } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19591960 \\ & \text { Year Jan-Mar } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| TOTAL | 21 | 75,6 | ,95 |
| Radio Re total. | 17,904 | 62,373 | 11,838 |
| Tube type | 17,904 | 2,552 | 833 |
| With 3 or more transistors | n.s.s. | 57,272 | 10,004 |
| Other | n.s.s. | 2,549 | 1,001 |
| Radio-phonographs | 59 | 547 | 92 |
| Sound recorders and reproducers | 449 | 1,617 | 586 |
| Amplifiers . | (2) | 460 | 110 |
| Microphones | 177 | 321 | 74 |
| Speakers | 420 | 1,155 | 636 |
| Condensers | 288 | 533 | 145 |
| Receivers (ea | (2) | 619 |  |
| Electron tubes, total | 314 | 2,088 | 7 |
| Receiving tubes | n.s.s. | 2,034 | 58 |
| Electron tubes, oth | ก.s | 54 |  |
| Transistors |  | 1,581 | 336 |
| Other semiconductor devices | 2) | 92 | 5 |
| Phonograph parts and accessories | 757 | 824 | 193 |
| Other electronic products | 1,400 | 3,432 | 1,074 |

(1) Converted to U.S. dollar equivalents at the rate of 360 yen $=$ U.S. \$1.00
(2) Not shown separately prior to 1959; value included in "Other sectronic products."
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Sources: Data obtained by the U.S. Embassy, Tokyo, from the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry.


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## ICBM Attacks on U.S. Simulated In Two Data-Processing Systems

Intercontinental ballistic missile attacks on the U.S. are being simulated in the form of magnetic tape and then fed for test purposes into two huge data-processing systems.

The two Radio Corp. of America systems at Van Nuys, Calif.; one destined for the North American Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Colo., and the other for the Strategic Air Command Headquarters at Omaha, Neb., are now linked for test purposes by a communications "loop" through San Fernando, 10 miles to the north. The operation when in actual service is:

- The data transmitted from all forward sites are received at Colorado Springs and Omaha and combined and processed in a central Display Information Processor (DIP). Missile threat information and threat summary data indicating detailed raid information are projected on a large screen. Site equipment status is shown on a small console in a monitoring room.
- Automatic processing of a missile attack from the moment of recognition of a mass raid by the site computers to the display of the threat at NORAD and SAC requires an average time of about 8 seconds. Data on individual missiles will be displayed at NORAD within 3 seconds after missile discrimination.
- In the event of failure of automatic transmission equipment, a manual back-up method is available for receiving data by phone or teletype and mechanically inserting it into the computer display equipment.


## Frequency Allocations for Robots Requested From FCC by Hughes

Radio-controlled robots can't stomach interference, therefore it is up to the Federal Communications Commission to allocate specific frequencies for robot operation.
This is the contention of a petition submitted to the FCC by Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif., for 100 mc within the 13 to 35 kmc region.
The Hughes request is based on the Mobot Mark I which is now in operation at Sandia Corp.'s Engineering Reactor Facility, Albuquerque, N.M. The Mobot, which is cable controlled, is designed to move objects in a room where radiation is too intense for a man, even with pro-
lective clothing. Moving objects from room to room, where heavy concrete doors must be (p)ened and closed, is impossible with the cable controlled robot, Hughes pointed out in the petition. Radio control would solve this problem, but interference could not be tolerated.
There are many other applications where radio-controlled Mobots can be used, according to Hughes, and development of the concept for these uses is progressing. Among those mentioned were: fire-fighting in forests, chemical plants, oil fields, and similar hazardous areas; in munitions factories; disarming warheads; programmed warehouse stacking; underwater manipulation; space exploration and performing experiments in hot laboratories.
Hughes asked that allocation be made to Safety and Special Radio Services, and recommended that each frequency assignment or shift of a Mobot using a specific frequency be checked carefully so that interference would never be possible. Since hazardous operations and expensive equipment would be involved, there should be absolutely no possibility of interfering signals Hughes feels.
Provisions should be made for TV as well as control frequencies, Hughes points out, because remote operation will require TV observation of Mobot activities. The $100-\mathrm{mc}$ allocation should meet this requirement, Hughes says, and still allow more than one Mobot to operate in the same area.

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MORE INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION in the NASA space-exploration program is promised by Administrator T. Keith Glennan. An "increasing proportion" of NASA's work will be done by industry on a contract basis-and companies will be expected to provide "a substantial part of the initiative" in suggesting projects. The probable size of NASA's program is considerable, and will certainly involve a significant amount of electronics. Eventually, more than 75 per cent of NASA's budget-which will climb to more than $\$ 1.5$ billion annually in the course of this decade-will be spent with industry and with educational and other non-profit institutions. This year, the agency has about $\$ 915$ million to spend.
NEGOTIATION OF CONTRACTS has been vigorously defended by the Pentagon in the face of persistent Congressional attacks. Competition exists in negotiation, the military insist, adding that negotiation is "nothing more or less than the application of sound business principles, specifically tailored to each particular meapon or piece of research." Use of formal advertised bidding in all cases would "require static specifications which would yield obsolete equipment and would preclude placing contracts with companies offering the advanced designs."
DESIGN COMPETITION is a major factor in competitively negotiated military contracting. Design and technical knowledge provide a "grueling competitive test" for Pirms in the electronics and other fields that seek military business. Survival of this initial test, in which fine creative technical brains are pitted against each other, normally means that the Defense Department will continue to maintain or add related contractual relationships with the winner of the initial competition. This normally will persist until the item in question becomes sufficiently standardized to be purchased under competitive bidding or until the particular program is complete.

MORE DEFENSE SPENDING is implicit in the platforms of both political parties. Timing is in question. The President has indicated that he will try to hold back as much as possible of the extra $\$ 700$ million that Congress voted to the military in the current Piscal year. The military, aware of the impending change in the political scene, is believed to be already making plans for using between $\$ 1$ billion and $\$ 2$ billion extra.
CONGRESSIONAL CHANGES in ground rules for contract negotiations are not likely to take place this year. The House, at the behest of Chairman Vinson of the Armed Services Committee, passed a bill which would, among other things, stop the military from justifying contract negotiation on
the ground that a national emergency exists. This bill is pending before the Senate Armed Services Committee. Since its procurement subcommittee is working on a report on defense buying practices, the committee probably will want to consider this before taking any action on the House bill.

AIR DEFENSE RADAR will be tested as a unit on September 10, including all related electronic gear. Test will involve both U.S. and Canada and will entail restriction on civilian flying "for a briel time." As the North American Air Defense Command-which has been conducting air defense exercises for some time-sees things, "however perfect any system may be, it cannot be relied upon until it has been thoroughly tested."

DESIGN COORDINATION for communications equipment will be one of the jobs of the Pentagon's new Defense Communications Agency. It will be responsible for drawing up specifications for high-level long-haul military communications operation and will set guidelines on the Armed Services' participation in R\&D on communications. Purchases of communications equipment by each of the Services will have to be cleared with the new agency to insure compatibility. Much actual communications system control will be carried out with the aid of electronic data processing machines, according to the Agency's present plans.

SMALL FIRMS' CONTRACTS under the set-aside program of the Small Business Administration reached a record high in Piscal 1960. Little companies received 24,152 awards valued at $\$ 878,168,714$. Number of pacts declined from last year's 24,800 though there was an increase of four percent in their value.

HIGHEST-LEVEL CLEARANCE is required when the Army negotiates certain types of contracts, according to the Judge Advocate General of the Army. Six kinds of contracts must be approved by the Secretary of the Army, or by a designated second-echelon official. They include pacts for: (l) research, exploratory, or development work; (2) classified products; (3) technical devices which must be standardized and have interchangeable parts; (4) technical or specialized items which require a substantial initial investment or which need extensive pre-manufacturing preparation; (5) purchases which the military have been unable to buy satisfactorily through formal advertised bidding; and (6) purchases in the interest of national defense or industrial mobilization. There are some exceptions to the top-level approval requirement. In periods of national emergency, R\&D contracts valued under $\$ 100,000$ may be negotiated without Secretarial approval. Pacts with educational institutions are exempt regardess of value.

PUSH-BUTTON COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM will be commissioned in October by the Federal Aviation Agency. This is a channelswitching system, one of the first parts of the highly automated air-traffic control system that FAA expects to put into operation over the next few years. First locations of the new switching system links are Atlanta, Ga., and Oakland, Calif.

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## NEWS

## Patent Applications Trail Large-Scale Research Boom

The large-scale research boom has not great y increased patent applications. While research e:forts are up six to 12 times over the past coup e of decades, patent applications have risen on y one-sixth, according to patent officials.
These officials believe the patent lag behird research efforts can be attributed to the following factors:

- The increasing complexity of modern technology, with invention piled on invention, may have developed to a point where the end product involves one solution of which there are other variants available, so that the motive for patenting is not so great.
- As the body of patent and technical literature becomes greater and greater, it becomes more and more difficult to produce a patentably novel invention.
- The inhospitable attitude toward patents exhibited by some courts may discourage patenting.


## General Telephone's Dr. Conwell Receives Distaffer's Accolade

The Society of Women Engineers has presented their annual award to Dr. Esther M. Conwell of General Telephone and Electronics Laboratories Inc. of Bayside, N.Y.
Dr. Conwell received the award from Catherine Eiden, president of the association, in recognition of her work as a research physicist in the field of solid-state research.

## CHANGES IN PRICES AND AVAILABILITY

METAL FILM RESISTORS with 150 ppm TC in tolerances of 1 per cent and $1 / 2$ per cent have been reduced in price up to 60 per cent by Electra Manufacturing Co. of Kansas City, Mo. Called the T.O. series, this precision component is available in three sizes: $1 / 8 \mathrm{w}, 30$ ohms to $500 \mathrm{~K}, 1 / 4 \mathrm{w}, 50$ ohms to 1 meg ; and $1 / 2 \mathrm{w}$, 1.5 meg .

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## Orbiting Tiros Satellite Transmitted 22,952 Photos

iros I, the $270-\mathrm{lb}$ satellite orbiting at altitudes av raging 450 miles, has reached the end of its orbiting life. Transmission of 22,952 picture frames has given meteorologists unprecedented opportunity to study the earth's cloud cover and relate it to weather
The decision to discontinue attempts at interrogating Tiros I was made after Orbit 1,302 over Fort Mommouth, N.J. The wide-angle camera system and all telemetry had ceased to function The 108 mc tracking beacon continued to operate. There appeared to be some limited operational capability remaining in the narrow-angle camera system. It would, however, be extremely difficult, perhaps frequently impossible, for meteorologists to identify and orient the narrow-angle camera pictures. The satellite's attitude sensors were not working and there were no longer wide-angle photos, which frequently picked up identifiable gengraphic landmarks, to assist scientists in orienting narrow-angle cloud cover photos.
Scientists believe an inoperative relay in the wide-angle camera system was probably the cause of Tiros' difficulty. The malfunction made it impossible for the camera to turn it off. This apparently drained the batteries and eventually caused the wide-angle camera transmitter to burn out. This damage seemed to have affected the entire satellite system.
The next experimental meteorological satellite, Tiros II, is planned for launching later this year.

## Electronic Highway Guides Autos



Basic elements in this buried electronic highway system are an arrangement of circuits for detecting vehicles and a guidance wire to provide a steering signal. The defection system consists of a wire loop and a transisto:ized device placed of the road. Signal from delection loop enters control unir (being adjusted in inset) which controls speed of following autos. The experimental system combines electronic techniques developed by Radio Corp. of America and car controls develo:)ed by General Motors Corp.

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## NEWS

## Iono and Tropo Scatter Used in Transpacific Communications Net

A 6,500-mile, transpacific military commınications system using ionospheric and tropospheric scatter techniques has recently become operational. The system extends from Hawaii to the Philippines and is said to give more than 99 ree cent reliability in handling of military communi cations in an otherwise difficult region.

Eight interconnected stations, separated by more than 1,000 miles on the average, comprise the system. The eastern terminus at Oahu, Hawaii, is tied to the first station at Kauai, about 150 miles away, by a tropo-scatter link. The 1,000-mile distances between the other stations are bridged by iono-scatter links.
The system required more than three years for design and construction; electronic equipment costs exceeded $\$ 35$ million.

Redundant design provides maximum operational reliability. A total of 29 high-power trans mitters are installed at the eight stations. Spare transmitters and receivers are automatically phased into and out of operation to equalize the duty cycles of all units.

The iono portion of the system operates in the $34-37 \mathrm{mc}$ and the $49-55 \mathrm{mc}$ bands; power output is classified. System capacity consists of 16 teletype channels transmitting at 60 words per minute each and a voice channel for use in coordi nating and maintaining the network.

Receivers have a sensitivity of $\mathbf{- 1 6 0 ~ d b w}$ and a dynamic range of 100 db . Antenna design is unique in that both the high powered transmitted

"Piggy-back" dual frequency corner reflectors at the Kauai station of the transpacific communications system. Stacked arrays rise 400 ft above the island. The two parabolic reflectors are for the tropo scatter portion of the system.
wnals and the low power incoming signals are handled simultaneously by the same corner reflectors. Branching filters are employed for signal se paration. Considerable effort went into minimizing antenna noise. All joints are heliarc welded to prevent loose connections and attendant arcing. Connections between dissimilar metals were carefully engineered to minimize corrosion.

The tropo link employs modified AN/FRC-39 equipment manufactured by Radio Engineering Lahoratories, Long Island City, N.Y. Tropo power is 1 kw at $755-985 \mathrm{mc}$.
System engineering for the transpacific network was performed by Page Communications Engineers, Washington, D.C. Radio Corp. of America supplied the transmitters, National Co. the receivers, and Radio Engineering Laboratories the fm modulators and certain auxiliary line-of-sight equipment for input and output to the system.

## Three New England Stations In Ionospheric Research

Three ionospheric research stations, a master and two slaves, are operating in New Hampshire and Vermont. Scientists hope that the data provided will contribute to basic knowledge and be useful in improving long-range radio communications.
Specifically, the two stations seek data about the movements of dense concentrations or clouds of electrons in the ionosphere, and the angle at which atmospheric "whistlers" enter the atmosphere.

The data obtained are expected to prove or disprove observation made by other methods about the movements of clouds of electrons and their effects on radio-wave propagation in the $\mathbf{E}$ layer of the ionosphere.

Equipment in the two slave stations is synchronized through high-quality telephone lines with the master unit. The transmitting unit at the master station, a vertical incidence ionospheric sounder, sends out 60 radio impulses per second. These sweep rapidly across a wide frequency range, from the broadcast to short-wave bands. All three stations record the echo of the impulses off the clouds of electrons. Through slant triangulation, the speed, height and direction of the clouds can be determined.

Whistlers, the program's second phase, are a special kind of natural radio signal. They are believed to be caused by lightning discharges that travel from one hemisphere to another along the lines of the earth's magnetic field. By ineasuring the time of arrival at the three stations, the angle of rival of the signals can be deduced.


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Two manufacturers offer on their standard models features that automatically maintain peak efficiency regardless of changes in the cleaning fluid. Formerly, a trained operator had to tend the machines and watch for deviations from normal operation-signs that the liquid level, operating temperature, or work load had changed The two manufacturers are Narda Ultrasonics Corp., Westbury, L.I. and Powertron Ultrasonic Corp., Garden City, L.I.
A third manufacturer, Branson Ultrasonic Corp., Stamford, Conn., offers a compensation device optionally, but maintains that its equipment is designed so special compensation is unnecessary for most cleaning jobs.

Generally the compensation technique used is to change the frequency at which the electrical-to-acoustical conversion transducers are driven.
The Narda unit achieves compensation by generating instead of a single frequency, a 10 kc spectrum centered around 22 or 40 kc (depending on the model). A signal is generated by a singletube power oscillator. The signal is amplitude modulated by pulses to generate a small range of sidebands close to the carrier. The oscillator signal simultaneously is frequency modulated by feeding these pulses to a saturable inductance. Hence, the carrier and its tight sideband pattern is translated through a wide frequency range.
The spectrum is swept non-linearly once every $1 / 60 \mathrm{sec}$ (the modulating pulses are keyed to the power lines).
Narda uses a transducer of ceramic doped with barium titanate. According to the company, "The generation of a whole spectrum of frequencies exploits the tendency of the transducers to vibrate in many modes." The company offers two types of transducers. One has an upper temperature limit of 160 F ; the other's limit is 212 F .
The only Narda unit now on the market has a 5-gallon tank capacity and a power rating of 300 w . The company expects to market soon additional models in larger and smaller sizes.
The Powertron unit operates at only one frequency at a time. Cleaning-fluid variations that make it desirable to change the frequency are sensed, and fed back to the single-tube power oscillator. The oscillator frequency changes in response to the phase of the fed-back signal.
This phase depends on the phase of the sound reflected from the surface of the cleaning fluid. The oscillator changes frequency by an amount

## In Ultrasonic Cleaners

sulficient to keep the fed-back voltage in phase with the grid voltage.
The sensing device is identical to the trans-ducer-barium-titanate- and cobalt-doped ceramic -and is mounted alongside the transducer. Both units are sandwiched between aluminum blocks.
The oscillator operates at a nominal frequency of 28 kc . The frequency varies, under load conditions, between 26 and 30 kc . The upper temperature limit of the transducer is 212 F , according to the company.
The Powertron unit comes in five sizes, as denoted by the average generator power-100, 200, 300,700 and $1,000 \mathrm{w}$.
Branson's standard units do not compensate for changes in the level of the cleaning fluid. Such compensation is obviated, according to the company, by mounting the transducers on the side of the tank instead of on the bottom. Thus, the distance from the acoustical source to the reflection surface-the opposite side wall of the tank-is constant.
The temperature changes are compensated by heating-cooling coils surrounding the cleaning tank. The coils respond to a thermostat.

The transducers-lead zirconate-are insensitive to temperature changes, according to the company, and have a flat frequency response. Hence, variations in the acoustical standing wave pattern do not adversely affect their ability to deliver acoustical power. The transducers operate at 25 k , and have an upper temperature limit of 200 F . Branson units come in standard sizes between 50 and $1,000 \mathrm{w}$. The company would not explain the principle behind its optionally available automatic compensation units.
All three companies said the electrical-toacoustical conversion efficiency of their transducers was about 90 per cent.

## 'Aerospace' to Replace

## 'Aeronautical' in IAS Title

The council of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences, at a meeting in Los Angeles, voted unanimously to submit a name change to its memhership for approval.
It recommended that the now universally accepted word "Aerospace" be substituted for the wirl "Aeronautical" in the title by which the Institute has been known since 1932. If the memhers ip concurs, the organization will become officialy the "Institute of the Aerospace Sciences." The long established and familiar "IAS" will reImais unchanged.

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Crazy-quilt Los Angeles ballof taxes ingenuity of voters, election offlcials and electronic designers. Norden's vote counter gives promise of earlier election returns at lower cost. Note timing marks printed on both sides of ballot for use with electronic counter.

## Computer Will Count Election Ballots

AN ELECTRONIC ballot counting system able to process 600 highly complex ballots per minute will be field tested by the County of Los Angeles during the coming presidential elections. Four such systems could handle election returns for all of Los Angeles' three million voters, while eliminating the 55,000 precinct workers who now tally the ballots.

The equipment, being developed by the Data Systems Dept. of the Norden Div. of United Aircraft, consists of a vacuum-operated ballot handler, an allsolid state data processor, a control console, and an output printer-punch.

Design features, required by the complexity of the ballots used in Los Angeles and by the obvious need to assure accuracy and prevent rigging include:

- Parity check for each ballot counted.
- Flexible, rapidly changeable programing by punched tape and plug board instructions.
- Automatic compensation for ballots ¢ CIRCIE 27 ON READER-SERVICE CARD
misaligned in passing through the ballot handler.
- Rejection of incorrectly marked bal. lots.
- Modular construction for rapid servicing in the event of breakdown.


## Ballots Marked in Fluorescent Ink

The ballot handler reads ballots of any length and up to 10 columns wide. Voters mark their ballot in fluorescent ink using a special, self-inking stamp. The ballot is read in the handler under ultra-violet light. Marks in each column are sensed by photomultipliers. Timing marks printed at each side of the ballot and read by photodiodes identify the top of each ballot and indicate where in each column the ballot is marked. The time interval between the sensing of timing marks at each side of the ballot indicates whether the ballot is tilted and to what degree. The timing information together with the output of the photomultipliers determine how the ballot is marked.


Electronic ballot counting system to be tested in Los Angeles. Ballots from each precinct are brought to centrally located unit for counting. Computer is programmed for each precinct by punched paper tape prepared in advance and read at the control console. System as shown may cost about $1 / 2$ million dollars.

The data processor employs a high speed magnetic core memory consisting of 18 separate 10 x 60 core planes. Read and write times are approximately $6.6 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ each. Clock frequency is 300 kc . The associated logic and control circuits contain about 4,000 transistors and 4,000 diodes.
When a ballot is read, the marks are transferred to one memory plane which becomes an exact replica of the ballot. After the ballot is read, the contents of that plane are added to the votes already registered in a 12-plane array which stores the total votes cast for each candidate or issue within one election precinct, up to a maximum of 999 ballots. A binary coded decimal system is used.

