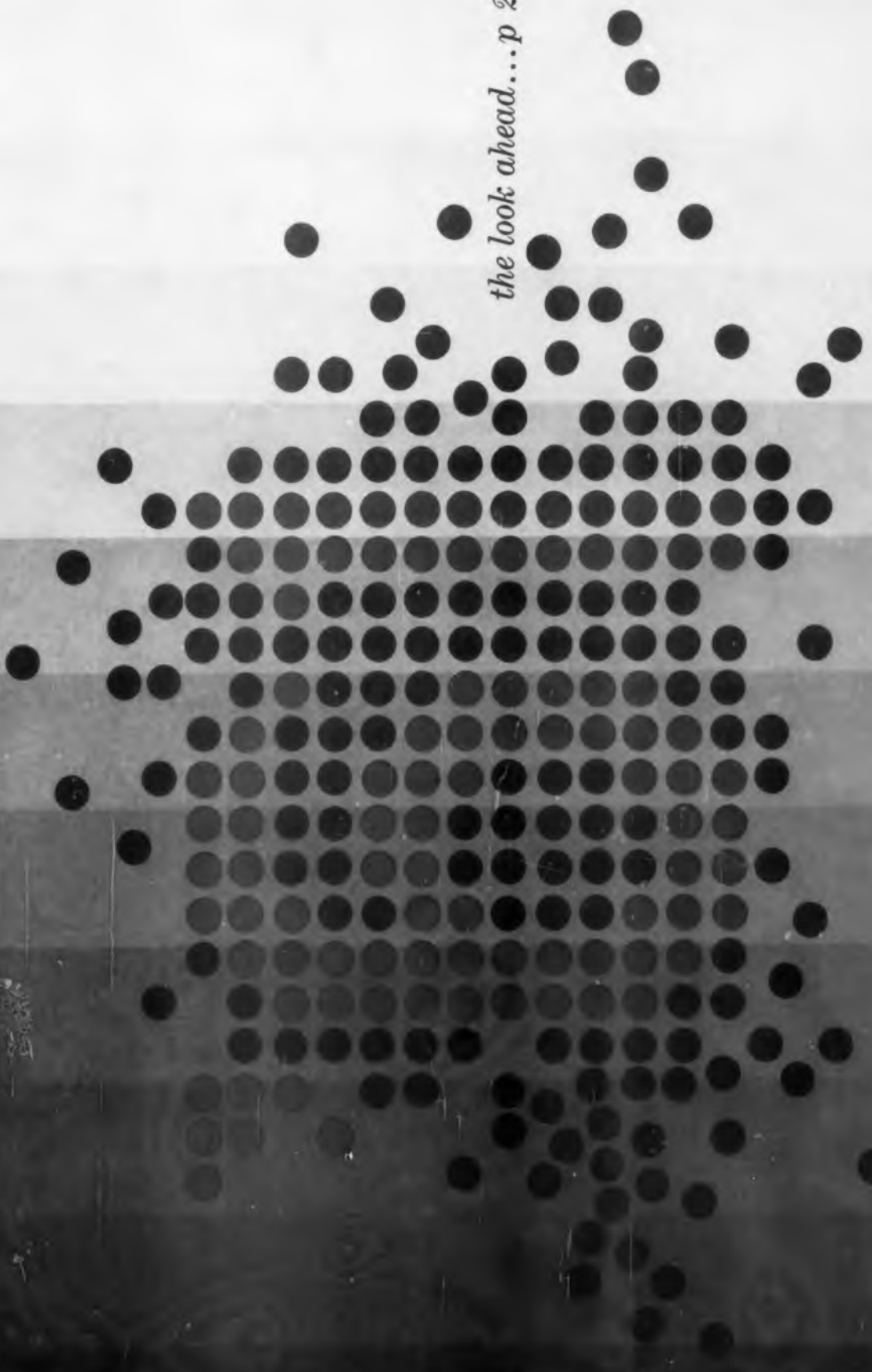
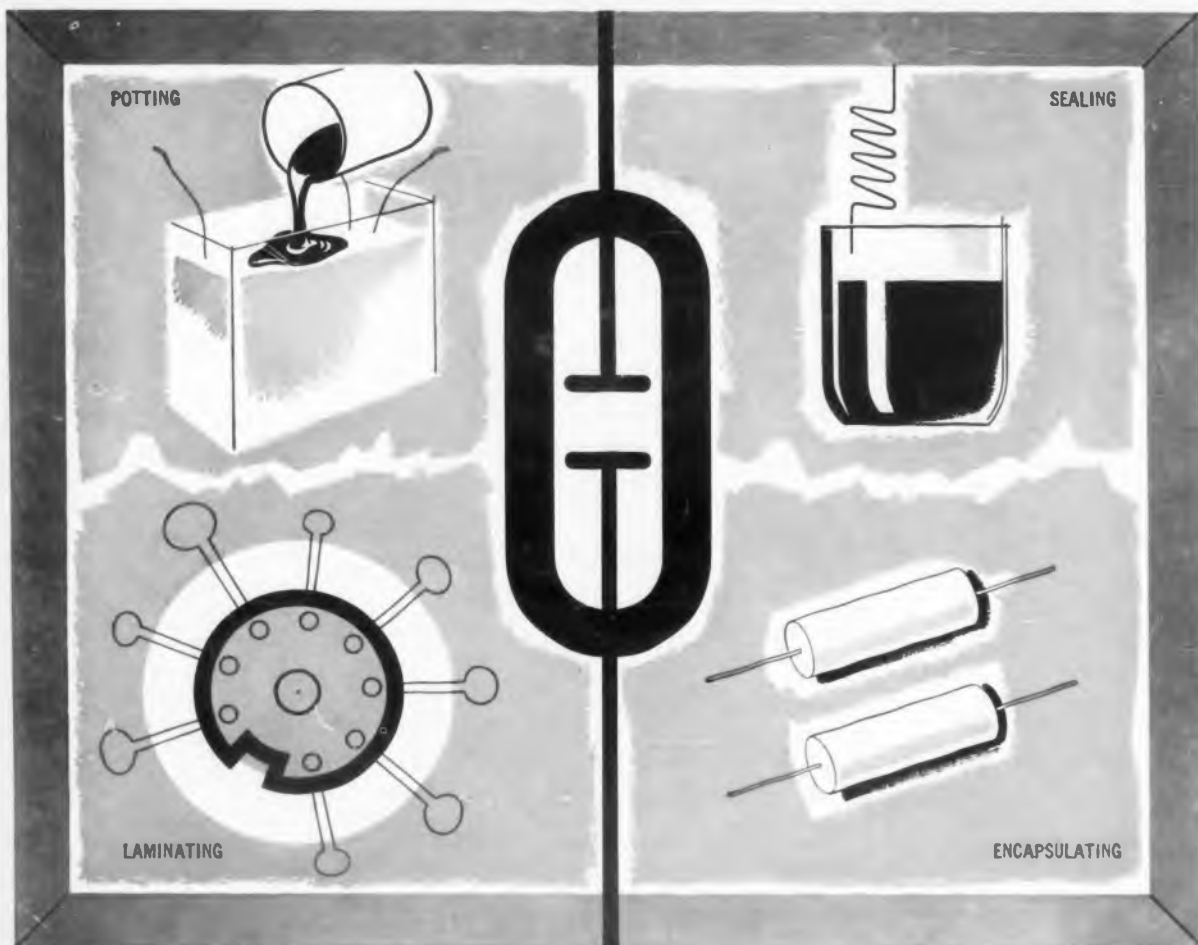


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*Developmental Equipment at Eastern Joint Computer Conference*

*Dramatizes Moves to New Concepts in Specialized Designs*

**A**DVANCED technical and applications concepts are rapidly moving into the developmental equipment stage in the fast-growing computer industry.

This was evident both in technical sessions and in informal conversations with engineers during the Eastern Joint Computer Conference in New York. Important progress in such diverse areas as teaching machines, thin-film and cryogenic memories, automated speech recognition, and electroluminescent displays were discussed during the three-day meeting.

(For a description of new computers announced during the convention, and improved peripheral equipment displayed, see p 8.)

Improved commercial machines could be the result of the work being done on cryogenic thin-film memories, it was indicated by Robert R. Seeber, Jr., International Business Machines Corp.'s Product Development Laboratory.

Automatic sorting within a memory might be done using cryotrons as memory elements, according to Mr. Seeber. In this type of associative memory all stored words could be compared to

a key word to determine if they were equal to, greater, or less than the key. This could also be done with a portion of a word.

Use of single-crossing, thin-film cryotrons would allow the logical as well as storage functions to be performed within the memory.

IBM is developing cryotron matrices built up of many layers of material. Automatic masking techniques are used to get reproducible deposited thin-film planes.

Optical character recognition may also soon become an important factor in high-speed computer input, it was learned during the show. Recently IBM introduced its 1418 for optical character recognition input of selected characters.

Radio Corp. of America is developing new techniques for this field, and will soon make its first installation of this type input equipment.

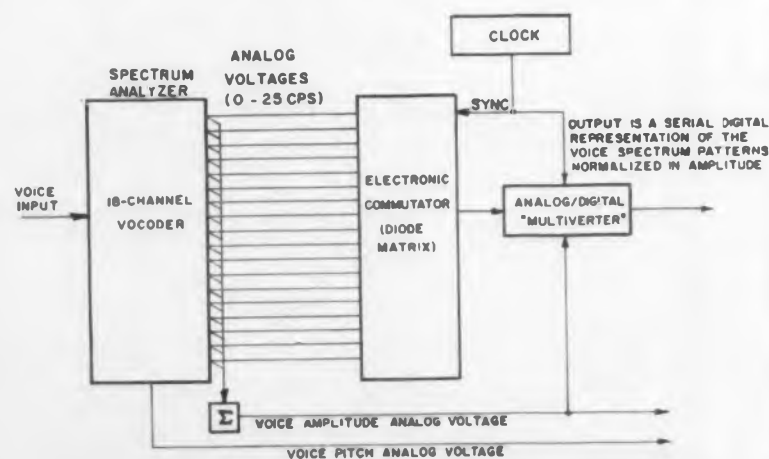
RCA is also understood to be developing a line of five types of optical input equipment, ranging from simple equipment recognizing only selected characters, to more complex equipment suitable for a variety of type fonts.

An RCA spokesman indicated that the new sensing technique does not use the conventional scanning disk for recognition. The disk technique limits the speed that can be achieved, he commented, so that a new approach is felt to be necessary.

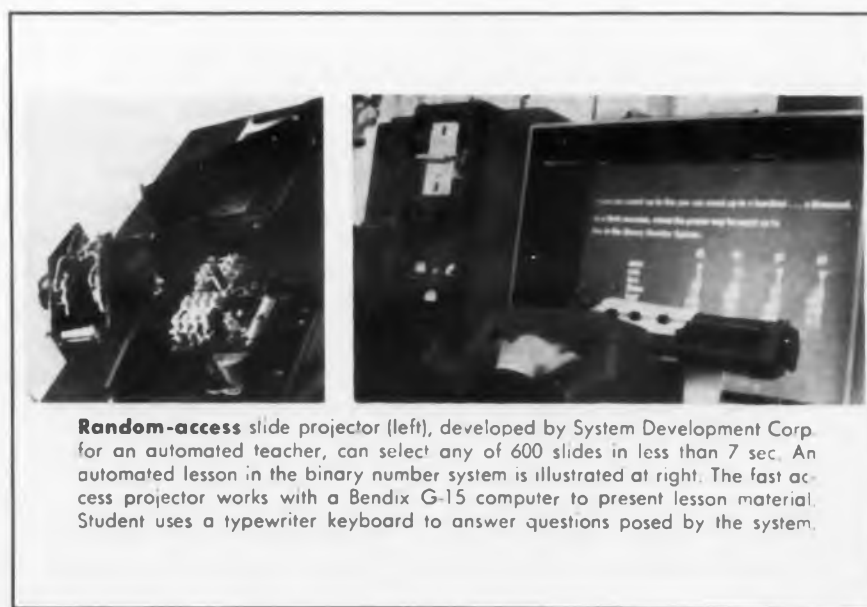
The prominence at the show of military data-processing systems and equipment was more evidence that strides are being taken in applying advanced concepts. Against the background of the news that the military services are nearing standardization on Fieldata language as a common computer language, speakers and exhibitors discussed many items of military data processing equipment.

Of the Fieldata units being developed for the Army, one was displayed and four others were discussed. Sylvania parked its Mobidic A outside the convention hotel and revealed that it plans to be testing the first operational unit in Germany very early this year.

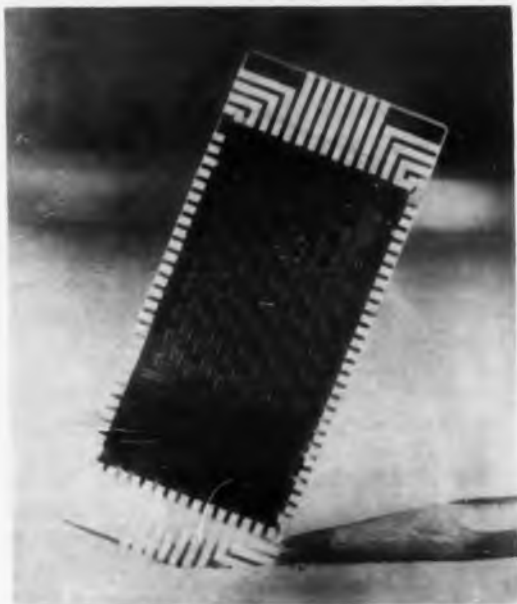
The company also disclosed that its M-64 air-transportable computer will be used in the Army's MPQ-32 artillery locator radar system.



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**Experimental** cryogenic thin-film memory plane consisting of 135 cryotrons was described by Robert R. Seeber, Jr., of International Business Machine Corp.'s Product Development Laboratory, at a technical session.

The M-64 uses Mobidic logic and, for the MPQ-32 system, will have two 400-word core-plane memories.

At the meeting, Philco Corp. reported that it would soon deliver its Basicpac Fieldata computer to the Army. This is a tactical, solid-state synchronous computer with a 1-mc clock rate and a core memory of 4,096 36-bit words.

Other Fieldata units, Philco's Compac and North American's Fadat are still in research and development.

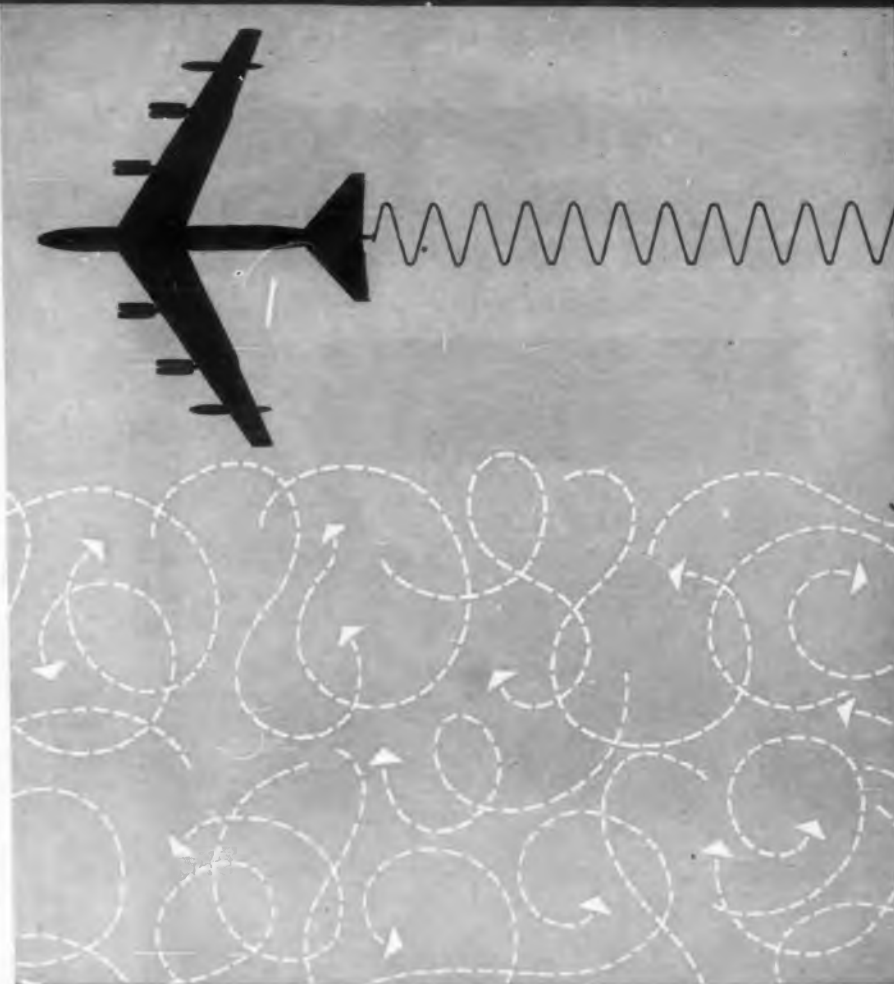
Two computers known to be in contention for the shipboard data-processing portion of the Transit navigational satellite program were on display.

The AN/UYK-1 computer, designed to Navy requirements by Ramo-Wooldridge Div. of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Inc., was displayed at the TRW booth in prototype form. The first operating model is scheduled for delivery by mid-year.

This will be a "stored logic" machine, allowing the user to select the word length, order structure, and instruction repertoire most suitable for the problem to be solved.

Although the machine is being designed for use with the Navy Tactical Data System, it may be turned to other shipboard computation tasks, such as the Transit program, later.

The PB250 computer, displayed by Packard Bell Computer Corp., is also a contender for the Transit contract. This is a low-price computer using plug-in magnetostrictive delay lines for



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memory. Use of a nickel-cadmium battery, providing about 30 w, makes the memory nonvolatile. The battery, with an estimated five-year life, is trickle charged from an ac power line.

On display was an operating engineering model of General Electric's CVI-27 conditional variable increment computer, a modularized, solid-state modification of the Light Military Dept.'s never-sold GEVIC computer.

The CVI-27 mechanizes incremental mathematics and is said to be capable of replacing complex general-purpose, fixed-increment machines in airborne or other applications.

GE reports that the CVI-27 is best applied where rapid slew is required on initial engagement, but where, after settling, the computer can operate in a fixed increment or digital differential analyzer mode.

Capacity is 64 algorithms, iteration rate 130 per sec and memory capacity 40,000 to 70,000 bits, the company reports. The computer uses a 19-bit word length.

### Propose Computer-Driven E-L Display For Satellite Tracking Systems

At EJCC, ELECTRONIC DESIGN learned that an electroluminescent display system, said to be capable of showing continuous position of up to six satellites, has been proposed to the Air Force by Sylvania Electronic Systems Div., Waltham, Mass. The solid-state system would replace mechanical-optical, projection, and cathode-ray-tube displays now used for satellite tracking.

The Sylvania system would use a screen 3 x 4 ft, or larger, composed of 5 x 5-in. electroluminescent panels. Computer data from the satellite tracking system would be used to luminesce a spot that would move on the display board under a map overlay.

Driving units would be Sylvania's combination e-l and photoconductive translator modules, which would convert binary to decimal for the coordinate system used in displaying position.

In development at the company are distribution networks expected to result in eliminating four of each five translator modules that would go into the display system. To implement the display system, the company has reportedly developed special holding circuits to reduce the load on the memory of the computer that would operate the system.

### Report Computer Digitizes, Recognizes Speech With Vocoder

First details of an adaptive technique for automatic speech recognition were described at the

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meeting by S. R. Petrick, Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, Bedford, Mass. Mr. Petrick, co-author of a paper with H. M. Willett of AFCRL, reported that good results in programming a computer to recognize speech has been achieved with a pattern-recognition method implemented by a special, 18-channel vocoder.

The technique requires that spoken words be broken into sequences of octal digits that describe instantaneous power levels in each of the vocoder's 18 frequency-band outputs. A sequence is taken every 20 msec. Each word, after being spoken several times, becomes a serial digital mask representing power-at-specific-time and frequency.

Each word to be stored is spoken several times so that recognition parameters can be optimized and an efficient mask constructed.

Each mask put into the 1,600 magnetic-drum registers of the computer's memory requires six words of storage, which limits the vocabulary of the system to 83 spoken words, each requiring 1,500 msec for recognition.

Almost 100 per cent accuracy in recognition has been achieved under the best conditions, Mr. Petrick reported. Research is underway to program the medium-sized, general-purpose computer used (a prototype Univac solid-state machine) to adapt masks in its memory to optimize recognition of speech by different speakers.

A new concept applied to automated teaching—using a computer-programed, random-access slide projector—was unveiled at EJCC by System Development Corp. of Santa Monica, Calif. In the system shown, a student seated at an electric typewriter types the answers to multiple-choice questions displayed on a large screen before him.

A Bendix G-15 computer accepts his answer and types out "Right" or "Good" if the answer is correct. If it isn't, the computer types "Sorry," then selects an appropriate slide to help the student understand the source of his error.

Even a small computer like the G-15 could work with as many as 100 students simultaneously and individually. In this particular automated teacher, the novelty lies in its random-access slide projector.

On command from the computer, the slide projector (extensively modified from a commercial, off-the-shelf unit), selects and projects any of 40 35-mm slides from a magazine within 4 sec. An auxiliary drum can be used to load any of 15 additional magazines into the projector within an additional 3 sec.

The system shown at EJCC is only one part of a larger SDC project headed by Mr. Harry Harmon, director of Systems Simulation Research Laboratory, a human-factors research laboratory using a Philco 2000 computer. ■ ■

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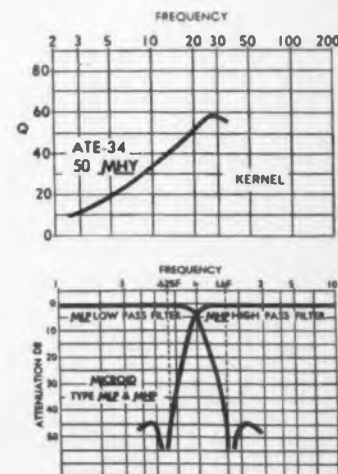
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Remington Rand's announcement of a planned computer with a thin-film control memory, and the unveiling of the new Recomp III computer (right) by North American Aviation, Inc.'s Autonetics Div., were high points of EJCC. A thin-film memory plane for the planned Rem Rand 1107 computer (above) is inspected by Dr. S. M. Rubers, director of physical research.



## Computer Plans, Peripheral Gains Featured at EJCC

IMPROVEMENTS in peripheral equipment and new computer announcements, were two major features of the Eastern Joint Computer Conference in New York.

The only commercial computer unveiled at the show was the Recomp III, a new low-cost machine designed by North American Aviation, Inc.'s Autonetics Div.

Other computers, now under development, announced at the show, were the following:

- Univac 1107, which includes a small thin-film control memory, for delivery in 18 to 24 months. Also announced by Sperry Rand Corp.'s Remington Rand Div. was the Univac 490 Real-Time data-processing system, for operation with extensive data communications networks.

- Sylvania's 9400 data-processing system, particularly suited for operating many input-output machines, is being offered by Sylvania's Data Systems Div. Marketing is being aimed at government agencies and telephone exchanges.

- A 212 central processor for use in the Philco 2000 computer was announced by Philco Corp.'s Computer Div. This unit is said to be four times faster than the 211 processor it supersedes.

Recomp III is the latest, and lowest priced, entry in Autonetic's Recomp series. It will rent for \$1,495 a month.

Autonetics also showed a paper-tape reader, the Facitape, which can be used with the Recomp III. It is a capacitance-type reader, not affected by ambient light, as a photoelectric reader. Reading speed of 600 characters per sec, however, puts

the Facitape on a par with photoelectric readers.

Probably one of the most unexpected developments at EJCC was Remington Rand's plan to include a thin-film control memory in the Univac 1107 (*ED*, Dec. 21, 1960, p 12).

The thin-film memory will be a coincident-current type with 0.6  $\mu$ sec cycle time. Although company spokesmen declined to divulge the number of thin-film substrate planes to be used in the new memory, a company photograph shows a plane with 288 spots, suggesting that 16 planes will be used in the complete memory unit.

The 1107 will also include from 16,384 to 65,536 words of ferrite-core memory with 4- $\mu$ sec cycle time. The machine will rent for \$40,000 to \$60,000 per month.

The Univac 490 Real-Time system includes 14 input-output channels, two of them suitable for direct communication with remote computers. The main computer will feed 30,000 bits per sec to communications lines.

### Sylvania 9400 Computer Stresses Input-Output Equipment Operation

Sylvania's 9400 data-processing system includes four satellite processors, each of which is capable of operating any one of a diverse group of peripheral machines.