## Machine Can Be Programed for Various Ballot Formats

Each group of ballots cast by a precinct is counted separately by the machine. A plug hoard programs the machine for the number of columns in the ballot. Each batch of precinct votes fed into the machine is accompanied by a punched paper tape read at the control console which contains the positions of the candidates along each column. This is necessary because California law requires that the sequence in which candidates for the same office appear on the ballot be varied among precincts. Also, party and local elections can result in different ballot formats among precincts.
After the votes for a precinct are run through the ballot handler the contents of the memory are "lelivered on punched cards, tape, or electric typervriter.
Each data processor will be used with two ballot handlers, control consoles and printers. This will permit loading of one handler while the "ther handler is in operation. - -

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| Cot. No. | Volts | Temp. | Copacitonce <br> $(\omega f)$ <br> (uf) | Polarity | Max. Leakage at Rated Temp. (ua) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Max. Imp. } \\ & -55 \mathrm{C} \text { i20 CPS } \\ & \text { (Ohms) } \end{aligned}$ | Diam. | Length |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2952200 | 200 | $85 C$ | 0.35 | P | 32 | 5715 | ${ }_{\text {I }}^{16}{ }^{16}$ | ${ }^{16}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 2952105 | 300 | $85 C$ | 25.0 | P | 500 | 82 | $\frac{112}{32}$ | 23/4 |
| 29F2108 | 300 | $85 C$ | 2.0 | NP | 150 | 1010 | 3/80 | 21/8' |
| $29 F 2007$ | 200 | $85 C$ | 0.15 | NP | 32 | 13330 | ${ }^{\frac{3}{16}}{ }^{16}$ | $11{ }^{12}$ |
| 2952161 | 250 | 125 C | 2.5 | P | 100 | 830 | $3 / 8 /$ | $1{ }^{180}$ |
| 29F2164 | 250 | 125C | 13.0 | P | 325 | 160 | $\frac{15}{\frac{1}{2}}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 23/40 |

These units are supplied in tubular form, in lightweight aluminum cases, with axial leads, and are available with insulating sleeve in 7 case sizes.

## NEWS

## Telex Random-Access Disk File Reduces Access Time One-Third

A new, random-access, disk memory has nearly a third the access time and double the storam capacity of currently available disk filer.
The improvement in access time is due to th use of two sets of read-record heads for each " 16 stacked disks. Competitive units have used single set for a stack of 50 disks.
The new unit, Telex I, was developed by Tele Inc., Minneapolis. Its average access time was said to be 150 msec (with a 250 msec maximum that of competitive units is 425 msec average, athe $8(0)$ msec maximum.
Telex I has a capacity of 20 to 22 million, 7 -bii characters per stack of disks. Competitive unit have capacities of 10 million characters per stach
The increased capacity is due primarily to th larger diameter of the Telex disks-31 in. com pared to the conventional 24 in . Data are re corded on Telex with a density of 400 bits per inch of recording track.
As with the competitive model, the Telex disks are mounted on a vertical shaft driven by a motor at $1,200 \mathrm{rpm}$. On the Telex unit, however, two heads, mounted about 5 in . apart on rigid arms skim over each surface of each disk. On competitive units, a single pair of read-record heads ar moved, in operation, from disk to disk.
The arms of Telex I move radially across a dist as it rotates. This radial movement is determinet by motors, (one for each disk), whose field coilh are excited by digital commands.
Each disk has 256 concentric recording track in inner and outer bands of 128 tracks each. Be cause each surface has two heads-one for ead


Telex I disk memory has four read-record heads ans a head-positioning motor for each disk.


Two read-record heads skim over each surface of each disk. Each head covers a 5 in. band of 128 recording tracks.
hand-the motor need move the arm through anly 128 positions.
Telex I is scheduled for production early next

The company also intends to market a larger and faster version of Telex I in the latter half of next year. This unit, Telex II, will have 64 disks with a capacity of about 88 -million characters, and an average access time of 125 msec .
Telex I will be priced between $\$ 50,000$ and $\$ 9(0,000$; Telex II will cost less than $\$ 100,000$.

## Experimental UHF TV Stations Planned For New York City

New York City has gained approval of a $\$ 2$ million item in the Federal Communications Commission budget to build two ultra-high-frequency TV stations.
The station will be an experiment to test the adequacy of and the problems surrounding the increased use of uhf channels.
The Federal Government has proposed the station here so that it can thoroughly explore whf under adverse conditions-a metropolitan area filled with tall buildings. The feasibility of whf in an area saturated by vhf sets would also be studied.
Among the factors to be evaluated and develpped are signal strength at the various locations' reception compared with vhf reception at the vame points; and different types of uhf receivers, vith the most practical to be sought.
Sume experiments will be conducted with circularly polarized radiated signals; with multiple ransmissions of the same program on different frequencies from different locations, and with eceivers having differing noise sensitivities.
D pending upon the results of the experiment, the FCC believes that a nationwide uhf service would be possible or at least the intermixing of -hf and uhf stations. Improvements in uhf transmiss on could lead to a shift of all commercial IV 1 , uhf including those stations now in opera-

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## NEWS

## New Moving Target Indicator Adaptable to Most Radars

A simplified radar moving-target indicator s/stem was recently demonstrated by Intercontin ntal Electronics Corp. of Mineola, N.Y. The syst m employs two storage tubes in cascade as comp.rison memory gates to eliminate fixed or slow. moving targets.

According to the company, the INTEC MA- 372 dual canceller, is adaptable to most existing radar sets and in many cases can be substituted directly without the need for any modifications.
The INTEC MA-372 canceller employs two INTEC Model TCM-13X storage tubes as mem ory devices in place of the delay lines generally used in other canceller systems. Within these tubes, an unmodulated spiral sweep is traced on the storage membrane during each pulse repetition period. During the same period, video in formation is delivered to the conductive backplate of the target membraine


PYI scope presentation before switch-on of Inter continental Electronic Corp.'s MA-372 dynamic dual canceller for moving target indication.


Clearer definition and sharper contrast of moving targets is shown in PPI scope presentation after switch on of INTEC's new system.

For fixed targets, an equilibrium condition exists, and there is no output from the tube. Moving targets upset this equilibrium, and an output, in the form of a change in collector current, appears. This change in current gates the signal, which represents the moving target. A cancellation ratio of 40 db is achieved.

A comparison of three pulse periods is employed in discriminating against stationary targets. The equipment includes its own coherent oscillator. $30-\mathrm{mc}$ if limiter, MTI variable range gate with range mark, and trigger generator. Coherent oscillator lock pulse and frequency stabilized if signals are required, and normal video and external trigger are optional.

## Wide-Range Radar Tracker Under Development at Bendix

An electronic tracking device which can follow space craft and aircraft simultaneously is under development by Bendix Corp.'s Radio Div. in Towson, Md.
The company has signed a $\$ 4$ million contract to build a five-story demonstration model which will be used both to track missiles from Wallops Island, Va., and to monitor air traffic in the Baltimore-Washington flight area. The contract was let by the Air Force and the Advanced Research Projects Agency.
The model is called Electronically Steerable Array Radar (ESAR) and can focus its radar on one object at a time while keeping other vehicles in view. This ability is made possible, Bendix says, through the development of a system using multiple electronic track and search beams without the need of moving parts such as those which are used for the mechanical rotation of a conventional antenna.

## Airborne Radar

## Shows Moving Targets



Side-loaking radar to display moving targets has been develcped by Motorola Inc.'s Military Electronics Div. under in Army Signal Corps contract. The AN/,APS-85 sysitem is carried aboard this RL23D, with antenna slung under zath. Strips of terrain 20 miles wide are mapped on ea, side of the aircraft.

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## NEWS

## GE Announces New Computer;

 Unit Has 16,000-Word MemoryGeneral Electric has entered the business c mputer field with the announcement of its GE -225 medium-sized information-processing system. The new computer is all-transistorized and will rent in the $\$ 4,000-\$ 12,000$ per month range depending on peripheral equipment.

Design features include a magnetic-core n:em. ory expandable to 16,38420 -bit binary words. supplemented by auxiliary magnetic-drum storage of equal capacity. Processing times, including access to the core memory, are $40 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ for addition or logic, $250 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ for multiplication and 500 $\mu$ ses for division. Access time to the drum averages 8.3 msec . All conventional input-output devices can be mated to the computer including punched cards, punched tape, magnetic tape and printer.
In a quiet sales campaign over the past six months two dozen orders have been landed for the GE-225. Initial deliveries are expected late this year and new orders are being accepted on 18 months delivery.


First General Electric business computer is assem bled at the company's computer department in Phoenix Ariz. Some 400 plug-in logic boards of the type shown here are used in the machine which also includes over 3,000 transistors.

## Improved Phone Engineering Seen Through Use of Computers

Increased use of computers will make telephon engineering faster, cheaper, and more accurate than is possible today, a symposium at the sum mer meeting of the AIEE was told in a paper by three engineers.

Computers would also free engineers "from many tedious tasks," the paper said. Authors of the paper were L. W. Blumer, Northwest Be

Telephone Co., Onaha, Neb.; N. E. List, Michitan Bell Telephone Co., Detoit; and G. E. hieifenstuhl, Western Electric Co., Chicago.
"Costs of engineering should be reduced or hield in check. Over-all intervals will decrease. Accuracy will improve. Resulting standardization Accuraey wesponsible for further savings. 'By-products,' such as cost data, accounting information, power-drain data, etc., may be even more valuable than the tangible advantages seen today," the paper said.

## Computer Use Widens In Warfare Simulation

Battles inside of a computer are taking the place of the real thing in training the West's armed forces.

Some 6,000 Allied officers in a recent training exercise at Fort Lee, Va., simulated a problem in supplying widely dispersed units over a Western European nuclear and chemical-warfare battlefield.
The operation, designated LOGEX 60, was accomplished by linking an IBM 650 computer at Fort Monmouth, N. J., to Fort Lee. The computer represented 31 field computers at various depots and central stock-control points over the simulated attack area.

IBM 7070 to Industry


First all-transistorized data processing system delivered to private industry-an IBM 7070-gets final checkout before delivery to Texas Instruments. Magnetic cores store up to 100,000 digits with 6 - - sec access time. Magnetic discs store an additional 48 million digits with 850 msec access time. Internal processing speeds are 16,000 5 -digit additions, 860 10-digit multiplications or 320 10 -digit divisions per second. Entire system consists of 22 units with a total weight of 17 tons. Forty-one thousard transistors are used. IBM officials claim to have re sived 300 orders for 7070 systems and expect to deliv $r 55$ of them this year. The system installed at $T I$ is lec ing for $\$ 31,000$ monthly.

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These men are not opportunists. Most of them would do anything in their power to continue to teach. But with families to feed and clothe and educate, they just can't make a go of it. They are virtually
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It's important for you to know more about what the impending college crisis means to you. Write for a free booklet to: HIGHER EDUCATION, Box 36, Times Square Station, New York 36, N.Y

## NEWS



Test chamber "flies" parts for space missiles and iet aircraft to simulated $1,000,000-\mathrm{ft}$ altitude at Itemlab Inc., Port Washington, N.Y. Test Parts are sealed in a vacuum behind a door ordinarily used to "cap" industrial pressure vessels and pipelines. Research tests are conducted in extremely combustible high-temperature gas-air mixtures to learn if operation of electronic or electro-mechanical components might spark explosions in flight.

## Piezoelectric Qualities Cited For Zinc Oxide, Cadmium Sulfide

Recent experiments have disclosed a high degree of piezoelectricity; for zinc oxide and cadmium sulfide, according to Dr. A. R. Hutson of Bell Telephone Laboratories, New York City.

The degree of piezoelectricity exhibited by lithium-doped zinc oxide is said to be about four times as great as that of quartz, while that of cadmium sulfide is twice as great. Confirming measurements were made on single crystals of zinc oxide grown both by vapor techniques and from a flux. The cadmium sulfide crystals were vapor grown.

Dr. Hutson decided to investigate piezoelectric constants of the materials while studying some of their unusual conductivity properties.
The excess conductivity of the zinc oxide was quenched by diffusing lithium atoms into the material. When this was done, the resistivity of the compound was raised from $10^{3}$ to $10^{12}$ ohms per cm at room temperature.

Dr. Hutson calculated electromechanical coupling coefficients to be about 0.4 for zinc oxide and 0.2 for cadmium sulfide, compared with 0.095 for quartz.

## Phosphorous-Diffusion Method Used for Making Solar Cells

new phosphorous-diffusion technique for producing silicon solar cells has been developed by the U. S. Army Signal Corps Research and Divelopment Laboratories, Ft. Monmouth, N. J.

The technique promises better reproductibility and does not seem to be as destructive on semiconductor surfaces as conventional methods. Efficiencies in the 12 -per-cent range have been obtained consistently, and researchers hope for higher efficiencies with further development. Another 1 per cent is added by properly coating the cells.

The technique substitutes electrons for holes in the active surface area, so that higher injection efficiencies are achieved.

The Russians have been using a phosphorousdiffusion process to produce solar cells, according to a Signal Corps spokesman, but the reasons for this were not apparent until the new processing technique was developed.
In conventional solar-cell production, boron is normally diffused onto an n-type silicon ingot, to produce a p-type skin. Antimony, arsenic, or some other suitable dopant is used to produce the $n$ ingot.
TA boron-doped p-type silicun ingot is used in the new Signal Corps process. Phosphorous is diffused onto the surface to produce an $n$ layer.
The Signal Corps plans a meeting soon with interested companies to describe details of the new process.

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## NEWS

## IBM 650 Computer Employed To Simulate Bank Management

Three new＂banks＂appeared in Pittsburg，for a day when a group of Mellon National Bank and Trust Co．officers divorced themselves from a lay regular activities to participate in a new tech ique called＂Bank Management Simulation．＂

By using a computer，it is possible in the simulation to condense two years＇operations into a single day．The Mellon Bank＇s participation marked the first time the technique has been used in a bank and it now opens new vistas for electronic data－processing equipment and for bank management．
The Mellon Bank＇s IBM 650 Computer was fed management＂solutions＂to everyday bank problems and the computer responded with new conditions．As a result，three teams of three bank officers each were able to experience several years of banking decisions，and see the results，in a period of just one day．
The idea stems from the military where simu－ lated war games have been used for years to help in the training of officers．

## Precision Pot Manufacturers Establish A New Committee

An organizational mecting of manufacturers of precision potentiometers was held in June a Radio Corp．of America in Camden，N．J
Representatives from fifteen of the leading manufacturers met to discuss their mutual prob． lems in the face of greater emphasis on reliability of electronic component parts．

The objectives of the new group will be the promotion of greater standardization of design types and parameters，test methods，nomencla． ture and joint educational efforts．

D．McNeely of Helipot－Beckman was elected general chairman of a committee to draft a con－ stitution and by－laws．East and West Coast chair men were selected to expedite its formulation Precision potentiometer manufacturers interested in this group are invited to contact Mr．McNeely at $\mathbf{2 5 0 0}$ Fullerton Road，Fullerton．Calif．

## Bendix Transistor＇Brake＇ To Control Chain Reaction

A transistorized＂electronic brake＂under de velopment for the Atomic Energy Commission will control chain reaction at the AEC＇s nell Pathfinder Atomic Power Plant at Sioux Falls．S．D

Bendix Corp．＇s Cincinnati division said the unit called a＂reactor－flux monitor and safety system＂， will automatically and continuously measure tha
momber of neutrons put out by the reactor from lie start of its chain reaction through the full merational cycle. Whenever the energy output acceeds normal levels, the system will automaticilly shut down the reactor in a fraction of a stomid, the engineers said.
Not only the amount of energy output, but also the rapidity with which it is being built up at anly time, are sensed by this system, and if the reactor's human supervisors do not take indicated control methods when too-rapid build-up is taking place, the system automatically shuts it down. It literally feels the pulse of a nuclear reaction, Bendix engineers said, by measuring neutrons, emitted in the reaction.
The Pioneer Service and Engineering Co., Chicago, the architect-engineering firm that designed the Pathfinder plant, placed the order with Bendix.

## Six Companies to Tour Instruments For Operation from DC to 220 Kmc

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The door-to-door instrument show, manned by engineers and aimed at engineers, will be open from 1 to 9 p.m. at:

The Sagamore Room of Roosevelt Field Shopping Center in Garden City, I.I., on Oct. 5-6;
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## NEWS

## Three Get Army Grant For Frequency Standard Work

Three University of Colorado faculty members have received a $\$ 40,795$ research grant from the Army Signal Corps to investigate the feasibility of developing a new frequency standard in regions from 100 to 400 kmc .

The faculty members are Dr. Frank S. Barties, associate professor of electrical engineering; Dr. Donald G. Burkhard, professor of physics, and Dr. Masataha Mizushima, associate professor of physics.

The proposed instrument is expected to make use of the electrical resonance in molecules, and could be as much as 10 times more accurate than the present atomic frequency standards, it is said The study will complement the work to be done on a $\$ 57,000$ research project Dr. Barnes received from the National Science Foundation recently to develop a millimeter wave-beam maser.

## 6 Basic Manufacturing Functions Turned Over to IBM Computer

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## Bookless Electronic Library Seen Within Five Years

Two electronic engineers have predicted an electronic library without books within five years. The heart of the library will be a computer, A. F. Glimm and R. D. Greenway of General Electric, Bethesda, Md., told the summer meeting of the AIEE.
In their paper, the two engineers said the state of the art in information systems techniques and equipment "is on the verge of a breakthrough that will eliminate many currently envisaged application problems. From the viewpoint of equipment and techniques, it will, within a few years,

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le perfectly feasible to carry extremely large online digital computer storage."

They said automatic page readers, automatic information-indexing by the computer, bulk ran-dom-access memory, and high-speed electronic printing would all be available in less than five years.

## C-Band Klystron for Missiles <br> Delivers 3-Megawatt Output

A C-band klystron said to deliver up to 3 megawatts peak output power has been developed by the Sperry Gyroscope Co. of Great Neck, N.Y. Intended for use in missile radars, it is the first microwave tube in its range capable of such a high power figure, according to the company.
The new klystron employs an electron gun that supplies a $100-\mathrm{amp}$ current. The gun, considered standard in several of the company's high-power type klystrons, reportedly can supply beams of more than 200 megawatts power and $1,000 \mathrm{amp}$ current.
Basic to the gun is a type of cathode described as an "extended interface coated cathode." This is a concave button of special nickel material, 1.5 in. in diameter, which supports a thin coating of standard cathode oxide coatiing material. The Sperry gun is also said to have an ultra high vacuum-less than one one-billionth of normal atmospheric pressure.


Sperry C-band klystron is said to give a 3-megawatt peak output. Pointed white cone (upper left) is a window made of a ceramic similar to sapphire which is trans.jarent to microwave power. It passes output power to missile radar's antenna while sealing output pipe against tube's ultra-high vacuum.

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## A Fair Week's Work for a Fair Day's Pay

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Today, our inability to measure with adequate accuracy limits us severely on many technological fronts. In rocketry, for example, we want to measure thrust to within 0.01 per cent. We cant.
In vhf, uhf, and microwave measurements, NBS can provide only about 20 per cent of the specific calibration services require.
It was reported recently that one company could have saved several months of schedule time and several hundred thousand dollars in developing a high-power klystron if adequate NBS power-calibration services had been available.
Another company could have saved almost a million dollars. If adequate attenuation calibration services had been available in the Ku-band, the company could have obviated a milliondollar trial-and-error approach in designing an antenna radome.

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# Wideband Video Amplifier Design Using Mesa Transistors 

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WIDE BAND video amplifier design using vacuum tubes generally includes distributed lines with their inherent complexities. To accomplish the same objectives, mesa transistors using simple RL shunt feedback can be employed; the high frequency peaking adjustment, $L$, is not critical and the amplifier produced is simple and stable.

## Choice of Operating Conditions

To achieve widest bandwidth, it is generally necessary to optimize the operating conditions for the largest $f_{t}$, the frequency at which the ratio of collector current to base current with output shorted becomes unity. As can be seen from the data for a type 2 N 700 , Fig. $1, f_{t}$ is within 10 per cent of maximum from 5 ma to about 14 ma and for collector voltages above 4 v . In Fig. 2, the gain-bandwidth product is plotted and is seen to follow $f_{t}$ directly. Within the limits given, a gain-bandwidth product of about 800 mc can be expected. The actual choice of operating conditions depends on a number of additional factors such as dissipation, signal handling capability and noise figure.

From Fig. 3a, it is seen that the noise figure at 70 mc (which is in the center of the proposed band) increases above a collector voltage of 10 v . From Fig. 3b, it can be seen that the best noise figure occurs at about 2 ma emitter current. For good signal handling (high undistorted output power), high collector voltage and current are required. The maximum is given by the dissipation rating of the 2N700. The input stage on the other hand, should be designed for low noise.

Summarizing, the following operating conditions can be obtained:
Input Stage $\quad l=5 \mathrm{ma} V_{c e}=5$ to $10 \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{v}}$ Intermediate Stages $I=8 \mathrm{ma} V_{c e}=5$ to $10 \mathrm{v}_{e}$ Output Stage $\quad I=8 \mathrm{ma} V_{c e}=10$ to $15 \mathrm{v}_{e}$

The higher collector voltages are attractive in that they decrease $C_{o b}$, as shown in Fig. 4.

The change in operating conditions is only slight for the different stages; for simplicity, identical circuitry may be used except for the output stage. In this case the noise is about 1 db worse than optimum.

## Circuit Design of Feedback Stage

From Fig. 2, a gain-bandwidth product above 800 mc may be reached, corresponding to a gain of about 5.3 per stage (or 14.5 db ) for a $150-\mathrm{mc}$ bandwidth. The mismatching loss in a video amplifier is usually high because no transformer
matching is possible. The ratio of output to input resistance ranges from 10 to 5 for the 2N700 Therefore, we can expect a gain of only from 8 to 10 db per stage in practice. The total number of stages for the $50-\mathrm{db}$ gain is then five, plus one emitter follower. (This has been confirmed by the experimental chassis discussed later.)
The common-emitter configuration was chosen for two reasons. One, as has been pointed out above, in a video amplifier matching using transformers is not possible. Therefore, the closer to unity the ratio of output impedance to input im. pedance, the greater the iterative power gain. This eliminates the common-base circuit. The common collector also provides, at low power gain, the impedances involved. The second reason for not using a common-base connection is tha it does not improve rf stability in mesa transistors since grounding the base does not lower the cat pacitance between input and output.
The base of a mesa device is just a stripe on the collector and does not separate emitter and col. lector as in an alloy transistor.
The collector capacitance of the mesa transistor is low enough so that no neutralization is required Since satisfactory neutralization would be ven difficult to achieve in a wide-band amplifier, it is essential that a transistor with a low $C_{0}$ be used.
The simplified circuit of one stage is shown in

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Fig. 1. Above 4 v collector voltage and in the region of 5 to 14 ma collector current, $f_{t}$ is flat within 10 per cent $\left(f_{t}\right.$ is the frequency at which the ratio of collector current to base current is unity with output shorted). Curve represents data for a type 2N700 mesa transistor at 25 C .

(a)

(b)

Fig. 3. At 70 mc , center of the proposed video amplifier band, the noise figure increases above a collector voltage of 10 v (a) with minimum noise figure at about 2 ma emitter current (b).



Fig. 5. Simplified schematic of a single stage amplifier using an RL feedback network.

Fig. 4. Collector capacitance de creases as collector voltage is increased for a 2 N 700 transistor.
Fig. 2. The 2 N 700 gain-bandwidth product is reasonably flat between 5 to 14 ma emitter current and above 5 v collector voltage.

Fig. 5. As can be seen, simple shunt feedback is provided from collector to base to lower both the input and output impedances of the stage. A strict analysis of this stage using the equivalent circuit of the transistor is cumbersome and leads to inaccurate results since the greater part of the load consists of the feedback network in parallel with the frequency-variable input impedance of the following feedback stage. For a more detailed analysis the literature listed should be consulted. ${ }^{1,2,3}$
The approximate estimate presented is satisfactory as a start; optimum values of the feedback resistor and coil must be determined by experiment. It is first necessary to calculate the input impedance of the feedback stage shown in Fig. 5. Assuming there is no coil, it is easily shown that the effective input impedance is simply the input impedance of the transistor in parallel with a resistance equal to the feedback resistor divided by ( $1-A$ ), where $A$ is the voltage gain, collector to base. This last resistance $R_{f} /(1-A)$ is the smaller resist nnce and can therefore be considerer equal to the approximate input resistance of the stage.

The load seen by the collector of the preceding stage consists chiefly of this resistance in parallel with the feedback resistance of the stage. The total load resistance is then smaller than $R_{f} /$ $(2-A)$. With this value, the gain $A$ can be found to be $A=-g_{m} \cdot R_{f} /(2-A)$.

## Calculating Feedback Resistor $\boldsymbol{R}_{f}$

As previously shown from gain-bandwidth considerations, the gain per stage will be approximately 3. Substituting this and $g_{m}=60 \times 10^{-3}$ mhos into the gain formula, $R_{\rho}$ is found to be 250 ohms.

Feedback resistor $R_{\text {, can }}$ also be found without using the gain-bandwidth product and using the input capacitance of the transistor instead, as follows:
$X_{c}$ must be determined at 150 mc . Taking 12 $\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ for the transistor, and $8 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ for socket, wiring and contribution by $C_{x}, X_{c}$ is found to be 50 ohms at 150 mc . At this cut-off frequency, $X_{c}$ must be equal to the input resistance which was found above to be $R_{f} /(2-A)$.

Therefore $R_{f} /(2-A)=X_{c}$. With $X_{c}=50$ ohms and $g_{m}=60 \times 10^{-3}$ mhos, $A$ is -3 . Substituting this into $R_{f} /(2-A)=X_{c}, R_{f}$ is found to be 250 ohms as above. A practical range would be 220 to 270 ohms.
The feedback coil inserted in series with this resistor decreases the feedback at the high end only. $X_{L}$ should therefore be about 220 to 270 ohms at $100 \mathrm{mc} . L$ is then 0.33 to $0.47 \mu \mathrm{~h}$. These values give good starting points, but a variation of at least $2: 1$ may be expected in a practical circuit.
To obtain the proper dc operating conditions, a separate emitter supply is used. As pointed out above, the emitter current chosen is 8 ma , therefore, the emitter resistance for a $4.5-\mathrm{v}$ supply voltage is 560 ohms. This value provides all the stability required since the dc resistance in the base circuit is very low.

## Quiput Stage

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Fig. 6. S-hematic diagram (a) of a five-stage amplifier having a $150-\mathrm{mc}$ bandwidth and an overall gain of 50.5 db ; an emitter follower output delivers up to 0.3 $v$ into a 50 -ohm load. The overall frequency response is shown in (b).
of power gain and change of frequency response. It is thus necessary to design a special output stage using an emitter-follower. Because of the low impedance involved, a direct-coupled arrangement is used; the emitter current passes through the 50 . ohm load directly. To increase the stability, a bypassed series resistor is used in the emitter circuit. Because of the method of load connection, a separate emitter supply voltage cannot be used and bias is applied to the base by a resistive divider. The total input impedance of the emitter-follower is of the order of 1 K and is sufficiently high to avoid loading the previous stage unduly.

## Performance and Practical Considerations

A schematic diagram of the complete amplifier is shown in Fig. 6a. Individual stages are not identical; this is not due to variation of transistor parameters but due to the flatter over-all response possible with a cascade of slightly different stages. If identical stages are cascaded, each with $R_{l}=$ 200 ohms and $L_{f}=0.33 \mu \mathrm{~h}$, it is found that the frequency response is flat on the high end but a severe dip (of 6 db or more) is encountered in the region from 30 to 80 mc . This dip is not sharp but circle 44 on reader-service caro* ELECTRONIC DESIGN • August 17, 1960
vile-band and is not caused by faulty bypass cauitors or the like. It is probably caused by beta ‥ll-off of the transistors which, at the high end, i. corrected by the coil.

By lowering the $Q$ of the chokes with shunting resistors, adjusting the frequency by choice of the choke inductance, and applying some variation in the amount of feedback applied, it is possible to improve the frequency response considerably as shown in Fig. 6b. In the final circuit a gain of 50.5 db was obtained at 1 mc . The maximum undistorted output signal was 0.3 v although up to $1 v$ is available for pulses. The noise level with input terminated in 50 ohms is 4.8 mv at the output. For a bandwidth of 150 mc this corresponds to :ill equivalent input noise resistance of 95 ohms, neglecting the difference between noise bandwilth and the 3 -db bandwidth.
Since the input impedance is approximately 50 ohms when terminated with 50 ohms, the equivalent thermal resistance is approximately 25 ohms. The noise figure is therefore $\sqrt{95} / \sqrt{25}=1.95$ or 5.8 db . No special care has been taken so far to optimize circuit design in the first stage for least noise. Although the low end is down 3 db at 350 kc, shown in Fig. 6b, no special emphasis has been placed on extending the low end since it is simply a matter of increasing the value of the coupling and bypass capacitors.

## Other Possible Circuits

Shunt feedback amplifiers as used here and elsewhere ${ }^{1,2,3}$ are not the only way to design wideband amplifiers. Emitter degeneration and mismatching ${ }^{4,5}$ have been used. A design could also be based on two-stage feedback amplifiers, which use series compensation in the interstage network and feedback from the second collector into the first emitter or from the second emitter into the first base. Both circuits have been tried successfully ${ }^{8}$ and are useful for amplifiers of smaller bandwidth and higher gain. - -

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Just how good is Russian test equipment? How do Russian designs compare with ours? Are Russian instruments more sensitive-their ranges wider?
If the quality of electronic test equipment can be a clue to the quality of microwave, ultrasonic, telemetry, switching, and other types of equipment, then surely there is much to be learned from a good look at Russian test equipment.
Bruno Weinschel, president of Weinschel Engineering and chairman of the Washington Chapter of the IRE Professional Group on Instrumentation, has prepared photographs and technical descriptions of instruments shown at the Russian Exhibition in New York last year. His material was published in the December 1959 IRE Transactions on Instrumentation.
To give readers a more direct comparison with equivalent American Equipment, ELECTRONIC DESIGN is pleased to present 21 photos and descriptions of these instruments together with 37 American instruments which appear similar. Though the Russion specifications were, in places, very meager, American manufacturers were extremely cooperative in making some very difficult comparisons. In many cases, full comparisons were impossible because the Russian specifications failed to cover essential instrument characteristics.
In addition to these equipment comparisons, this report includes comments on Russian equipment, design, and manufacturing approaches by Donald Sinclair and by David Packard based on their recent trips to the Soviet Union. There are additional comments by William Bourks based on his appraisal of the Russian instruments when he saw them in New York.

N JULY of 1959, the Russians showed many pieces of electronic test equipment at their Exhibition of Science, Technology, and Culture at New York City's Coliseum. Since most engineers want to know how Russian test equipment compares with ours, members of the Washington chapter of the IRE Professional Group on Instrumentation examined some 30 instruments on display.
Through the courtesy of the Soviet Press Attaché, they were allowed to photograph the instruments. The Russian exhibitors provided performance specifications in English. PGI members discussed design details of some of the most interesting instruments with one of the Russion engineers.
J. F. Raible of Forest Hills, N.Y., took pictures of the instruments and E. E. Anderson of the Naval Ordnance Laboratories translated the frontpanel lettering.

## Translation of Panel Markings May Be Misleading

The reader should be warned that translation of the panel markings, without aciess to instruction books and details of instrument operation, is risky and somewhat uncertain. The problem is lack of context to guide the choice of possible English equivalents. For example, a commonly
ators, it has a dual frequency range of 100 kc to 25 mc and 15 to 3000 mc . It uses the parallel it substitution principle discussed. ${ }^{1,2,3}$
It operates at 5 mc and has a $100-\mathrm{kc}$ bandwidth One may use either its $2-\mathrm{in}$. oscilloscope or its 5 in. zero-center meter for null balancing the $5-\mathrm{mc}$ mixer output against the $5-\mathrm{mc}$ standard if source.
While the principle of this instrument is known in the United States, and at least two units have been built for laboratory measurement of signal generators, the Russian instrument covers a wide
dynamic range than the American instru-
ment. Furthermore, it has been condensed
occurring Russian marking could be translated as "adjustment," or "monitor."
Abbreviations can be even more troublesome. In many cases, knowledge of the instrument's function and probable design sufficed to resolve this type of ambiguity, but there are surely cases where English words with incorrect connotation have been selected.
The PGI members had no opportunity to observe any of the Russian instruments in operation, so they could not comment on possible differences between actual performance and specifications.

## Compact Attenuation Calibration <br> Has 110-db Dynamic Range

One of the most interesting units shown was that in Fig. 17. Used for calibrating signal gener- into two relatively small, portable cabinets.
According to a Russian engineer at the Nerr York show, the instrument is used in all Russian factories where output attenuators of signa: generators must be calibrated.
From an engineering point of .iew, there is considerable difficulty in pack:sing equipment with a dynamic range of 110 db into such a small space. The practical difficulties in overcoming ur. desired coupling in such a small package are considerable.

## Instrument Features Low Vsw

 Over Wide Frequency RangeAnother interesting feature of this unit is it external mixer head. This mixer has a vswr of les than 1.2 over a range from 15 to $3,000 \mathrm{mc}$. It can


Pulse Generators

Fig. 1. Pulse Generator GI-4M has delay time between channel pulses between 0 and 10 msec , with accuracy within $\pm(0.05 \mu s e c+0.05$ per cent $)$. Pulse rise time does not exceed 50 nsec. Repetition frequency with internal triggering varies from 2 cps to 10 kc , accuracy being within 10 per cent.


Fig. 1a. Allen B. Du Mont. Pulse Generator 404, with repetition rates from 10 cps to 100 kc , has wider frequency range than the Russian instrument, and its $20-\mathrm{nsec}$ maximum rise time is better than the 50 nsec for the Russian unit. The Russian unit has two channels, the Du Mont only one.


Fig. Ib. General Radio. Pulse, Sweep, and Time Delay Generator 1391-B can provide pulse lengths as long as 1 sec and repetition rates to 250 kc . Its 50 nsec rise time is equal to that of the Russian instrument.


Fig. Ic. Hewlett-Packard. Digital Delay Generator 218A with Dual Pulse Unit 219B has specifications which are almost identical to the Russian specifications. The 219B Dual Pulse Unit has a slightly longer rise time 160 nsec) but a 219 C has a slightly faster rise time ( 30 nsec ).

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Pulse Generators
(continued)


Fiz. 2. Short-Pulse Gencrator Gjl-5 measures transient characteristics; tests and aligns pulse circuits, broadhand amplifiers. analyzers, discriminators; and tests semiconductor coincidence circuits. Can also be used as modulator of shf oscillators. Pulse duration: 7 to 500 ) nsec. Rise time 6 insec. Fall time: 10 nsec. Repetition freguency: 10 cps to 10 kc .


Fig. 2a. Measurements. Standard Pulse Gen erator 179 has a higher upper frequency limit 160 cps to 100 kc ). Its rise and fall times ( 100 and 150 nsec ) are substantially longer than the 6 and 10 nsec times for the Russian unit. Pulse width of the 179 is continuously variable from 0.5 to 60 ! 1 sec while Russian unit has fixed pulse width of 0.5

Fig. 2b. Rutherford Electronics. Pulse Genera or $B 7$ has repatition rates of 20 cps to 2 mc with variable pulse delay to 10 msec . Pulse width is variable from 50 nsec to 10 msec . Rise and fall times are 15 nsec each.


Fig. 2c. Electro-Pulse. Megacycle Pulse Gen erator 3450 C provides repetition rates from 2 cps to 2 mc with variable pulse delay to 10 msec. Pulse width is variable from 50 nsec to 10 msec . Rise time is 15 nsec .


Fig. 3a. Measurements. Standard Signal Generator 80 , with a range of 2 to 400 mc covers the ranges of the Russian GSS-17 and GSS-30 (Fig. 4). Internal amplitude modulation is at 400 or 1000 cps while the Russian GSS-17 provides only 1000 cps . Modulation is variable from 0 to 30 per cent compared with 10 to 80 per cent for the GSS-17 and 10 to 60 per cent for the GSS-30
rig. 3. Standard-Signal Generator CSSS-17 tests and aligns fm and am receivers. Frequency range: 16 to 128 mc . Generator provides: a) continuous oscillation; h) internal 1-kc frequency- or amplitude-modulation with modulation factors from 10 to 80 per cent and frequency deviation from 1 to 7.5 kc : c) external fre(fuency modulation by sinusoidal voltages from 50 cps to 15 kc , providing frequency deviation from 1 to 7.5 kc ; d) external amplitude modulation by smusoids from 100 cps to 10 kc , providing modulation percentage From 10 to 80 per cent. Nonlinear distortion with internal fm does not exceed : 3 per cent. Nonlinear distortion with internal am does not exceed 3 per cent. Vonlinear distortion with internal am does not exceed 5 per cent.
(p)erate with inputs as high as 0.3 without deviating from linearity. To the writer's knowledge, no imilar performance specifications for a mixer have wer been published in U. S. catalogs or reports. Most good American mixer heads in coaxial lines below 4 kmc have a vswr of 2 over a single octave.

## High- and Low-Power Outputs <br> Common in Russian Generators

A number of the Russian instruments on display had high as well as low power outputs. The existence of two independent power outputs permits the use of homodyne systems. It also allows the use of the high-level output for automatic localoscillator correction with very narrow-band if systems for transmission measurements. The lowoutput level can be used for calibration. The instruments in Figs. 13 and 14 have high and low output levels. The one in Fig. 13 has an unusually high output exceeding 1 w below 1 kmc and 0.5 w between 1 and 2 kmc .

## Strong Central Planning Minimizes Choice of Equipment

It appears that because of strong central planning, only a small choice of standardized electronic test equipment is available to Russian engineers. Since there is no commercial competition, nc effort is apparent in streamlining instruments or miniaturizing equipment. The equipment appears bulky, but functional

It should be noted that some measurements, such as the calibration of the output power of


Fig. 3b. Boonton Radio. FM-AM Signal Generator 202. $E$ provides both am and fm coverage for a wider range of frequencies than does the GSS.17. It covers 54 to 216 mc while the latter covers 16 to 128 mc . The 202-E gives from 0 to 50 per cent modulation and provides eight internal-modulation frequencies from 50 cps to 60 kc . Am distortion of less than 5 per cent is the same for both instruments but the Boonton gives less than 2 der cent fim distortion (compared with 3 per cent) over a very wide fm range of 0 to 240 kc (compared with 0 to 75 k ). External am fidelity is 30 cps to 200 kc for the 202-E and 100 cps to 10 kc for the GSS-17 while exferncl fm fidelity is 30 cps to 200 kc for the Boonton and 30 cps to 15 kc for the Russian unit.


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Fig. 5. Standard Signal Generator GSS-15 aligns receivers and feeds instrument lines antennas, and other radio devices. Available in model GSS-15A from 150 to 1000 mc and model GSS-15B from 1 to 2 kmc . Power output: a) from microwatt output connector: 100 to $10^{-8} \mu \mathrm{w}$; b) from high-power output connector: at least 1 w (GSS-15A), at least 0.) w (C.SS-15B).


Fig. 4a. Boonton Radio. FM-AM Signal Generator 202-G, designed for the telemetry band is yery much similar to the GSS-30. It covers 195 to 270 mc (compared with 125 to 250 mc ) Am modulation is from 0 to 100 per cen compared with 10 to 60 per cent). Fm modulation from 0 to 240 kc provides greater fidel ity than the 1 kc to 150 kc in the Russion unit. (The instruments in Fig. 3 can also be compared with the GSS-30.)


Fig. 5a. Hewlett-Packard. UHF Signal Gener ator 612A, covering 450 to 1230 mc , overlaps the frequency range of the GSS-15A and the GSS-15B. The H-P 614A covers 800 to 2100 mc and the H.P 608D covers 10 to 480 mc . Maximum power output of the GSS-15A (1 w) and of the GSS-15B ( $0-5 \mathrm{w}$ ) exceed that of the H-P (5 mw).
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## U.S. Manufacturers Say:

NSTRUMENT comparisons based solely on the Russian equipment shown in New York suffer from basic drawbacks: these comparisons don't show how old a particular piece of equipment is nor how widespread its use. It is not particularly revealing to compare an American instrument, vintage 1947, with a just-out-of development Russian instrument.

## Russian Test Equipment

Five-Ten Years Behind Ours
In many cases, the Russians appear to be far behind us. William Bourke, president of Narda Microwave Corp., told Electronic Design, "Our appraisal of the Russian units when we saw them at the Coliseum was that they have the general appearance of products that might have been manufactured here five or ten years ago.'

Mr. Bourke pointed out that in microwave test equipment, there haven't been significant technical advances in the United States over the past 10 years but the products presently being manufactured here are greatly refined and offer better accuracy, more attractive appearance, and a long list of design improvements over earlier versions.

## Russian Test Equipment

Looked Ugly-But Useful
The accuracy of microwave test equipment depends primarily on good mechanical design and high accuracy in machining and assembling operations. "Their design," continued Mr. Bourke, "app"ared adequate. So I am surprised that their specifications are so much poorer than ours. I assume they have available, if they wish to use it, a m chining capability comparable to our own."
Ci ncluding, Mr. Bourke commented, "The Rus-
sian quipment looked ugly-but useful."
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Sine-Wave Generators (contimued)


Fig. 6. Standard-Signal Generator GSS28M adjusts receivers and feeds measuring lines, antennas and other radio devices. Frequency range: 3750 to $\mathbf{4 7 5 0}$ me. Basic frequency error ${ }^{2}$ per cent.


Fig. 6a. Hewlett-Packard. UHF Signal Generator 616 B covers 1.8 to 4.2 kmc , a slightly wider range than the 3.75 to 5.75 kmc of the Russian unit. The 1 per cent frequency accuracy of the H-P instrument is twice as good as that of the Russian unit.

Modulation Meters


Fig. 7. Modulation Meter IM-19 measures amplitude-modulation percentage and frequency deviation. Ranges: 80 kc to 180 mc for selective input, 150 kc to $\mathbf{3 0} \mathrm{mc}$ for unluned input. Frequency-deviation range: 400 kc to 180 mc . In amplitude modulation, the modulation-factor range for "up" and "down" separately is 10 to 100 per cent. ) eviation-frequency range: 1 ke to 50 kc .


Fig. 7a. General Radio. Amplitude-Modula tion Monitor 1931-B measures am per cent modulation from 0 to 110 per cent on positive peaks, to 100 per cent on negative peaks. Works with carriers from 0.5 to 60 mc . Does not have as wide a frequency range as the Russian equipment but per cent modulation range is wider. G-R instrument does not measvie frequency deviation. Intermediate frequency of the systems being tested should not exceed 100 mc with maximum bandwidth of 15 mc. Noise source can be mounted on front ponel. Though it detracts from appearance, it is convenient when equipment under test is ne arby. For other applications, it appears that ncise source and cable can be unhooked from front panel.