When an "executive program" in the central processor reaches a point where input or output functions must be accomplished, it will instruct one of the satellite units to detach from the main problem to perform the peripheral function using

a stored subroutine. Meanwhile, the central processor will continue work on the main program.

Sylvania feels the 9400 meets a special requirement which can not be served by standard computing systems. Use will be restricted to applications with many assorted peripheral devices.

Philco's improved central processor, the 212, use transistor-diode logic to attain 10- $\mu$ sec multiplication speed, including access, for two 48-bit words. Maximum access time for a pair of instructions is 1  $\mu$ sec, according to Philco.

Improved peripheral equipment on display included three mylar-disk memories shown by Laboratory for Electronics, Inc. The first of these Bernoulli-disk memories was shown at the 1959 EJCC in Boston. That unit, designated BD-100, had a paper-thin, 7.25-in.-diam disk which stored 100,000 bits on 50 tracks.

An experimental BD-500 was shown at this year's show. It should store 500,000 bits on a 12-1/4-in.-diam disk. LFE hopes to deliver BD-500's by June.

A smaller unit, designated BD-18 and using a 4-in. disk, has already been delivered for a sonar application. A 10,000-bit memory, it is intended as a shelf item selling for about \$1,000, and deliverable in about 10 days.

Fast card readers also drew much attention at the show. National Cash Register Co.'s 380 photoelectric reader, designed for use with the company's 304 computer, was operating at about 2,450 cards a minute. The unit is nominally rated at 1,500 cards a minute. Each character



**Control console**, similar to one to be used for the Samos reconnaissance satellite data-reduction center, was shown by Thompson-Ramo-Wooldridge, Inc. The DC-400 allows an operator to withdraw desired data from a computer and position it on a slide-projector or other type display. The unit will be used in conjunction with an RW-400 computer, to be installed at the Samos site later this year.



**Half a million** bits can be stored on the flexible mylar disk of the BD-500, left, in development at Laboratory for Electronics, Inc. The BD-100, center, stores 100,000 bits, and the BD-18, right, stores 10,000 bits. The 4-in. diam disk in the foreground is part of the BD-18.

position is sensed twice, and other self-checking features are incorporated.

Uptime Corp., Bloomfield, Colo., showed its Speedreader 2000, which reads 2,000 cards a minute. A set of 80 horizontally positioned photodiodes read characters and a set of 26 vertically positioned photodiodes time reading intervals by sensing the change from light to dark as the card passes in front of them.

The company is working on another photoelectric reader with a stronger light source for high speed reading of cards with black marks on them, rather than punched holes. ■ ■

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### Heart Rate Is Measured

*Device to Observe Fetal Heartbeats Integrated into Patient Monitor*

**A** CARDIOTACHOMETER, which indicates heart rate on a logarithmic scale after each beat, is being used in a new patient monitoring system recently installed in New York's Roosevelt Hospital.

Variations in heart rate can be observed easily on the Cardiotach, an instrument developed by Epsco, Inc., with the assistance of Dr. Edward Hahn, formerly of Yale University.

The instrument was initially designed to detect fetal heart beats, according to Howard T. Sterling, chief engineer of Epsco's Medical Div. However, it was easily adapted to the automatic monitor for adult patients because it uses three of the same inputs as the electrocardiograph.

In its earlier application, Dr. Hahn used fetal heart rate as an indication of distress. It was also used to detect life during the earlier stages of pregnancy.

A new fetal monitoring unit designed by Epsco will soon be shipped to the College of Medical Evangelists in Los Angeles, where Dr. Hahn is continuing his work, Mr. Sterling said.

This unit will allow indication and recording of heart rate data and presentation of electrocardiograph waveforms on an oscilloscope.

A simple analog computer-type circuit is used in the Cardiotach to convert the period between heart beats into a rate measurement.

Input to the instrument is the potential difference between selected points on the body. The potential between the wrists is used in Epsco's unit, with the right leg serving as a reference.

A complex pulse occurs with each beat of the heart. Each separate pulse actuates a trigger circuit, which in turn operates a monostable multivibrator.

On the initial switch of the multivibrator, the Read switch is momentarily closed, putting capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in parallel. Capacitor  $C_1$ , which has been discharging since the previous heart beat, now charges  $C_2$ , equalizing the voltage across the two capacitors. Since  $C_1$  is very much larger than  $C_2$ , only a small amount of charge is transferred. Thus, the reading on the voltmeter is very close to the voltage across  $C_1$  as the Read switch closed.

When the multivibrator switches off, the Charge switch is momentarily closed. This allows capacitor  $C_1$  to charge to its full capacity, as dictated by the voltage across the constant voltage source.

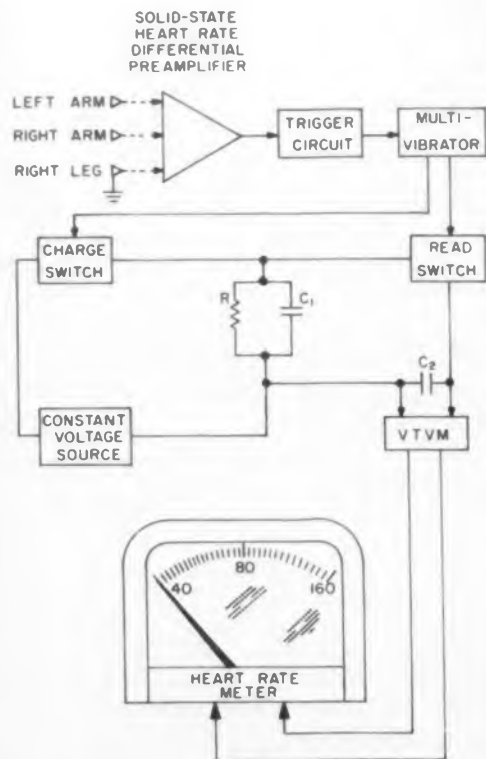


## After Each Beat

These events occur in a few milliseconds. For the rest of the cycle between heart beats, capacitor  $C_1$  discharges through the resistor  $R$ . The voltage across the parallel  $RC$  combination decays exponentially with the time constant  $RC_1$ . Thus the longer the time between two heart beats, the lower the voltage across  $C_1$  falls. Since the decay is exponential, the remaining voltage is logarithmically proportional to the heart rate, or the reciprocal of the period.

When the next heart beat occurs, the Read switch is again closed momentarily, shunting the small capacitor  $C_2$  across the large capacitor  $C_1$ . The transfer of a minute amount of charge equalizes the voltage across the two, giving the voltage reading on the voltmeter.

As this process continues, the heart rate is indicated by the position of the needle on a logarithmic scale. The rate reading is adjusted with each heart beat, giving the doctor a quick picture of heart rate variation. This is an important indicator of a patient's condition. ■ ■



**Two Heartbeats** are sufficient to establish heart rate using this cardiometer designed by Epsco, Inc.'s Medical Div., Cambridge, Mass. Needle settles on new heart rate on logarithmic scale after each two beats.

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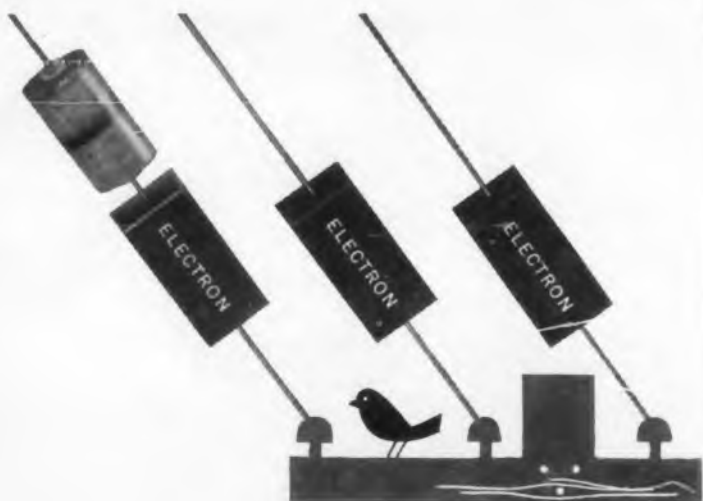
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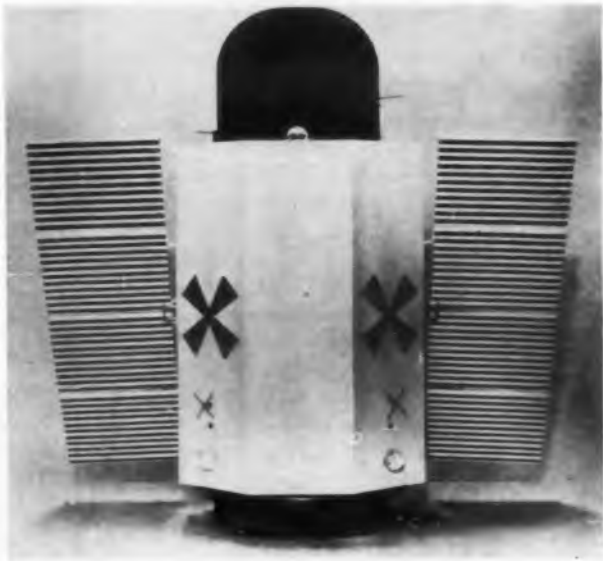
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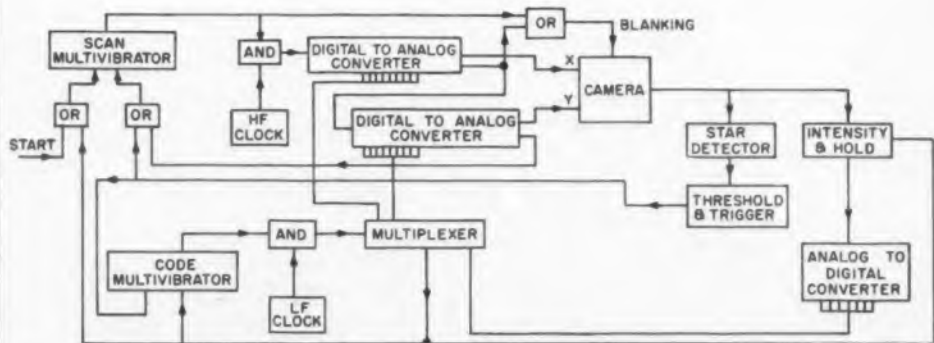
## Digital TV to Be Orbitated by NASA

*NASA Orbiting Astronomical Observatory To Send UV Star Photos and Spectra to Earth*

A DIGITAL-TELEVISION system will be flown on board the first of NASA's Orbiting Astronomical Observatories (OAO) to transmit ultraviolet star photos and spectra back to earth. An instrument payload being designed by the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, Cambridge, Mass., for a scheduled launching in 1963 will also include a 1-million-bit core memory and newly de-

veloped ultraviolet-sensitive television tubes.

A separate analog TV system will also be used, not for backup, but because of the special nature of the photos to be transmitted and the short time that will probably be available for stellar mapping. The Smithsonian's Dr. Robert J. Davis, in charge of payload design, would like to achieve a reliability of one year



**Digital encoder for the OAO.** Design shown is being breadboarded by the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory. Unit provides fast scan until beam intersects a point of sufficient brightness (representing an ultraviolet-emitting star). The scan then stops and intensity is quantized. Up to seven bits of quantizing may be possible using new camera tubes being developed for the project. A second design being considered uses analog techniques to eliminate multivibrators and converts to digital signals at output end.

for the electronic equipment, but more reasonably expects an operating life of closer to six months.

With the shorter longevity, the information-handling problem for an all-sky survey becomes enormous. Three separate telescopes, each sensitive to a different portion of the ultraviolet spectrum between 1,220 Å and 2,800 Å will be in simultaneous use. A fourth telescope, functioning as a grating spectrometer will also be carried.

Astronomers expect that at least 100,000 uv stars will be revealed by the survey. Each star must be photographed three times and an average of 50 stars is expected in each TV frame. In addition, large diffuse areas of interstellar space may also emit ultraviolet radiation. Finally, images photographed during the satellite's orbit must be rapidly transmitted as it passes over the ground station. Thus, a combination of analog and digital TV could solve the problem of transmitting data consisting both of many small objects and of a lesser number of large objects—all in a relatively brief interval.

#### Variable Rate Scanning Speeds Data Transmission

The digital TV system will employ a unique, variable-rate scanning scheme. The scan will proceed at a very rapid rate until it intersects the image of a star. The scan will then dwell on that point long enough to quantize the brightness of the image. A typical star image would intersect something like five adjacent scan lines.

Each image will be coded as nine "Y" position bits, nine "X" position bits, seven intensity-level bits, and seven marking bits. On the average, 2 sec might be required to scan each frame. In this scheme, the intensity threshold that governs interruption of the scan would be set so as to ignore the dimmer images that might appear in interstellar space.

The vehicle's TV cameras are in continuous operation. When the OAO passes over the ground station, images are transmitted directly. Pictures taken during the rest of the orbit are stored for transmittal over the ground station. The present operational concept calls for the storage of 100 photographs, requiring a total memory of one megabit. Magnetic tape, while the most convenient storage medium, was rejected because of the potential long-term unreliability of mechanical transports.

Instead, Dr. Smith is consulting with data-equipment manufacturers on the design of a 1-megabit core memory that would weigh 20 lb and have a volume of 1/3 ft. Other all-electronic storage methods meeting operational requirements would also be considered, as the payload design is not yet frozen.

An analog-TV transmitter, programed to oper-

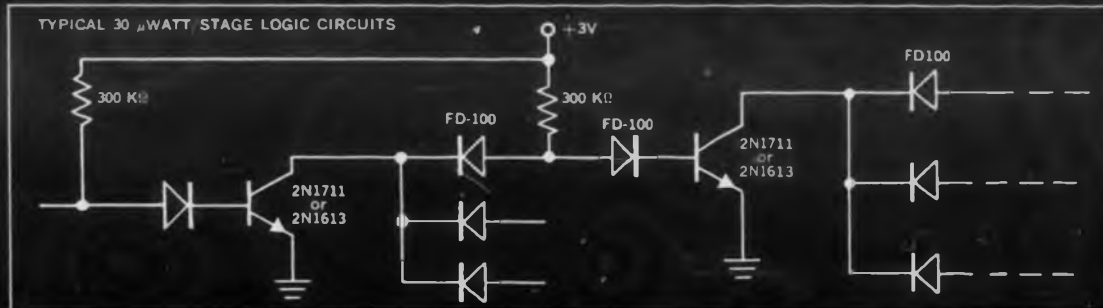
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ate over the ground station will pick up details of interstellar space ignored by the digital system. Since the operating time of the analog system would be limited to a small fraction of each orbit, many parts of interstellar space could not be mapped by the OAO. Accordingly, the Smithsonian Observatory would welcome suggestions for a suitable analog memory and readout system to enable all-sky interstellar mapping. Electrostatic storage tubes have been considered, but a satisfactory analog memory for the OAO has yet to be found.

A new type of uv-sensitive camera tubes for the OAO is being developed by Westinghouse. The new tube, termed the Ebicon (Electron Bombardment Induced Conductivity), is similar to the vidicon type in that photo electrons from a photocathode are imaged onto a target, which is then scanned.

The Ebicon target, however, consists of a thin conducting layer deposited over a thin insulating film. Photo electrons penetrate through the conductor and into the insulator where they generate a large number of lower-energy secondary electrons. These secondary electrons act as a conduction current to discharge the insulator (which is polarized by the previous scan). The result is an amplified charge pattern which is then read out by a scanning beam in conventional fashion. Charge gains of 200 are said to occur in the Ebicon target.

Photocathodes for uv-sensitive Ebicons may prove troublesome to manufacture. Materials such as barium fluoride, cesium iodide, and rubidium telluride have been tested. The last of these is sensitive to below 3,000 Å, ideal for use in the OAO, but it deteriorates in the presence of air and must be manufactured and applied in a vacuum. The metallic coating normally applied to a photocathode must be exceptionally thin here to enable penetration of the ultraviolet into the emissive material itself. Aluminum films about 70 Å thick appear to be necessary.

Design of the digital system is well along, and a laboratory breadboard is being assembled. The unit (see diagram) operates almost entirely in the digital mode. A second design, however, which operates in the analog mode with a final analog-to-digital converter is also being considered as it would eliminate more than 50 of the multipliers required by the first unit. A beam encoder tube might be used at the output end of the second version.

The gray scale to be obtained with the Ebicon tubes and digital system is still in doubt. Five-

bit quantizing, giving 32 shades of gray, is well within the state of the art. Dr. Mario Grossi of the Smithsonian Observatory's electronics laboratory believes that six bits are possible in design with reasonable care and that seven-bit quantizing with presently known techniques may also be possible. Astronomers would like a gray scale of 1,000, Dr. Grossi said, but will be happy to settle for 100 at this time. One place they are willing to compromise for an improved gray scale is in scanning speed. "We don't mind having to transmit a field several times if it will improve the scale," Dr. Grossi said.

#### Electric Motors Will Control Altitude of Vehicle

Apart from the payload, the OAO will include a number of other electronic innovations. Angular positioning will be effected through transfer of angular momentum developed by motors. A 100-w motor for coarse positioning and a one-watt motor for fine control will operate on each of three axes, for a total of six control motors. When necessary, control will also be provided by gas jets and magnetic loops. It is expected that the entire vehicle can be oriented with an accuracy of one minute of arc.

Angular orientation of the vehicle will be accomplished by three separate, independent means.

- Monitoring of the uv image seen by the telescopes.
- Separate on-board tv finder.
- Mechanical star trackers.

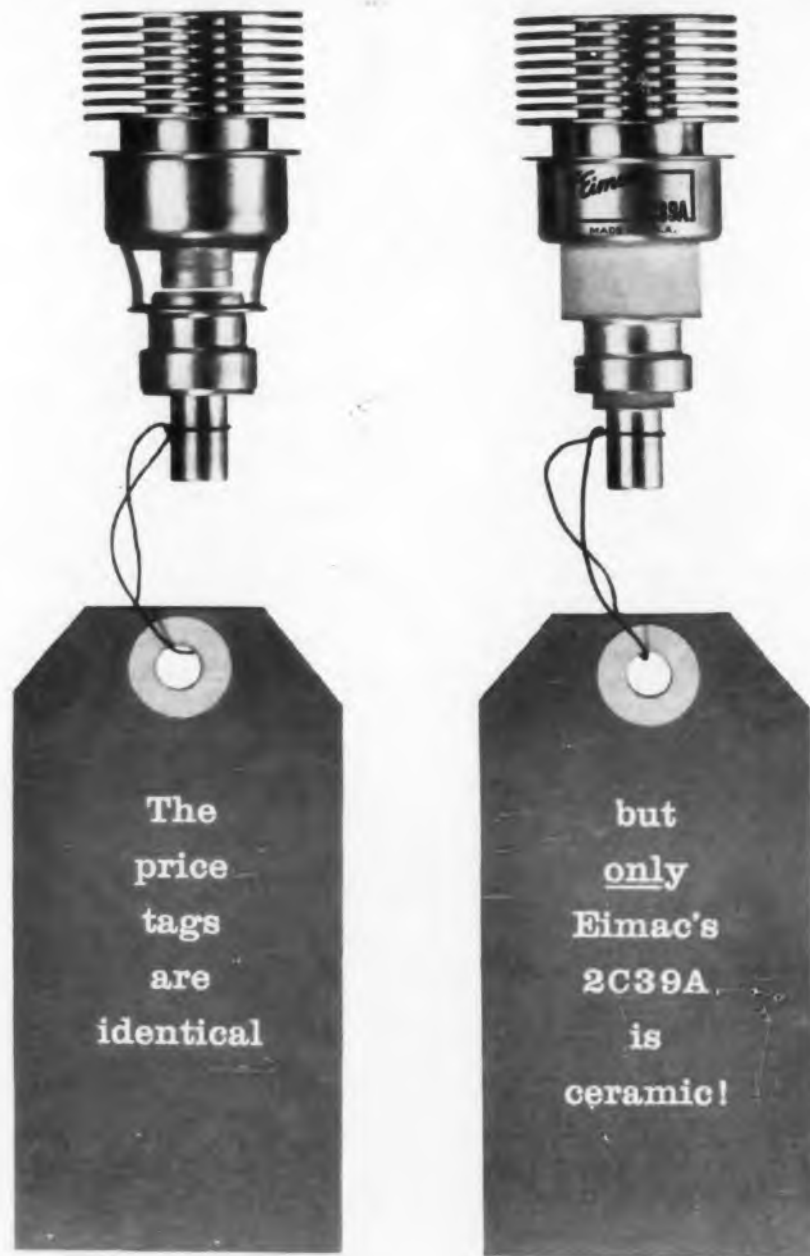
Orientation will be by ground commands which can be executed upon receipt or stored for use at a later position in orbit.

Design of the space-to-ground transmitters calls for a 20-db carrier-to-noise ratio at a slant range of 2,500 nautical miles. It is expected that digital transmission will permit use of a 62-ke bandwidth at 400 mc for the data link with 2 sec required to relay each picture. Transmitter power should therefore not exceed 10 w.

An interesting feature of the OAO will be the inclusion of about 250 lb of lead ballast. This will be required to equalize moments of inertia about the three axes of the vehicle.

Design concepts for the OAO will receive their first test early this spring when an Aerobee-Hi rocket carrying an analog-TV camera will be launched from Wallops Island, Va., to make a brief uv survey of the sky. The pictures will be of commercial quality (525 lines and 30 frames), but will give astronomers some indication of what can be expected in the way of uv stars.

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## NEWS

### Invisible Light Is Used

Ranges Up to 2 Miles Reported;  
Beam Can Handle 100 Channels

**M**ODULATION of ultraviolet fluorescent lamps at frequencies in the kilocycle range has led to the development of a multi-channel ultraviolet (UV) communication system by the International Telephone and Telegraph Laboratories, Nutley, N.J. As many as 100 4-ke channels can reportedly be impressed upon a single UV beam.

Recent tests of an experimental portable unit containing a 4-w lamp indicated that a voice channel could be received at ranges of 500 ft in high ambient fluorescent lighting and 250 ft in bright daylight. At night, however, ranges of 2 miles with a beamed signal and 1 mile with an omnidirectional signal are believed feasible. It is expected that these ranges can be extended considerably through the use of more powerful lamps and more sensitive receivers.

### Mercury-Vapor Tubes Under Investigation

According to ITTL project engineer Frederick Beisel, lamp manufacturers have not fully investigated the modulation possibilities of mercury-vapor tubes and generally specify a limit of only a few hundred cps. Through a number of undisclosed techniques, lamps at ITTL could follow modulations of up to 500 kc. Commonly available UV phosphors are effective to about 100 kc. Mr. Beisel stated that with further development, the response of tubes and phosphors could probably be extended to 1 mc.

In the experimental transmitter, each channel is impressed onto the beam as a constant-frequency square wave. The amplitude of the square wave is then modulated in accordance with the data to be transmitted. The carrier frequency for the experimental, single-channel unit is 52.2 kc. Other channels can be spaced at regular intervals on each side of this carrier.

### Conventional Circuitry Used At Receiving End

The receiver employs a 1P28 photomultiplier as the primary detector. Conventional tuned circuits (one for each channel), detectors, audio amplifiers, and a high-voltage supply for the photomultiplier comprise the remainder of the receiver circuitry.

Applications envisioned for the system include short-range data transmission in large crowded areas. Military uses could include short-range, secure night communications. ■ ■

## For Walkie-Talkie Sets

### Design of Infrared Telephone Achieves a \$20 Retail Price

A FLASHLIGHT bulb, an aluminized mylar diaphragm, and reject transistors are the key design features of the Infraphone, a \$20 IR handie-talkie recently introduced by Infrared Industries, Waltham, Mass.

The flashlight bulb, a 1-w PR-3 is the radiating source; the diaphragm, which is voice-actuated, modulates the IR beam directly; and the transistors, reject computer types available at about one third the cost of Japanese imports, are used in the receiver audio amplifier.

Ranges of 300 yd in bright sunlight and 500 yd under more favorable conditions are claimed for the Infraphone. "We consider the IR spectrum ideal for optical communication in that the effects of background radiation can be readily eliminated by filtering," Ernest Bivans, IR Industries, director of research said.

The Infraphone operates in this way: The flashlight bulb, located at the focus of a 2-in. parabolic reflector is beamed onto a flat, aluminized mylar diaphragm which reflects the beam out to the receiver. The speaker's voice impinging against the rear of the diaphragm alternately distorts it into concave and convex shapes, thereby varying the angular width and intensity of the beam. The modulation achieved in this manner is said to be approximately 40 per cent. The beam angle, however, is only 3 deg and requires some care in aiming the transmitter.

The signal is detected by a 0.020 in.-sq lead sulfide cell placed behind an IR-transmitting filter. An emitter follower and two audio stages, all consisting of npn germanium transistors complete the receiving circuit.