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Modulation Meters (continued)


Fig. 8. Frequency Deviation Meter IDCH-1 measures frequency deviation of fm signals, modulation percentage of am signals, and frequency. Frequency range: 50 to $\mathbf{7 0 0} \mathrm{mc}$ Frequency deviation range: 2 to 500 kc . Modulating frequencies: 50 cps to 30 kc . Am-percentage measuring range: 10 to 80 per cent. Instrument sensitivity at least 20 mv .


Fig. 8a. General Radio. TV Transmitter Monitor 1184-A measures frequency deviation to higher frequencies than does the Russian equipment (to 890 mc to cover uhf channels), but it measures deviation to only 25 kc which is standard for TV in the U. S. Russian instrument appears somewhat more sensitive than G-R unit which is intended for EIA standard monitoring outputs.

Voltage and Power Meters


Fig. 9. Vacuum-Tube Voltmeter MVL-2M measures rms values of sine waves from 20 cps to 400 kc . Range: 10 mv full scale to 300


Fig. 9a. Ballantine. Electronic Voltmeter 300D measures sine waves from 10 cps to 250 kc , a somewhat narrower range than the 20 cps to 400 kc of the MVL-2M. The Ballantine has a logarithmic scale which provides a uniform 2 per cent accuracy at any point on the scale.


Fig. 9b. Hewlett-Packard. AC Transistor Voltmeter 403A provides full-scale voltage readings from 1 mv to 300 v over the wide range of 1 cps to 1 mc .


Fig. 10. Vacuum Tube Millivoltmeter MVL-3 measure sinusoids from 10 mv full scale to $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ v. Frequency range: $\mathbf{3 0} \mathrm{cps}$ to $\mathbf{1 0} \mathrm{mc}$.


Fig. 10a. Hewlett-Packard. Vacuum Tube Voltmeter 400 H covers 1 -mv to $300-\mathrm{v}$ full-scale ranges from 10 cps to 4 mc (compared with 30 cps to 10 mc ).


Fig. 10b. Ballantine. Electronic Voltmeter 314 measures 10 mv full scale to 100 v over a $15-\mathrm{cps}$ to $6-\mathrm{mc}$ range. Without the probe, the Ballantine's sensitivity extends to 1 mv full scale. Other Ballantine instruments cover frequencies from 0.01 cps to 6 mc .

## esthetics in Test Equipment <br> Decadent in Russian View

When it comes to appearance design, said Don. Sinclair, technical director and executive vice president of General Radio Co., the Russians simply don't care. They don't style their equipnuant. Dr. Sinclair saw the Russian equipment at the New York show and saw many of the same instruments in Russia.
While representing the IRE (Dr. Sinclair was IRE president in 1952), at a meeting of the Russian Popov Society in May 1958, Dr. Sinclair had octasion to visit several Russian electronics plants and to talk with many Russian engineers. They told him that when it comes to instrument design, ". . . aesthetics for the sake of eye-appeal alone is decadent." They don't object to appearance design, Dr. Sinclair contended, if it will improve function, but they don't go for appearance design as an end itself.

## Equipment af New York Show Typical of What's in General Use

Equipment at the Russian Show in New York is typical of what they have around in their labs and in their plants. It is not necessarily their best, nor their latest, Dr. Sinclair told Electronic DesIGN. In addition to the general test equipment they showed, the Russians have lots of instruments to deal with specific situations.
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Voltage and Power Meters (continu(i)


Fig. Ila. Ballantine. A-T Voltmeter 390 uses a continuously adjustable waveguide-belowcutoff piston attenuator to feed a uhf thermocouple whose dc output is read on an auxiliary millivoltmeter. Unknown inputs from 0.5 to 300 v are determined by referring micrometer readings to a calibration chart. Useful from 10 to 1000 mc , the instrument is supplied with an auxiliary millivoltmeter, NBS certification, and calibration curves.


Fig. Ilb. Ballantıne. Micropotentiometer 440 is basically a low-source-impedance voltage source, useful from dc to almost 1000 mc . It has a uhf thermocouple whose dc output can be read on an external microammeter. Instrument can calibrate sensitive high-frequency voltmeters and, with an auxiliary transfer device, it can calibrate output levels of signal generators.


Fig. Ilc. Hewlett-Packard. RF Millivoltmeter 411A uses chopper stabilization and a unique feedback system to provide a linear scale calibration from 5 kc to 1 kmc for full-scale voltage ranges from 10 mv to 10 vrms .


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the State committee on radio and electronics (in which the Academy of Sciences has a strong (aice). But the State does not decide on all equipment. If an engineer needs a specific type of quipment which isn't available, he may design and build it himself, just as he would in the United States.

## Russians Use Brufe Force

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## Will Copy Foreign Designs

 But Feel No Need to NowNeither the Russians, nor the Chinese, nor any of the East European Communist countries have compunctions about copying foreign designs. Their attitude: "Why design from scratch? Why design a wheel again if somebody has already designed one?" When a situation calls for an instrument that somebody's already made, they won't bother designing anew. They'll copy the design directly. They might prefer buying the instrument, but trade restrictions often prevent this.
These restrictions are apparently effective. Dr. Sinclair saw no western equipment/in Russia. He did see some equipment from East Germany and from Hungary.
In the past few years, according to Dr. Sinclair, the Russians have apparently seen no need to copy and have designed virtually all their own equipment. But there are still many examples of Communist-bloc instruments which are obviously copies of American units.

## Chinese Copy Crackle-Perfect

An engineer who had been to Peiping told Dr. Sinclair of some Chinese engineers who were concerned about the faithfulness of their reproduction of the . . . 650A Impedance Bridge. They wondered if they had truly duplicated the G-R crackle finish.

## "Casual" Observation Yields

Insight to Technical Capability
Divid Packard, president of Hewlett-Packard Co., also saw Russian replicas of American equipment including a copy of the H-P model 410 voltr eeter. Mr. Packard toured Russia in August (tert continued on page 66)


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Voltage and Power Meters (continued)


Fig. 12. Vacuum Tube Voltmeter VOLU-1 measures ac from 1.5 to 150 v full scale, dc from 0.5 to 500 v full scale, and resistance from 1 ohm to 50 meg. Frequency range: $\mathbf{2 0}$ cps to $\mathbf{7 0 0} \mathrm{mc}$.


Fig. 12b. Allen B. Du Mont. AC-DC Voltmeter 405 measures dc from 0.1 v to 1000 v full scale, and ac from 0.1 v to 300 v full scale from 50 cps to beyond 700 mc with appropriate probes. Voltages may be measured at either of two switch-selected input terminals. Circuit ground is isolated from chassis so differential voltage measurements can be made. Resistances can be measured from 0.5 ohm to 500 meg .


Fig. 12c. General Radio. Vacuum Tube Voltmeter 1800-B covers 0.5 to 500 v full scale for both ac and dc and provides about the same frequency coverage as Russian unit. The G-R instrument does not provide for direct resistance measurements. The 2 per cent accuracy of the 1800-B is better than the 3 per cent which is likely for the Russian instrument.


Fig. 12a. Measurements. Vacuum Tube Voltmeter 162 reads ac voltages from 1 v full scale to 300 v in the range from 20 cps to al most 350 mc . It reads de from 1 v full scale to 1000 v and resistance from 0.2 ohms to 500 meg . On its most sensitive range, instru ment can be used as a $0.01-\mu$ a microammeter.


Fig. 12d. Hewlett-Packard. Vacuum Tube Voltmeter 410 B provides full-scale readings of de from 1 to 1000 v and ac from 1 to 300 v from 20 cps to 700 mc with an accuracy of 3 per cent. The 410 B reads resistance from 0.2 ohm to 500 meg .

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Fig. 13a. Ballantine. Peak Voltmeter 305A Jives peak, or peak-to-peak readings of sinuoids from 5 cps to 500 kc and pulses with lurations of $0.5 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to 5 msec . Full scale eadings, on logarithmic scales, are from 3.5 د 1000 v .

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Power and Voltage Meters


Fig. 14. Standard Thermistor Bridge MTO-1 measures low-power, high-frequency oscillations, whell working with thermistor heads. Six ranges cover 15 to 5000 uw. Reading settling time does not exceed 12 sec. Call be ballanced for impedances between 75 and 400 ohms. Maill indicator is precision light-point meter.


Fig. 14a. FXR. Power Meter B831A, with appropriate temperature-compensated thermisfor heads, covers from 10 to $3000 \mu \mathrm{w}$ in six ranges compared with 15 to $5000 \mu \mathrm{w}$ for the MTO-1. The FXR instrument is far more compact than the Russian unit.

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Fig. 14b. Polytechnic Research \& Development. Universal Power Bridge 650-A, al maxi mum sensitivity $(100 \mu \mathrm{w})$ is much less sensitive than the MTO-1, but at minimum sensitivity it can measure higher power levels 1100 mw compared with 5 mw ). Setting time on the PRD instrument is virtually instantaneous compared with 12 sec for the Russian instrument.

## Noise Instruments


lig. 15. Low-Frequency Noise Generator CSHIN generates white noise from 50 cps to ( f me. Output: 0.75 v rims. Output impednuce: 75 ohms $\pm 1$ per cent.


Fig. 15a. General Radio. Random-Noise Generator 1390-B has wider frequency range and onsiderably higher output: 3 v to $20 \mathrm{kc}, 2 \mathrm{v}$ 500 kc , and 1 v to 5 mc .

## RUSSIAN TEST EQUIPMENT

Noise Instruments（continued）


Fig．16．Noise Factor Meter IKSHI－1 meas－ ures noise factor of receivers and amplifiers． Frequency range： 30 ke to 100 mc ．Stand－ ing wave ratio of generator output does not exceed 1.5 ．Noise figures from 1.76 to 30 db are measured．


Fig．16b．Hewlett－Packard．VHF Noise Source 343A generates noise over 10 to 600 mc range．Vswr is less than 1.1 from 10 to 400 mc and less than 1.3 from 400 to 600 mc

Fig．16c．Polytechnic Research \＆Develop－ ment．VHF－UHF Noise Generator 904 covers 30 to 1000 me with maximum vswr of 1.3 ． Noise－figure range of 0 to 20 db is narrower than that of Russian unit but noise figures be－ yond 20 db can be calculated using PRD＇s in－ strument．PRD instrument has no restrictions on intermediate frequency or bandwidth．

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In his comments to Electronic Design，Mr Packard emphasized the fact that，at best，it is difficult to make accurate comparisons of test equipment without a comprehensive testing pro－ cedure and an extensive comparative evaluation． He insisted that his impressions of Russian in－ struments and technical capabilities are based on a relatively casual observation．

## Russian Equipment Adequate <br> But Not Outstanding

In general the Russians seem to have an ade－ quate selection of electronic test equipment．Most of their instruments are utilitarian in their design


Fig．16a．Hewlett－Packard．Noise Figure Meter 342A is used with a noise source．Fre－ quencies： 30 to 200 mc ．Range： 0 to 15 db with indication to infinity．Bandwidth： 1 mc mini－ mum．Russian instrument appears to have fa－ cility for front－panel selection of any frequency within its range．Difficult to tell whether Rus－ sian unit is automatic．H－P unit can automat－ ically measure and continuously display noise figure and can provide recorder output．

－free from frill－and probably quite adequate tor most work．This，Mr．Packard put forth，tend to be characteristic of their entire industry．
A couple of instruments，he continued，и re without question，copies of instruments origin lly developed by Hewlett－Packard．They were not exact duplicates though．The Russians would de－ sign cabinets and mechanical features to fit their own manufacturing capabilities．Other insiru－ ments he saw were obviously original designs， made for specific purposes．

In no case did he see anything which he felt was an advance in technology beyond that in the United States．Most of the equipment was char－ acteristic of devices designed here four or five years ago．

## Few Time－Saving Devices， No Automatic Testers

He saw little evidence of time－saving features and no automatic test equipment at all．None of their equipment showed consideration of what we call human engineering．There were some digital devices，but the use of digital presentation did not seem to be anywhere near as advanced as it is here．

This again，Mr．Packard asserted，characterizes much of their economy．Very few labor－saving

## Other Instruments



Fig．17．Attenuator callibrator UKA－1 calibrates at lenuators in standard signal generators as well separate attenuators．Uses standard signal gencrato as signal source．Frequency range divided into two is signal source．Frequency range divided into two bands from 100 kc to 25 mc and 15 mc to 3 kmc Characteristic impedance of mixer－head input is ij ohms at frequencies higher than 15 mc ．Standing wave ratio no worse than 1．2．Range of calibrated section of standard attenuator between 0 ans ${ }^{i}$ il dlb．Minimum input signal 1.0 uv across 75 －ohm load

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le vices were used anywhere. Hence, they have no unemployment and they are still working a sevendiu week.

In visits to several factories, it appeared to Mr. Packard that the Russians had technical people who were competent and original and that they were emphasizing all types of instrumentation throughout their industry. They seemed to have a good selection of components including travelingwave tubes and modern semiconductors.

However, their technical people did not have anywhere near as broad a selection of electronic measuring equipment as do ours because their systems lack the competitive drive.

## Meter Factory Peens Coil Springs

Rather Than Rolling Them
At a meter factory, Mr. Packard saw meter springs made by rolling beryllium copper wire into flat ribbons. The rolling machines, designed by the shop foreman and manufactured right at the plant, used two ball bearings for rollers. The wire was pulled between the bearings (which did not roll), so it was actually peened rather than rolled.
The Russians felt that peening provided a better spring than rolling. The entire production job seemed to be very carefully controlled.

## Light-Beam Galvanometer

Uses "Better" Feedback
At the same plant, they were manufacturing a light-beam galvanometer using a self-balancing technique similar to that used in dc amplifiers made by the Weston Instruments Div. of Daystrom. The Russians said they had worked out better feedback techniques than Weston was using, but they declined to give details.

## Keen Interest Shown

In American Equipment
The Russians expressed keen interest in American instruments though they claimed to have

## Fig. Waveguide Instrument Line LI- 5 measures

 impedance, wavelength, and other waveguide tiral ters. Frequency range: 2.6 to 8.3 kmc . Vswr thes) ot exceed 1.03 for one waveguide size, 1.05 for al ther.ELEC TRONIC DESIGN • August 17, 1960

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## Other Instruments (continu:d)



Fig. 18a. Polytechnic Research \& Development. Slotted Line 201-A covers 3.95 to 5.85 kmc with vswr of 1.01. Other lines available cover 2.6 to 8.3 kmc .


Fig. 18c. FXR. Precision Slotted Section HIOIA covers 3.95 to 5.85 kmc with vswr of 1.01 Series 101 covers 0.35 to 12.4 kmc .


Fig. 18b. Narda Microwave. Waveguide Impedance Meter 220 covers 8.2 to 12.4 kmc with vswr of 1.01 . Others available from 2.6 to 18 kmc .


Fig. 18d. Hewlett-Packard. Waveguide Slotted Section S810A covers 2.6 to 3.95 kmc with vswr of 1.01.


Fig. 19. Teraohmmeter MOM-4 measures electrical Fig. 19. Teraohmmeter Moni-4 measures electrical resistance as well as volume and surface resistivities
of insulation materials. Range: $2 \mathbb{K}$ (1) $10^{\prime \prime}$ ohms.


Fig. 19a. General Radio. DC Amplifier and Electrometer 1230-A. Measures resistance from 300 K to $5 \times 10^{\text {i4 }}$ ohms. Also measures voltage from 30 mv full scale to 10 v dc and currents from $5 \times 10^{-15} \mathrm{amp}$ to 1 ma dc . Also used as sensitive dc amplifier.


Fig. 20. High-Speed Oscillograph OC-4 has swerp durations from 10 to 1000 nsec. Maximum triggering frequency: 200 kc . Minimum sweep-triggering delay: (f) to 80 nsec. Sensitivity: 0.26 and 0.2 mm p) 9 volt. Line width: 0.3 to 0.5 mm .


Fig. 20a. Allen B. Du Mont. High-Frequency Oscilloscope 410 provides sweep durations from $0.1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to 200 msec , and sensitivity to 20 cm per volt. Fastest sweep speed on Russian instrument is about 10 times faster than that on the 410. Du Mont unit has about 1000 times stated sensitivity of Russian unit. Du Mont scope can be triggered at 250 kc . Both instruments have 4-w input attenuators, the Du Mont at 50 ohins, the Russian at 75 ohms.


Fig. 21. Transistor Tester IPPT-1 measures paramcters of low-power, function-transistor triodes. Measurements are conducted at 270 eps, 465 kc and (rom 100 kc to 10 mc .


Fig. 21a. Boonton Radio. Transistor Test Set 275-A uses a null-type readout which affords better than 1 per cent accuracy. The Russian unit uses conventional meter readout which may offer accuracies of only 10 per cent. The Boonton unit can measure transistors with emitter currents as high as 5 amps .
more sensitive instruments than we do. They told Mr. Packard that they had a de galvanometer with $1-1 / 2-\mu \mathrm{v}$ sensitivity but they didn't have any arailable to show him. The most sensitive galvo he could see in their catalog or among their samples had a $150-\mu \mathrm{v}$ sensitivity.

## Meter Manufacturing Plant <br> Makes Electric Razors, Too

Production procedures at another meter factory also seemed to assure a quality product. In this secoid plant, Mr. Packard saw a part of the plant devited to assembly of electric razors. Apparently, it had been officially decreed that every factory in the Soviet Union had to make a product for the , ivilian economy. - -


# Soviet Engineer A. V. Gorokhovsky Looks at <br> Russian PyCCKOE Electronic ЭЛЕКТРОННО Test ИЗМЕРИТЕЛЬНОЕ Equipment ОБОРУДОВАНИЕ 

In "Russian Test Equipment and Ours" in this issue, readers will find views on Russian test equipment by leading American test-equipment manufacturers. To give readers "the other side" of the picture. ELECTRONIC DESIGN commissioned Soviet engineer Anatoli V. Gorokhovsky to present his views on the equipment available to Russian engineers. Here they are.

POST-WAR years have seen Soviet electronics make big strides. There has been a substantial increase in the manufacture of a variety of electronic equipments and components. New vacuum tubes, new transistors, and new materials have been developed for industry.
The Soviet radio engineering industry has an army of skilled specialists and a wide network of research establishments. Soviet electronics specialists have contributed much to the Soviet Union's earth-satellite effort and to its spacerocket and ballistic-missile programs. Not to be neglected is their role in designing the world's largest 10 -bev proton synchrotron. Indeed, electronics is omni-present in the Soviet Union today. It serves science, technology, medicine, agriculture, and transport. Electronics shoulders a good portion of the process automation load, too.
Very little advance could have been made by electronics without the extensive use of different measuring instruments at all stages from research to manufacture to actual operation. For, today as
never before, the engineering standards of measuring facilities determine the quality of the finished product and the speedy development of new systems, tubes, semiconductors, and other components. Under the current Seven-Year Plan, test equipment output is to increase 2.5 to 2.6 times the output in 1958.
In 1958, about 200 types of general-purpose radio measuring instruments were produced in quantity. The number of producible types is continually growing. Soviet research institutes are conducting an extensive program under which new techniques and improved systems of measurement are being developed.
Brief technical data are given here on some of the general-purpose measuring instruments produced by the Soviet industry in quantity.

## Pulse Generators

The PNT-3M pulse oscillator (Fig. 1) is used for adjusting and testing a variety of pulse and broadband circuits. It can be used for tuning TV
sets in the shop and at home. It can be used to adjust if amplifiers of both picture and sound channels; to tune discriminators and limiters, to estimate a set's sensitivity; and to tune the tuner and sweep generators.
Frequency characteristics and waveforms cat be observed on the crt in the instrument. Th instrument produces fm oscillations in four ranges $6-9,27-70,68-102$, and 174 to 232 mc . When in ternally triggered, the instrument can generat pulses at repetition rates of 10 cps to 100 kc . can be operated in the single-phase or repetitiv mode.
In the latter case, the oscillator is triggered $b$ pulses of either polarity with 0.1 to $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ dura tion and 10 cps to 100 kc repetition rate, or b sine waves from 20 cps to 100 kc .
Pulse generator MGI-1 (Fig. 2) generates posi tive or negative pulses whose amplitudes can b varied from 10 to at least 60 v . Pulse frequenc ( 250 cps to 10 kc ) can be smoothly changed an pulse duration can be adjusted in $0.1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ ster.


Fig. I. Pulse generator PNT-3M, principally a serviceman's tool, generates frequency-modulated oscillations from 6 to 232 mc .


Fig. 3. Signal generator GSS-27 generates frequencies from 2 to 3.8 kmc with a frequency accuracy of 1.5 per


Fig. 2. Pulse generator MGI-1 generates 0.1 to $10-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ wide pulses over a pulse repetition range from 250 cps 1010 kc .


Fig. 4. Power meter IBM-2 measures pulse-power levels from 0.5 to 500 kw over a 30 to $1000-\mathrm{mc}$ range.
rom 0.1 to $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$. The generator also provides sync pulses 0.3 to $1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ long.
The output can be smoothly delayed, relative to internal or external trigger pulses, from 20 to $0 \mu \mathrm{sec}$. The external trigger must have a durafion of at least $0.5 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ and a frequency of 300 Eps to 10 kc . Sine waves in this frequency range aill also be used as triggers.

## Sine-Wave Generators

The GSS-27 standard-signal generator (Fig. 3) overs 2 to 3.8 kmc with a frequency error of no nore than 1.5 per cent. A built-in wavemeter llows one to determine the frequency to within . $2 \mathrm{~F}-\mathrm{r}$ cent. The instrument has a milliwatt output 'o no less than 30 mw ) and a calibrated nicre vatt output from $10^{-8}$ to $100 \mu \mathrm{w}$.