**Infraphone** short-range optical communication system operating in IR spectrum is a hand-held device retailing for \$20. Small, lower circle at front of unit is transmitting aperture. Receiving element is behind larger aperture.



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## NEWS

### Maser Advances Herald

#### Two New Devices from Company Seen Able to Attain Cw Operation

INCREASING emphasis on the design of coherent-light radar and communication systems is due in the wake of IBM's double-barrelled breakthrough in optical masers. Scientists give the two recently-announced masers every likelihood of attaining cw operation—considered a "must" for system applications.

The new devices are similar in configuration to the original ruby optical maser, but employ calcium fluoride as the host crystal. One maser, doped with divalent samarium ions, generates 0.708 micron (deep red) light. The other, doped with trivalent uranium ions, generates 2.5 micron infrared radiation. As in the ruby maser, the crystals of the IBM masers are silvered at both their ends, thereby acting as Fabry-Perot interferometer mode selectors to intensify the output.

Pumping is by means of a pulsed xenon arc, as in the ruby maser, but relatively low pumping energy is required to achieve maser action in the new devices. Unlike the ruby maser, however, the IBM units must be operated at cryogenic temperatures. The laboratory models built thus far use liquid helium at 40 K. Future design refinements may permit operation at liquid-nitrogen temperatures, according to an IBM scientist.

#### USAF Wants Solar-Powered Cw Maser; Ruby Devices Won't Do

The use of rare earths and transuranic elements as maser dopants is not unique with IBM, though Drs. Peter Sorokin and Mirck Stevenson at the company's Yorktown Heights, N. Y., research center have obviously gotten there "fastest with the mostest." Other organizations known to be experimenting along these lines include the Bell Telephone Laboratories and Technical Research Group. Both companies attended a recent bidder's conference at which the Wright Air Development Div. announced plans to develop a solar-powered optical maser for space use.

Although the conference took place some time before the IBM disclosure, reports are that even at that date the ruby maser did not figure significantly in the Air Force's plans.

Because of its low efficiency, the ruby maser would require inordinately high pumping power

## Coherent-Light Systems

for continuous operation. One WADD scientist has termed the prospects for cw ruby masers "Very marginal."

Pumping energy required by a cw ruby maser is on the order of 6 megawatts. IBM reports that its masers are at least 500 times more efficient than the ruby maser and have correspondingly better possibilities of cw operation. This, together with the present Air Force viewpoint on ruby masers, indicates that maser development for system applications will be dominated by solids other than ruby. Gas types now in development also appear favorable for cw use.

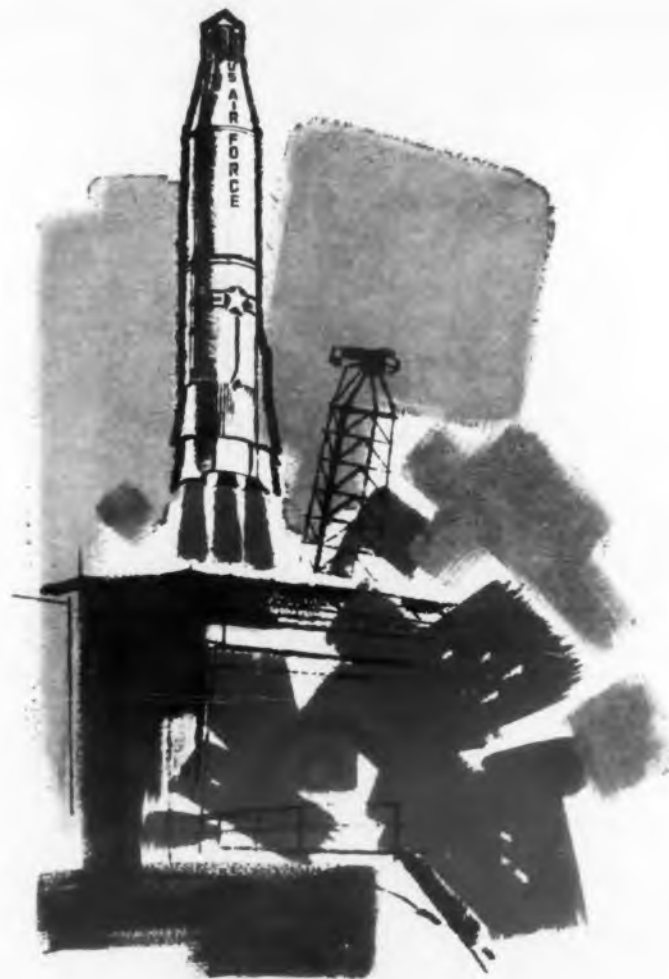
IBM's masers can be classified as three-level devices, while the ruby maser has only two levels. The first CW microwave masers were also three level devices, and it appears that optical masers may have a similar history.

In the IBM maser, visible light applied to the calcium-fluoride crystal raises the dopant ions from the ground level to a higher energy level. These ions then decay to a lower, metastable energy level by non-radiating transitions. Further energy decay from the metastable level to a terminal level results in emission of the desired radiation. The ions return to the ground level by a second non-radiating transition.

The important feature here is that the terminal level, which is above the ground level, is comparatively depopulated at cryogenic temperatures. Thus, the population inversion needed for masering is obtained between the metastable level and the empty terminal level. ■ ■



Calcium fluoride optical maser is prepared for experiment by IBM scientists Peter Sorokin (left) and Mirek Stevenson. The maser crystal is at the bottom of the assembly. Above it is a liquid helium-filled dewar flask.



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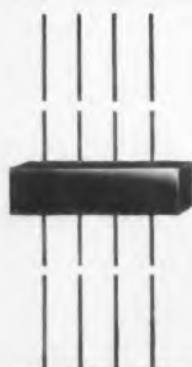
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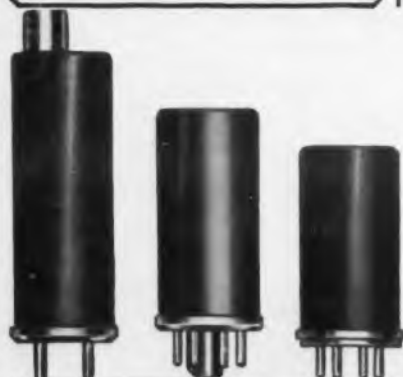


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## NEWS

### Largest Automatic Relay Station Can Process 275,000 Messages Daily

The world's largest automatic relay station, the Strategic Army Communication (STARCOM) East-coast control center at Fort Detrick, Md., is now operating. The 200-line system designed by the Signal Corps and Automatic Electric Co. is capable of processing about 275,000 messages a day. It is the third and final switching link in the Army's continental relay system, which is designed to operate efficiently even when any one of the three stations is knocked out.

Features of the \$25-million station are:

- It has central storage—that is, normal arriving messages are switched to a cross-office position to keep incoming lines free for high-precedence messages.
- The system is designed to differentiate among six degrees of precedence in arriving and departing messages.
- Multiple-call messages going to more than one station are handled independently of each other so that their priorities can be adjusted for each station.
- Transmission speed can be either 60 or 100 wpm, and may be increased to 115 wpm in the near future.

The relay station is linked to the Army's receiving site 68 miles away by a 1-kw quadruple-diversity system consisting of two transmitters and four receivers with diplexers for frequency separation. It operates in the 1,700-2,400-kc government band.

Terminal-to-terminal communication between receivers and transmitters is provided by a 100-mw frequency diversity microwave link consisting of two separate channels operating on two frequencies but on the same signal path through a common antenna system. The 7,128-8,500-kc band is used for this 16-mile link.

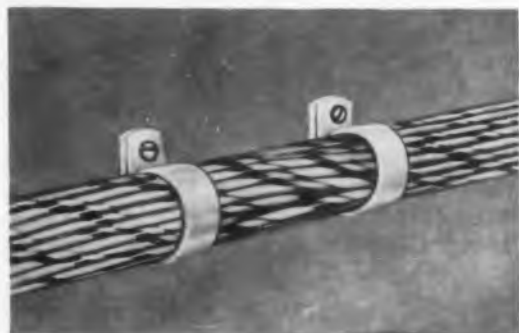
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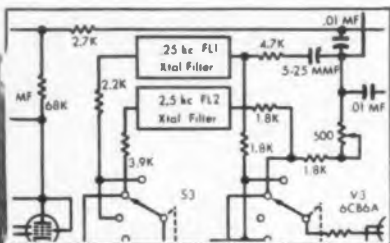
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# WASHINGTON REPORT



Ephraim Kahn

DESIGNING FOR "MAINTAINABILITY" is being stressed by the Air Force in its weapons and support systems. This is to be done in part through mandatory design simplification. Specific standards for maintainability will be established, and items that do not meet them may have to be redesigned in order to be acceptable. One aspect of simplified maintainability is the desire to hold down needs for special equipment, facilities, training, etc.

EXPENSES OF "MAINTAINABILITY" are "inherent in the over-all production system cost for the delivery of an operationally effective system," the Air Force says. It has given the Air Research and Development Command the job of finding new techniques for measuring and predicting maintainability of equipment from the design stage on up.

SIMPLICITY IS THE KEY to proposed maintenance standards. They will be geared to the skills of the average Air Force users, and equipment must conform. The "skill level" to be sought in maintenance is that of "an average airman with a background of high-school graduate, four years of military service, completion of basic technical school and one advance technical school of approximately three months duration." Some equipment has required far more user background in the past, according to the Air Force. Maintenance data will be channeled from users in the field to designers and evaluators of new weapons and support systems.

NEEDS OF THE AIR FORCE are summed up this way: the Air Force will insure that the systems purchased possess those maintainability requirements which result in a minimum expenditure of resources and maintenance efforts to meet operational requirements. This means placing greater emphasis on the design and pre-production development phase of new materiel to attain sound maintainability design and to insure necessary corrective changes.

ELEMENT OF SUBSIDY in government-sponsored R&D has received some comment from the Congressional Joint Economic Committee. The study draws no conclusions, and stresses that its objective is not to stigmatize, since no effort is made to appraise the desirability or relative merits of subsidies and subsidy-like payments. The Congressional group notes that the federal government has been rapidly increasing its R&D funds, especially for military purposes. Federal R&D money went from \$1,390,000,000 in 1948 to \$4,430,000,000 in 1958, "and there is every indication that this expansion will continue." It then says: "Inevitably many of the firms receiving research and development contracts have been able to derive substantial commercial benefit from the results of this research. Small business as a whole has found it very difficult to participate effectively in the federal government's research and development program."

WAR CONTRACTS, in general, are also tagged as subsidized by the economic experts. The committee's evaluation notes that both letting and termination of war contracts—despite provision for renegotiation—"often resulted in providing a return to contract holders that could be construed to involve a subsidy." It observes that "substantial subsidized returns to individual contractors were inevitable" since speed was stressed in placing and terminating these agreements. Even under current procedures, "it does not appear possible to avoid entirely a subsidy element in the letting of defense contracts," the report states. By way of explanation, it points out that "it should be stressed that almost always whatever subsidy effect results from war contract performance is incidental and is not planned or anticipated in the course of negotiating such contracts." Current provisions to favor critical areas of high unemployment and, to a limited extent, small business in defense contracting "may be interpreted to have an economic impact comparable to that of a subsidy, although no direct subsidy is involved."

TECHNICAL COMPETENCE OF CONTRACTORS will be the foundation for the Navy's efforts to integrate its complex weapons systems. Rear Admiral Stroop, head of the Navy's BuWeap, makes the point that this dependence will not extend to management control of weapons systems. Although the Navy is "depending more upon a single contractor to pull all technical aspects of a complex weapons system together," it continues to rely upon its own R&D laboratories for "technical direction."

CENTRALIZED MANAGEMENT of government-owned tools and other production equipment has been recommended to the Pentagon by the General Accounting Office. After a review of the Defense Department's management of the federal inventory of idle production equipment, the Accounting Office suggested that responsibility for tool management be given to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, instead of being left with the military's organizations.

MORE GAS-LUBRICATED BEARINGS are going to be used by the Navy, though high development costs may slow their introduction. Bu Ships thinks the biggest potential for these bearings lies in systems which must rotate at high speed or under extreme temperatures, such as inertial-guidance system components and certain electronic devices. Because design and development of gas-lubrication equipment is costly, they will normally be used only when conventionally lubricated bearings are unsatisfactory. Development programs are already under way.

AIR FORCE RESEARCH CRITERIA probably will be modified in the near future, primarily to clarify its "specific requirement" policy and to meet some industry objections. "More sophisticated management" is needed in "specific requirement" procedures, which are designed to establish the current state of the art in a given technical field and to point to the best way of applying advanced technique to Air Force needs. Changes in store for this procedure, according to Courtland D. Perkins, Assistant Air Force Secretary for R&D, probably will include elimination of so-called unpaid studies (which are eventually paid for by the government through overhead charges), imposition of strict limitations on the membership of industry teams which participate in specific requirement studies, and providing "fewer but better" research objectives to industry by the Air Force.

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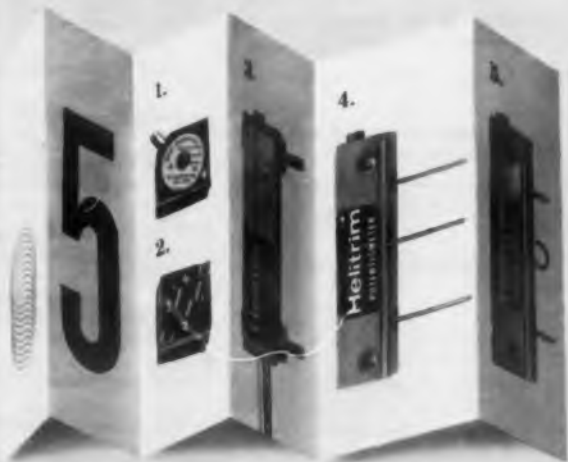
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# EDITORIAL

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## The Biggest Challenge of All for '61

Some exciting and serious challenges face electronics engineers, as the Design '61 report on pp 26-65 of this issue shows. Yet, as we get ready for the new year, the biggest challenge of all—the challenge of research for peace—is not among the list of problems to be tackled.

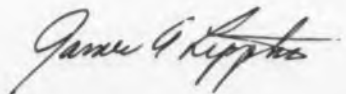
Nevertheless, technology must show the way if there is to be peace by any means other than the runaway arms race. The challenge of disarmament through inspection controls is first an engineering problem and secondly a negotiation problem.

To an extent larger than we would like to think, the Geneva talks on nuclear-test bans have been jeopardized by early unscientific estimates by scientists. Early estimates of the kind of inspection control necessary were far short of those later deemed necessary and more research is still needed. As a consequence the U. S. was accused of stalling efforts.

Arms control is a concept that is not discredited. Eighty-two nations of the United Nations in November of 1959 resolved to achieve disarmament under effective U. N. inspection and control. But more important than the resolution is the conviction on the part of some of our leading engineers and scientists—Lloyd Berkner, James R. Killian Jr., Hans Bethe, George Kistiakowsky, Jerome B. Wiesner—that if the same amount of research were put into the area of inspection and control as is now being put in weapons development a solution would be found.

It is not likely that engineers will get an opportunity to work on the problem under a contract or a grant for some time. President-elect Kennedy is committed to the concept of research for peace and Dr. Wiesner, director of MIT Research Laboratory for Electronics, has been figured to play a key role in the effort. The financial commitment at the outset may be small. Various citizens groups seeking disarmament ask for an allocation of at least 1 per cent of the present arms budget for disarmament research. Such meager finding means engineers will have to make a contribution through voluntary means.

A professional group on peace research similar to the IRE professional group in medical electronics may be engineering's answer to the challenge. Such a group could publish information on detection, measurements, and monitoring. Many reports of the kind published by ad hoc committees for the National Science Foundation are needed. Answering the challenge of arms control may be an extracurricular activity but the payoff might be self-survival.



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## THE LOOK AHEAD

An ELECTRONIC DESIGN Staff Report

The months ahead shape up as a period of consolidation for the electronic industry. They promise to provide a time in which engineers can catch up technically with the real and sometimes surprising technical breakthroughs which have been accomplished in the past few years.

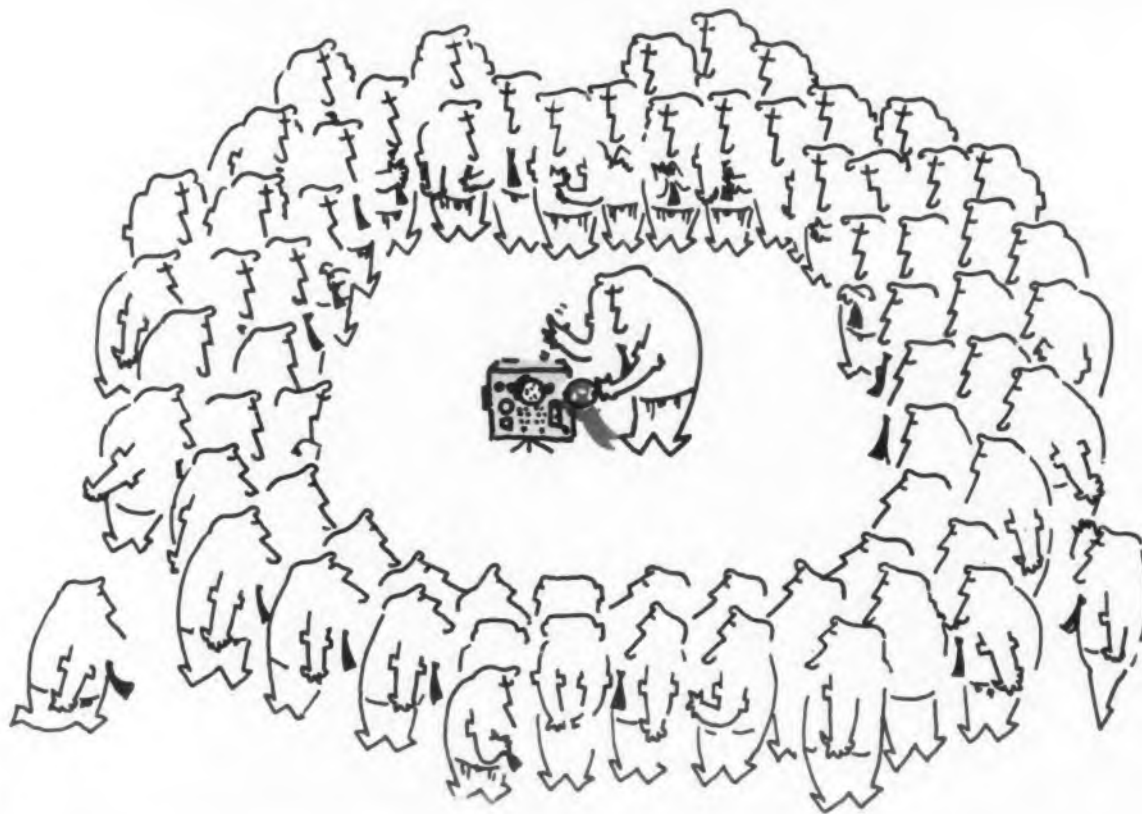
This is not to say that 1961 will be a time of idleness, or even retrenchment, for the industry. Design engineers will have plenty of work in nearly every segment of the electronic complex.

The consolidation will provide a challenge. Frontiers have been reached, now they must be settled and cultivated. For example, in the field of tunnel diodes, designers must seek ways to use last year's breakthrough in circuitry. In test equipment and instrumentation, new demands for accuracy and sensitivity will be made; engineers will try to meet them.

In this period of consolidation, sophisticated systems must be integrated into the broadened fields of application where they are or will be in use. Services to users of hardware will be designed and put into operation.

To bring readers these general predictions, as well as specific and detailed ones for 22 areas of electronics, the editors of ELECTRONIC DESIGN surveyed hundreds of engineers and administrators in the field. When the answers were in, they were correlated and to the results were added the estimates of our editors, each one dealing with his own specialized fields.

In general, the forecasts were for a year of growth and a year of challenge. In the Staff Report which follows, the editors explain just how and where the growth and the challenge will come.



## TEST EQUIPMENT

*straining for higher speed, accuracy, and sensitivity*

**A**S THE electronic industry moves forward, its test-equipment segment marches forward, too—but at an accelerated pace. While others are squeezed against frontiers of knowledge and capabilities, the test-equipment designers are squeezed harder and sooner.

Almost every manufacturer of test equipment now finds himself straining to reach new heights of performance—greater accuracy, higher stability, faster writing speeds (for recorders), wider measurement ranges, more sensitivity, better environmental immunity, and greater freedom from noise.

### **More Versatility, Maintainability, Digital Readout Coming**

In addition, manufacturers will find themselves designing more versatile instruments and they will be paying more attention to maintainability of test equipment. They will also be providing more digital readout in conventional analog instruments.

One after another, test-equipment manufacturers testify to the pressures for extended performance. In the field of voltage measurements, Robert Most, a sales manager for Sensitive Re-

search Instrument Corp., points to the demand for 1/2 per cent accuracy in measuring voltages up to 100 v at frequencies from dc to higher than 10 mc. Today's best equipment provides such accuracy over that frequency range to a maximum of 3 v.

At the Weston Instruments Div. of Daystrom, Inc., E. G. Nichols emphasizes the need for higher accuracy, particularly in measuring ac voltage. While manufacturers can now measure to within 0.05 per cent up to a frequency of 1 kc, customers want 0.01 per cent to 10 kc.

Mr. Nichols poses a vital question here. "How do we know when we have 0.01 per cent accuracy? The National Bureau of Standards won't certify such accuracy levels."

He points to strong pressures for higher accuracy in voltage measurement, less strong pressures in current measurement, and still less pressure in power measurement.

Manufacturers of power supplies will face another important challenge—reliability.

Julian Polis of Sorensen & Co. points to increasing military demands for mean-time-between-failure data for power supplies. Power-supply manufacturers, he points out, will find

themselves more and more involved in reliability evaluation.

### **More Reliability Needed and Still More**

Max Kupferberg of Kepco voices the same sentiment. "People want more reliability," he says, "and they're getting it." He points out that Kepco has been conducting reliability studies based on transistorized equipment in the field for three years. "After a 100-hour transistor burn-in without failure," Mr. Kupferberg notes, "one can predict power-supply operation for at least 10,000 to 15,000 hours without failure."

In the field of oscillographic recorders, the demands are different, but they are still tough. Paul Foster of Sanborn Co. points out that people want pen recorders with the writing-speed capabilities of photographic types and without the disadvantages of either.

Pen recorders are relatively slow, as they suffer from the mechanical limitations of the galvanometers that drive the pens. But they give good permanent records on inexpensive paper. Photographic records using ultraviolet light require fixing or they fade.

Engineers at Brush Instruments point to the same needs—5-ke, direct-writing speeds, rather than the 100-cps speeds practical today.

In the field of digital-readout devices, pressures will come from many directions. At Kintel, engineers point to demands for 0.01 per cent, true-rms-reading, digital voltmeters with reading time of 0.3 sec. The state of the art, they feel, is reflected in an \$8,500 instrument providing 0.1

per cent accuracy over the full range.

Users will demand smaller, more rugged packages with higher sensitivity and greater freedom from noise.

At Non-Linear Systems, Thomas Nawalinski cites other factors that will affect digital-readout devices and their manufacturers. "Customers will demand more application-engineering services, he points out, to help them select and apply the proper instruments." He feels there will be more emphasis on continuous application services starting when initial contact is made and ending only after a system has been operating properly under actual conditions of use.

The need for wider and wider bandwidth is

perhaps most graphically illustrated by the success of the traveling-wave oscilloscope offered by Edgerton, Germeshausen & Grier; and by the success of sampling oscilloscopes offered by Lumatron, Hewlett-Packard, and Tektronix.

Bernard Roberts, senior engineer at EG&G comments that, when EG&G introduced a 2-Gc, traveling-wave oscilloscope a few years ago, engineers greeted it with, "Who needs a 2-Gc scope?" In 1961, with the accelerated work in high-speed semiconductors, magnetic thin films, and high-speed computers, engineers will be looking for 5-Gc scopes. They will demand higher sensitivities, wider bandwidths, and larger display sizes.



## MARKETS

### *forecasters are reluctant to make predictions*

**B**Y HOW much will industry sales grow in 1961? No two forecasters agree. The effects of last year's business slowdown are expected to hold back sales growth temporarily. But to what extent, no one is saying.

Despite the slowdown, a greater value of electronic goods may be sold in 1961 than in any previous year. This is because the industry has a large degree of built-in stability. More than half of this year's anticipated factory sales will be accounted for by already-budgeted military procurement. Another large percentage of sales will result from general industry's need to modernize and automate.

Together, these factors might enable 1961 to end with a gain of about 5 per cent in factory sales over 1960, despite what might happen in

the unpromising segments of consumer products and replacement parts.

Sales of consumer electronic products are expected to be lower in the first half of 1961 than in the corresponding portion of 1960. They may be as disappointing as sales volume recorded in the second half of 1960, which was less than predicted at the beginning of the year.

The same is true of replacement parts.

The key component market of semiconductors in many ways typifies the industry in general. This fast-growing segment of the industry, now accounting for sales of more than a half-billion dollars a year, grew substantially in 1960 from the less-than-\$400-million volume reached at the end of 1959.

But each quarter of last year saw the marketers

of semiconductor products sell a smaller volume of products than was sold during the previous quarter. The downturn is expected to continue until later this year.

One estimate of semiconductor sales breaks down this way (figures are for factory sales in millions of dollars):

Year	Total	Transistors	Diodes,	
			Other	Rectifiers
1960	538	300	148	92
1961	626	360	157	109

#### **Optimism, Marketing Importance Expected to Grow in 1961**

The semiconductor picture in 1961 is not expected to be materially affected by technological developments like replacement of standard parts

by tunnel diodes or epitaxial transistors. Nor is any major shift in use of silicon or germanium looked for. Production cost, however, is expected to continue growing in importance as a competitive factor.

The two main features expected to characterize the industry this year are the promise of improved prospects beyond 1961 and continued growth in the importance of marketing.

Most observers are interpreting the activities of the new administration as good news for marketers of military electronics equipment. Although spending for such equipment is relatively fixed for 1961, larger amounts of money are likely to be spent in 1962 and beyond than have been disbursed recently. The promise of expanding military markets could easily color the 1961 research and development effort in the electronic industry.

In marketing, each quarter seems to be bringing a sharpening of sales techniques in the industry—management appears to be growing more conscious of the role marketing plays in keeping their companies healthy and competitive.

Smaller firms, made vulnerable in the current business climate by financing uncertainties, are reported to be looking to their technical flexibility as the basis of their marketing programs. Larger companies appear to be marketing service and quality. In general, the industry seems to be growing more consumer and less engineering oriented.

Another aspect of marketing that may color the electronic year just beginning is the continued expansion of operations abroad. To maintain and increase their foreign sales, more and more United States electronic companies are organizing operations abroad. Through subsidiaries, affiliates and licensing agreements, American firms are insuring that the protective walls being built or implied by the newly formed European economic unions will not reduce their markets.

### The Sixties May Yet Soar

Despite uncertainties for 1961, continued, steady, relatively rapid growth of the electronic industry is anticipated by forecasting specialists. Here is one admittedly conservative estimate of industry growth to 1970. Figures in billions of dollars.

	1960	1965	1970
Total	15.11	21.48	27.28
Military	5.20	7.80	10.50
Broadcasting			
Revenues	1.74	2.35	3.00
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## INFRARED

### *better electronics scanning and detectors*

SEVERAL improvements in infrared are being watched for by the industry during 1961. Designers can expect to see new long-wavelength detectors, better methods for cooling the detectors, electronic scanning devices, and a larger variety of commercial applications than has been apparent in previous years.

According to R. W. Powell, vice president and general manager of Electronic Systems Div. of Telecomputing Corporation, activity in the development of detectors is fast and furious. The past year has seen the announcement of such units as gold-doped germanium (Hughes Aircraft), indium antimonide (announced by Texas Instruments and Philco for long-wavelength detectors) and improved lead selenide.

In addition, *ELECTRONIC DESIGN* has learned of a British achievement during the past year—a practical detector capable of response in the 50 to 100 micron range. Germanium, selectively doped with trace elements and cooled to liquid-hydrogen temperatures, turns out to be more sensitive than a bolometer. Industry sources predict the U. S. manufacture and marketing of these detectors during 1961.

#### **Coherent Infrared Radiation May Bring I-R Communications Systems**

The past year has also provided announcements from Hughes Aircraft, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Raytheon and WIT's Lincoln Laboratories of a ruby laser, which has great significance in the infrared art. The device points the way to coherent infrared radiation. When the radiation used in a system comes from an incoherent heat source, the IR system must be passive. But, if coherent radiation (photons in phase and of same frequency) can be generated in a transmitter, active systems can be built. This means infrared communications systems and very-narrow-beam infrared radar systems should start on the drawing boards in 1961, industry experts say. But some three years will probably elapse before any practical, working systems can be manufactured.

Cooling infrared detectors to the temperature

of liquid nitrogen or hydrogen has always been a problem. New insulation has been developed (Norden Abrasive) to keep liquefied gases in a tank for several days. This year may see even better insulation. But more to be expected are improvements in liquid transfer systems. These new cooling devices, announced during 1960, transfer a liquid gas to the detector by first heating the gas in its insulated tank until it begins to percolate. As it does so, drops of liquid gas sizzle down the transfer tube, bouncing from wall to wall like a drop of water on a hot stove. The drop of gas is in contact with the tube wall for such a short period of time that very little evaporates before it arrives at the detector to saturate the absorbent material in which the detector is packed.

Other improvements will appear in heat-engine devices, where a piston moves back and forth, extracting energy from the gas in an endothermic reaction.

Problems to be solved in cooling detectors include the contamination of the liquid gas (usually nitrogen) if oxygen and carbon-dioxide are present they freeze and clog the system. Organic materials cannot be used under pressure since they are likely to outgas, releasing oxygen and carbon-dioxide.

Electronic scanners are a promising field for the designer. One development, announced by Philco this year, eliminates the mechanical scanners, wheels, mirrors, and apertures heretofore necessary. The new Philco device scans with an electronic beam on silicon film. According to some industry spokesmen, this represents the same advance in infrared as the transition from mechanical scanners to the iconoscope represented for TV.

Infrared Industries' announcement of a \$30 communications set may be the first in a series of commercial developments to come forth in 1961. The IRI device, shown at the Infrared Information Symposium in Boston, is a hand-carried unit about the size of a flashlight which requires only that the user aim it, pull the trigger and start talking. Range is about 1,000 yd.

Infrared devices for counting traffic, checking hotboxes on railroad cars and the like are expected to appear on the market in 1961.

#### **Detector Mosaics to Yield More Detailed Information**

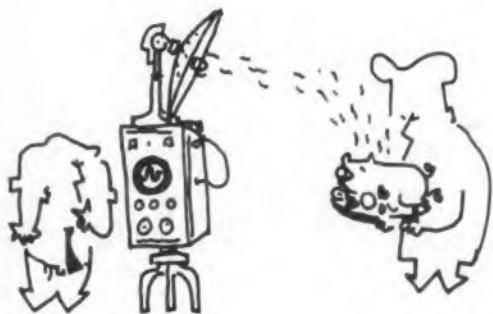
Recently, techniques have been developed for constructing detector mosaics. The designer can confidently anticipate more advanced units during 1961. Great numbers of detectors can be used, each with its own amplifier, as demonstrated by Infrared Industries, Electronics Corp. of America, and the Santa Barbara Research Laboratories Div. of Hughes Aircraft. With detector mosaics, much more detail can be obtained in a short time, since each detector has a given bandwidth, it is limited to a certain information capacity; with detectors arranged in parallel, more information can be recorded per unit time. In scanning, both wide field and more detail can be obtained.

The wide field is one of the principal advantages of infrared over radar. Quite aside from its being a passive technique, for search and reconnaissance, the wide visual field of infrared systems is particularly useful. During the next year, designers can look for greater applications in military search and surveillance. One example is the Midas satellite, in which infrared is used for detecting intense moving heat sources (such as missile exhausts) in a wide field of view.

#### **Search and Surveillance with I-R to Continue as Paramount Challenge**

Unquestionably, long-range search and surveillance is the principal field for infrared in the near future. This is where much government money is being spent; this is where industry is doing much research and development. Any declassified developments with fringe applications—such as the I.R.I. communications system—will find adaptations in the commercial field, but only if practical and inexpensive and obviously marketable.

For space use—another province of military interest—infrared will be very important. At one



time, man could detect and range in only two ways—eyesight and radio (radar). Now navigation can easily be handled by passive systems requiring no human interpretation, especially in space where gyroscopes and other gravity-dependent inertial devices cannot function. All material objects emit infrared radiation or reflect light.

One of the limitations of infrared for which no immediate solutions are available is the inability of electromagnetic radiation of these high frequencies to penetrate clouds and other atmospheric opacities. Water vapor and carbon-dioxide in the air absorb large bands of radiation. However, there are bands where "visibility" is very clear—3 to 5 microns, for example, though there is a carbon-dioxide absorption band at 4.3 microns and 8 to 13 microns. Indeed, in these bands, transmission is better than in the visual range. In smog, or with dust particles in the air, infrared behaves superlatively. The wavelength is so much larger than the particles that it does not transfer energy to them through resonance phenomena. More sensitive detectors at the "window" wavelengths can be looked for in 1961.

The large-scale military use of infrared creates problems, according to Aerojet General's project engineer, Stanley C. Vandeburgh. "Military classification is one of the largest deterrents to progress in the infrared art. Classification sometimes allows a company or engineer to go overboard in withholding data and information from his fellow engineers," he says. "In infrared, for example, the only state-of-the-art information available is through IRIS, the Infrared Information Symposium." All proceedings of the society are classified. There is little opportunity for the imaginative and "amateur" engineer designer to work in the IR field.

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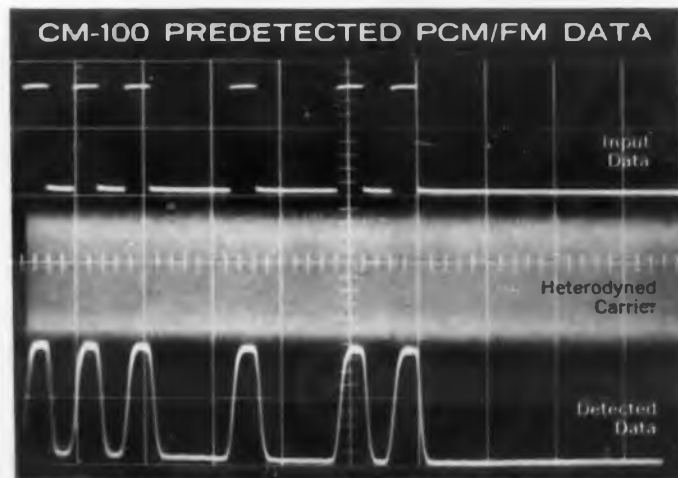
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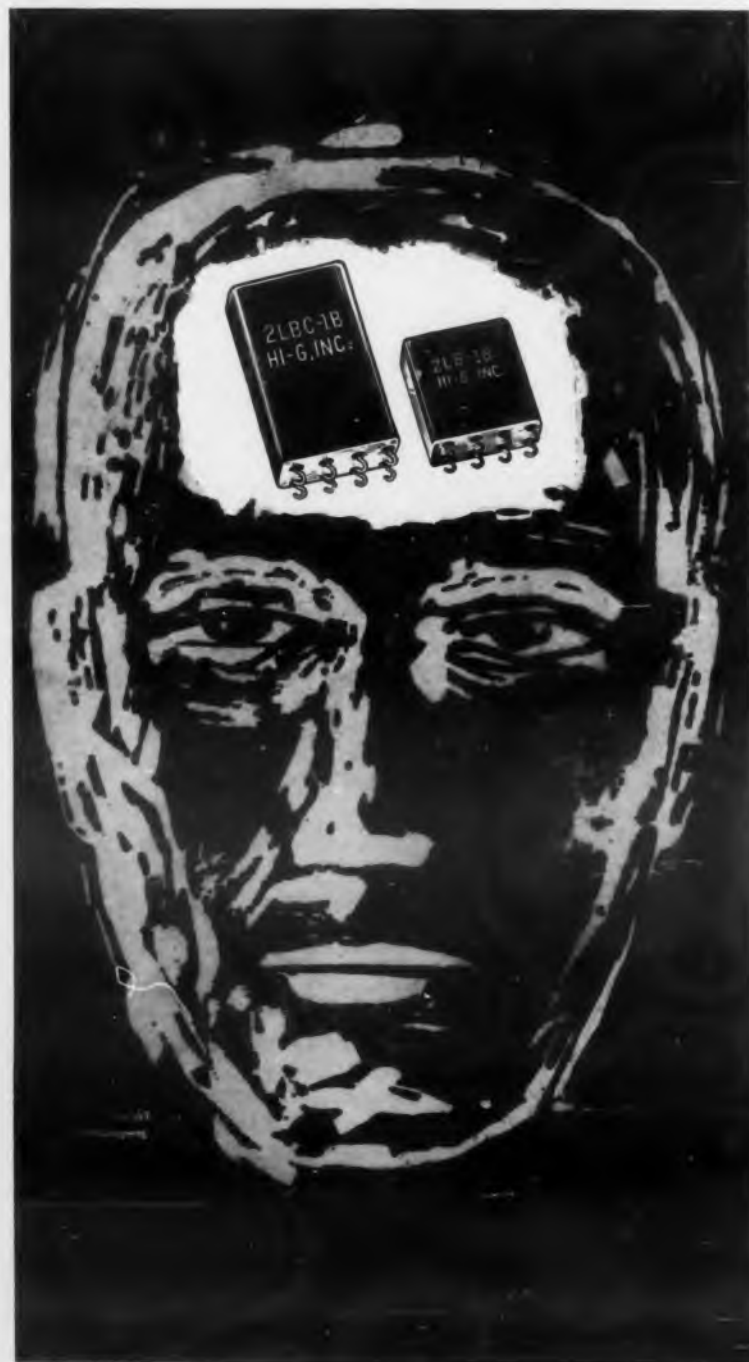


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**I**N MANY companies, plant and personnel expansion have been carried out in anticipation of vast microwave developments. In other cases, new microwave departments have been formed and even entire new corporations have been built around these new microwave concepts.

During 1960, little was forthcoming in the way of production contracts while the government agencies first tried one approach and then another. In 1961, quite the reverse can be expected. Policy decisions (such as shifting of the telemetry band to microwave frequencies and opening new microwave bands to private business), and the translation of advanced theory into hardware (as in phased-array antennas), are now accomplished facts. It is not surprising, then, that a check of microwave exhibitors at NEREM in Boston last fall confirmed that the microwave companies fully expect 1961 to be a boom year.

### Phased Array Antennas Multiplying Component and Tube Requirements

The breakaway from the traditional optical or geometric basis for antenna design promises to make fundamental and far-reaching changes in the microwave industry. This is a large statement, but anything less would be an underestimation of so large a development.

The amount of power that can be put into the air, once determined by the breakdown voltage and current capacity of a single tube, will now be multiplied by the use of hundreds and even thousands of tubes driven in synchronism. This is the approach taken in the 8-Amplitron, 50-megawatt modulator, recently delivered by FXR to Sperry Rand. It is also the approach taken in the 250-Amplitron power-transmission system

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proposed by Raytheon to keep a helicopter aloft. Other phased arrays will be built with the output of a single tube divided and fed to many elements and steered by phase-shifting.

Such techniques will, in 1961, cause an increase in demand for the early-phased TWT's, a greater shift toward designs using a master oscillator and many small amplifiers rather than a single huge bottle (which, by the way, could improve reliability through redundancy) a large increase in demand for microwave hardware and switching devices (W. L. Maxson's AHSR-1 phased-array antenna uses 30 miles of waveguide and 250,000 directional couplers), and some slackening in demand for rotary points, rotating antenna mounts, large parabolic antennas and, perhaps, airborne radomes. In the antenna business, this year, it will be more important to understand transmission-line theory than structural techniques.

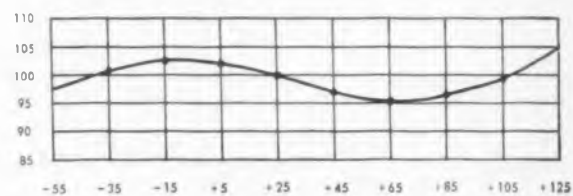
The fall of 1960 saw the issuance of historic ruling by the FCC. For reasons of spectrum squeeze and technical considerations such as penetration of plasma sheath during re-entry, the telemetry channels were shifted into the microwave band. At the same time, the band above 12 Gc was opened for use by private business. With considerable fanfare that rose above the din of criticism, companies announced equipment available for these new markets. Motorola and GE were ready with equipment announcements within weeks of the ruling.

Estimates vary, but one such estimate puts the effect of private business' entry into the microwave-user category as increasing the number of private microwave stations from the present 3,000 to 18,000 by 1976. This adds up to \$500 million worth of new microwave business. One sure output of all this is anguished complaints from the common carriers. The impact of the telemetry shift is harder to judge, but an indication can be had from the telemetry requirements of our first

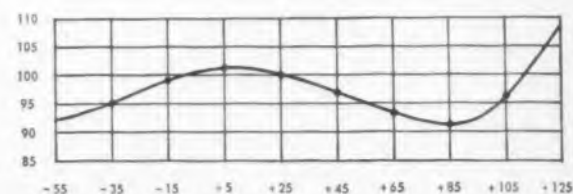


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#### A Solid-State Year for Microwaves

This year also will probably go on record as the year that solid-state devices really moved into the microwave band. The solid-state sources, announced at WESCON by Philco and ITT, were followed by a Texas Instruments' family of commercially available sources at frequencies as high as 6 Gc, where 30 mw is produced. These devices hold out the promise of making an all-solid-state parametric amplifier a reality this year—no more than a fond hope voiced at the Solid State Circuits Conference in Philadelphia last February.

Microwave Associates has announced the achievement of 2.5 w of power at 1,500 mc using a single new-varactor diode. When circuitry is developed capable of multiplying this frequency further up into the microwave band, the solid-state source will have definitely moved from the receiver to the transmitter end of the business.

The impact on system designs and on the manufacturers of small klystrons and other tube sources will be felt this year. A Varian spokesman was quoted at NEREM as fully expecting to lose one-third of its small klystron market over the next three years. This loss, however, will be more than made up for by the gain in large tubes, as a result of normal expansion and of phased array and linear accelerator progress. Also, as in the case of other tube manufacturers, Varian maintains a sizable solid state effort of its own.

In what seems to be a sudden recognition of the true versatility of microwaves, people with problems from all corners of technology are beating a path to the door of the microwave engineer.



What is more, they are coming away with workable solutions of such variety that microwave engineers themselves are being forced to revise their estimates of the potential for their specialty. Many of them are now actively seeking problems that need solving.

#### Microwave Marriage with Optics Possible in Bloembergen Modulator

One of the highlights of the NEREM sessions last fall was a talk by Dr. Nicholas Bloembergen of Harvard, in which he described his success in modulating coherent light by the application of microwave energy. Since the optical spectrum is so very much broader than the microwave spectrum, a marriage between optics and microwaves could mean a way out of the spectrum squeeze for many applications.

One of the most interesting implications of Dr.

Bloembergen's work has apparently not been recognized anywhere. It is simply this. The Bloembergen modulator does not change the frequency or amplitude or phase of the light source. It only changes the polarization of the light. This, it appears, does not give rise to any sidebands. It might be possible, therefore, to impose a 5 mc television signal on a light source with no increase in bandwidth. If this is true, then the effective bandwidth of optical transmission, using this method, would be many times broader than now considered possible. The catch may be inter-channel modulation between adjacent carrier frequencies as they are rotated in space. This, then, might have the same effect as amplitude modulation of the carriers.

#### Millimetric Microwaves Energizing from Laboratory

The upper end of the microwave spectrum will undoubtedly receive considerably more attention during 1961 than ever before. Already, in 1960, 8-mm radars were demonstrated realities. Amperex is marketing such a device, developed by Philip's Lamp, for use in airport surveillance, short-range navigation radar for small boats, and similar applications. While there is a window (area of reduced atmospheric attenuation) at 8 mm, the attenuation is still high enough so that, combined with the low available power (25 kw from Amperex's Magnetron) that range is extremely limited.

This limitation may change somewhat for four reasons. First, a new magnetron, the type 35M30/LD505, developed by Nippon Electric Co. Ltd., generates 180 kw of 8-mm peak power which will permit longer-range systems to be designed this year. Other breakthroughs can be expected to follow. Secondly, Loral Electronics, and perhaps other groups, are looking for other

windows at higher frequencies. Because of a lack of shorter millimetric power sources and hardware until recently, experiments of this type were impossible. The limit now is 2 mm. FXR may develop 1-mm components soon, which will allow probing of transmission characteristics up to the very door of infrared.

The third reason for a change in range limitation is the advent of parallel-feed techniques. If this can be successfully applied to millimetric systems, power available from a single tube will no longer be the limiting factor. A fourth reason is the increased work with "private atmospheres" inside circular waveguides. Microwave Dynamics Corp., Division of Talley Industries, is developing Millimetric circular waveguides for Bell Laboratories. Finally, the obvious environment for millimetric radar is space, outside the atmosphere. It seems possible that during 1961 such a system might be completed and tested in an actual satellite, or at least in a high-altitude environmental chamber.

#### High Power Some Quantum Jumps Coming

The push for higher power tubes has ceased to be a trot and is breaking into a canter. Up to now, power increase has been achieved primarily by improving on the convergent-type gun principle, more accurate focusing and the use of alumina-ceramic window material. Tubes in development now have turned to some quite different approaches. Some of these will make their appearance in 1961 tubes.

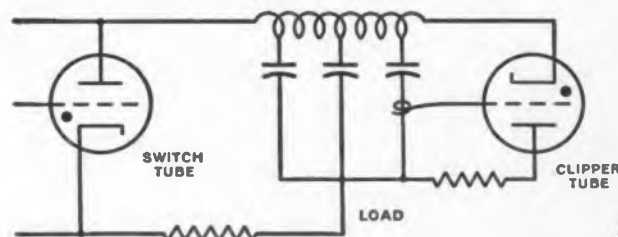
Two new approaches to gun design may be incorporated in power tubes announced in 1961 or soon after. One is the hollow-beam structure. As the name implies, no electrons exist at the center of the beam, and beam-field interaction is much improved. A somewhat similar design is the multiple-beam gun, recently announced by GE, which provides increased power by essentially the same means—generating a large-beam current without the usual drawbacks of inefficiency and poor focus. A bonus in this type of construction is the fact that lower voltages are involved. These can reduce radiation hazard as well as power-supply bulk.

The past three years have seen an order of magnitude jump in available CW X-band power. It is possible that a similar power increase could result with the development of one of these low-perveance-gun tubes, perhaps this year.

It is also possible that the single-tube power race, like the automobile horsepower race, may be nearing a peak. Although development contracts are still being let for higher power tubes, the multiple-feed approach may make it more desirable to raise power through the use of many

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### Low Noise Receiving Devices in for an Interesting Year

This will be a year of decision in low-noise receiver technology. Recently, RCA announced the achievement of a 3-db noise figure from a low-power TWT amplifier. If this proves out as practically realizable in customer tests, it could pose a serious threat to the parametric amplifier, especially if the price gap, now in favor of the TWT, becomes wider.

On the other hand, the fast-developing availability of solid-state sources suitable for paramp pumps, could eliminate what is probably the biggest single cause of high price and complexity in the parametric amplifier—the vacuum-tube pump with its complex power supply. It may be that the paramp will greatly extend its economic applications as an all solid-state device.

Coming over the horizon is the parametric transistor, the joint Hughes-Lenkurt development, announced at WESCON. Still in the development stage, this potentially 10 dollar low-noise amplifier could become available in limited quantity in 1961.

There is coming along a "component of the year" in microwaves, dominating papers and discussions at the annual PGMNT meeting. In 1959 it was the maser; in 1960 it was the parametric amplifier. What it will be in 1961 is anyone's guess.

There are a few contenders now for the spotlight at the spring meeting. One possibility is the solid-state source, especially if a variable frequency version can be developed. Another is the phased-array antenna, which, until this year, was classified, except for theory. Still another is the parametric transistor or the tunnel diode, especially a cryogenic version. It still seems a bit too soon for a coherent plasma generator.

A dark-horse contender is a microwave-optical device, such as the Bloembergen modulator.

One informed guess is that it will be a solid-state source and/or amplifying device. The effect of high-power, high-frequency, high-efficiency solid-state microwave devices on the microwave art can be extrapolated from similar experiences at lower frequencies.

One thing is certain—microwaves will continue to unfold as a basic and versatile technique that will broaden its application with every component development.



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Contrary to widely held opinion, the new equipment demands will not be for the computers themselves, but for the "missing links" which are needed to tie the computers to the processes. The variety of the "missing links" will be almost as great as the variety of industries. These range from steel mills to oil refineries, which are likely candidates for automation.

Among the types of equipment needed will be: better gas-stream analyzers, digital sensors, digital actuators, and more reliable computer-output recording devices, particularly typewriters.