The instrument can be internally modulated by an internal sawtooth ( 100 cps to 4 kc ), by internal pulses ( 100 cps to 4 kc ) with durations from 0.6 to $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$, and by an internal 1 -kc sine wave. It can be modulated by external pulses from 10 cps to 10 kc with durations from 1 to $20 \mu \mathrm{sec}$.

The GSS-15 standard-signal oscillator ${ }^{1}$ is available in two versions, one operating between 150 and 1000 mc , and the other between 1 and 2 kmc. Its basic frequency error does not exceed 1 per cent. It has a built in wavemeter which covers 1 to 2 kmc .

The instrument has two outputs: a high-power

[^3] ment and Ours" in this issue.
adjustable output providing at least 1 w and a microwatt output, calibrated from $10^{-4}$ to $10^{-14} \mathrm{w}$. The unit provides continuous oscillation, external am, external modulation by pulses 1 to $20-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ wide with rates of 100 cps to 10 kc , and internal modulation by 1 to $10-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ wide pulses with repetition rates from 100 cps to 2 kc .

The GSS-6A is a relatively unsophisticated standard signal oscillator covering 100 kc to 25 me. Frequency calibration is to within 1 per cent.

The 641 is a beat-frequency audio oscillator operating to 5 kc . Frequency can be read at 0.5 cps intervals.

## Frequency and Phase Meters

Type 44-1 precision wavemeter measures frequency between 8.9 and 10 kmc to within 0.003 per cent.

The SHGV-S broadband, heterodyne wavemeter measures frequency from 2.5 to 18 kmc to within 0.05 per cent. Maximum sensitivity is 0.1 mw .

The 14-6 frequency meter works in the audio and ultrasonic range from 10 cps to 200 kc .
The NF-2 phase-frequency meter measures the period and phase shift of sine waves, as well as pulse-to-pulse time intervals, and numbers of pulses. Its period and phase-shift accuracy is 0.5 per cent.

In addition to these, there is a wide selection of square-wave oscillators, video oscillators, sweep generators, noise generators, crystal oscillators for calibration, and oscillators for measuring crosstalk attenuation.
The ID $4-1$ measures frequency deviation from 1 to 150 kc of frequency-modulated oscillators operating from 100 to 700 mc .

The IM-192 covering 80 kc to 180 mc , calibrates internal modulation meters of signal generators, measures frequency deviation of fm signals, and determines per cent modulation of weak am signals.

## Voltage and Power Meters

Type MVI-1M pulse millivoltmeter ${ }^{3}$ measures small-amplitude video pulses of both rectangular and sinusoidal shape. It has six full-scale ranges with full-scale readings from 10 mw to 3 v . With an external voltage divider, the upper limit can be extended to 300 v . The instrument measures pulses with durations from 1 to $200 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ at 100 to 2500 cps with an error not exceeding 4 per cent. The MVL-2M vacuum tube millivoltmeter ${ }^{4}$
${ }^{2}$ The IM-19 is shown as Fig. 7 in "Russian Test Equipment and Ours" in this issue.
${ }^{3}$ The MVI-1M is shown as Fig. 13 in Russian Test Equipment and Ours" in this issue.
${ }^{4}$ The MVL-2M is shown as Fig. 9 in "Russian Test Equipment and Ours" in this issue.


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Fig. 5. Dual-beam oscilloscope DESO. 1 has a vertical pass band of 30 cps to 60 mc with a minimum sensitivity of $13 \mathrm{mv} / \mathrm{mm}$.
measures rms values of voltages from 20 cps to 400 kc on full-scale ranges from 10 mv to 300 v . The instrument includes a decibel scale.
The VLCH-2 is a universal ac-dc vtvm covering the range to 400 mc .

Type IBM-2 power meter (Fig. 4) measures power levels of high-power, high-frequency pulses and provides an equivalent load. The instrument covers 30 to 1000 mc and 0.5 to 500 kw .

## Other Instruments

The dual-beam, high-speed oscilloscope DESO1 (Fig. 5) has a vertical passband of 30 cps to 60 mc and a sensitivity of at least $13 \mathrm{mv} / \mathrm{mm}$. It can be used for 0.5 to 250 v pulses with pulse widths from 0.04 to $300 \mu \mathrm{sec}$.

The ASCHX-1 spectrum analyzer (Fig. 6


Fig. 6. Spectrum analyzer ASCHX-1 analyzes cw signals from 20 cps to 20 kc .


Fig. 7. The Pimel measures the interelectrode capacity of vacuum tubes.
shows the frequency response and spectra of cw signals from 20 cps to 20 kc . Its resolution is 12 (ps in the range from 20 to 500 cps and 400 cps in the remainder of the instrument's range.
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The Pimel (Fig. 7) measures interelectrode capacities of vacuum tubes. It comprises a bridge circuit, a high-frequency generator and a selective balance indicator.
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Designed for use in high-density applications, the Microbloc RT697M is virtually a solid block of silicon crystal imbedded in a gas tight, welded-seal package that is essentially all heat sink. The solid round header is highly resistant to thermally induced deformation which represents a major cause of lead bond failure. Other design advantages reported by Rheem Semiconductor Corp., Mountain View, Calif., include improved protection against lead shorting on the device under acceleration in any plane, protection against welding flash and a guaranteed hermetic seal. Units must pass a helium leak test at $1 \times 10^{-10} \mathrm{cc} / \mathrm{sec}$ and ten cycles of mois-
ture resistance per MIL-S-19500B. In addition, each transistor is tested to withstand 1500 g shock and 20.000 g acceleration. Switchback voltage is 35 v , with base open.
Despite the low weight $(0.25 \mathrm{gm}$ compared to 1 gm for the conventional 2 N697) and small size (only 0.063 in. high by 0.211 in . in diameter), handling of leads and soldering techniques do not differ from normal production practices used with the larger TO-5 and TO-18 packages. A cut-away section of a Microbloc unit is shown in Fig. 1; the electrical characteristics are presented in Table I.

The RT697M, first of a line of microminiature silicon mesa transistors, is priced at $\$ 75$ each in quantities of $1-99$ and $\$ 50$ each in the $100-999$ range. It is expected that the device cost will become competitive with the conventional size units in the fall, when mass production is underway.
For further information on this new device, turn to the Reader-Service Card and circle 250.


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Fig. 2. For high density packaging, several schemes are possible. In (a), installation by mechanical fastening can be performed automatically, (b) an RT697M is shown bonded in place with epoxy and (c) installed on a conventional circuit board.



Fig. 1. Although seven times smaller than a conventional 2 N 697 , the Microbloc device has a 50 per cent greater power dissipation due to the shorter metal path to the heat sink.

Table 1. Electrical specifications for the RT697M microminiature silicon mesa fransistor.
Maximum Ratings and Electrical Characteristics for Microbloc RT697M Maximum Ratings at 25 C Ambient (unless otherwise noted)

Collector-Base Voltage
Collector-Emitter Voltage (Base Open Circuit) 35 v Emitter-Base Voltage
Total Device Dissipation (at case temperature 25 C) 3 w Operating Temperature Range $\quad-65$ to +175 C

Electrical Characteristics at 25 C ITypical values unless otherwise noted)

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| $I_{\text {CBO }}$ | $0.005 \mu a$ (typ) |
| $I_{C B O}$ | $1 \mu a$ (typ) |
| $B V_{C B O}$ | $60 \vee$ (min) |
| $B V_{E B O}$ | $5 \vee$ (min) |
| $h_{V E}$ | 75 (typ) |
| $V_{B E(s a t)}$ | $95 v$ (typ) |
| $V_{C E(s a t)}$ | $0.7 v$ (typ) |
| $h_{\text {IC }}$ | 5 (typ) |
| $C_{. b}$ | 20 pf (typ) |
|  |  |

Smell Signal Parameters

| $h_{,}$ | 70 (typ) |
| :---: | :---: |
| $h_{.}$ | 26 ohm (typ) |
| $h_{.}$ | $160 \times 10^{-6}$ (typ) |
| $h$ | 0.2 umho (typ) |

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Portion $A$ of the device and portion $B$ each may be regarded as a wound-rotor induction motor. The positions of the control oscillator and the power supply may be interchanged without impairing the devices operation.

Mechanically, the device has a stator, member 13, a freely rotatable member, 18 (on which two of the four windings are mounted) and a rotor, 23, with its drive shaft, 25 . The windings fed by the power source are called the primary windings; the windings fed by the control oscillator are called the secondary windings.

The secondaries are connected so they
produce magnetomotive forces rotating in the air gaps 20 and 24 in the same direction. The primaries are connected to produce oppositely rotating magnetomotive forces in the air gaps.

Assuming the primary and secondary magnetomotive forces are in the same direction in air gap 20, and in the opposite direction in air gap 24, the speed of the rotor with respect to the stator is twice the speed of the magnetomotive force wave due to the stator. This mag. netomotive force speed is:

$$
N=120 f / p
$$

where $f$ is the frequency of the control oscillator and $p$ is the number of poles on the winding.
Therefore the rotor speed, with respect to the stator, is $2 N$ or $240 f / p$. Hence, the speed of the drive shaft depends only on the frequency of the control oscillator.
Under load conditions, either $A$ or $B$ operates as an alternator while the other operates as a motor, depending on the relative directions of the primary and secondary magnetomotive forces in the gaps.


The variable speed motor (left) and schematic representation of construction features of the machine. Windings are concentric with respect to drive shaft so that air gaps are radial rathe than axial.


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Curve tracer shows the static characteristic curve of the backward diode. On the horizontal scale, each large division equals 0.1 v ; on the vertical, each large division equals I ma.
of tunneling, and gallium arsenide tunnel diodes are available from the Philco Corp.
The backward diodes show a maximum peak point current of $100 \mu \mathrm{a}$ and a maximum forward voltage of 90 mv , at 1 ma . They have a valley capacitance of 3.5 pf , a series inductance of 1 th, and a series resistance of 3 ohms. The reverse breakdown voltage is 480 mv at 1 ma .
Hermetically sealed in a TO-18 pack. age, the diodes are designed for low. level switching and small-signal applications with uhf circuitry. Possible ap. plications include their use as a unidirectional coupling element in tunnel diode circuits and in low-voltage clamp. ing circuits. They are priced at $\$ 4$ each in prototype quantities.
The gallium arsenide diodes have peak currents of 10 and 20 ma . The switching speed figure-of-merit (ratio of peak cur-


The background chart illustrates the characteristic curve for the type HU-5 Uni-Tunnel diode.
circuitry previously required for lowlevel operations is not needed with these units, resulting in lower cost, greater reliability, and decreased space requirements.
The diode is ideal for computer logic, modulator, detector, and chopper appli cations, according to Z. W. Pique, a Hoftman vice president. And it is espe cially suited for complementing tunneldiode circuitry, he adds.
The Uni-Tunnel diode uses the tunneling effect to provide high forward conductance at very low voltage levels, When biased in the reverse direction, the familiar tunnel diode current character istic appears as a leakage current of microampere magnitude. Other features include extreme radiation resistance and minimum noise and drift.
The unit is designed to operate over a temperature range of -55 to +200 C Twelve types of the diode are available ranging in designations of six types each from HU-5 and HU-5A to HU-100 and

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runt to capacitance) is $1 \times 10^{0} \mu \mathrm{sec}$. They have an especially high switching speed when used for millimicrosecond pulse amplifiers, the firm reports. It adds:
"in high-speed switching circuits, these devices exhibit a signal swing of 1 v , compared to 0.25 v for germanium turnel diodes, greatly simplifying circuit design. Since shift in bias only slightly affects the new units, more stable highfrequency amplifier design is also facilitated."
At $25 \mathrm{C}, I_{p}$ for the type L-5610 is 10 $\pm 2.5 \% \mathrm{ma}$; for the type $\mathrm{L}-5611,20$ $\pm 2.5 \% \mathrm{ma}$.
Prototype quantities in TO-18 packages are available at $\$ 12$ each for type L-5610 and $\$ 8$ for type L-5611.
For more information on both these units-available from the firm's Lansdale Div., Church Road, Lansdale, Pa.-turn to the Reader Service Card and circle number 253.

## or Uni-Tunnel Diode

HU-100A. Differences in the six standard types are minimum forward current, maximum reverse current and capacitance. The six A types differ from the standard units by the inclusion of guaranteed maximum capacitance values. Custom-engineered units to specific requirements are also available.
Minimum forward current at 0.25 v range from 0.5 ma for the HU-5 to 10 ma for the HU-100; maximum reverse current, for 0 to 0.5 v , range from 5 to 100

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Electronic Grade "A" Nickel laminations produce high-frequency vibrations in these cleaning and rinsing pots of the "Watchmaster" unit, developed by American Time Products, Inc.

## High magnetostrictive effect of Nickel proves useful in new ultrasonic cleaners

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## THREE NICKEL ALLOYS HELP PUSH LIFE of MAGNETRON to $\mathbf{6 , 0 0 0}$ HOURS

HARRISON, N. J. - Commercial air- kilowatts and has a normal operating lines need reliability and long life in life of 6,000 hours.
components for weather radar equip- RCA designers give much credit for ment. Especially in high power tubes. And they've been getting it with the type 6521 magnetron made by the Electron Tube Division of the Dadio Corporation of America. Tube 6521 delivers a peak power output of 85


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These microminiature resistors measure 0.125 in. in length and 0.02 in . in diameter. They are rated at $1 / 16 \mathrm{w}$ with resistance values of 100 K at $1 \%$ tolerance. Resistance values up to 500 K are planned. These units can be solder pot dipped and solder tinned end can be soldered into micro-modules without changing the resistance value.
Wilrite Products, Inc., Dept. ED, Cleveland, Ohio.
Availability: Immediately; 500-K units expected to be available shortly.

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506
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E. V. Naybor Laboratories, Inc. Dept. ED, Port Washington, N. Y

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562
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Maury and Associates, Dept. ED, 10373 Mills Ave., Montclair, Calif.
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Robotomics, Inc., Dept. ED, 4624 E. Garfield, Phoenix, Ariz.
Price \& Availability: In quantities of 100 and up, $\$ 74$ ea; available in 3 to 5 weeks after order received in quantities of 1 to 24 .

## DC Power Supply

528
Instantly switches from ac to battery
This dc power supply, normally operating from 115 v ac, will instantaneously switch to battery operation in event of a power failure. Output is short-circuit proof and adjustable from 130 to 160 v dc at 100 ma , with a stabilized heater output from 5.5 to $7 \mathrm{v}, 3 \mathrm{amp} \mathrm{dc}$. Ripple is 1.5 mv and regulation $0.2 \%$.
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National Semiconductor Corp. Dept. ED, Danbury, Conn.

## Silver-Zinc Battery

For missile and space vehicle use
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Cook Batteries, Dept. ED, 3850 Olive St., Denver 7, Colo.
Availability: Made on order.

## AC Power Supply

375
Provides 130 v
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Tempo Instrument Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 338, Hicksville, N.Y.
Price \& Availability: Delivery is 21 to 35 days after order received; price is dependent on design requirements.

## Tunnel Diode

## Oscillates above $4,000 \mathrm{mc}$

This tunnel diode can oscillate at frequencies above $4,000 \mathrm{mc}$. In addition to a frequency range of 3 kmc , the diodes have a peak-to-valley ratio of 5 to 1 , a peak current up to 4 ma , at approximately 50 mv , and a minimum current at about 350 mv . They are enclosed in a ceramic package designed for microwave stripline and cavity applications. The package's inductance is $0.2 \mathrm{~m} \mu \mathrm{~h}$.
Sylvania Electric Products Inc., Semiconductor Div., Dept. ED, Woburn, Mass.

Availability: Sample quantities available.

## Switching Transistor

Collector current rating is $\mathbf{5 0 0} \mathbf{~ m a}$
Type 2N1384 germanium, drift-field transistor has a collector current rating of 500 ma and a dissipation rating of 240 mw max at 25 C . Maximum dc transfer ratio is 20 when $I_{c}$ is -200 ma . Maximum stored-base charge for $I_{c}$ at -10 ma and $I_{b}$ at -1 ma is 800 micromicrocoulombs. The unit is suitable for use in saturated memory-core drivers, pulse amplifiers, inverters, flip-flops, and logic gate circuits.

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| ${ }^{\text {c }}$ ¢0 | Collector Reverse Current | $V_{C B}=30 \mathrm{~V}$ | lE=0 | - | 1.0 | - | 1.0 | $\mu \mathrm{a}$ | Collector-Base Voltagi . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 60v |
| ${ }^{\text {cbo }}$ | Collector Reverse Current at $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{C B}=30 \mathrm{v}$ | $l_{E}=0$ | - | 100 | - | 100 | $\mu \mathrm{a}$ |  |
| ${ }^{8 V_{C B O}}$ | Collector-Base Breakdown Voltage | IC $=100 \mathrm{ma}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{E}}=0$ | 60 | - | 60 | - | $v$ | Collector-Emilter Voltage . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 40v |
| ${ }^{\text {BV }}$ CER | Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage | $\begin{aligned} & I_{I E R}=100 \mathrm{ma} \\ & \mathrm{R}_{B E}=10 \text { ohms } \end{aligned}$ |  | 40 | - | 40 | - | $v$ | Emitter-Base Voltage . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5v |
| $\mathrm{BV}_{\mathrm{Eb}}$ | Emitter-Base Breakdown Voltage | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{E}}=100{ }_{\mu \mathrm{s}}$ | $I^{\prime}=0$ | 5 | - | 5 | - | $v$ | Tolal Device Dissipation . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0.5w |
| $h_{\text {FE }}$ | DC Forward Current Transfer Ratio | $\mathrm{I}^{\text {c }}=150 \mathrm{ma}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {CE }}=10 \mathrm{v}$ | 20 | 60 | 40 | 120 |  | Total Device Dissipation at Case Temperature $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. . . . . . 1.5 w |
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| $v_{\text {CE }}($ sat) | Collector-Emitter Saturation Voltage | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=150 \mathrm{ma}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=15 \mathrm{ma}$ | - | 1.5 | - | 1.5 | $v$ | Storage Temperature Range . . . . . . . . . -65 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+175^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| $\mathrm{hf}_{\mathrm{f}}$ | AC Common Emitter Forward Current Transfer Ratio | $\begin{aligned} I c & =50 \mathrm{ma} \\ f & =20 \mathrm{mc} \end{aligned}$ | $V_{C E}=10 \mathrm{~V}$ | 2.0 | - | 2.5 |  |  |  |
| $c_{0}$ | Common-Base Output Capacitance | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{E}}=0 \\ & \mathrm{f}=1 \mathrm{mc} \end{aligned}$ | $v_{C B}=10 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 35 | - | 35 |  |  |

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## AC Power Supply

## Output is 100 va per phase

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## NEW PRODUCTS

## Miniature Accelerometer

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The Model 502 accelerometer is a stainless steel, $1 / 2-\mathrm{in}$. hexagon, 0.45 in . high, it weighs 9 g and has sensitivity of 30 peak mv per peak g. Frequency response is 2 cps to 6 kc with the resonant frequency at 100 kc maximum acceleration is $10,000 \mathrm{~g}$; temperature rating is -65 to +500 F for high temperature units.

Columbia Research Laboratories, Dept. ED, MacDade Blvd. and Bullens Lane, Woodlyne, Pa.
Price \& Availability: One to five quantities is $\$ 155$ ea; six to ten, $\$ 139.50 ; 11$ to $50, \$ 131$. Delivery is two weeks after order is received.

## Radiation Sources

Simulates radiation from distant targets


Models 11-1100 and 11-1101 collimated-infrared radiation sources provide 4 -in. diameter beams to simulate radiation from distant targets. The one unit is for laboratory use and the other is for airborne applications. They comprise precision temperature controllers and black body simulators. The simulator is nitrogen-pressurized and is sealed to prevent entrance of moisture and dust and to permit operation at high altitudes.

Barnes Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 30 Commerce Rd., Stamford, Conn.

## Silicon Computer Diodes

## PIV rated ot 40 V

Types MA-4231, MA-4238, and MA-4230 have a rated piv of 40 v at 25 C and $0.1 \mu \mathrm{a}$ and at 100 C and $10 \mu \mathrm{a}$. Maximum capacitance at -6 v is $0.8,2$, and 2 pf for the respective diodes. Forward
voltage drop at 25 C and 10 ma is, respectively, $1.5 \mathrm{v}, 1 \mathrm{v}$ (at 20 ma ), and 1 v . The recovery time to 1 ma when switched from 10 ma to -5 v through a 100 -ohm loop impedance, is $0.004 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ max at 25 C .

Microwave Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, Burlington, Mass.
Availability: Available in production quantities.

Power Converter
Supplies 28 v de at 2 amp


The Model 3078 static, power converter supplies $28 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{dc} \pm 5 \%$ at 0.6 to 2 amp from a 115 v 60 cps input. The device employs silicon diodes and is regulated by a magnetic amplifier. It is hermetically sealed, measures $4-3 / 4 \times 5 \times 8 \mathrm{in}$., and weighs 14 lb . The unit is designed for continuous operation in ground checkout systems and field installations.

Varo Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 2201 Walnut St., Garland, Tex.

## DC Power Supplies

Outputs are 6.3 to 36 v


Ranging in output from 6.3 to 36 v , the QD series dc power supplies are completely contained in military-type cans. They have a maximum output rating of 30 w with a voltage regulation of $\pm 0.05 \%$ against line and load variations. They are insensitive to input frequency variations and operate on 50,60 , or 400 cps . Ripple is less than 1 mv rms.

Raytheon Co., Sorensen \& Co., Dept. ED, Richards Ave., S. Norwalk, Conn.

Airborne special temperature control system for Grumman W2F-1 aircraft consists of two thermistor probes, 5 -circuit control box, and linear servo actuator. Total weight: 5 lb . To enhance reliability, fail-safe feature locks out system in event of power failure, permitting manual control from cockpit.

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## Airborne special control system holds engine oil temperature to $\pm 3^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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Harrison Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 45 Industrial Road, Berkeley Heights, N.J.
Price: $\$ 175$, including case.
Frequency Standard

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Model JF400 frequency standard is a tuningfork oscillator consisting of an electronically driven tuning fork and output filter. Standard units are supplied for 400 cps ; other frequencies can be furnished. Accuracy is $\pm 0.1 \%$ at 25 C . The instrument is complete with a power supply for operation from 115 v at 60 cps .
Industrial Test Equipment Co., Dept. ED, 55 E. 11th St., New York 3, N.Y.

Price: $\$ 89$ ea.

## Analog-to-Digital Converter

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## Has three-decimal digit output

Model 301 analog-to-digital converter converts any input of -0.999 v full scale to three decimal digits with an over-all accuracy of $\pm 1$ digit or $\pm 1 \mathrm{mv}$. Conversion time is 1 msec for any input.
(1) modular construction, the instrument consists of a rack-mounting card file which contains plugit printed circuit computer elements, including this power supply and reference voltages.

Ransom Research, Dept. ED, 323 W. Seventh
St, San Pedro, Calif.
Slide-Lock and Chassis Slides
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For electronic assemblies


The positive slide lock, capable of standing shock and vibration, does not unlock unless manually released by means of a rod-release button which is an internal part of the lock. The chassis slides are made of high-tensile, heat-treated, anodized aluminum with ball spacers, ball bearings, and stop pins of stainless steel. Weight capacities range from 50 to 500 lb per pair; lengths are 10 to 68 in . Both the lock and the slides meet Mil specs for shock and vibration.
Grand Sliding Mechanisms, Inc., Dept. ED, 2401 W. Ohio St., Chicago 12, Ill. Availability: Delivery is in three to five weeks.

## X-Band Magnetron

Frequency range is 8,600 to $9,500 \mathrm{mc}$


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Li ton Industries, Electron Tube Div., Dept. ED, 960 Industrial Road, San Carlos, Calif.

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Ferroxcube Corp., of America, Dept. ED, Saugerties, N.Y.
Price d Availability: $\$ 100$ ea and up; 30-day de livery.

## Ku-Band Amplifier <br> Range is 12 to 18 kmc <br> 

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The HA-46 Ku-band amplifier has a frequency range of 12 to 18 kmc . Using four anodes, it has a saturation power of 1 mw and a small-signal gain of 25 db . Noise figure for broad-band operation is 12 db . Length is $15-3.4 \mathrm{in}$., and capsule diameter is $1-1 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. The unit weighs $1-3 / 4 \mathrm{lb}$. Ku-band waveguides with UG-419/U flanges serve as input and output connectors. It is focused with a 100 gauss solenoid. Maximum helix-collector voltage is 1300 v .
Huggins Laboratories, Dept. ED, 999 E. Arques Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif.

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Electro Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 3540 Aero Court, San Diego 11, Calif.
Price \& Availability: Price is $\$ 5350$ ea; Units will be furnished from stock by July 1, 1960.

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## INDICATORS

6FG6/EM84: Bar pattern
Im3/DM70: Subminiature "exclamation" pattern

## SEMICONDUCTORS

2N1517: RF transistor, 70 mc 2N1516: RF transistor, 70 mc 2N1515: RF transistor, 70 mc

IN542: Matched pair discriminator diodes
IN87A: AM detector diode, subminiature

## NEW PRODUCTS <br> Switch Light



Type 6DR switch light can be furnished with neon or incandescent replaceable lamps. It is a push-to-test, non-snap, normally-open, momen-tary-contact type. Rating is 0.5 amp at 115 v ac and life expectancy is $1,000,000$ cycles. The lamp leads and switch terminals are brought out separately in a four-pin base socket. Mil specs are met.

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Aicrowave Oscillator
Has plug-in generator heads


Model 605 microwave oscillator has plug-in type generator heads. Each generator head consists of a BWO tube and solenoid; it is inserted into a recess in the rear of the oscillator. Heads are available in these standard sizes: 2 to 4 kmc , 4 to $8 \mathrm{kmc}, 8$ to $12.4 \mathrm{kmc}, 6.5$ to 11.5 kmc , and 12.4 to 18 kmc . The sweep frequency of the oscillator is adjustable from 0 to bandwidth extremes with an accurate, direct-reading, slide-rule dial. Two frequency markers are provided for broadband calibration of an oscilloscope or recorder trace. Residual fm is $\pm 0.0025 \%$ and minimum drift is $\pm 0.02 \%$.
Alfred Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 897 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.
Price: $\$ 1750$ ea for the oscillator; $\$ 1590$ to $\$ 1990$ ea for the heads.

## Digital Readout

Operates from binary output


Called the Slide Plate Readout, this device operates directly from the binary input, eliminating the need for a decoding device. The unit automatically decodes any BCD code up to six bits into numeric, alphabetic, or special symbols. It can !e used with computers, test equipment, and other systems. Contained in the unit are 16 character plates. Modular construction is used and dim. nsions are $3-1 / 4$ v 1-13/16 $\times 7 \mathrm{in}$.
In lustrial Electronic Engineers, Inc., Dept. ED, 5528 Vineland Ave., N. Hollywood, Calif. Pric \& Availability: $\$ 40$ ea; 30-day delivery.


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Greibach Instruments Corp., Dept. ED, 315 North Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.

## DC Amplifier

Accepts $5 \mu \mathrm{v}$ to 1 v
Model 759-6 dc amplifier accepts signals from $5 \mu v$ to 1 v . Having an inherent accuracy of $0.25 \%$ and a stability of $5 \mu \mathrm{v}$, the unit is suited for general laboratory work or for measurement of data produced by thermocouples, strain-gage transducers, and potentiometers. It consists of a high-impedance input circuit completely isolated from ground, a chopper amplifier, a 2-tube vacuum-tube amplifier, and a chopper demodulator. It is capable of indicating on a panel meter or recording on a meter-type recorder. A power supply is built-in. Weight of the unit is 10 lb .
Magnetic Instruments Co., Dept ED, Thomwood, N.Y.
Price: Without panel meter, \$179.50; with panel meter, $\$ 199.50$.

## Temperature Controls 444

## Transistorized

Series 536 temperature controls are transistorized and employ fac-tory-calibrated thermistors. The unit controller, for example, covers a range of -50 to +600 F , has a sensitivity of 0.3 F , and provides either on-off or proportioning action. Its current handling capacity is 10 amp at 110 v ac and 5 amp at 230 v ac.
Fenwal, Inc., Dept. ED, Pleasant St., Ashland, Mass.

## General Electric takes the tubulation

## General Electric transistors hold the record in rategrown reliability

General Electric has manufactured millions of rate-grown transistors in the past seven years. As a result of this experience, G.E.'s parameters are exceptionally stable and a vast amount of reliability data has been accumulated, some of which is shown here. These curves cover 29 lots of General Electric 2N167, tested to MIL-T-19500/11.



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Sales Representative or Authorized Distributor. General Electric Com-
pany, Semiconductor Products Dept., Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y.

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Consolidated Controls Corp., Dept. ED, Bethel, Conn.
Price d Availability: Price is $\$ 75$ ea in quantities of one to nine. Delivery time is 60 days.

## Clocks

Oscillator and slave types


Model OC-10 oscillator clock and model SC-10 slave clock are for use in the model B1-11 digital module cabinet. The oscillator clock has a crystalcontrolled oscillator providing $1-\mathrm{mc}$ pulses to the BL-11 and a synchronizing drive to 1 to 14 slave clocks. Power requirements are $-16 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{dc} \pm 10 \%$ at 25 ma ; frequency is $1,000 \mathrm{kc} \pm 0.02 \%$. The slave clock is like the OC-10 but without the oscillator. It incorporates a fuse in series with the -16 v supply to protect the BL-11. Power requirements are -16 v dc $\pm 10 \%$ at 6 ma .
Computer Control Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.
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This three-transistor, RC coupled, printedcircuit amplifier-module measures $0.237 \times 0.475 \times$ 0.24 in . or $0.276 \times 0.512 \times 0.269 \mathrm{in}$. with a case. Gain is 76 db and frequency response is flat within 3 db from 200 cps to 10 kc . Power output is 0.6 mw into a 600 -ohm inductive load with an over-all distortion of $10 \%$. The unit draws 1.9 ma max, operates on a single mercury cell at 1.3 v , and has a noise figure of -43 db at 600 mv output. Uses are in meters, recorders, and other applications. The manufacturer is Viennatone Co. in Vienna, Austria.

Caine Electronic Sales Co., Dept. ED, 4120 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago 31, Ill.

Price \& Availability: Price is $\$ 19.58$ ea; up to 100 units can be furnished from stock.

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## For quality control analysis

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Rototest Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 2803 Los Flores, Lynwood, Calif.
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## NEW PRODUCTS

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Crescent Engineering \& Research Co., Dept. ED, 5440 N. Peck Road, El Monte, Calif.
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## Temperature-Pressure Readout

## For industrial monitoring

For applications in industrial monitoring, this system reads out from resistance temperature bulbs in the range of 0 to 1400 F and from resistance pressure transducers in the range of 0 to 10,000 psi. Accuracy is about $0.5 \%$ or $2 \%$ absolute. Temperature and pressure can be monitored from 99 different points.

Texas Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED. 3609 Buffalo Speedway, Houston 6, Tex.

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## Frequency range is 100 cps to 40 mc

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Panoramic Radio Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 520 South Fulton Ave., Mount Vernon, N.Y.


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General Radio Co., Dept. ED, West Concord, Mass.
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Westinghouse Electric Corp., Dept. ED, Box 2278, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Price: $\$ 295$ ea for quantities to 24 units.

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For the range of 1 to 2 kmc
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Frequency Standards, Dept. ED, P.O. Box 504, Asbury Park, N.J.


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## Display Unit



For analog-to-digital converters

The Digitester digital readout unit is designed to read the outputs of analog-to-digital converters using binary-coded decimal codes and having outputs in the form of open or closed contacts or suitable voltage level changes. Model 4A2 presents direct readout of 0.1-deg shaft angle converter from 000 to 359 deg ; models able to display any number of digits can be furnished. Input is 115 v of 60 cps at 25 w ; $400-\mathrm{cps}$ operation is also available. Dimensions are 7 x $10 \times 9 \mathrm{in}$. and weight of the unit is 10 lb .
Advance Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, $640 \mathrm{Me}-$ morial Drive, Cambridge 39, Mass.
Price du Availability: Model 4A2 is priced at $\$ 745$ fob Cambridge. Delivery time is two weeks.

## Xenon Thyratrons

## Rated at 1,700 v

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Electrons, Inc., Dept. ED, 127 Sussex Ave., Newark 3, N.J.

## Film Potentiometers

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M. Swedgal Electronics, Dept. ED, 258 Broadway, New York 7, N.Y.
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Raytheon Co., Dept. ED, Waltham 54, Mass.
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The indicator, manufactured by General Electric's Instrument Dept., operates directly from a three-wire synchro-control transmitter. It consists of a three-stage transistor amplifier, a full-wave, silicon, isolated power supply, a motor-generator and a 400 -cycle synchro-control transformer. The $6-1 / 4 \mathrm{in} . \pm 1 / 16$ case length is closely controlled to permit mounting in fixed connection systems. The overall weight is 1.5 lb .
The total power input for steady state readings is under 7 w with approximately 3 w for the lighting system and 2 w to excite the fixed phase of the motor. The total power increases to approximately 8 w on signal because the push-pull output stage is operated Class B. This load is at 0.8 power factor. Push-pull stage gives out 0.3 w .

The amplifier drives the control phase of the servo-motor. The motor rotates to turn the con-
trol transformer rotor in a direction that reduces the pickup voltage in the rotor to effectively zero. The motor also rotates the indicator pointer and the counter to show the pounds per hour fuel flow through the transmitter. A small generator on the motor shaft provides a damping voltage proportional to the motor speed to make the indicator practically critically damped.
Power is obtained from the aircraft's 115-v $\pm 15 \mathrm{v}, 400 \pm 40 \mathrm{cps}$, single-phase supply. Indicator accuracy is independent of variations within these tolerances, although some transmitters require a frequency-regulated supply for proper operation. One side of the $115-\mathrm{v}$ line is grounded to the case, but may be insulated from it by removing an internal connecting lead. Warm up time, for practical purposes, may be considered as less than 10 sec .
The input signal is supplied by a three-wire, $400-\mathrm{cps}$ control transmitter external to the indicator. Within the indicator, the input circuit consists of the three-wire stator winding of a control transformer. Each phase has approximately $90+\mathrm{J} 340$-ohm impedance and takes a maximum of 12 v (at 400 cps ) per phase.
Internal lighting is provided by a light-conducting plastic scale plate and pointer system using three long-life, 5 -v miniature bulbs. These are arranged to give a uniform red illumination of the scale, scale numbers, pointer and counter.

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The readability of the low torque counter (cyclometer) is approximately 15 times that of the pointer. For example, a $20-\mathrm{PPH}$ signal produces $0.02-\mathrm{in}$. motion at the pointer tip, while the same signal produces a $0.30-\mathrm{in}$. motion on the counter wheel surface. The special low-torque counter was developed to have a starting torque of less than 0.01 in.-oz. at 25 C . Careful cleaning and adjustment of the initial unit help maintain uniform counter characteristics throughout the life of the instrument.
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## Transistor Mount Saves Space, Cuts Production Cost

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He evaluated several types of mounts, and decided on a new type which simplifies board assembly, saves space, and cuts production costs.

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The Transipad, available from The Milton Ross Co., 237 Jacksonville Road, Hatboro, Pa., helps support the transistor and helps prevent leads from breaking at the seal during vibration or shock. It creates an air space between the board and transistor and thus protects the transistor during soldering. It also allows air to circulate under the transistor, reducing the possibility of moisture entrapment. This space also makes it easy to wash out solder flux.


Conventional transistor-mounting clip wastes space, according to Epsco engineer.


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## Reflection Table Speeds Transmission Line Computations

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AGREAT DEAL of the time consumed by transmission line computations can be laid to repetitive solutions. Solutions for many problem values have been carried out to slide-rule accuracy and are compiled in the accompanying table. The results are accurate enough for many purposes.

Some examples of the uses to which the table can be put are the following:

- Voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR) can be converted to voltage reflection coefficient (R), or vice versa. These calculations are useful in interpreting reflectometer data.
- A measured loss figure which can be separated into its two components, insertion loss and reflection loss.
- Either or both VSWR and R can be converted into decibel notation. This is becoming an increasingly common practice. Filter attenuation curve for reflection-type filters, can be sketched in roughly. - -

| R | REFLECTION TABLE |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1/R | R ${ }^{2}$ | R(db) | VSWR | VSWR (db) | Reflection Loss (db) |
| 0.01 | 100.00 | . 0001 | 40.00 | 1.02 | 0.16 | . 0004 |
| 0.02 | 50.00 | . 0004 | 34.00 | 1.04 | 0.32 | . 0017 |
| 0.03 | 33.33 | . 0009 | 30.40 | 1.06 | 0.50 | . 0040 |
| 0.04 | 25.00 | . 0016 | 28.00 | 1.09 | 0.68 | . 0070 |
| 0.05 | 20.00 | . 0025 | 26.00 | 1.11 | 0.86 | . 0110 |
| 0.06 | 16.67 | . 0036 | 24.40 | 1.13 | 1.06 | . 0160 |
| 0.07 | 14.29 | . 0049 | 23.10 | 1.15 | 1.22 | . 0210 |
| 0.08 | 12.50 | . 0064 | 22.00 | 1.18 | 1.40 | . 0280 |
| 0.09 | 11.11 | . 0081 | 20.80 | 1.20 | 1.58 | . 0350 |
| 0.10 | 10.00 | . 0100 | 20.00 | 1.22 | 1.73 | . 0430 |
| 0.11 | 9.10 | . 0121 | 19.20 | 1.25 | 1.94 | . 0510 |
| 0.12 | 8.33 | . 0144 | 18.80 | 1.28 | 2.12 | . 0600 |
| 0.13 | 7.70 | . 0169 | 17.74 | 1.30 | 2.28 | . 0730 |
| 0.14 | 7.14 | . 0196 | 17.06 | 1.33 | 2.44 | . 0850 |
| 0.15 | 6.67 | . 0225 | 16.50 | 1.36 | 2.64 | . 0940 |
| 0.16 | 6.25 | . 0256 | 16.00 | 1.38 | 2.80 | . 1100 |
| 0.17 | 5.88 | . 0290 | 15.40 | 1.41 | 3.00 | . 1230 |
| 0.18 | 5.55 | . 0325 | 14.90 | 1.44 | 3.18 | . 1360 |
| 0.19 | 5.26 | . 0360 | 14.40 | 1.47 | 3.35 | . 1520 |
| 0.20 | 5.00 | . 0400 | 14.00 | 1.50 | 3.54 | . 1700 |
| 0.21 | 4.76 | . 0440 | 13.54 | 1.53 | 3.70 | . 1860 |
| 0.22 | 4.54 | . 0485 | 13.14 | 1.57 | 3.90 | . 2020 |
| 0.23 | 4.34 | . 0530 | 12.76 | 1.60 | 4.06 | 2230 |
| 0.24 | 4.16 | . 0575 | 12.40 | 1.63 | 4.24 | . 2390 |
| 0.25 | 4.00 | . 0625 | 12.04 | 1.67 | 4.44 | . 2630 |
| 0.26 | 3.84 | . 0675 | 11.66 | 1.70 | 4.60 | . 3120 |
| 0.27 | 3.70 | . 0727 | 11.36 | 1.74 | 4.82 | . 3320 |
| 0.28 | 3.57 | . 0785 | 11.00 | 1.78 | 5.00 | . 3520 |
| 0.29 | 3.45 | . 0840 | 10.76 | 1.82 | 5.20 | . 3700 |
| 0.30 | 3.33 | . 0900 | 10.46 | 1.86 | 5.36 | . 4100 |
| 0.31 | 3.22 | . 0960 | 10.16 | 1.90 | 5.58 | . 4300 |
| 0.32 | 3.12 | . 1030 | 10.00 | 1.94 | 5.16 | . 4730 |
| 0.33 | 3.02 | . 1080 | 9.60 | 1.99 | 5.94 | . 4920 |
| 0.34 | 2.94 | . 1150 | 9.38 | 2.03 | 6.14 | . 5300 |
| 0.35 | 2.86 | . 1220 | 9.12 | 2.08 | 6.36 | . 5700 |
| 0.36 | 2.77 | . 1300 | 8.88 | 2.13 | 6.48 | . 6080 |
| 0.37 | 2.70 | . 1370 | 8.62 | 2.17 | 6.72 | . 6450 |
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| R | 1/R | $\mathbf{R}^{2}$ | R(db) | VSWR | $\begin{gathered} \text { VSWR } \\ \text { (db) } \end{gathered}$ | Reflection Loss (db) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.38 | 2.62 | . 1440 | 8.36 | 2.23 | 6.94 | . 6800 |
| 0.39 | 2.57 | . 1520 | 8.20 | 2.28 | 7.160 | . 7200 |
| 0.40 | 2.50 | . 1600 | 7.96 | 2.34 | 7.34 | . 7550 |
| 0.41 | 2.43 | . 17 | 7.70 | 2.38 | 7.50 | . 8100 |
| 0.42 | 2.38 | . 18 | 7.54 | 2.45 | 7.76 | . 8300 |
| 0.43 | 2.32 | . 18 | 7.30 | 2.51 | 8.00 | . 8700 |
| 0.44 | 2.27 | . 19 | 7.12 | 2.57 | 8.20 | . 8800 |
| 0.45 | 2.22 | . 20 | 6.92 | 2.63 | 8.40 | . 9700 |
| 0.46 | 2.17 | . 21 | 6.72 | 2.70 | 8.60 | 1.0400 |
| 0.47 | 2.12 | . 22 | 6.54 | 2.77 | 8.84 | 1.0900 |
| 0.48 | 2.08 | . 23 | 6.38 | 2.84 | 9.08 | 1.1400 |
| 0.49 | 2.03 | . 24 | 6.14 | 2.92 | 9.30 | 1.2100 |
| 0.50 | 2.00 | . 25 | 6.00 | 3.00 | 9.52 | 1.2500 |
| 0.51 | 1.96 | . 26 | 5.86 | 3.08 | 9.76 | 1.3100 |
| 0.52 | 1.92 | . 27 | 5.68 | 3.17 | 10.00 | 1.3700 |
| 0.53 | 1.89 | . 28 | 5.54 | 3.25 | 10.20 | 1.4300 |
| 0.54 | 1.85 | . 29 | 5.36 | 3.35 | 10.50 | 1.5000 |
| 0.55 | 1.82 | . 30 | 5.20 | 3.44 | 10.74 | 1.5600 |
| 0.56 | 1.78 | . 31 | 5.04 | 3.55 | 11.00 | 1.6200 |
| 0.57 | 1.75 | . 32 | 4.88 | 3.65 | 11.20 | 1.7100 |
| 0.58 | 1.72 | . 33 | 4.74 | 3.77 | 11.54 | 1.7800 |
| 0.59 | 1.69 | . 35 | 4.60 | 3.88 | 11.80 | 1.8700 |
| 0.60 | 1.66 | . 36 | 4.42 | 4.00 | 12.00 | 1.9300 |
| 0.61 | 1.64 | . 37 | 4.30 | 4.13 | 12.30 | 2.01 |
| 0.62 | 1.61 | . 38 | 4.14 | 4.27 | 12.60 | 2.10 |
| 0.63 | 1.59 | . 39 | 4.00 | 4.40 | 12.86 | 2.18 |
| 0.64 | 1.56 | . 41 | 3.86 | 4.55 | 13.16 | 2.30 |
| 0.65 | 1.54 | . 42 | 3.76 | 4.72 | 13.46 | 2.38 |
| 0.66 | 1.52 | . 43 | 3.62 | 4.88 | 13.76 | 2.46 |
| 0.67 | 1.49 | . 45 | 3.46 | 5.06 | 14.08 | 2.60 |
| 0.68 | 1.47 | . 46 | 3.36 | 5.25 | 14.40 | 2.67 |
| 0.69 | 1.45 | . 47 | 3.24 | 5.39 | 14.60 | 2.77 |
| 0.70 | 1.43 | . 49 | 3.12 | 5.67 | 15.06 | 2.93 |
| 0.71 | 1.41 | . 50 | 3.00 | 5.90 | 15.40 | 3.04 |
| 0.72 | 1.39 | . 52 | 2.88 | 6.14 | 15.80 | 3.18 |
| 0.73 | 1.37 | . 53 | 2.74 | 6.40 | 16.20 | 3.28 |
| 0.74 | 1.35 | . 55 | 2.62 | 6.69 | 16.50 | 3.47 |
| 0.75 | 1.33 | . 56 | 2.50 | 7.00 | 16.90 | 3.57 |
| 0.76 | 1.32 | . 58 | 2.38 | 7.33 | 17.30 | 3.75 |
| 0.77 | 1.30 | . 59 | 2.28 | 7.69 | 17.76 | 3.90 |
| 0.78 | 1.28 | . 61 | 2.14 | 8.08 | 18.20 | 4.11 |
| 0.79 | 1.27 | . 62 | 2.02 | 8.52 | 18.60 | 4.22 |
| 0.80 | 1.25 | . 64 | 1.94 | 9.00 | 19.10 | 4.44 |
| 0.81 | 1.24 | . 65 | 1.88 | 9.53 | 19.60 | 4.62 |
| 0.82 | 1.22 | . 67 | 1.73 | 10.10 | 20.10 | 4.80 |
| 0.83 | 1.205 | . 69 | 1.62 | 10.75 | 20.60 | 5.10 |
| 0.84 | 1.19 | . 70 | 1.52 | 11.50 | 21.20 | 5.30 |
| 0.85 | 1.18 | . 72 | 1.44 | 12.34 | 21.80 | 5.53 |
| 0.86 | 1.17 | . 74 | 1.33 | 13.30 | 22.50 | 5.85 |
| 0.87 | 1.15 | . 76 | 1.22 | 14.40 | 23.20 | 6.20 |
| 0.88 | 1.14 | . 77 | 1.10 | 15.67 | 24.0 | 6.50 |
| 0.89 | 1.13 | . 79 | 1.02 | 17.20 | 24.70 | 6.90 |
| 0.90 | 1.11 | . 81 | 0.92 | 19.60 | 25.60 | 7.20 |
| 0.91 | 1.10 | . 83 | 0.82 | 21.25 | 26.50 | 7.70 |
| 0.92 | 1.09 | . 84 | 0.74 | 24.00 | 27.60 | 8.10 |
| 0.93 | 1.08 | . 86 | 0.66 | 27.60 | 28.80 | 8.70 |
| 0.94 | 1.07 | . 88 | 0.58 | 32.40 | 30.20 | 9.40 |
| 0.95 | 1.05 | . 90 | 0.42 | 39.00 | 31.80 | 10.00 |
| 0.96 | 1.04 | . 92 | 0.34 | 49.00 | 35.8 | 11.00 |
| 0.97 | 1.03 | . 94 | 0.25 | 65.70 | 36.4 | 12.20 |
| 0.98 | 1.02 | . 96 | 0.17 | 99.00 | 40.00 | 13.90 |
| 0.99 | 1.01 | . 98 | 0.09 | 199.00 | 46.00 | 17.00 |
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This brochure gives specifications and details of the model 104 E memoscope oscilloscope. It also provides specifica. tions and information on the oscilloscope care and other accessories. Hughes Industrial Systems Div., International Airport Sta., Los Angeles 45, Calif.