#### **Computer-System Designers Want More Freedom**

Though there are available some excellent lines of pneumatic and solid-state electronic recorder-controllers (they are being used on some of the first installations), computer-system designers want more freedom. They want to be free, for example, to design all-digital control loops and hybrid, digital-analog control loops. In many cases the ideal systems solution cannot be achieved by mere adaptations of existing equipment.

This lack is becoming particularly glaring in the end point transducers and actuators which tie the control system directly into the processes. Transducer faults which have been mentioned are:

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- There are no transducers for new measurements, such as mixture ratios of slurries or catalyst activity. Such measurements are needed by the computer to perform its optimizing routines.
- The transducers are not sufficiently reliable.
- The transducers' analog signals are not compatible with the computer's digital language.

There are similar objections to actuators.

Accompanying the systems approach to computer control will be a definite shift away from price consciousness towards reliability and performance, according to those in computer-control groups. After all, they say, it would be foolish to save a few pennies on a \$100 or \$1,000 "missing link" which could affect the total operation of a computer control system costing hundreds of thousands of dollars.

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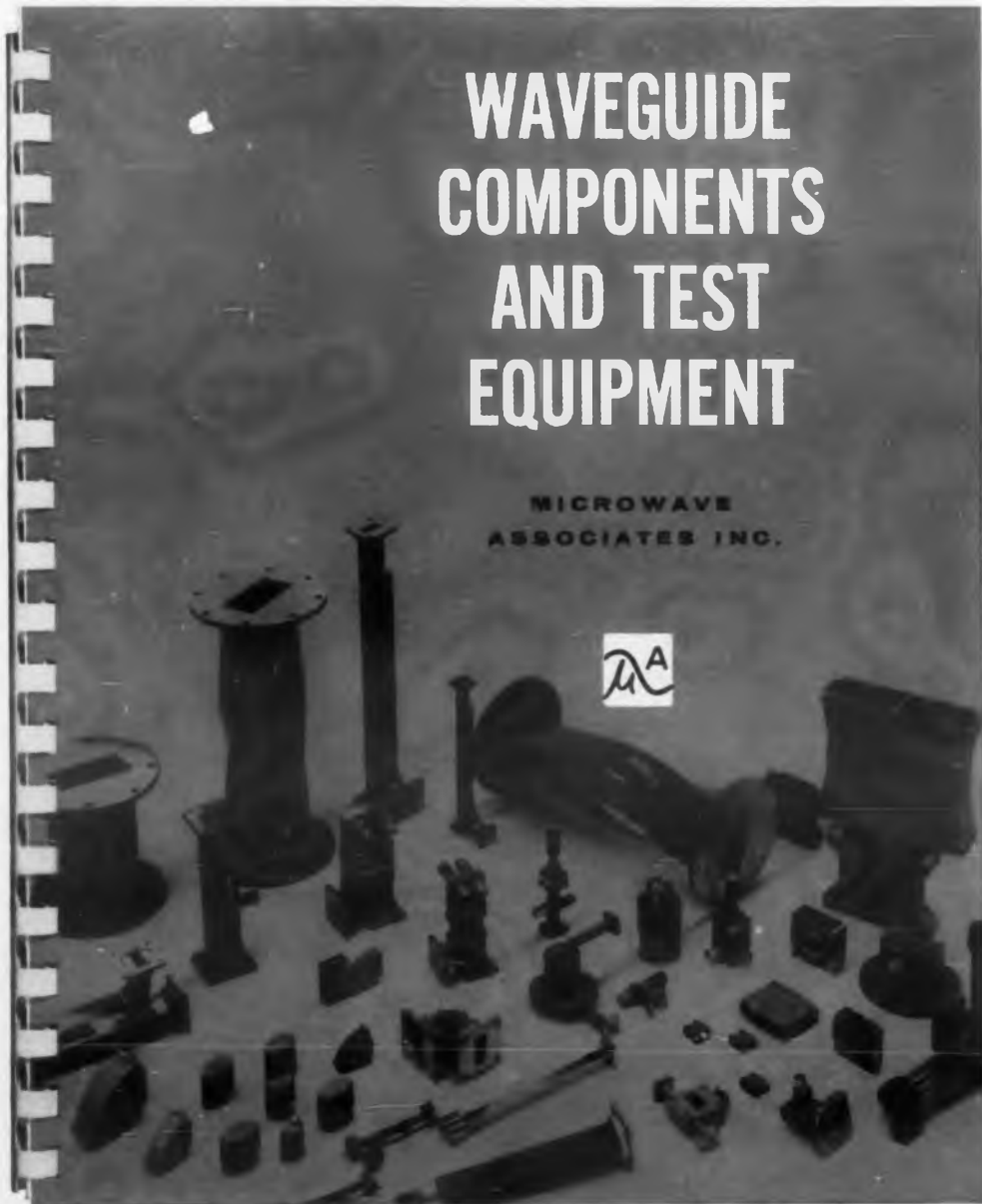


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- More interest
- More money
- More effort

More interest was hurriedly shown when military men painfully realized that it was interference which was causing their missiles to abort, their airborne-electronics systems to counter measure themselves, their computers to malfunction, and their communications to fail. With this new interest came more appropriated money, and this, in turn, brought the greater effort currently being expended.

Effort in the year to come will continue at an increased pace the government's RFI Compatibility Program announced last June. And, there is the possibility that a single agency—a two-man Defense and Electronic Compatibility Board—will be created within the Department of Defense to coordinate and supervise the government work. Whether or not this board will be set up depends on just how opposed the government is



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to establishing still another agency to do its work. However, this delayed decision should not affect the progress being made in the RFI program.

Work will continue on accumulating a library of equipment spectrum signatures (*ED*, July 6, 1960, p 4) which will be housed in the new government analysis and prediction center. To be located in the Washington, D.C. area, the center will be run by the Air Force for all the services. It will store geographical electromagnetic environment data for use in predicting the interference present at a given location.

#### More Specific Procedures to Implement MIL STD 449

Of considerable value to engineers in the field will be the Spectrum Signature Plan which makes more specific the broad outlines of MIL STD 449. This plan provides, for the first time, limits and numbers required for measurement procedures and techniques. Also welcomed is the plan for more clearly specifying the environmental data required for use by the analysis center.

An already apparent problem, and one of great concern, is the great length of time required to make the measurements called for by the new standards. According to John Chappell of the U. S. Army Signal Corps Research and Development Labs., Fort Monmouth, N.J., it takes 180 technician-man-hours to obtain a receiver spectrum signature according to MIL STD 449, and 100 man-hours to obtain one for a transmitter. Obviously, ways will have to be found to make these measurements more quickly. The acceptance of panoramic sweeping techniques is a strong possibility. These would be used as a "first shot" approximation and would tell rather rapidly just where spurious emissions are located.

Also to be worked on are specific standards for measuring conducted susceptibility, conjugate impedance and intermodulation distortion. The year to come may well see these standards established. And MIL STD 449 will undoubtedly be modified to reflect the knowledge gained through a year of use and application.

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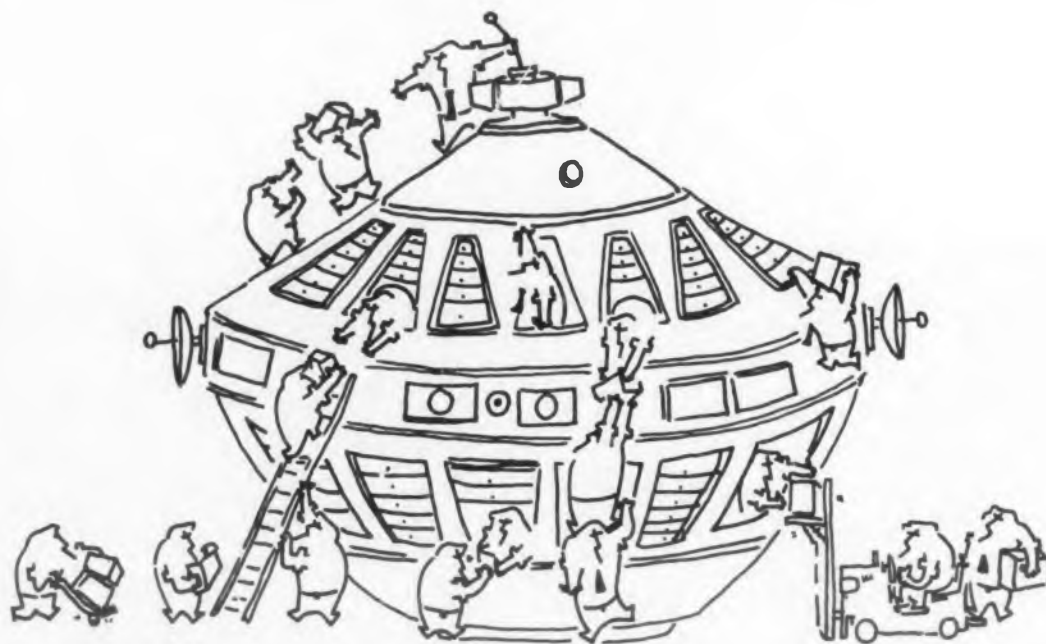


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## SATELLITES

### *more reliable electronics in heavier payloads*

**T**HIS promises to be a vintage year in the design of satellite electronics. New launch vehicles having greater payload capacities and the prospect of improved power sources will combine to give engineers a freer hand in the design of electronics for space.

The industry is now at the point where satellite payload need not be examples of the watchmaker's art. But with weight no longer the major consideration, a new design factor now assumes increasing significance.

That factor is reliability. Until now, satellites have served primarily as carriers for scientific instruments. Equipment failure was inconvenient, but a second payload could be orbited later.

The present emphasis, however, is on operational satellites which are a part of a larger system. Communication, navigation, meteorological, and reconnaissance satellites are aloft or in advanced stages of design. With entire systems dependent on satellites, failure of on-board electronic gear can have far-reaching consequences.

Thus, the elbow room available with greater payloads will very likely be devoted to more reliable components and systems rather than to

extending operational capabilities through micro-miniaturization. The modular designs afforded by microminiaturization can be considered reliable only if there is someone available on the spot to plug in a new circuit package.

Automatic switching, the alternative to in-person maintenance, was attempted in Courier, an example of the "put-in-two-of-everything" school of design. In accordance with the principle of perverse probability, failure occurred in a switching unit. In satellites, redundancy per se does not constitute reliability.

Auxiliary power sources, including fuel cells, gas turbines, nuclear packages, and thermoelectric generators are distinct possibilities for 1961. With this in mind, designers can more freely specify tubes and other power-draining components in their payloads.

The reliability status of tubes and semiconductors in satellite applications has yet to be fully determined. Improved semiconductors are tending to be less vulnerable to radiation damage. In addition, compensating circuits that take into account the possibility of such damage are coming off the boards, but it appears that in

many applications tubes still retain a definite reliability edge over semiconductors.

### **Design Challenges Call for New Engineering Specialty**

There are real opportunities ahead for designers who can master the challenges of cost, reliability, and operational requirements in satellite electronics. The novelty of satellites has just about worn off and they are assuming the role of workaday vehicles. A separate and distinct area of design, with all its attendant challenges and opportunities, is rapidly coming into being and will require its own complement of design specialists.

A brief look at the 10-year program of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the keystone of our satellite activities, indicates the scope of work open to such specialists. These are the figures:

- 62 launchings for the development of launch vehicles.
- 41 launchings for missions related to manned space flight.
- 96 launchings for scientific satellites.
- 33 launchings for lunar and planetary scientific missions.
- 28 launchings for satellite applications.

This is only the civilian aspect of the U. S. satellite program and does not include such military programs as Midas, Samos, Transit, Advent, Saint, and Spad.

Satellite launchings during the coming decade should thus average about two per month. Payloads, which increased from about 10 lb in 1958 to about 300 lb in 1960, are expected to top 50,000 lb by 1967.

In all future space missions, two systems requirements will become increasingly important—communications and control. Data loads from earth orbiters, whether manned or unmanned, will be heavy. Communications relay and reconnaissance transmissions will have to be reliable, jam-proof, secure and letter-perfect.

Digital television, with its inherently high performance even with high-noise signals is a likely choice for reconnaissance vehicles, whether they transmit views of enemy missile sites or of the other side of the moon.

Traffic density for communications satellites will lead to shifts into the millimeter-wave region. Present attempts to reserve channels below 10 Gc for commercial satellite telephone links may not prove entirely successful. In any event, anticipated traffic growth will probably outstrip the capacity of low-frequency channels that are made available.

Traveling-wave tubes, rapidly improving in life and power, may soon be aboard satellites.

Their use, however, would require development of reasonably light-weight high-voltage power supplies.

#### Development of Optical Masers Would Aid Interplanetary Radio, Radar

Optical-communications systems are another possibility for satellites. Optical masers and solid-state light modulators show promise of system application in the reasonably near future. Such devices would be a "natural" for satellites because of their inherently high powers and narrow beam widths. Optical masers would be most suitable for communication at interplanetary distances. Various means of modulating sunlight are also being investigated and would likewise be applicable for very-long-range transmissions.

Control of satellites in orbit and mid-course

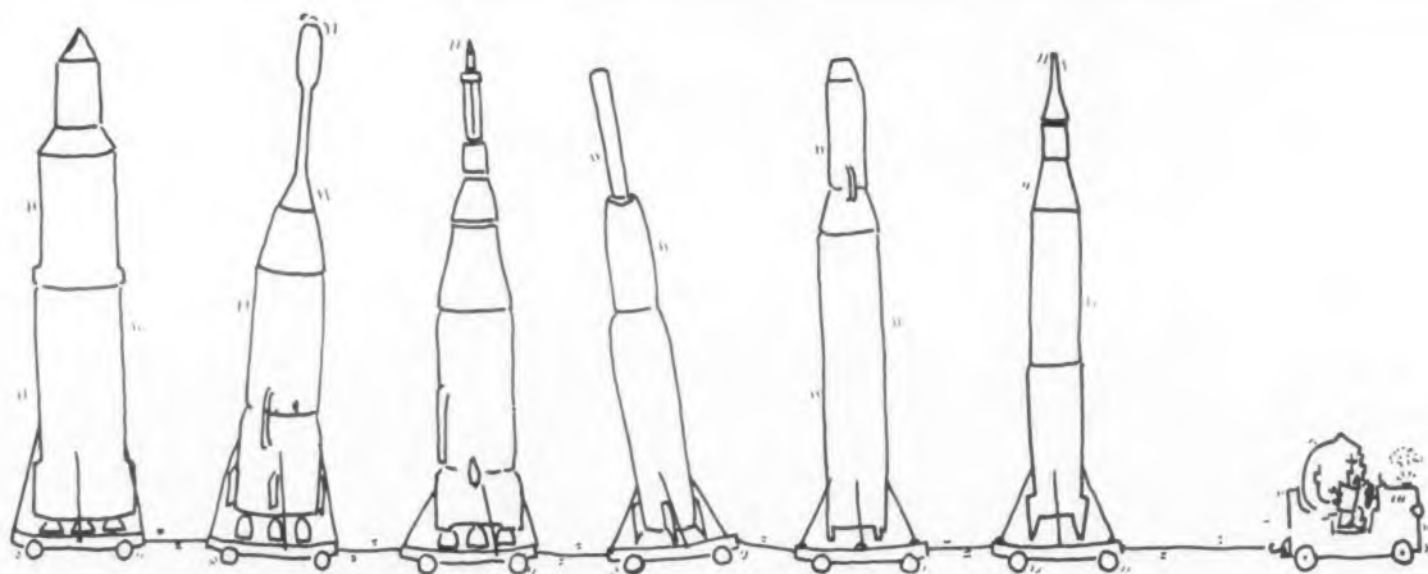
and terminal guidance of space vehicles are prime considerations in the design of upcoming space systems. The United States and the Soviet Union are both looking into weapons capable of destroying reconnaissance and early warning satellites. Without the capability for evasive action, a "spy in the sky" may not be able to accomplish its mission. Anti-satellite weapons may well be ready by the time our more sophisticated military satellites go aloft.

Maneuverable scientific satellites would unquestionably be more versatile as efficient data gatherers than would vehicles in fixed orbits. The military, however, is more likely to achieve a maneuvering capability first, with scientific satellites, and then to employ variations of such systems later.

Whether on-board or ground-based reference

systems are most suitable for control of maneuvering vehicles has yet to be determined. The advantages of an independent, self-contained on-board system (if sufficiently accurate) are obvious. On the other hand, the accuracy requirements may require ground-based computers and a radar command system to effect satellite maneuvers.

Given existing lead times, 1961 appears to be the year in which systems concepts will be established for satellites to be launched well into the '60's. Lunar orbiters, lunar landers, Mars orbiters, manned vehicles, deep-space probes, and a considerable number of earth satellites will soon have their basic designs frozen. By the end of 1961 designer should have a rather clear picture of the electronic equipment that is to be on board such vehicles.



## GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT

*services will increase their priorities*

**I**N THEIR frantic race to close the so-called "missile gap," the armed services have generally given second priority to the design and procurement of Ground Support Equipment. The predictable result of this policy—a potentially operational missile handicapped by the quality or quantity of its associated GSE—is by now an old story.

In recent months, however, the missile-gap panic button has been turned off and the armed services are taking a close, second look at the design and procurement of GSE. The result may be a boost or a blast—depending on performance records to date—for companies in this design

area. Here are a few candid comments by an Air Force officer who supervises procurement of GSE:

"Characteristically, in the past, GSE has been the forgotten stepchild, an afterthought. With the advent of ballistic missiles, the requirement for concurrent development, procurement, delivery, installation, and checkout of GSE with the flight vehicle has become mandatory for operational readiness. This means that the Air Force and industry alike must insure that management attention is given to GSE from the beginning and throughout any system's development to assure concurrent development and acquisition.

"The Air Force in 1961 will be working with industry in the following four areas:

- Better prediction and control of costs.
- Early identification of GSE requirements with the end items supported.
- Improved reliability and maintainability.
- Value engineering.

"The interface between missile and GSE requires the highest order of design integration. The increasing sophistication of the end items to be supported is requiring comparable sophistication in the GSE. The basic trend from manual operations to semi-automatic and automatic will

continue both to save time and to reduce complexity for operators."

In pushing for early design of GSE, the Air Force's major effort will be in educating industry in the latest provisions of specification MIL-D-9412, which provides the orderly means for timely identification of GSE requirements by end-item contractors.

Particular attention will be given to straightening out contract procedures for electronic equipment. According to an Air Force spokesman, late action and too little attention have been given to providing for test equipment to keep electronic end items operational.

Increasing pressure for maintenance and operation by relatively unskilled personnel will also be evident in 1961. Too often, missile sites are staffed by civilian engineers and contractor's personnel. This may be acceptable when the system is emerging from R & D to the operational phase, but is definitely unacceptable to military planners as a routine way of keeping things going.

The Air Force wants numerical predictions and proofs of reliability and maintainability. Designers will be expected to develop answers to such

questions as: "What failure rate can be expected and with what confidence level?" "What will it cost to maintain equipment in terms of manpower and material?"

Value-engineering provisions will be written into large contracts and specific procedures will be established for contractor proposals for cost reductions through value engineering. Designers will do well to keep this in mind as provisions will be included by which the company will share in resultant dollar savings.

Specifications for automatic and semi-automatic checkout equipment will emphasize solid-state circuitry and magnetic tape. These requirements are based primarily on convenience of operation and maintenance as well as on power limitations in the field. Economy of space and weight are, as a rule, secondary to low power consumption. The services are not demanding the ultimate in miniaturization for GSE—and particularly not at the expense of reliability.

#### Solid-State Designs and Standardization Favored

Power in the field, despite much talk of fuel cells and thermoelectric generators, is still a problem, especially for mobile units. Solid-state circuitry, with its low power demands and its ability to function without air conditioning is therefore preferred for mobile GSE equipment.

Still another design trend in 1961 will be towards standardization of GSE among several missile systems. Each missile will, of course, have its own required series of tests, but computers, programers, and test instruments may approach some degree of standardization. An indication of this is the Air Force's GJQ-9 ground checkout set for the Skybolt air-launched missile. An Air Force spokesman indicated that the programmer-comparator in the GSE (using solid-state circuitry and magnetic tape) could become standard equipment in all Air Force GSE. This thinking is reflected in the descriptive document for the unit, Specification MIL-P-26664.

#### GSE to Become AGE; Increased Funding Seen

A further indication of things to come is the new nomenclature to be adopted by the Air Force for its GSE. Henceforth, it will be designated as AGE (Aerospace Ground Equipment). This, in turn, will be functionally subclassified into OGE (Operating Ground Equipment) and MGE (Maintenance Ground Equipment).

Funding for GSE will continue its upward trend in 1961. A survey of the field indicates a total missile GSE market in FY 1962 of more than \$4 billion—a \$1 billion increase over the last fiscal year. The electronic share of this jackpot will top 75 per cent. Much of this money will be

## CONSUMER PRODUCTS

### *can the u.s. designer sell them in an international market?*



IMPORTING foreign radios, tape recorders, dictating machines, and other electronic items has put a serious dent in the production output of American manufacturers. Fortunately, they have created, and managed to maintain, a keen interest in audio equipment; active sales have made it possible to offset losses due to European and Far East products.

Several years ago, "high-fidelity" monophonic amplifiers, record cartridges, and tape recorders were the rage. When sales began to droop, stereophonic equipment, with its captivating appeal to the mass public, flooded the market. Salesmen claimed that the units almost sold themselves; several minutes listening to a catchy tune (with one channel output per ear) would move even the most skeptical buyer. To reduce the "false" effect created by two-channel stereo, manufacturers later included a center or "phan-

tom" channel containing some portion of the two separate channels.

Sales again lagged but reverberation was offered early last year. An artificial echo effect, created by an electromechanical time-delay unit, was added to high-fidelity stereophonic units to achieve "concert hall" realism.

#### Coming— Monaural Stereo?

Stereo is a true boon to consumer-product manufacturers and their suppliers. Not just one, but two amplifier sections, speaker combinations, and other basic components are used. The only problem of serious consequence has been space in the customer's home. To overcome spouse resistance, stereo units are being offered with speakers for separate channels spaced closer and closer together. This close spacing, some adver-

for the hard-sited Titan and Minuteman missiles. There will be considerable emphasis, however, on mobile GSE for all services. Minuteman trains, Polaris, and Army tactical missiles from Lacrosse to Pershing will absorb a healthy share of the GSE budget.

Anti-missile systems, both of the Zeus and satellite types will constitute additional GSE markets in the very near future. Another potentially large client is the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, which will spend up to 25 per cent of its budget on GSE for satellites and space probes. Still further in the future is the "ultimate" in GSE—equipment for lunar bases. Design '71 may well include a section on "MSE"—Moon Support Equipment.

But for GSE designers who prefer to stay on terra firma, the future holds still another challenging prospect—no ground support equipment at all. Scientists at the Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories are considering missiles with "built-in" GSE. The only external GSE would be a pocket-sized automatic monitor and programmer.

This design concept could result in missiles of instant readiness. There would be no field check-out, no manual inputs, and no test checks in the conventional sense. Several consoles of electronic gear now present in GSE would be eliminated and the missile could be reprogrammed remotely up to the instant of firing.

tisers claim, eliminates the artificial novelty effect and brings realism closer to the listener. With speaker spacing growing smaller, industry wags are suggesting that any more creative design steps in this direction may culminate in the use of a single speaker, right in the middle.

Stereo broadcasting, soon due for an FCC decision, is eagerly awaited by the consumer-product manufacturer. Whether an AM-FM, FM-FM, or AM-AM scheme wins out is of importance, of course, but the prospect of winning additional sales in multiplex adapters, conversion units and kits or new equipment is of prime concern to the manufacturer.

Color TV shows signs of finally emerging from its cocoon and has received acclaim in many homes throughout the country. As sales increase still further, many black-and-white set makers will enter the market now covered only by RCA. When the volume reaches the wide demand of monochrome TV, design engineers with major TV manufacturers will be expected to supply clever methods to reduce circuitry, installation, and service complications. Based on past performance, costs will be sharply reduced and performance will be improved, rather than degraded, as major efforts are applied.

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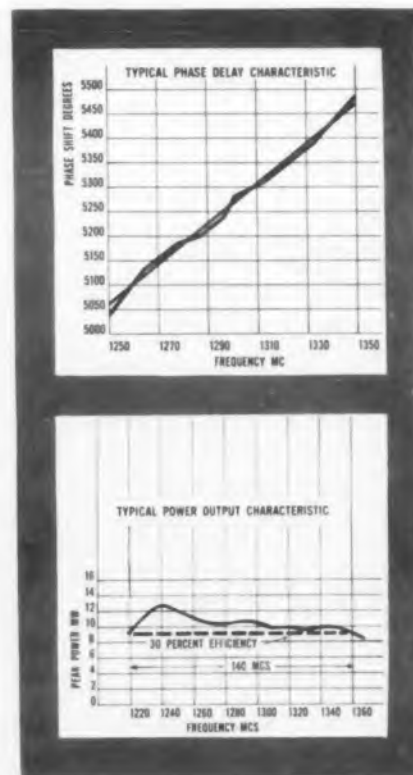
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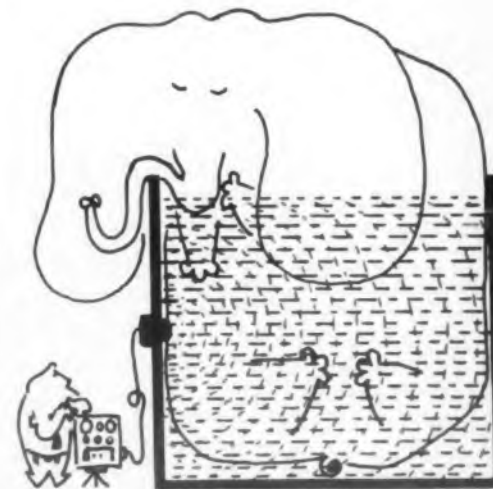
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**T**HE fastest-growing portion of ultrasonics during 1961 will be industrial cleaning, according to a survey of well-known firms in the field. Those in this \$10 million-sales-per-year field believe they have reached a turning point—today's ultrasonic cleaners really work.

As one spokesman put it, "Five years ago only one half of our installations really ended up doing the cleaning job they were sold to do. Now we know enough and have the equipment to make almost every job successful, and industry wants our equipment."

The improvements in cleaning ability have been accomplished in different ways by different companies. Branson Ultrasonics of Stamford, Conn., one of the largest manufacturers in the field, has gone to lower frequency (25 kc) operation with lead-zirconate-titanate (PZT) transducers. With these, they achieve conversion efficiencies of 90 per cent, and by better bonding of the transducer assemblies to the tanks, and better use of the liquid cleaning mediums, they have correspondingly improved the cleaning action.

Gulton Industries, Inc., Metuchen, N.J., which up to this time has been mainly a ferroelectric transducer supplier, is coming out with a 24-in.-

by-24 in. lead-titanate-lead zirconate transducer capable of producing 10-kw outputs at 90 per cent efficiency.

Dr. Leslie K. Gulton, president, agrees that there is an industry trend toward cleaning-equipment manufacturers purchasing transducers as assembled packages. But he believes that ultimately users will attach external units to the outside of their cleaning tanks. "This will be a direct result of the ease of installing larger, single-piece transducers," Dr. Gulton said.

Another trend in the cleaning field has been toward large (\$10,000-\$100,000) cleaning units complete with material-conveying systems.

#### Expanded Use Seen in Welding-Machine Instrumentation

Elsewhere in ultrasonics, the interest is distributed among a very wide variety of applications. Ultrasonic welding of thin films, medical therapy and instrumentation, burglar alarms, and remote TV tuning are some of these.

Many in the field believe that, among these many application possibilities for ultrasonics, those applications which will grow fastest during 1961 will be in areas of industrial and military control. Ultrasonics appears to be able to do some sensing jobs (and do them in unfavorable environments) which cannot be accomplished by other means. The fact that these transducers are solid state and can operate in digital manners may make them attractive for some of the "missing links" mentioned in this report's section on industrial computer control.

A list of possible ultrasonic sensor and actuator applications will indicate how extensive these could be:

- Flowmeters for radioactive or corrosive liquids.
- Vibration actuators to cause powders to flow down pipes.
- Catalyst-activity promoters.
- Burning rate promoters (control for solid rockets).
- Emulsifiers.
- Controls for crystal formation during metal solidification.

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THE "pay-now-save-later" philosophy will be taking hold of those responsible for providing reliability in both military and commercial equipment.

Among the motives behind this trend are:

- The ever-increasing complexity of electronic equipment.
- The ever-increasing performance capabilities demanded of military equipment.
- The growing realization that maintenance and replacement costs, compared with the initial cost of a piece of equipment, are usually very high.
- The continuing need to avoid the loss of extremely costly aircraft and missiles through malfunctions.

Those in industry who are deeply involved with reliability are looking for two important developments in 1961.

- Suppliers who have actual reliability programs in effect will be in a much better position to satisfy the military reliability market.
- Customers will seek more guarantees of engineering competency in design parameters, in inherent reliability of circuits, component ratings and end-product performance.

There will be greater recognition of the role of maintainability in promoting systems worth and the capacity for down-time reduction via designing for ease of maintenance. Along with this, there will be a greater emphasis on knowing, understanding, measuring, and controlling failure modes.

Although reliability experts agree that much progress has been made, they readily admit there is still much to do. Their estimates of which are the most important problems vary. These two, however, are among the most often mentioned:

Further understanding has to be developed of the Parts Specifications Management for Reliability (PSMR) report to DOD.

The PSMR report must be implemented. It is now being reviewed by the military departments as well as by such industry groups as the AIA and EIA. The military departments have each designated two people to work with the Office of the Secretary of Defense, to plan the necessary implementation actions.



## SYSTEMS

*a new era of complexity*

**T**HE BIGGEST noise ever heard in the state of Florida will be the blast-off of the first U. S. true space vehicle, Saturn C-1. Although all but the booster stage will be dummy, the sight and sound of this 18-story building moving up from its pad at Cape Canaveral next fall will undoubtedly be the most awe-inspiring takeoff in history.

With the hoisting of the million-pound marvel beyond the earth's atmosphere, a new era of system complexity will begin. For the first time, a digital computer which can achieve at least limited flight objectives with up to four engines inoperative will be in command of the complex gimbaling and tank-feed switching operations of an eight-engine space vehicle. Telemetry for



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this first flight will not include the 900-parameter transducing complex of the completed system, but will be formidable enough.

With a lead time incredibly short for so large a system, the 50-ton BQQ-1 long-range sonar is expected to make ASW history in fleet trials aboard the SSN Tullibee this year. The transducers form a stem-to-stern phased array of lead-zirconate-titanate that is reportedly capable of 70-mile ranges. What such a system will mean to the operations research of submarine search is that a good part of the enemy submarine's advantage of invisibility will have been overcome. The awesome threat of an enemy missile-firing nuclear submarine will have lost some of its deadliness by the end of 1961.

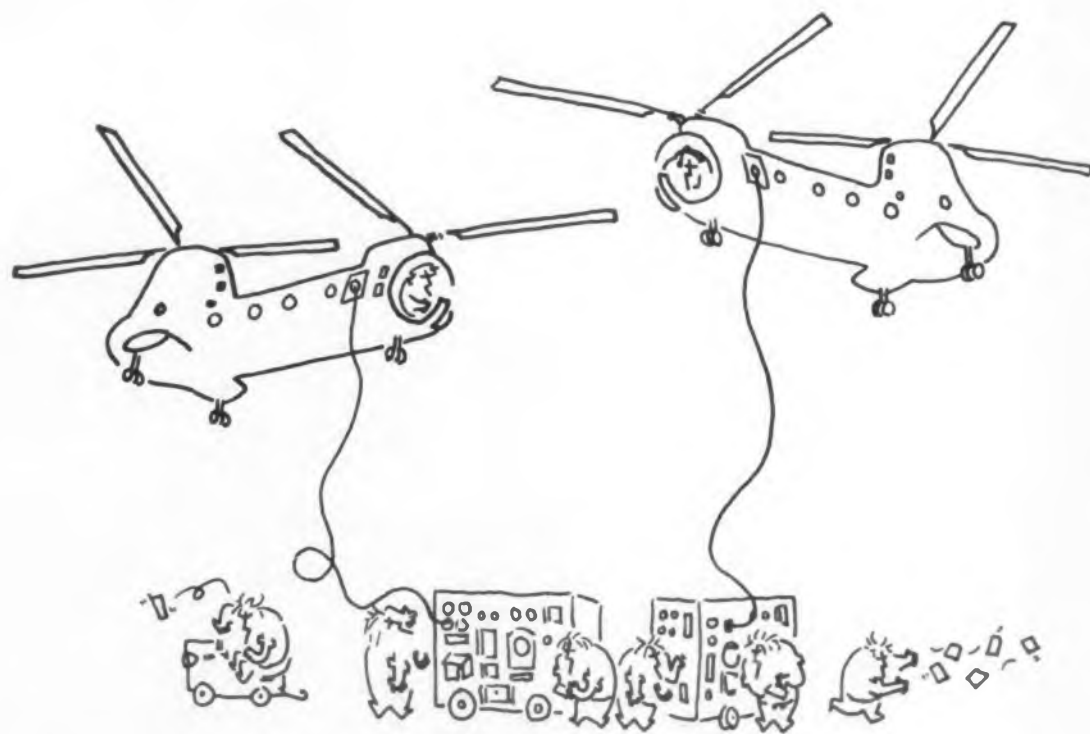
Progress in non-acoustic detection systems is expected to rise sharply this year as well. Work on airborne-magnetic anomaly detection and infrared detection systems, which can cover a lot of the ocean surface by virtue of aircraft speed, will be pressed forward during 1961. Indications are implicit that some substantial detector breakthrough has been made or is expected to be made shortly.

The prediction by Rear Adm. L. M. Mustin, antisubmarine-warfare readiness executive of the Navy, of increased spending in ASW electronics will be felt this year. Missouri Sen. Stuart Symington's views on the importance of ASW are well known, as is Vice President-Elect Lyndon B. Johnson's attitude toward defense.

### Space Guidance Systems Of Many Types to be Tested

An enormous variety of system approaches will be in evidence in space navigation systems tested this year. Many exotic systems will be "ripening" from advanced study programs. One that might be reduced to hardware by year-end, at least in part, is a Raytheon advanced doppler system designed for soft landings on planets. Frequencies used are 10 to 14 Gc and 34 to 36 Gc. A range of 100 nautical miles at 25,000 fps velocity is planned. To obtain a reasonably narrow return spectrum under these conditions, a spectrum-compression scheme involving frequency sweep in synchronism with forward motion is used. This approach also aids in getting through the plasma sheath at high-speed passage through planetary atmosphere.

The gyroless all-optics guidance systems, studied by Perkin Elmer during 1960, may reach the hardware stage this year. Any corner of technology, it seems, may appear in this year's space navigation and guidance systems.



## CHECKOUT EQUIPMENT

*universal, low-cost, mobile systems needed*

**T**RENDS to be watched for during 1961 include the increasing demand for inexpensive, "almost universal" checkout equipment, the move toward mobile testing gear and more reliability in the test and maintenance equipment itself.

According to a recent survey of policymakers in the Army Rocket Missile Agency (ARMA), NASA, WADD and the Pentagon, special-purpose test equipment is ending its heyday. Managers are looking toward multipurpose checkout equipment for future systems. "Every program seems to end up with different checkout equipment," says Consolidated Systems Corp's electro-mechanical systems manager, Wayne Whistler. "When a prime contract is let, automatic checkout is usually part of the contract. Now project engineers and managers are beginning to get unhappy. They want standardization of checkout equipment which can be used for many systems rather than just one."

But a prime obstacle is expense. So far multipurpose test equipment (MTE) has proven expensive. Systems managers are looking for a middle-road basic checkout equipment that can

be purchased for low prices with facilities for connecting to it "adaptive" units to check out more exotic types of systems.

During 1961, the design engineer will hear more about mobile test equipment. Formerly, missile pads were so few that all test gear could be enclosed in stationary sites at the firing location. But with more missile bases being built, it is no longer economical to set up a test center at each pad. Mobile equipment will move from pad to pad on hard sites.

This trend poses problems for designers in making precision equipment to operate under severe conditions, an environment must be provided for the operators and for the equipment or the equipment must be made impervious to shock, vibration, and road conditions and able to operate from available power sources.

With solid-fuel missiles gaining favor among military men, new kinds of checkout equipment must be evolved. The main point here is that while mechanical parts of the test units—fuel valves, pressurized tanks, mechanical transducers, stainless-steel piping, and the like—consumed

a large part of the allotted funds checkout equipment. Now the electronics part will be the major expense.

Up to this point, the main consideration in military contracting was reliability for the missile itself. According to Mr. Whistler, this will still be true but a great deal more emphasis will be put on the ground-support equipment itself, which will be made more reliable during 1961.

## TELEMETRY

*even greater challenges ahead*

**N**EW SYSTEMS approaches and techniques will greatly affect telemetry in the year to come. The impetus for these changes is the shift from missile system to spacecraft instrumentation and communications. Standardized approaches, adequate for missile guidance and most industrial applications, are inadequate for the problems of outer space.

Current technical trends in space communications as pointed out by J. F. Koukol, head of Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Communication System Development Section, include the tendencies to:

- Perform the command, ranging, data transfer, and tracking functions over a simple two-way radio link, rather than over a number of separate links
- Develop more powerful mathematical-analysis techniques for obtaining near optimum design for maximum communication efficiency.
- Apply coding theory to obtain improvements in communication efficiency.
- Minimize spacecraft system complexity and put most of the instrumentation in the ground receiving station.
- Rely on "on-board" data processing, which promises to increase the useful data transfer by a factor of more than 1,000.

Max Lowy, chief systems engineer of Data Control Systems, Inc., Danbury, Conn. adds to this list when he foresees that ground receiving stations will soon be using parametric and maser amplifiers to increase the range of space probes without appreciably increasing their radiated power. He also sees tunnel diodes being used to help reduce component complexity and anticipates the use of pre-detection and frequency-translation techniques with presently available tape recorders.

As equipment reliability increases, adaptive techniques will be used to reduce the bandwidth and power requirements for data transmission. Self-adaptive systems will require methods now used by computers to make decisions on which

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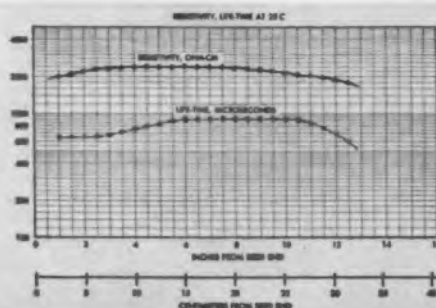
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### Electronic Multiplexing to Replace Mechanical Methods

With the growing availability of high-quality switching transistors at lower prices will come the increased application of electronic, rather than mechanical multiplexing. Walter O. Frost, deputy chief of the Telemetry Systems Section of the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Ala. cites this development as presenting a lucrative opportunity for telemetering-equipment manufacturers to produce solid-state subcarriers and multiplexers at moderate cost.

At current prices, using transistorized subcarriers instead of the tube-type subcarriers, and solid-state multiplexers instead of mechanical sampling switches in an FM-FM telemetering system, typically adds 25 per cent to the system cost.

As far as system concepts are concerned, FM-FM telemetry and its variations—PAM-FM-FM and PDM-FM-FM—will continue to be work horses in the telemetry field. There will, however, be an increasing trend toward the use of digital-transmission techniques, particularly where greater accuracy is required, or where data originates in digital form. The PCM system is highly suited for these applications but presents problems of system complexity. Future systems will tend to incorporate PCM techniques into hybrid systems. Such a hybrid could incorporate high-frequency, 2 to 3 per cent accuracy, FM channels; 1 per cent-accuracy, low-frequency, pulse-amplitude channels, and 0.1 to 0.5 per cent accuracy, low-frequency, pulse-coded, channels.

A new telemetering system will also be available in 1961. Designated the SS-FM (single sideband subcarriers on an FM carrier), the system will provide transmission capacity for vibration and wideband data. It permits transmission of approximately 45,000 cycles of data bandwidth at an accuracy of 5 per cent on the same carrier bandwidth now used by an FM-FM link. Engineers at the Marshall Space Flight Center, who developed the system, cite this as a 10-fold improvement in bandwidth utilization efficiency.

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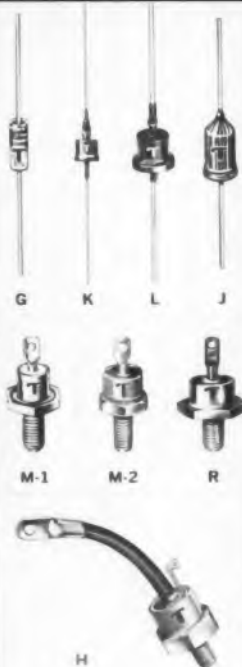
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Still to be decided in the development of satellite-communications systems is whether the systems should be active or passive, synchronous or non-synchronous. (Courier, though not synchronous, exemplifies the active satellite, and Echo, the passive. Advent, not yet launched, will be the first truly active synchronous satellite.)

Proponents of active satellites stress the very expensive ground-terminal equipment required for passive types. It is necessary because passive satellites cannot provide any signal gain and are limited in information bandwidth. Passive-system terminals, thus, would require greater transmitter power, greater antenna gain and lower-noise receivers—all contributing to increased cost.

Those on the other side of the issue generally concede that cost of the ground equipment for a passive satellite will be greater but doubt that over-all cost of the system will be higher from a long-term standpoint. They point out that the active satellite itself is much more expensive and complex and note that repairing one in orbit will be unthinkable for some time to come. Uncertainty as to the effects of radiation on electronics equipment is cited. Finally, there is skepticism about maintaining a truly synchronous orbit without long-term, post-launch corrections.

Regardless of which system is finally used, there still remain a number of difficult problems for the electronic industry to solve before global satellite communications can become a reality. One is interference control. If satellite communications are to exist with present radio services on a frequency-sharing basis, and if satellite terminals are to work through surface frequencies without mutual interference, high-gain antennas with excellent side-lobe suppression are necessary. Even so, a tremendous co-ordination problem involving aircraft, radar, and the like, will still be present. Circuit routing, or switching techniques require further study to achieve compatibility and to allow eventual switching of signals between orbiting satellites.

One of the greatest challenges to the telemetry industry, however, will be the task of meeting the system reliability requirements of the space age. Extreme reliability—approaching that of the human brain, according to JPL's Mr. Kuokol—will be necessary if the complex instrumentation of space communications systems are to function for reasonable lengths of time. If the systems are to have this reliability, great effort in evolving the proper manufacturing and quality control techniques, in addition to the use of redundancy, will certainly be necessary.

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## COMMUNICATIONS

### *tightened spectrum squeeze demands new techniques*

**T**HIS YEAR, more than ever before, communications specialists will be trying to handle more bits with fewer errors at lower costs.

The problems of diminishing spectrum, increasing interference, and the need for greater speeds and more control seem to be multiplying faster than designers are developing improved techniques in order to keep the communication nets efficient.

In military communications, where these problems meet and combine into a nearly intolerable situation, bold new steps are being taken to keep the channels open. This year, the Defense Communications Agency will assume control of its first facilities. This agency was created to assure defense administrators of control of its extended chain of command. One effect of the creation of the new agency is expected to be less duplication in facilities, with eventual savings in systems and equipment cost. Though its first steps are expected to be organizational ones—giving it control over certain facilities and networks, with operation remaining in the hands of the individual services—DCA is expected eventually to

recommend for and against system designs.

Creation of the agency is one of many steps the military is taking to solve what it considers to be the most important current problem—maintaining command and control. As tactical units disperse more widely around the globe and as their roles become more complex, the problem of maintaining central control over them grows more acute.

For this reason, existing long-haul troposcatter links and ionoscatter networks like the Pacific scatter net will be extended this year. For this reason also, the Aircom Air Force global network is being modernized by conversion to single-sideband and installation of additional microwave and other channels and new monitoring equipment. In addition, the Army is pushing its Advent stationary-satellite system for reliable global communications.

Unusual communications projects slated for some military support in 1961, in hopes of maintaining control, include research into the possibilities of using atmospheric ducts as communication-signal waveguides, of using ground currents

for secure communications, and of using optical frequencies for communications systems.

#### **Other Problems: Interference, Speed, Spectrum Space**

One of the most vital problems in both military and commercial communications—interference—will be attacked on two different but connected fronts in 1961. This year will be the year of typical operation of the ambitiously planned electromagnetic environmental test facility near the Signal Corps proving grounds in Arizona. At this range, 150 miles long, newly designed communications and other equipment can be tested for interference generation and susceptibility. Completion of the range is not scheduled before 1965, however.

Under another program designed to reduce interference, testing centers and libraries of spectrum signatures will be set up to help designers know the environment their new equipment must work in.

A third major communications problem—moving messages faster—will be the focus of much attention in 1961 because of the development of automatic data-processing equipment suitable for handling message traffic. New digital techniques designed to speed traffic, such as varying the transmission rate of information, compressing digital data, using statistical methods to predict oncoming bits, and other techniques, are being pursued as part of this effort.

Many of the problems of moving traffic faster are closely connected with the fourth major area of concern in communications—vanishing spectrum space. Not only does the spectrum now have to support the needs generated by normal growth of communications traffic, but it must satisfy the ravenous appetites of booming mobile traffic, data-processing traffic, and space traffic.

In this area the requirements for new services are clearly outstripping developments in conserving spectrum and in opening new frequencies for exploitation. Allocation of frequencies is expected to make as much news in 1961 as it did in 1960. The shortage of spectrum is growing more acute almost daily.



## ENERGY SOURCES

### *new materials raise hopes*

**P**ROGRESS in the development of thermo-electric generators and coolers will be slow and evolutionary, specialists in this field predict. The bulk of research funding is being applied to the search for materials possessing a high figure of merit. Low electrical resistivity, high thermal conductivity, and high Seebeck coefficient characterize a high-figure-of-merit material.

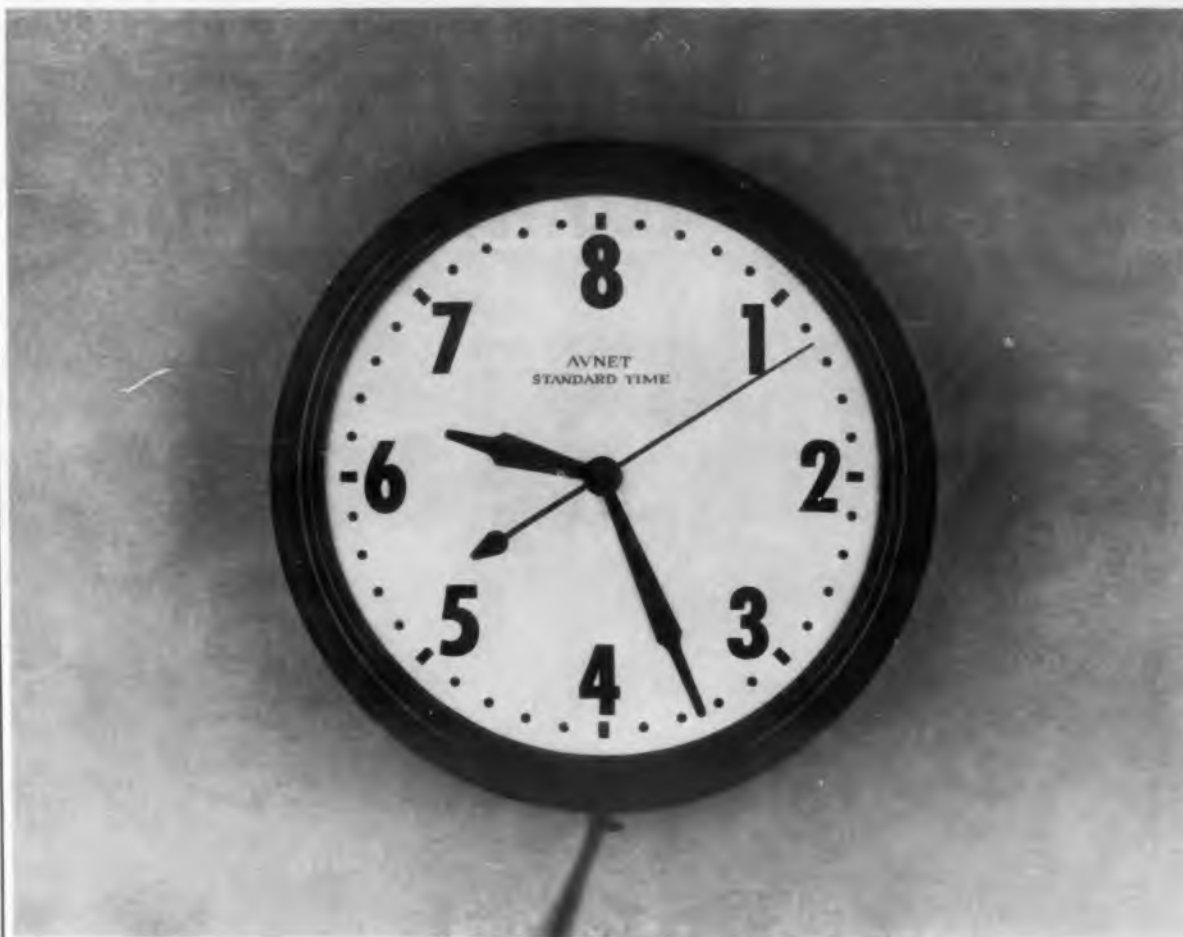
Although years of intensive study have borne little in the way of a major break-through, within the past few months a gadolinium-selenide material has been announced which has a reported figure of merit 50 times greater than currently available types. The Navy's Bureau of Ships is engaged in evaluating the compound developed by the Research Chemicals Div. of Nuclear Corp. of America.