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Bulletin GEA-7034, 12 pages, gives descriptive and buying information on the $2-1 / 2,3-1 / 2$, and 4-1/2 in. panel meters It includes a description of product fea tures and specifications, and dimensions, plus a description of custom features for special applications. General Electric Co Schenectady 5, N. Y.

## Welder Transformers

Twenty-page Bulletin No. SP-23 con(ins data on resistance welder transformers. It gives construction techniques, iransformer rating and load demand, magnetizing and load transients, application and duty cycle; formulas are provided for calculating kva loading at various duty (ycles. Photographs, schematic diagrams, drawings, charts and graphs are included. The Taylor Winfield Corp., Warren, Ohio.

## Digital Voltmeters

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Two-color, four-page bulletin No. 64-1 compares the full four-digit V64 with pointer meters and three-digit voltmeters in price and usefulness. Two-color photos illustrate the features in a two-page section entitled "Low-Cost Answer to Superior Visual Voltage Measurements." Other sections cover the instrument's applications and specifications. Non-Linear Systems, Inc., Del Mar, Calif.

## Alloy Wire

289
Performance characteristics. description and tables showing diameters of wire available are shown in Ceron ST data sheet, two pages, on resistance alloy wire. Complete specification data are given. The Kanthal Corp., Amelia Place, Stamford, Conn.

## Starters and Confactors

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Six-page folder, Form A-262 titled " $1 / 2$ The Size of Conventional Controls," defines the principle of the "RA" design. It also provides brief explanations of the technical and design features of the controls. A free copy of a handy reference catalog is offered. Photographs are included. Arrow-Hart \& Hegeman Electric Co., Industrial Control Div., 103 Hawthom St., Hartford 6, Conn.

## Polymers

291
This revised 12-page polymer directory and catalog, intended primarily for research and professional use, lists properties, end uses, and other technical data for more than 150 polymers. Some product covered are polyvinyl acetate homopolvmer emulsions, copolymer solutions and bead resins, and butadiene-styrene emilsions. The Borden Chemical Co., Delit. H, 350 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

## Meters and Power Supplies

Catalog No. C-260-1, four pages, illustrates 17 different products and provides technical data sufficient for preliminary evaluation of each instrument listed. Specifications cover voltage, current, accuracy, regulation, stability, maximum ripple, resolution and price. John Fluke Manufacturing Co., Inc., Box 7161, Seattle 33, Wash.

## Logarithmic Converter

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Application note AN-101, four pages, describes the use of Model 60 B logarithmic converter as a computing element. The note explains how it can perform multiplication and division when used in pairs and with a suitable read-out device. F. L. Moseley Co., 409 N. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Calif.

## Microwave Measurements

This 106-page handbook is entitled "Microwave Measurements For Calibration Laboratories." It is divided into five sections covering: a general introduction and brief description of techniques; frequency measurements and time comparisons; attenuation measurements with square-law detection and with linear detection; impedance, SWR, directional coupler and reflection coefficient measurements; power measurements with a power meter, bolometer bridge and calorimetric power meter. The addenda includes four parts which cover: bolometer efficiency measurement; operating notes on a line length set; rf pulse carrier frequency measurement, and flowgraph measurement techniques. Write on company letterhead to Hewlett-Packard Co., Dept. ED, 1501 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif.

## Coaxial Connectors

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Complete details of microminiature, snap-locking coaxial connectors appear in this six-page catalog. Included are electrical, mechanical and environmental specifications, and outline drawings. A variety of plugs, receptacles, caps and adapters are shown in 50.75 and 95 ohm impedances. Friction-held, push-on connectors for rack and panel installations; miniature coaxial cable and accessories; and a separate price list complete the catalog. Electro-Physics Laboratories, Technical Information Service, 2065 Huntington Drive, San Marino, Calif.


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## NEW LITERATURE

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Analysis and comparisons of various low temperature brazing alloys appear in this four-page folder. Included are low fuming bronze, nickel silver, silver solder, phos sil $0,2,6,6 \mathrm{~F}$ and 15 alloys, aluminum welding wire and flux. Comparison charts are also included. American Brazing Alloys Corp., Box 11, Pelham, N.Y.

## Coaxial Connectors

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Technical data on the TNC series of coaxial connectors are contained in this 12-page catalog. It includes a TNC functional diagram which graphically illustrates types and flow of connectors by various cable sizes. Also included is a comprehensive presentation on calibrated reliability with accompanying graphs. Kings Electronics Co., Inc., 38 Marbledale Road, Tuckahoe 7, N.Y.

## Ceramic Capacitors

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The U.L. series of Ceramite capacitors for line bypass and antenna coupling applications is described in this two-page data sheet. The illustrated bulletin contains an outline drawing, popular rating table, and complete performance specifications. Sprague Electric Co., N. Adams, Mass.

## Tape Degausser

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The DataTape 5-055A automatic tape degausser is described in this two-page bulletin No. 1631. The unit is said to erase signals from $1 / 4$ to 2 in . magnetic tape wound on reels seven to 14 in . in diameter. The illustrated bulletin describes the unit's automatic operation. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

## Prinfed Circuif Boards

Printed circuit board characteristics are reported in this bulletin, No. CE-3.00. It reports that the company's Fotoceram boards are made of a glass-ceramic material. Circuit designs are reproduced precisely by a photographic process. The bulletin also states that components can be resoldered more than 50 times without damaging circuit runs. Write on company letterhead to Corning Glass Works, Electronic Components Dept., Dept. ED, Bradford, Pa.

## Instrument Selection Guide

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This six-page instrument selectio , guide covers digital voltmeters, ration. eters, ohmmeters, voltage and resistance comparators and associated measurin; equipment. It compares the company's digital instrument series by application, features and specifications. Accessory equipment is also illustrated. Non-Linear Systems, Inc., Del Mar, Calif.

## Constanf Delay Lines

300
This brochure entitled "Delay LinesBasic Design Considerations," gives dcsign information necessary to calculate the circuit parameters and size of the delay line for a specific application. The booklet also discusses design compromises aimed at reducing sizes or expense. Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp., Marketing Dept., 4144 Glencoe Ave., Venice, Calif.

## In-Line Switch

301
Catalog No. 7300-A describes the Digiswitch unit, an electro-mechanical switching device which commutates a dial setting input to a coded electrical output. The catalog describes circuit codes available in single and double pole decimal, binary coded decimal and octal binary notations. Installation data are also included. Digitran Co., 660 S. Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena, Calif.

## Power Amplifier

302
Model 205J-1 linear power amplifier is described in this bulletin, eight pages. A functional block diagram graphically illustrates the power amplifier circuits and control circuits. Data is included on automatic tuning and loading, distortion, harmonic output, noise level, emission, input information required, and rf bandwidth. Associated equipment is also described. Collins Radio Co., Box 1891, Dallas, Tex.

## Power Supply

303
This illustrated two-page data sheet describes model HP 3615 solid-state dc power supply. Specifications cover static load regulation, dynamic load regulation, recovery time, stability, overload precision, ripple and noise, and controls. Deltron, Inc., 2905 N. Leithgow St., Philadelphia 33, Pa.
nertial Guidance Equipment 304 Brochure No. 153, 24 pages, covers intial guidance test equipment and comonents. The booklet combines specificalions and photographs on precision uirntables, rate tables, air bearing and liuid bearing tables, electronic test equipment and consoles, and various related products. Sterling Precision Corp., Instrument Div., 17 Matinecock Ave., Port Washington, Long Island, N.Y.

## Projector-Printer

305
The Kecofax projector-printer is described in this four-page bulletin. The operation of the machine is briefly outlined in the illustrated bulletin. Specifications include print size range, negative requirements, and print cycle. Keuffel \& Esser Co., Third and Adams St., Hoboken, N.J.

## Machinery Mounts

306
The company's machinery mounts are described in this six-page bulletin, No. $60-04$. It illustrates how the mounts improve precision, reduce maintenance costs, and improve employe performance. Barry Controls, Inc., 700 Pleasant St., Watertown 72, Mass.

## Checkout Equipment

307
This four-page, illustrated brochure describes an -ms-to-dc converter, a megacycle universal timer-counter, a four-decimal digit voltage-digital converter and a digital printer available in plug-in modular form. These instruments, suitable for ground-based military installations, comply with MIL 4158B. Electrical operating characteristics for each instrument are included in the brochure. Equipment Div., Epsco, Inc., 275 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass.

## Zener Diode Study

This study of Zener diodes and Zener reference elements is prefaced by an introduction to semiconductor theory and reverse breakdown, and followed with a detailed and illustrated examination of design considerations, thermal and operating characteristics, and discussions of Zencr diode: ac and dc applications; audi, and rf applications; computer and instrumentation applications, and circuit prote ction applications. For copies of the 100-jage handbook, send $\$ 2.00$ to Internatio nal Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 1521 E. G and Ave., El Segundo, Calif.

## Laboratory Standards

308
This 23-page illustrated brochure, "World Standards," details and diagrams each major component of precision electrical instruments, including construction and choice of special materials. Instruments described include voltmeters, ammeters, wattmeters, current transformers and standardizing potential transformers. A supplementary data section on transformer ratio and phase-angle curves indicates necessary corrections for residual errors that instrument transformers may introduce into a measuring system. Weston Instruments Div., Daystrom, Inc., 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N. J.

## Industrial Laminates

309
This 16-page catalog, No. L-CDL-494, on Testolite industrial laminated plastic sheets, tubes and rods lists applications, special features, detailed characteristics and sizes available in over 50 grades. Included are phenolics, silicones, melamines and epoxies with filler bases of paper, nylon, cotton, asbestos and glass fabric. Also shown are features and properties of copper-clad laminates for printed circuits. General Electric Co., Laminated Products Dept., Coshocton, Ohio .

## Recorder

310
This two-page bulletin, No. 794-1, describes a $24 \times 36 \mathrm{in}$. XY recorder offering direct differential transformer or ac transducer input. Technical data on and a functional block diagram of the instrument are included. Houston Instrument Corp., P. O. Box 22234, Houston 27, Tex.

## Rectifier Analyzer

311
This technical data sheet describes the firm's self-contained Model 141A 20-amp rectifier analyzer designed for production and laboratory applications. Curves of operating characteristics are included. Wallson Associates, Inc., 912-914 Westfield Ave., Elizabeth, N. J.

## Power Supplies

312
This two-page data sheet, No. PS2103, describes a series of miniature plug-in, solid-state power supplies. Electrical and physical characteristics are included for seven models covering voltage ranges of 1 to 100 v with currents up to 2 amp . Deltron Inc., Philadelphia 33, Pa.

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## NEW LITERATURE

## Germanium Diodes

Bulletin No. 158 lists all "IN" germanium diodes produced by the company. Altogether, the bulletin lists 223 different "IN" diodes and 390 "OMC" diodes. Parameters are given in tabular form. Ohmite Manufacturing Co., 3601 Howard St., Skokie, III.

## Solder Preforms

314
Technical data bulletin No. Z-103, a two-page report, describes ultrapure precision solder preforms. Compositions and melting points of 33 typical alloys are listed. A photograph shows the various shapes available. Accurate Specialties Co., Inc., 37-11 57th St., Woodside 77, N. Y.

## Nuclear Instruments

Nuclear instruments described in this four-page bulletin include: stable micromicroammeter, high-voltage power supply, log-N period amplifier, log count rate meter, log count rate meter with period, linear count rate meter, preamplifier, flux amplifier and actuator amplifier. General Electric, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

## Spectrophotometer

313
This pocket-size booklet describes the model 505 recording spectrophotometer. Data given include: wavelength rang, band pass, accuracy, scanning time and dispersion. Burrell Corp., 2223 Fifth Avv. Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

## Tape Transport

317
Complete specifications, application information and characteristics of the series 3170 magnetic tape transports are described in bulletin No. DS 3170A. Two, six, ten and twelve speed models of the transport are covered. Flutter curve is included. Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator Co., Industrial Systems Div., 10721 Hanna St., Beltsville, Md.

## Rhodium Plating

A plastic laminated instruction sheet on the use of rhodium plating solutions includes data on equipment, area calculations and useful equivalents. The sheet is designed for mounting on or near rhodium plating tanks for quick reference. Methods for determining the cost of a plated sur-

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ce and how to correct common plating fects are outlined. Write on company 'terhead to Texas Instruments, Inc., Yetals \& Controls Div., Dept. ED, 34 furest St., Attleboro, Mass.

## Hardware Catalog

318
Listed in catalog No. 62 is the company's line of electronic hardware and resistors. Included in the 96-page booklet are bearings, brackets, bushings, couplings, fasteners, ferrules, chassis handles, collet knobs, pot shaft locks, and posts. Among the resistors covered are silicone coated resistors and tapped resistors. Sterling Precision Corp., Instrument Div., 5 Sintsink Drive E., Port Washington, Long Island, N. Y.

## Variable Resistors

This four-page Technical Bulletin, No. $\mathrm{A}-3 \mathrm{~b}$, on $2-\mathrm{W}$ wire wound variable resistors contains three illustrations, 13 dimensional drawings, electrical and mechanical specifications. Performance specifications for "L" and " $T$ " pad controls and a table of standards for flatted and slotted shafts are included. CTS of Asheville, Inc., Skyland, N. C.

## Electro-Mechanical Parts

The company's principal lines of differential transformers, transducers and accelerometers for use in measuring, indicating, recording and control, are presented in this four-page short form catalog. Schaevitz Engineering, Box 505, Camden 1, N. J.

## Push-Button Switches

321
Push-button switches in single and double row assemblies of from four to 12 stations, with interlocking action, illuminated or non-illuminated, are described in bulletin No. 7000. Included are photographs, dimension drawings and detailed specifications. Donald P. Mossman, Inc., Brewster, N. Y.

## Chilling Equipment

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Large capacity production chilling equipment for stabilization of metals, stress relief of castings, dehydration of gases, expansion assembly and other production chilling applications is described and illustrated in this two-page data sheet. Cincinnati Sub Zero Products, 3932 Reading Road, Cincinnati 29, Ohio.


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Fig. 2. Circuit has a greater voltage when the quadrature grid is connected to the plate instead of the limiter. ohms) so that the voltage across it is sufficient to bias the tube to plate current cutoff. When this occurs, all the cathode current, as previously mentioned, travels to the accelerator. When a positive trigger is applied to the grid, the univibrator will produce an output pulse.
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Alfred W. Zinn, Engineer, Farrand Optical Co., Inc., New York, N.Y.

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A universal ratio set can be used to compare voltages as well as to compare precision resistors.
first step, switch $S-2$ is closed and rheostat $R$ is adjusted to produce a null at detector 2. At null, the voltage drop from $A$ to $B$ is equal to the sum of the electromotive forces of the two cells. Switch S-1 is then closed and the universal ratio set dials are adjusted to provide a null at detector 1. At this null, the voltage drop across R1 is equal to $E 1$, the electromotive force of the normal cell. When both null conditions are satisfied, the following ratios are obtained:

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\frac{E_{2}}{E_{1}}=\frac{I R_{2}}{I R_{1}}, \frac{E_{2}}{E_{1}}=\frac{R_{2}}{R_{1}}
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It is clear that

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E_{2}=\left(\frac{R_{2}}{R_{1}}\right) E_{1}
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and the accuracy of the comparison is dependent on the accuracy of ratio of the ratio set. Commercially available ratio sets provide ratio accuracies from 0.01 to 0.005 per cent. Care must be taken when wiring and operating the test circuit to minimize errors due to thermal emfs.

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## IDEAS FOR DESIGN

## Desk Calculator Evaluates Standard Polynomial Expression

By re-arranging the terms of the polynomial $a_{n} x^{n}+a_{n-1} x^{n+1}+a_{n-2} x^{n-2} \ldots \ldots+a_{0}$, a desk calculator can be used to evaluate the expression for any given value of the variable $x=x_{0}$. The procedure can also be applied to binary-to-decimal number conversion.
The polynomial is rearranged as follows: Multiply $x_{0}$ by the first coefficient $a_{n}$ and add the next coefficient $a_{n-1}$ to the product. Continue this procedure, developing the series of terms $a_{n} x_{0}+$ $a_{n-1} ; a_{n} x_{o}{ }^{2} a_{n-1} x_{o}+a_{n-2} ; a_{n} x_{o}{ }^{3}+a_{n-1} x_{o}{ }^{2}+$ etc., until the point is reached where the constant term is added. This result is the evaluated polynomial.

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Jesse Roth, Project Engineer, Kearfott Co., Clifton, N. J.

## Feedback Amplifier Generates Narrow Pulses

Operating from a 6-v supply and a $5-\mathrm{mc}$ sine wave input, the transistor pulse generator, Fig. 1, supplies 18 nsec, $1.5-\mathrm{v}$ pulses into a 56 -ohm load. The simple circuit is a compact source of narrow pulses for applications where square-shaped trigger-pulses are not essential.