#### **High-Efficiency Generators May Arrive Soon**

Should the reported figure of merit,  $50 \times 10^{-3}$ , be accurate, the commercial possibility of high-efficiency generators and refrigerators, having no moving parts, may arrive years sooner than expected. The coming year likewise holds promise for other material developments resulting from extensive studies over the past decade.

Solar cells, providing power for many vehicles in space, have reached efficiencies in the order of 12 to 14 per cent. Unfortunately, the response of now-available photovoltaic cells does not match the solar spectrum. A greater percentage of the solar spectrum can be used by gallium-arsenide cells. The cost of the raw material, however, coupled with low-production yields present a formidable problem in power-supply economy. The coming year, according to solar-cell designers, should provide a very definite answer to the practical usefulness of gallium-arsenide photovoltaic converters.

Thermionic converters, long in the laboratory stage, are now showing promise of emerging into the design of portable, noiseless military-communication equipment. Low-wattage devices are being delivered to the military with promise of low-cost, high-output units for industrial applications in the near future.



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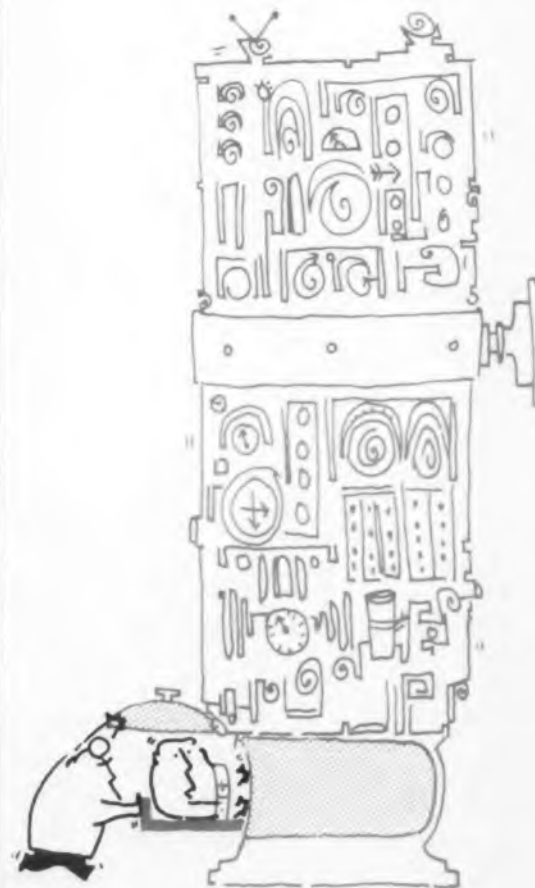
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**T**HE MOST important trend in medical electronics is probably the growing number of universities that are establishing programs to promote work in the interdisciplinary art of biomedical engineering. Most of the efforts are being financed by grants from the National Institutes of Health.

Another trend, which became more apparent within the last year, is the entry of many major companies into biomedical engineering. Computer manufacturers, for instance, have shown increasingly more interest, stemming, according to John E. Jacobs, Professor of electrical engi-

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neering at Northwestern University, from two motives. In the first place, manufacturers want to "create a need for computers in large-scale medical applications," he says. Also, they want to "simplify the design of existing computers by the incorporation of conceptual approaches arising from biological and physiological studies," he goes on to say.

#### Use of Computers in Hospitals Called Economic Necessity

Use of computers to monitor and diagnose patients' ills is now more a necessity than a dream. The general hospital of the future cannot continue to operate in the traditional pattern if it is to maintain its pace and keep abreast of developments in the whole field of therapy and care, according to George Radcliffe, director of Office of Development at Columbus Hospital, Newark, N. J. Hospitals, Mr. Radcliffe says, must consider the rising spiral of costs confronting patients and also the difficulties of securing adequate personnel at the technical level.

In hospitals, a continuing trend is that of installing systems that automatically monitor patients. Most devices now in use are combinations of existing equipment that has been slightly modified, Mr. Jacobs says. Therefore, he adds, "One of the trends will be to evolve a second generation, so to speak, of these ward-monitoring systems." To do this will require more work in studying the human organism to ascertain the exact body parameters to monitor.

Progress in medical electronics depends heavily on advances in other areas of the electronics industry. At present, most people working in medical electronics are waiting for developments in areas such as solid-state technology and micro-miniaturization. They watch developments in telemetering physiological and psychological data, and related data-reduction systems, which have moved forward with help from the military and man-in-space programs.

#### Financing Research Is Major Problem

A big, if not the biggest problem is financing research in the field. "The magnitude of expenditure required on the part of a private enterprise to effectively operate in biomedical engineering is staggering," Mr. Jacobs says. The Federal government, through the National Institutes of Health, is trying to overcome this economic problem.

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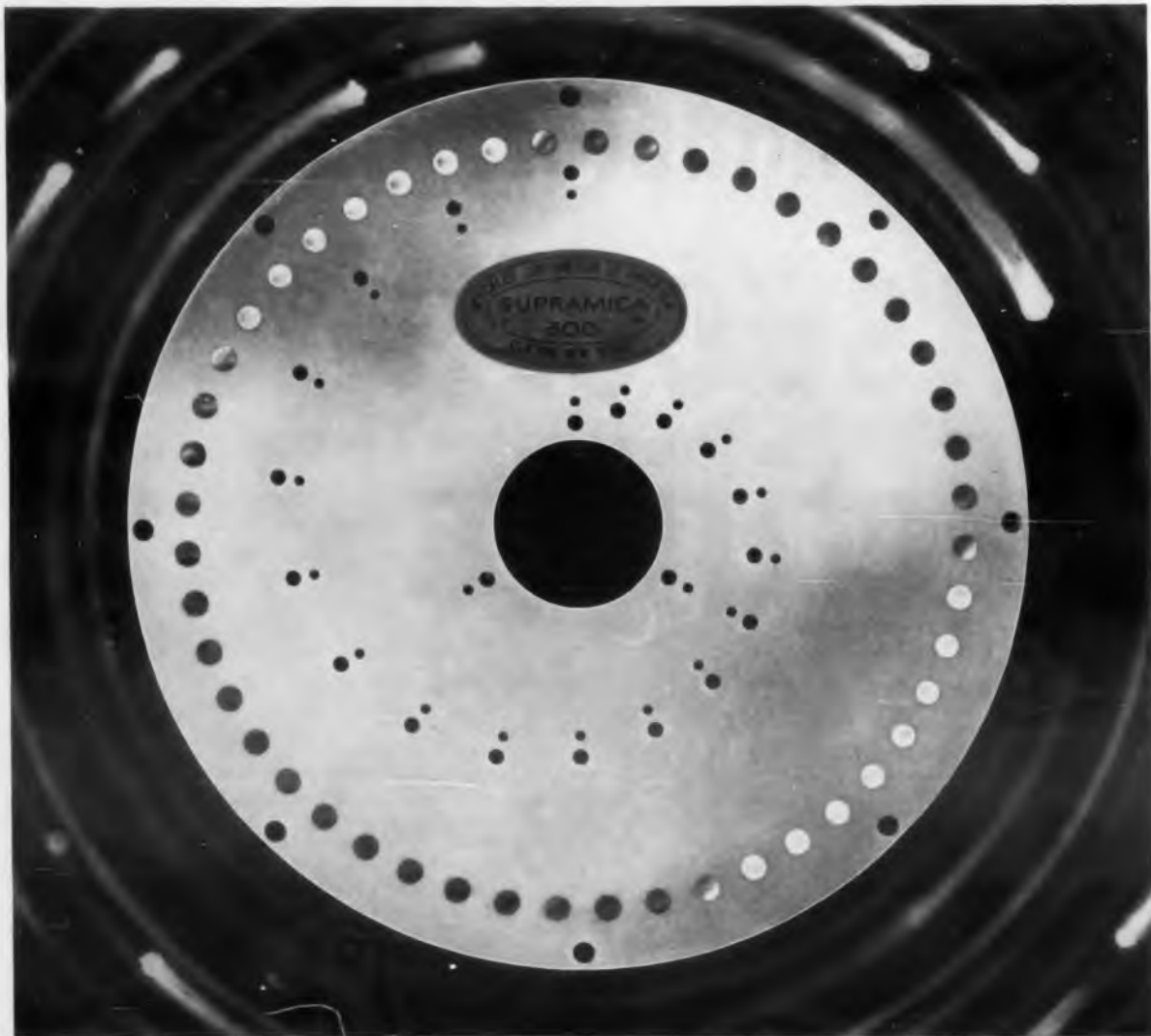
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## SEMICONDUCTORS

### tunnel diodes seeking a role

**S**KEPTICISM is mounting on the predicted role of tunnel diodes in future electronic-equipment designs. The coming months should provide an initial evaluation concerning the devices' future potential. Tunnel diodes, available in production quantities for more than a year, still have not found their place in equipment. Semiconductor application engineers are being pressed to deliver suitable circuitry for use in computers and test equipment.

Computer designers are hard at work applying the devices to future high-speed machines. Engineers working on current versions of medium- and relatively-low-speed computers are apparently content with the operation, reliability, and price of available switching transistors. Why, they argue, spend considerable time and effort to apply a new device with high-speed characteristics to a medium-speed machine when pricing will probably go up and reliability will have to be proven?

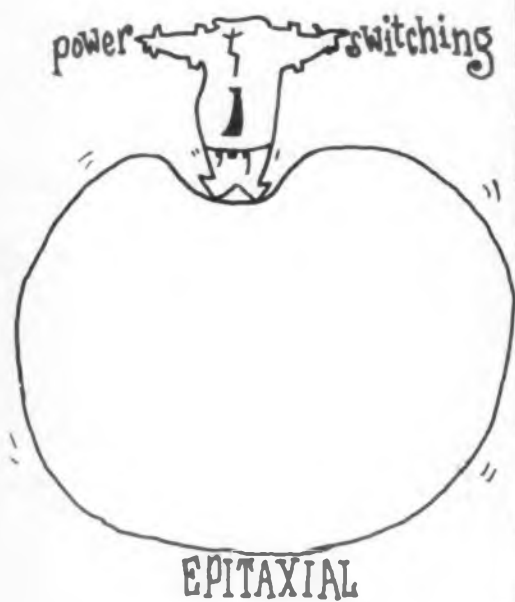
The coming year should see tunnel diodes appearing in space-vehicle computers where radiation effects are a serious hazard to transistors, and in specialized test equipment requiring high-speed switching.

### Epitaxial Transistors Stir Enthusiasm Despite Production Problems

During the latter part of 1960, several manufacturers announced the availability of germanium- and silicon-epitaxial transistors. The devices were being offered only months after Bell

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Laboratory's introduction of the epitaxial growth technique offering an order of magnitude increase in switching speed, low collector resistance and high breakdown voltage compared with conventional transistors.

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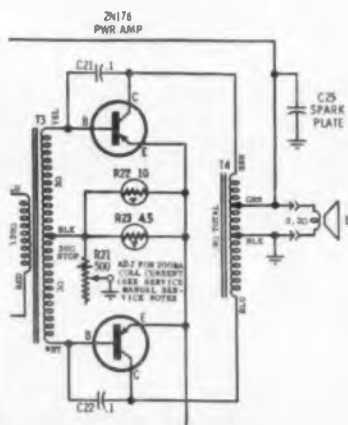
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Standard components will still receive much attention because they remain largely the backbone of the electronic industry. In addition, they have the advantages associated with familiar items, their performance capabilities have been evaluated over and over again and are well known.

A related trend will be to take these standard components and combine them to get highly reliable and very small functional packages.

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As for connecting components, engineers will see (1) an increased use of high-temperature, extreme-reliability connecting devices, and (2) a considerable increase in the use of novel micro-miniature connecting devices and weldable interconnections developed during the past year. This is the view of R. M. Soria, vice president, Research & Engineering, Amphenol-Borg Electronics Corp., who also offered some components specifics. This year, he said, engineers will be designing components to withstand temperatures ranging from absolute zero to 1,500 F, and pressures as low as 10-12 mm Hg, found in outer space.

While standard components are improved, work will continue in solid-state technology, providing design engineers with devices of increased and advanced capabilities. Thin-film techniques are seen as highly important. "In 1961, we shall probably see the beginning of important applications of thin-film components and circuits," says

L. J. Varnerin, component-development engineer at Bell Telephone Laboratories.

Like most new developments, solid-state technology will require both alertness and flexibility on the part of the user. Many important considerations exist in adapting these newer technologies to systems.

Attention in 1961 will undoubtedly be focused on important problems which must be solved before important forward steps can be taken by the component industry. According to P. S. Darnell, now with Bell Telephone Laboratories and a former chairman of IRE's Professional Group on Component Parts, such problems include:

- Deciding what new concepts and methods of approach, money, and manpower should be spent to provide new kinds of components for practical use.
- Increasing to necessary levels the liaison between the component developer and the engineer responsible for system functions.
- Manufacturing components based on new technologies which may be developed.

#### Components Progress Depends Heavily on Further Materials Research

As in the past, progress in improving standard components will depend heavily, if not exclusively, on materials, said Archer N. Martin of Corning Glass Works. New and better uses of materials are constantly being sought, he said.

Why will components be improved? First, there is industry's normal desire to improve its wares. Second, it is generally felt that the requirements made on space devices and information-handling equipment will spur improvements in standard and solid-state components. There is a continuing surge in the use of computers and data-handling equipment and a desire to miniaturize these equipments. Also, space devices will be operating in more tough environments.

On the basis of the component industry's past performance, everyone agrees that this year will bring breakthroughs. But because it is impossible to know what inventors are working on, there are few who will risk a guess on where the breakthroughs will occur. Amphenol-Borg's Mr. Soria, however, suggests one possible breakthrough will be a "synthesis of materials to achieve multiple electrical functions by means of homogeneous materials." Looking beyond this year, he predicts "a successful generation of monochromatic (single-frequency) coherent radio signals (electromagnetic waves) at frequencies above the highest microwave frequencies presently usable, and extending through the visible spectrum, and at sufficient power levels should be possible within a few years. This will create a whole new generation of radio components probably dependent on new, or not presently used, physical principles."

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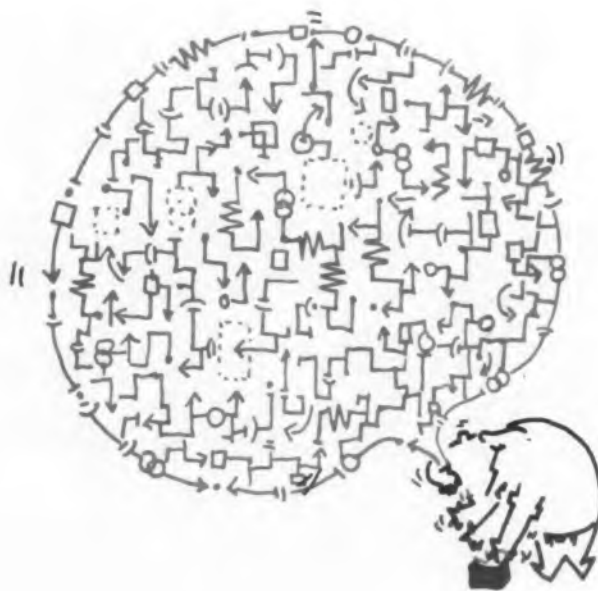
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## MICROMINIATURIZATION

### *boom for high-density packaging will pace efforts*

**T**HE USE of any "exotic" approach to micro-miniaturization in operational designs during the coming year is highly doubtful, according to many industry observers. However, they do expect 1961 to mark the beginning of a boom in the use of high-density packaging techniques in place of conventional printed-circuit modules.

The high-density methods cited are of two basic types. One is the component cluster stacked between a pair of printed-circuit boards, forming a sandwich-like module. Flow-solder methods suitable for making many joints at once are used to connect leads to the boards. The second approach is a welded package, in which nickel ribbon is used to interconnect components.

The welded module will move into the design spotlight in the coming year as the Polaris missile system moves into production and an advanced Titan inertial-guidance system moves toward the production line. Both systems make extensive use of welded circuits (*ED*, Sept. 28, 1960, p 4).

Estimates of the total current market for these high-density modules range from a few million up to \$10 million in 1960. This is expected to

pick up significantly with use of welded modules on operational missiles, reaching to more than \$100 million by 1965, according to some market observers.

The commercial availability of many subminiature components is expected to contribute to the increase in size-reduction programs.

The MICRAM (Microminiature Individual Component Reliable Assembled Module) pro-

gram makes use of these tiny parts soldered onto small wafers. Cleveland Metal Specialties Co., which is experienced in microsoldering jewelry, is assembling these circuits using parts from many component manufacturers.

The Army is using MICRAM circuits in classified fuse and infrared equipment, and further applications are expected as reliability is shown.

#### **Micromodule Receiver to be Built, Transmitter, Field Computer Planned**

A more advanced wafer approach using new forms of components tailored to the wafer approach is represented by the Army Signal Corps-RCA micromodule program. A prototype radio receiver made from micromodules will be built during the coming year, and a radio transmitter and field computer will be designed using this approach. Micromodules are encapsulated cubes, about 1/3-in. square, using components either deposited on, or built into a ceramic wafer.

The first operational use for these modules, oddly enough, may be in Navy infrared equipment, rather than Army equipment. Micromodules have been chosen to extend the capability



of an existing system without increasing its size. RCA feels that many other applications of this type will be found when micromodules reach suitable reliability and performance levels.

Advanced printed-circuit concepts also appear ready to move into the design picture in the coming year. Multi-layer printed circuits, for example, are just beginning to be used in airborne computers. Until recently, dimensional stability of the plastic used in making printed boards made it difficult to line up contact points with component leads. If holes left in the upper layers of laminated boards do not line up perfectly it is impossible to contact the right points on circuits deposited on inner layers. It appears that much progress is being made on this contact problem and further applications for this technique seem assured.

The use of pellet or leadless components, and components with radial or co-planar leads, also shows signs of becoming a strong contender in the design spotlight. These components can be inserted into recesses or holes in printed-circuit boards, allowing decreases in the over-all thickness of the boards and mounted components.

Thompson-Ramo-Wooldridge, Inc., Los Angeles, has worked out a complete packaging approach using these imbedded circuits. Hughes Aircraft Co.'s Semiconductor Div., Newport Beach, Calif., has developed diodes and experimental transistors suitable for this approach, and P. R. Mallory & Co., Inc., Indianapolis, is preparing a line of pellet components. Pilot-line units should be available from Mallory by the end of the year, according to Stanley M. Stuhlberg, corporate staff engineer on the company's microminiaturization program.

Integrated circuits, and functional and molecular electronics will not be ready for operational equipment in 1961, most observers agree. Some prototype units, demonstrating the feasibility of these techniques, are expected, but the characteristics of this equipment will not be comparable to operating units made by more conventional methods, it is felt.

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## BIONICS

### *assimilation of '60's gains*

**B**IONICS, the infant science of applying knowledge of biology to the solution of engineering problems, is heading into a year of consolidation. Although designers this year will continue their many attempts to adapt nature's technology to electronic design, much activity will be centered on assimilating basic research and other data brought to light in quantity in 1960.

Expectations are that in 1961 many laboratories in industry and schools will board the bionics bandwagon while organizations already active in the field will base new programs on the research and development reported widely for the first time last year.

### **Standards, New Devices, Interconnections to be Among Highlights of Year**

Three features are expected to characterize the bionics effort this year. First, attention will be paid to establishing working standards and criteria. Such questions as when is a system adaptive and when is it self-regulating need to be discussed broadly. So far, no more than one or two levels of adaption are being discussed generally, though as many as six or seven are known to be possible. The general problem is one of establishing criteria of all types so that various functions, devices, and systems can be compared and evaluated properly. But, formal action toward this end is not expected.

A second feature of the bionics year now starting is expected to be the emergence of a new generation of bionic devices. Now that details of the first pioneering simulations of neurons, retinas, and other biological systems are known, improved devices should be forthcoming, especially pattern recognition units and memory cells in which much work is going on.

A third feature is expected to be a shift in emphasis from components to interconnections and systems. Under Air Force direction, researchers are being encouraged to think in terms of systems that might do the job rather than of components that might be made use of.



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What the military needs are adaptive high-performance systems to handle a variety of tasks that are not being done well enough now. They would like designers to develop systems that might do these jobs and then find the means to implement them. The emphasis in 1961 may shift from components to interconnections.

#### Mark II Perceptron, Electroluminescent Neuron Due for More Attention

Two specific projects due for attention in 1961 are the Mark II Perceptron at Cornell Aeronautic Laboratories and the electroluminescent neuron being developed for the Air Force by General Electric.

Design of the Mark II, now in early stages, is expected to be relatively fixed some time this year. This unit, larger than the Mark I, may be used for solving actual problems in photo interpretation and character and speech recognition. The next step in the perceptron effort may be to interest some organizations in backing development of special-purpose perceptrons for particular jobs. The Mark II, however, is being planned as a general-purpose machine.

The General Electric neuron, which has run into developmental difficulties, is now scheduled for delivery to the Air Force in June, several months late. It is expected to be the most advanced mechanical realization of a biological system.

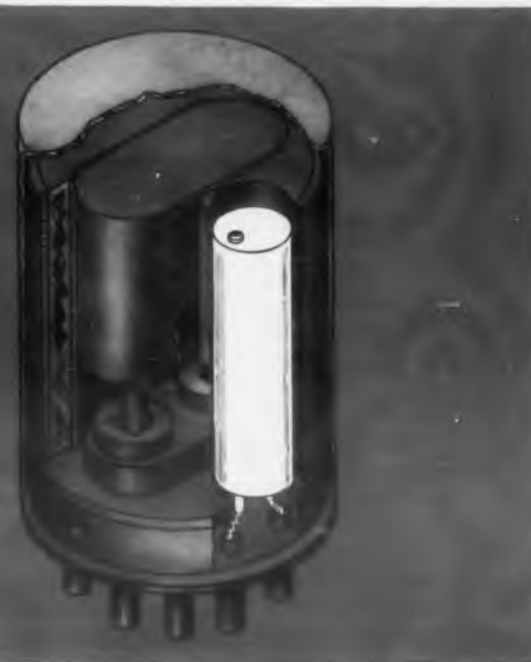
Other bionics systems that may make design news in 1961 are Aeronutronic's new adaptive decision-maker with property-filter input, and the perceptron-type adaptive unit being enlarged at the University of Illinois. One of the bionics pioneers, Ross Ashby, is joining the staff at Illinois this year.

Because bionics as a formal concept, was, in effect, born in 1960, through the efforts of the Office of Naval Research and the Wright Air Development Division, at their pioneering symposiums on self-organizing systems and bionics, information has started flowing in quantity only recently.



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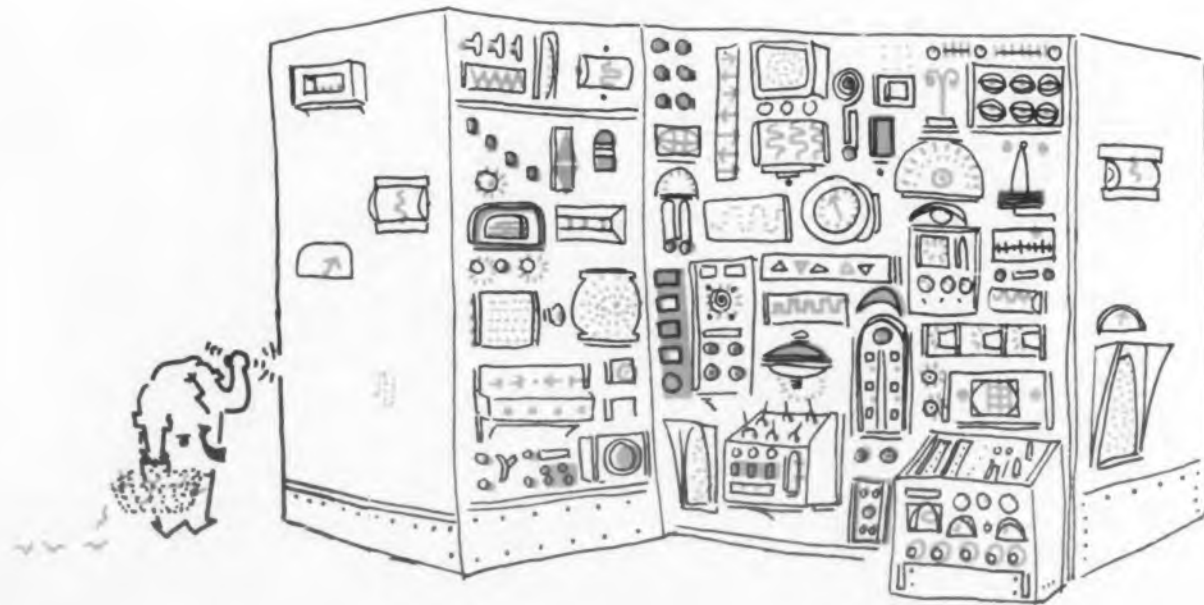
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## COMPUTERS

### *the accent will be on selling and services*

**T**HERE is virtually no field of business or technology that digital computers will not invade in the next few years. They will share a greater and greater part of the routine paperwork burden; they will control more processes and machine tools; and they will play a more and more important role in engineering calculations and management functions. On these points all industry spokesmen agree.