Although the schematic resembles that of a blocking oscillator, the generator is basically an amplifier biased to prevent conduction in the absence of an input signal. Positive feedback is provided by the transformer, which has a reasonably high $Q$ at a frequency of about five times the


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b. $(4 \mathrm{mc})$ $\sim$
c. $(3 \mathrm{mc}$

d. $(2 \mathrm{mc})$

e. (Imc)


Fig. 2. Output waveforms for various input frequencies
pulse repetition frequency of the input signal. The transformer band-pass is designed to allow about a 90 -per-cent build-up during the time the input brings the transistor out of cut-off. The transformers used $3 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. diam Ferramic $G$ cores obtained from the General Ceramics Corp. The winding ratios were varied somewhat with specific applications but generally ran one or two turns on the base winding and five to seven turns on the collector. Tertiary windings and the various output methods common to blocking oscillators worked well.

With the circuit biased well into cut-off, and the excursion of the drive signal only slightly above the value needed to bring the stage out of cut-off, the output is divided into a narrow pulse. The rise time of the transformer is such that the first cycle of oscillation is of very low amplitude. By the time the transformer output has built up to 90 per cent, the input signal is removed, and decay begins. This provides outputs of the form shown in Fig. 2, where the drive frequency is progressively decreased, being 5 mc for (a) and 1 mc for (e).

When feeding a 5 -ohm load, the output pulse width increased to 38 nsec and the peak-to-peak voltage was only 0.9 v . It was also found that two generators in cascade produced the 18 -nsec pulse width from an input as low as 5 kc .
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## Light Beam Apparatus

Patent No. 2,936,381. T. R. Long. (Assigned to Bell Telephone Labs)
An elastic acoustic impulse transmission member marked with a diffraction grating is used as a signal delay and distribution device.
Signal source 22 controls pulser 18 which impulses rod 3 . The rod is scribed with a grating 5. A light source 7 illuminates the grating and the reflected line spectra are bent, according to the instantaneous grating constant, and directed to the cells of receiver 23 . Addresser 20 gates the light source so that only designated cells of the receiver are illuminated.

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 ModulatorPatent No. 2,936,429. H. L. Robinson, C. I. Smith and M. M. Zinet (Assigned to Sperry Rand Corp).
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High Frequency Harmonic Generator Employing Transistor

Patent No. 2,926,312. F. A. Brand and George E. Hambleton. (Assigned to USA)
A harmonic generator is obtained by
coupling a transistor oscillator to a tunable cavity. For reasons not precisely known, the arrangement detects and am. plifies the tenth harmonic of the oscillator circuit.
Transistor $T$ and tank circuit $L_{1} C_{1}$

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torm a Hartley oscillator operating approximately at 300 mc . The transistor is enclosed in a metal container which projects into the cavity. The tenth harmonic of the fundamental frequency is detected by tuning the cavity with the plunger $P$.

## Noise Rejection Circuit

Patent No. 2,925,494. R. French and R. F. Casey (Assigned to Monroe Calculating Machine Co.)
In a digital magnetic recording playback system, the switching circuit is made immune to noise by dynamic control of the bias on a pass tube. A simple analysis of the circuit shows that the transducer pulses are integrated on the grid of pass tube 20 which is simultaneously controlled by the setting of the bistable circuit. Triode 12 is a cathode follower which connects to voltage divider resistors 22 and 23 through diodes 25 and 26. Thus
if the cathode of triode 12 is more positive than the cathode of the pass tube, diode 26 conducts. This makes the pass tube insensitive to small positive going inputs. Similarly, the circuit is insensitive to small negative input changes since diode 25 will conduct to cancel the negative voltage applied to the grid of triode

20. The circuit will therefore switch only when large signal amplitudes are present. (See patent No. 2,929,029 Amplitude Discriminative Amplifier, R. F. Casey.)


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Planned to be issued semiannually these volumes contain a number of topics taken from the entire field of semiconductors. Although most articles give an assessment of the present state of knowledge in the field, articles dealing with original work are also presented.

Units, Dimensions, and Dimensionless Numbers
D. C. Ipsen, McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y., $236 p p, \$ 6.50$.

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## Fixed and Variable Capacitors

G. W. A. Drummer and Harold M. Nordenberg, McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y., 288 pp, \$10.00.

Written from the standpoint of the user, this book contains information necessary in selecting capacitors and using them effectively. It covers the following types of units: paper, mica, ceramic, glass, vitreous enamel, electrolytic, air, vacuum, and glass-filled. Data is also provided on general purpose, precision, transmitter, trimmer, and special types of variable capacitors.
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## RUSSIAN TRANSLATIONS

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# Automatic Gain Control Gives Increased Amplifier Reliability 

NEGATIVE feedback in an amplifier circuit helps maintain reliability despite gradual deterioration component of electrical properties, and reduces the probability of gradual failure. Although the feedback circuit adds components, its effect on the over-all reliability of the system is frequently more important than the possibility of sudden failure of an element.
The mathematical relations given below make it possible to estimate quantitatively the influence of automatic gain control on the reliability of an amplifier. These relations illustrate the method of investigating feedback as a means of increasing reliability. The also can be applied to other feedback devices.

## Reliability of Amplifier Without AGC

First consider an $n$-stage amplifier without agc. Assume the gain of any stage $(k)$ is a random quantity $\xi_{k}$, that the random quantities $\xi_{k}$ are independent of each other and that their distribution functions are identical for all amplifier stages. The over-all gain $\eta_{n}$ is also a random quantity, equal to the product of the $\xi_{k}$ 's.

Assume the permissible gain deviations of the amplifier from the nominal value $k$ are $k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right)$ and $k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)$. Also, let $\left(1-p_{0}\right)$ be the probabality of a sudden failure of one amplifier stage. Because the reliability of the amplifier ( $p$ ) is equal to the probability of a combination of two


Reliability of amplifier with age vs. number of stages for typical amplifier. Curves for two values of the parameter $\mu$ are shown in solid lines. Dotted curves show factors of Eq. 8.
events-the absence of sudden failure and the maintenance of the electric parameters within the described limits-then

$$
\begin{equation*}
p=p_{0} P\left\{k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right) \leqslant \eta_{n}<k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P\{\cdot\}$ is the a posteriori probability of satisfying the inequalities contained in the bracket in the absence of sudden failure.

Determining the distribution function of the gain $\eta_{n}$ as the product of random quantities entails considerable mathematical difficulty. But, if we use instead of $\eta_{n}$ its logarithm, then at sufficiently large $n$ we can use the Lyapunov theorem on the normalization of the sum of independent random quantities, and assume that $\ln \eta_{n}$ has a normal distribution. The average
value of $a_{n}$ and the dispersion $\sigma_{n}{ }^{2}$ of this random quantity are

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{n}=n a_{1}, \quad \sigma_{n}{ }^{2}=n \sigma_{1}{ }^{2} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently, at sufficiently large $n$

$$
\begin{align*}
& P\left\{k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right) \leqslant \eta_{n}<k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)\right\} \\
& \quad=P\left\{\ln k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right) \leqslant \ln \eta_{n}<\ln k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)\right\} \sim \\
& \quad \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi n \sigma_{1}^{2}}} \int_{\substack{1 \ln k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right)}}^{\ln k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)} e^{-\frac{\left(x-n a_{1}\right)^{2}}{2 n \sigma_{1}{ }^{2}}} d x \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$

Inserting Eq. 3 into Eq. 1 gives an expression for the reliability of an amplifier without age

$$
\begin{align*}
p=p_{0^{n}}\{F & {\left[\frac{\ln k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right)-n a_{1}}{\sigma_{1} \sqrt{n}}\right] } \\
& \left.-F\left[\frac{\ln k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)-n a_{1}}{\sigma_{1} \sqrt{n}}\right]\right\} \tag{4}
\end{align*}
$$

$$
F(x)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \int_{\infty}^{x} e^{-x^{2} / 2} d x
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## Reliability of Amplifier With AGC

The introduction of negative feedback in the form of agc reduces the amplifier gain. Therefore the number of amplifier stages should be increased to $N>\eta$. Denote by $\eta_{N}{ }^{\circ}$ the over-all gain in the presence of agc and assume the permissible deviations of the gain from nominal are the same, that is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right) \leqslant \eta_{N}^{*} \leqslant k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $\beta$ be the coefficient of negative feedback. Then:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\eta_{N}^{*}=\frac{\eta_{N}}{\beta \eta_{N}+1} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\eta_{N}$ is the gain of the $N$-stage amplifier without age.

Choosing the coefficient $\beta$ to satisfy the condition $\beta k=1\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)$, gives, from Eqs. 5 and 6, a one-sided condition imposed on $\eta_{N}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\eta_{N} \geqslant k \frac{\left(1-\delta_{1}\right)\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)}{\delta_{1}+\delta_{2}}=k \delta \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Direct determination of the probability distribution function $\eta_{N}{ }^{\circ}$ is very complicated. But, because Eq. 5 is equivalent to Eq. 7, we again can use the theorem on the normalization of the sum of random quantities. That is:

$$
l_{n} \eta_{N}=\sum_{k=1}^{N} l_{n} \xi k
$$

For sufficiently large $N$ the following expression
for the reliability of an amplifier with agc holds:

$$
\begin{align*}
p^{*}= & p_{0}^{N} p_{f} P\left\{k\left(1-\delta_{1}\right) \leqslant \eta_{N}{ }^{*}<k\left(1+\delta_{2}\right)\right\} \\
= & p_{0}{ }^{N} p_{f} P\left\{\ln \eta_{N}>\ln k \delta\right\} \\
& \sim p_{0}{ }^{N} p_{f}\left[1-F\left(\frac{\ln k \delta-N a_{1}}{\sigma_{1} \sqrt{N}}\right)\right] \tag{8}
\end{align*}
$$

where $p_{f}$ is the reliability of the feedback devices.
The right half of Eq. 8 consists of two factors The first diminishes monotonically, and the second increases monotonically with increasing $N$ Consequently, there exists an optimum number of stages $N_{\text {opt }}$, at which the reliability of the amplifier with agc is maximum. Thus, there is a range of values for $N$ within which an increase in the number of stages (unreliable elements) leads to an increase in the reliability of the amplifier (a system of elements). This is the effect of the feedback on the reliability of the amplifier.

For a quantitative estimate of the effect of agc on the reliability of an amplifier, let us consider the following example: Let $k=2 \times 10^{4}, \delta_{1}=$ $\delta_{2}=0.25, p_{o}=0.99$, and $p_{f}=1$, and let the average value of the gain of one stage $b=5.4$. Let the distribution of the gain be symmetrical and triangular

In this case the number of amplifier stages without agc is $n=6$, and the number of amplifier stages with agc is $N>6$. Fig. 1 shows curves for the dependence of the reliability $p^{\circ}$ of the amplifier with age and the number of stages $N$ at two fixed values of $\mu$ (where $\mu=\sigma / b$ and $\sigma^{2}$ is the dispersion of the gain of one stage) ${ }^{\circ}$. The dotted lnies show each of the factors contained in Eq. 8. The optimum number of stages, corresponding to the maximum reliability, varies with the dispersion of the value for the amplification of one stage.
For an amplifier without agc, the probability of the gain falling outside the permissible limits is close to zero. Then, if the relative mean squared spread $\mu$ of the gain of one stage does not exceed 5 per cent this probability exceeds 0.9 .
Translated from News of the Academy of Sciences, Division of Technical Sciences, Automation and Power, No. 2, March-April, 1960, pp 208-209.
${ }^{\circ}$ Although the variable N assumes only integral values, the function $\mathrm{p}^{\circ}(\mathrm{N})$ is shown in the figure, for the sake of clarity, in the form of a continuous curve.

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Fig. 1. Samples of the periodic signal are taken once during each sweep at progressively longer time intervals.


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The block diagram of the sampler, developed by IBM, Zurich, is shown in Fig. 2. A trigger pulse initiates a sawtooth (2) with minimum time delay $(0.04 \mu \mathrm{sec})$. The pulse shaper ( 1 ) allows the device to be used with small or slow-rise triggers. This stage also serves as a frequency divider when the pulse repetition rate exceeds the sawtooths. The comparator (3) determines the sampling instant and controls the sampling pulse generator (4). The latter also returns the sweep to rest. A coaxial network shapes the keying pulse to its proper amplitude and duration. The keyed signal is passed by the sampling diode (5), is amplified (6) and stretched (7) and is made available at the output terminals.
Since only the peak values of the sample pulse contains information, the pulse generator (9) synchronously controls the beam intensity. The indicator gate (10) is used to block the pulse generator (9) when the comparator voltage is outside the sawtooth range.
The original paper also includes circuit details of the sawtooth source and comparator ( 2,3 ), the sampling pulse generator (4) and the sampling diode circuit.
Aistracted from an article by H. P. Louis Elektronische Rundschau, Vol. 14, No. 4, April 1960, pp 137-144.
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## Disposable Equipment Modules Give Economical Operation

AIRCRAFT electronics equipment modules may be used and then discarded without raising procurement, support and maintenance costs.

According to the National Bureau of Standards, aircraft equipment built of expendable four-toeight tube assemblies-or modules-would cost no more than similar equipment built with repairable four-to-eight-tube modules.
Current design trends indicate increasing use of modular construction for compact, intricate electronic equipment. It is possible, however, to use expendable assemblies that are not modular in form.
Nevertheless, because of the advantages possibe through the use of standardized modules, it is probable that future equipment will make increasing use of modular construction.
The advantages of expendable modules are as follows:
1-Improved reliability of electronic equipment. Because they are expendable, the modules may be imbedded in plastic or hermetically sealed. Data on how much reliability is improved by these means is not available. However, many manufacturers feel that these protective methods definitely improve reliability.
Doing away with the repair procedure also improves reliability because repairs increase the wearout of electronic assemblies. Also, there is the possibility that replacement parts may be inferior to original parts.
2-Improved systems maintenance. Because most Air Force technicians are in the service for a comparatively short time, it is not possible or practical to train them to be fully capable of piece-part repair and simultaneously be fully capable of maintaining entire systems, such as navigation and communication systems.

Under disposal-at-failure maintenance training for piece-part repair could be considerably reduced and more time spent on the operation and maintenance of systems.

3-Reduction of number of spare parts. A typical four-tube module contains about 40 parts that must be supported with spares, if the module is to be repaired when it fails. Expendable modules, however, need be supported only with spare modules. Thus, the paperwork associated with inventories would be drastically reduced.

4-Reduction of number of specifications. At present, a specification is required for each part in an assembly. Use of expendable modules would require only a single specification for the complete module.
5-Better storage possibilities. Because expendable modules would probably be imbedded or hermetically sealed, they should withstand long storage periods with little or no added protection. They also should require less storage volume than that needed for repairable assemblies and spare parts. These parts often are stored in individual containers that are larger than the assemblies in which they ultimately are used.
6-Usefulness under emergency conditions. Disposal-at-failure maintenance realistically provides for wartime conditions. Piece-part repair of an assembly probably could not be made at the front-line level, and time would not allow such repairs to be made at higher maintenance levels Hence, defective assemblies probably would be discarded even though they were intended to be repaired.
Several objections to the use of expendable modules have been made. These objections and the authors' arguments against them follow:
1-Technical skills in the military would de cline. It is true that a knowledge of parts and
circuit details would be less importart than it is now. However, the skills required to locate faults in electronic systems would still be necessary. Present maintenance activities are generally so understaffed that a reduction in skilled personnel is unlikely. Expendable modules would enable the present maintenance organization to handle increased future workloads through more efficient use of manpower.
2-Carrying spare modules would burden the supply system. Because only complete modules would be supplied, rather than the present multitude of components, the supply system should be capable of handling sufficient spare modules. The reliability of standard expendable modules should he ascertained prior to acceptance by the military. Knowing reliability, the number of spare modules necessary for a given period of time could be calculated.
3-Data on the failure of parts could not be obtained. Failure data on the parts in expendable modules could possibly be obtained by returning some of the modules that failed to the manufacturer for evaluation.
At the same time, excellent failure data for the modules themselves could be obtained. This data would make it easier to predict and improve the reliability of modular equipment.
4-The cost of supplying expendable spare modules would be excessive. The study shows there is an optimum module size (between four and eight tubes) for which the costs incurred with expendable modules are equal to those incurred with repairable modules.
The optimum module size for aircraft equipment was determined by calculations involving the reliability of the parts that make up the module, the cost of the parts, and the following assumptions: a program life of five years; the rate at which equipment is retired taken as 1.5 per cent; spares are procured for the period in which the equipment could reasonably be expected to be operated; spares could be shifted to any loca-


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Fig. 2. Unit cost of modules vs module size. Vertical bars show range of assembly costs. Heavy dots show average costs for each range. The curve drown is linear, least-squares fit of average costs.
tion at any time; there is a 95 per cent probability that sufficient spares are procured over the program life.
Curves of module reliability vs module size and module cost vs module size are shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

Contrary to popular belief, it would probably be poor practice to attain expendable modular design by simply subdividing the equipment into modules that cost less to replace than to repair.

The reason is that in taking into account the number and cost of the spares probably needed over the program life, the curve of total procurement cost vs. size of module becomes fairly flat in the range between one- and eight-tube module sizes.

Therefore, because considerable latitude exists with respect to costs, other criteria should be considered. These are:

1-Ease of maintenance. Because this is the primary goal in the subdivision of equipment, it should be given the most weight in design decisions. From this viewpoint, larger modules are most advantageous. It is, for example, considerably less difficult to locate a defective six- or eight-tube module than to locate a one- or twotube module.

2-Modification. Often, after sets and spares


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have been procured, the sets must be modified. Because modification of the modules would be difficult or impossible, it would be desirable to work, in these situations, with smaller circuit blocks-or smaller modules.
The weight given to the modification factor depends on the knowledge and experience that goes into the equipment design. When advanced equipment requiring an extension of the technical art is being considered, the modification factor should be given considerable weight. When considering equipment of mature design this factor may be given less weight.
3-Logistics. The types of spares increase rapidly as the module size is reduced. This would suggest larger modules to minimize the number of items controlled by supply. However, as the module size increases, the storage volume for required spares goes up rapidly. This suggests smaller modules to reduce storage problems.

However, in front-line operation, the volume of spares is the most serious consideration, and smaller modules would be most desirable.

The smallest module, of course, would be the one-tube assembly. However, a design using onetube modules is more difficult to develop and has lower reliability, poorer maintainability and larger size and weight than one using larger modules. These disadvantages, it is concluded, probably outweigh the benefits that would come from universal use of standard one-tube modules.
It is on the basis of these criteria that the authors rule out one- to three-tube modules along with modules of more than eight tubes.

The study also decides that four- to eight-tube modules are optimum by a comparison of costs of maintaining systems constructed of repairable and expendable modules.
The approach was to concentrate on areas in which costs of the two systems were known to differ-principally, the handling and disposition of a defective assembly after it has been located. The report concludes that the costs of repairable and expendable systems are so nearly equal that cost may effectively be eliminated as a criterion. Detailed examination of the expendable case led to the assertion that four- to eight-tube assemblies are optimum.
In the future, however, it is likely that designs will lean to larger modules because reliabilities are improving, program lives are becoming shorter and equipment attrition rates are constantly decreasing.
Digested from Expendable Modules as Bases for Disposal-at-Failure Maintenance by R. O. Stone, P. Meissner and K. M. Schwartz, all of the National Bureau of Standards, Washington D.C. Copies of the report cost $\$ 2.25$ each, and may be purchased from the Office of Technical Services, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Washington 25, D.C.

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The company＇s Ground Systems Group reports that the assembled data，called the Professional Register，are used for promotional and reassign－ ment purposes and for preparing sales proposals and contract bids．
Hughes says that better use of staff talents has helped to ease its shortage of engineers．
＂We have recognized for some time，＂the com－ pany says，＂that the greatest source of scientific and engineering talent lies within the know－how of our existing technical staff．The engineering staff numbers approximately 1,000 scientists and engineers who have sorely needed supplementary talents necessary for expansion and growth．＂
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When is an engineer a scientist？Too often， according to the Engineers Joint Council，New York．
The council placed advertisements recently in ＂Editor \＆Publisher，＂a magazine for the news－ paper profession，explaining the difference be－ tween engineers and scientists．＂Scientists make it known，but engineers make it work，＂was the theme of the advertising campaign to distinguish， for the communications media，the engineer from the scientist．
The advertisements carried such titles as＂Let＇s Get Clear on What Engineers Do，＂＂Just Who＇s Firing Those Missiles，＂and＂Say Engineer When You Mean Engineer．＂
According to Engineer，the newly founded newspaper published by the EJC，the campaign reached millions of persons when news media de－ cided that the engineers＇efforts to explain them－ selves rated coverage．

The Datex Corp．，Monrovia，Calif．，is paying its engineers to write material that will not be used by the company．
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Authors must submit their work to a review board that includes the president of the company． Guides for writing were distributed by the com－ pany to its personnel．

Several Milwaukee companies are encouraging their engineers to take eight months off from work in the next two years to participate in a graduate program at Marquette University．
The university，in cooperation with the com－ panies，will initiate the graduate cooperative pro－ gram this Fall．The engineers selected to partici－ pate will spend one semester（four months）each year as full－time students．They will complete their thesis requirements during work periods．
The university also has requested the com－ panies to allow certain senior staff members to accept appointments as research professors．In this capacity they would supervise the thesis work of engineers in their companies when it is done on the job．

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