But on the questions of what computers will look like—what kind of circuits they will use and what components, how large they will be or how small—on these questions, there is controversy aplenty.

There are those who feel that the bright star on the horizon is the tunnel diode. They feel that the tunnel diode will answer the needs for faster and faster computation. Indeed, they feel the tunnel diode will fill the needs of tomorrow's gigacycle machines and will take over even in low-speed machines.

They see only a temporary lull while computer designers learn to orient their thinking to the use of two-terminal components.

Others see high-speed transistors answering the immediate need for fast computation and see gigacycle machines in the dim distant future only.

Lacy Goosetree, marketing manager for General Electric's Computer Dept., speaks for many in the industry when he pictures tunnel diodes, magnetic thin films, cyrotrons, and thermoplastic films finding their way slowly into commercial machines in the next five years. Mr. Goosetree further reflects industry attitudes when he views cost of new circuits as determining the extent of their use and the timing.

#### **All-Magnetic Logic May Raise Computer Reliability**

Others in the industry are looking to entirely different approaches. Umberto F. Gianola of Bell

Telephone's Murray Hill Laboratories, for example, sees the possibility of all-magnetic logic in some special-purpose computers of the future. He points to the success of magnetic cores in memories despite the problems involved in using multiturn windings on cores to match their impedances with the much higher impedance levels of the associated semiconductor circuitry.

Simpler and more reliable circuits can result, he says, from the use of all-magnetic logic. Mr. Gianola recognizes the fact that magnetic-logic circuits are considered relatively slow, but he points out that core materials with higher coercivity (and higher cost) can be used to speed up their operation. He recognizes also, that the temperature rise due to hysteresis losses at higher speeds may add another problem.

Still another approach to faster core-logic and memory lies in the use of smaller cores. Cores used in the memories of vacuum-tube machines had inside diameters of 50 mils, outside diam-

eters of 80 mils. Some of the most up-to-date transistorized computers use 30-50 mil cores. Despite the added wiring costs associated with smaller cores, memory designers are now talking of 19/30 mil cores and even of 13/18-mil cores.

For high-speed machines, thin films may provide advantages over cores as they require smaller drive signals at frequencies higher than about 10 mc.

#### **Transmission Delays Limit Speed of High-Speed Computers**

The basic storage device is not yet the principal barrier to higher speeds, however. Transmission delays in sense amplifiers, drive circuits, and decoders can account for a large portion of the total cycle time. W. L. Shevel Jr. of IBM's Research Center indicates that the switching time of memory elements in today's high-speed machines accounts for less than half the total cycle time.

Most industry observers see no real breakthroughs in the offing by computer designers though they see problems which must be solved. They see a need, for example, for reducing the cost and size of input and output equipment and for increasing the speed. J. C. Fulton, computer sales director of Royal McBee Corp., points to the need for more work in developing faster line printers to keep pace with internal computer speeds. He sees applications like order writing, billing, and payroll preparations becoming even more practical than they are today when faster peripheral equipment enters the picture.

Thomas Bradshaw, a spokesman for RCA's Electronic Data Processing Div., sees other areas needing work. Recognizing the importance of faster input/output equipment, he points specifically to the need for greater effort in developing and improving document readers and non-impact printers. Like others, Mr. Bradshaw sees a trend to more integration of data processing with manufacturing phases of a company's operations and to improved communications systems for data transfer between distant points. He sees still more work needed in self-organizing systems.

#### **'Software' and Systems Thinking will Replace Hardware Emphasis**

When it comes to the application of computer systems, a completely new emphasis comes into view—an emphasis on "software"—compilers, programs and services. Computer manufacturers in 1961 will be selling much more than just computing machinery and peripheral devices.

They will offer more help in the field of management science and they will knit a closer link between business and industrial computer systems in many factories and businesses.

Commenting on the accelerated demand ex-

pected for digital-control computers, Dr. Joseph Manildi, general manager of TRW Computers Co., points out that the computer hardware now available is more than adequate for the job of on-line control. "It is not a question of breakthrough in design," he says, "but of applying the present equipment to the needs of industry."

Some feel that computers have already satisfied the most obvious applications, that they've already skimmed the "cream of the crop." Nicholas Pensiero, marketing administrator at Philco's Computer Div. for example, feels that future applications will require far more intensive study based on the need for far more extensive cost savings.

#### **Small Machines and Data Links to Broaden Computer Market Further**

Two very important developments are certain to have a profound effect on computer sales and on computer applications. One is the introduction of many medium and small-scale computers whose low prices will open doors to hundreds of companies which couldn't afford larger machines.

The second development, a younger, more dramatic one from a technical viewpoint, lies in the rapid growth of systems to help computers "talk" to each other and to their peripheral equipment. An important contribution to this trend is the Dataphone system announced by A.T.&T. just a few months ago.

This system allows a card reader or papertape reader in a company's branch office, for example, to transmit data directly to the company's large computer installation at the main office. Transmission is over regular, dial-system telephone lines. The user is charged only at regular telephone call rates.

#### **Near-Future Computer Sales to Top One Billion**

Systems like this one are expected to extend computer usage and sales substantially. Today's estimates of the dollar-value of computer hard-

ware alone—not counting military equipment, and not counting services like maintenance and consulting—all show that computer manufacturers expect to enjoy very rapidly growing sales in the years ahead.

GE's Lacy Goosetree sees industry sales of \$700 million in 1961 and \$1.4 billion in 1965 compared with \$625 million in 1960. Philco's Nicholas Pensiero sees a billion dollars worth of computer sales (including services) this year. At Royal McBee, J. C. Fulton estimates a doubled dollar volume for Royal McBee every year for at least the next four years.

#### **Higher Accuracy, Wider Bandwidth Needed for Analog Computers**

In the analog-computer field, the growth is by no means as rapid or dramatic. Industry sources picture a modest growth of about 30 per cent in the next five years. But here, too, there is a great deal of effort in extending computer performance. Designers are trying to extend computing frequency without losing accuracy. Toward this end, they are developing electronic components (like multipliers) to replace slower (but less costly) servo-mechanical components.

Phillip Rafeld, computer products manager of Reeves Instrument Corp., points to a number of improvements needed to extend analog-computer accuracy beyond the 0.01 per cent range to the 0.005 and 0.003 per cent accuracies which are already available with both resistors and capacitors.

The principal limitation, he indicates, rests with nonlinear elements such as diode-function generators, electronic multipliers, and electronic resolvers. At best, these are available with tolerances of 0.01 to 0.05 per cent.

Mr. Rafeld suggests that analog-computer manufacturers could take a giant step forward if, electronic multipliers, for example, were available with practical accuracies of 0.005 per cent within today's phase-shift limits of 0.1 deg at 100 cps.



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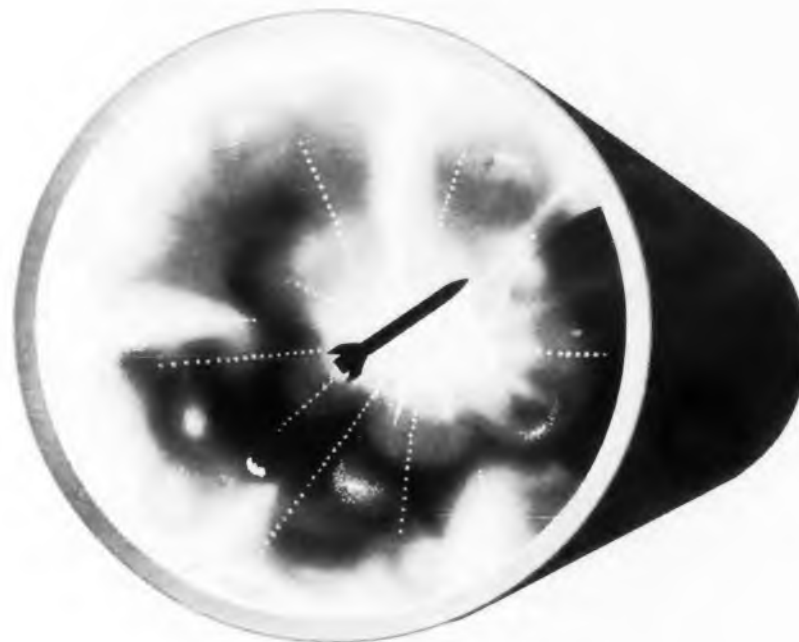
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Transistor Specialties, Inc., Dept. ED, Terminal Drive, Plainview, L. I., N. Y.

**Price:** \$2,650.

**Availability:** 30-day delivery.



**2-Channel Oscilloscope 455**  
Has 0.4 Nsec Risetime

The model 112-9 dual channel sampling oscilloscope has a rise-time of 0.4 nsec, calibrated sensitivities to 2.5 mv per cm, and a noise level of less than 0.6 mv. It will measure delay times and time separations as small as 0.02 nsec. Two separate waveforms, or a single waveform, may be displayed at 2 different sweep speeds. Each input can be separately controlled as to sweep speed, vertical gain, and vertical and horizontal position. Signals from 2 mv up to 30 v can be displayed.

Lumatron Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, New Hyde Park, L. I., N. Y.

**Price:** \$5,330.

**Availability:** 4-week delivery.



**Differential Amplifier 451**  
Tolerates 10- $\mu$ f Load

The differential amplifier, model 602, amplifies microvolt signals and sends them over miles of cable. Output is  $\pm 10$  v at 200 ma into a 50-ohm load; up to 10  $\mu$ f of capacitive loading can be tolerated without oscillation. The chopper-stabilized unit is a differential amplifier, with fully isolated input and output. Common mode rejection is 100,000,000 to 1 at dc, 1,000,000 to 1 at 60 cps. Zero stability is better than 0.05% of full scale for 1,000 hr. There is an internal regulated power supply.

Video Instruments Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 3002 Pennsylvania Ave., Santa Monica, Calif.

**Price:** \$550.

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**Accelerometer** 452  
**Linearity**  $\pm 1\%$

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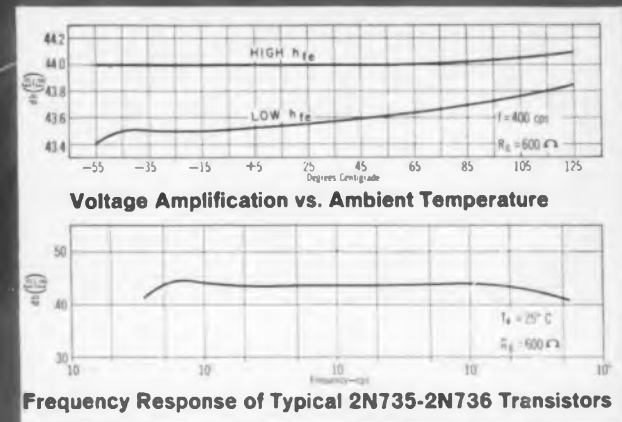
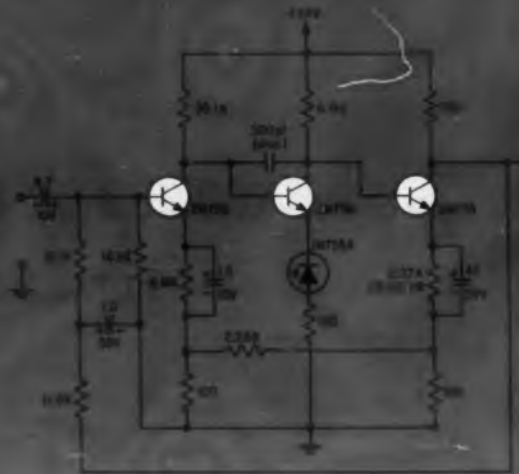
Raytheon Co., Industrial Components Div., Dept. ED, 55 Chapel St., Newton 58, Mass.

Price: \$145 ea, 1 to 9; \$135 ea, 10 to 24; \$128 ea, 25 to 100.

Availability: 30 days.

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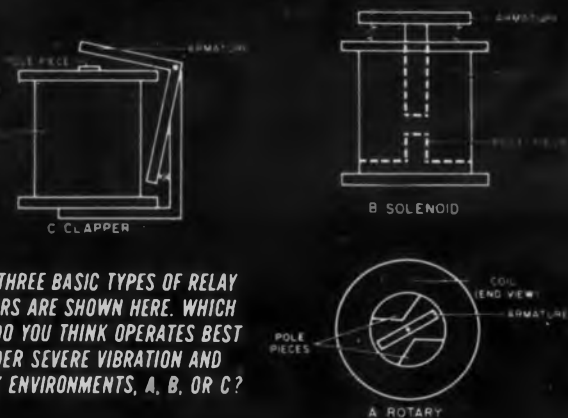
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THE THREE BASIC TYPES OF RELAY MOTORS ARE SHOWN HERE. WHICH TYPE DO YOU THINK OPERATES BEST UNDER SEVERE VIBRATION AND SHOCK ENVIRONMENTS, A, B, OR C?

The clapper type (C) usually has two moment arms, the clapper itself and the spring arm, in two different planes through which acceleration forces act to cause chatter. The solenoid (B) is sensitive to acceleration forces along the pole-piece axis, and acceleration forces directed normal to the pole piece can also cause it to bind. The balanced armature of the rotary motor is practically insensitive to vibration and shock forces. The answer is A.

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN IN TERMS OF RELAY CIRCUIT DESIGN?

It means that if you require system reliability under severe environmental conditions, you should always specify a rotary motor in all relays used in the system. All relay manufacturers are aware of the superiority of the rotary configuration, and for relays designed for military applications, most manufacturers incorporate the principle of the balanced armature in their design.

The principle of the balanced armature is incorporated in all of Filter's relays the latest of which is the new "Pillbox" configuration shown here. It is the only relay of this style with a rotary relay motor. The Pillbox is made for printed circuit applications where high density packaging is required. Before the Pillbox, relays were adapted to circuit boards by bending them 90 degrees and setting them in epoxy; this process increased the size and weight of the relay. The Pillbox is tough (30 g's vibration to 3,000 cps, 150 g's shock), versatile (dry-circuit to a 5-ampere loads), as well as small and light.

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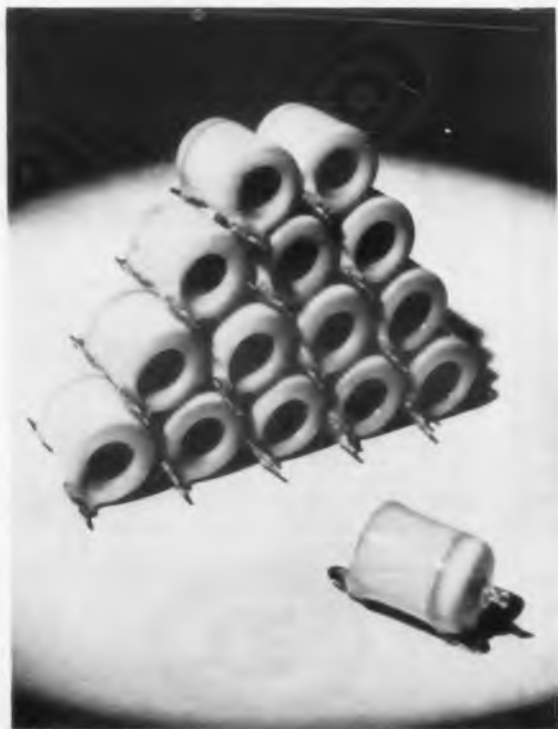


## 100,000-Bit Drum Memories For Sale at \$750

**I**T'S HARD to believe that a 100,000-bit drum memory could sell for as little as \$750. Normally, one would expect a 100,000-bit drum to carry a price tag of at least \$3,000.

But a new memory, manufactured by Bryant Computer Products, 852 Ladd

Road, Walled Lake, Mich., is available at the \$750 price in quantities of 10. Even the single-unit price of \$900 was low enough to astonish many visitors to last month's Easter Joint Computer Conference where the drum was shown for the first time.



### Cold-Cathode Tube Switches 18 J at 3 Kv

The Z-5362, a miniature ceramic cold-cathode tube, can switch 18 J of energy at 3 kv. Designed to switch a single stored energy system into low-impedance loads, the tube acts in 1.0 to 1.5  $\mu$ sec. Main gap voltage is 2 to 2.6 kv, max; nominal peak main gap current is 1,500 amp. The main gap will hold off 3 kv indefinitely, 3.6 kv for 10 min. The tube has been used at up to 4,000 amp. Main gap pulse duration is 10  $\mu$ sec max. Trigger firing voltage is 500 v min; peak trigger firing current is 5 amp.

General Electric Power Tube Dept., Dept. ED, Schenectady 5, N.Y.

**Price:** \$55.

**Availability:** Delivery from stock in limited quantities.

With 33 tracks and heads, the drum (Utility Model C-105), stores 3,000 bits per track. At a quantity price of \$950, a 150,000-bit drum is available with 50 tracks.

The drum in the C-105 rotates at 3,600 rpm and provides a maximum access time of 16.7 msec. An 1,800-rpm speed is optional. Like many other such memories, the C-105 features a hard, oxide coating on the drum and sealed bearings which should provide a 10-year life in average use.

Depending on the pulse-packing density, the heads require from 100 to 200 ma of write current. They provide a read voltage of at least 50 mv peak-to-peak. Head-to-drum spacing is 1 mil.

The manufacturer, questioned on the price break at the computer conference, attributed it to anticipated high production of a standardized design. "This new memory," he pointed out, "should find wide application in the fast-growing market for small computers."

Starting in March, the new drum will be available from stock.

For more information on this drum memory, turn to the Reader-Service Card and circle 252.



**DC Voltmeter**  
Accurate to  $\pm 0.01\%$   $\pm 5 \mu\text{v}$

411

This transistorized differential dc voltmeter, the model DC 200AR, is accurate to  $\pm 0.01\%$   $\pm 5 \mu\text{v}$ . Potentiometer accuracy is  $\pm 0.002\%$ ; temperature stability is 2 ppm per deg C, 10 C to 40 C, and regulation is  $\pm 0.001\%$  for a 10% line change. Range of the meter is 0 to 1,000 v dc. Self-calibration and complete warm-up take less than 30 min.

Calibration Standards Corp., Dept. ED, 1025 Westminster Ave., Alhambra, Calif.

Price: \$985.



## GENERAL INSTRUMENT SEMICONDUCTOR REPORT

### Design Notes...



#### ENCAPSULATES UNIQUE HOLD-OFF DIODE

**Problem:** A well-known systems manufacturer needed a series hold-off diode for use in a dc resonant charge radar modulator. Conditions: PIV of 12KV. Operating temperature, 100° C; Inverse current at PIV, 150  $\mu\text{a}$ ; Average current, 120 ma; Peak charge current, 260 ma. In addition, specifications called for a transient capability of 21 KV dc for .07 second.

**Solution:** G produced a unit which far exceeded these requirements. The G CIRCUIT CAP (pictured above) is only  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter and  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " long. It is capable of continuous operation beyond maximum required parameters.

#### ENCAPSULATED ASSEMBLIES BUILT TO SPEC MEASURES 1 CUBIC INCH

G recently designed a comparator bridge for missile use, which contains 4 resistors and 16 diodes (print at right). The entire bridge is encapsulated within a 1 cubic inch module, has 8 studs for plug-in mounting. The unit meets customer requirements, and is capable of continuous operation in ambients up to 150° C.

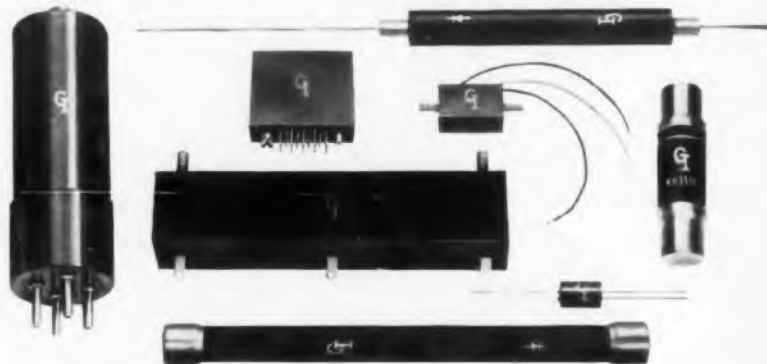


#### MICROMINIATURE DIODE DESIGNED FOR 1,500 PIV SERIES OPERATION

General Instrument Engineers solved another customer problem in a diode that measures .08" diameter by  $\frac{1}{4}$ " long. Space requirements made it necessary to assemble an "electrically cold" unit. This specially designed diode was produced with the rigid requirements of 1,500 PIV, leakage of less than .02  $\mu\text{a}$ , and a forward drop of less than 2V @ 100 ma.



### G Offers Reliability on the Circuit Level



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• **ENGINEERING:** Experienced General Instrument Engineers study your specifications, draw on G research, development and production facilities in making an assembly to exceed your most stringent requirements.

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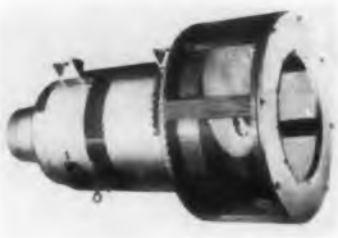
## NEW PRODUCTS



### Frequency Source

739

Model AR-200 60-cps frequency source can stand shock up to 15 g. It operates at altitudes up to 100,000 ft. The heart of the unit is model FS17900 3.84-kc, high-precision quartz crystal. It has a minimum life of 5,000 hr. Hill Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, Mechanicsburg, Pa.



### Motor-Generator

742

This motor-generator is rated at 5 kw, 6.25 kva, 0.8 factor, 120 v ac, one phase, 50 cps. The 10-hp motor is 208 to 416 v ac, 1,500 rpm, 50 cps, 3-phase, wound rotor induction type. If normal electric power fails, it keeps fluctuation to a minimum until the standby power plant is cut in. Kato Engineering Co., Dept. ED, Mankato, Minn.



### Micro-Jack

747

Model TR-2 micro-jack is a 2-conductor, single, closed-circuit design usable as a 2-conductor open circuit type. Opening for plug is 0.101 in. It mounts in panels with maximum thickness of 3/32 in. This audio jack for transistorized radios is suited for miniaturized applications. Switchcraft, Inc., Dept. ED, 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.



### Solid-State Display Assembly

748

This unit is for decimal display of a binary-coded-decimal parallel signal. Model 2060 is a 3-1/2-in. high, rack-mounted unit which visually displays up to six decimal digits derived from any of six four-bit codes. Binary input may be static or parallel pulses. Storage capability is provided in the converting circuitry. Hermes Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 75 Cambridge Parkway, Cambridge 42, Mass.



### Crystal Filter

741

This 1-kc crystal filter is for use in missile applications. Insertion loss is 6.2 db at 10 v. Attenuation is 3 db at 3.8 cps and 6 db at 4.7 cps. Input is 500 ohms. Output impedance is 500,000 ohms. Burnell & Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 10 Pelham Parkway, Pelham, N.Y.



### Vibrator

743

Type 1619 vibrator, for photoflash applications, measures 2-3/32-in. long, 1-3/16 in. in diameter, and weighs 1.2 oz. This non-synchronous vibrator has a frequency of  $115 \pm 7$  cps and a maximum load of 3 amp. It can be supplied in 3, 6, 12, 24 or 32 v ratings. P. R. Mallory & Co., Inc., Mallory Electromagnetic Co. Div., Dept. ED, Du Quoin, Ill.



### Miniature Bellows

395

Precision instrument bellows and diaphragms, with wall sections of 0.0005 in. to 0.005 in., for high temperature, high pressure and non-magnetic applications are available in a wide selection of sizes, shapes and proprietary alloys.

The Kinemotive Corp., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 386, Huntington Station, L. I., N. Y.

Price: \$30 to \$90 ca.

Availability: 21-day delivery.

### Slide Rule

396

A pocket-sized circular slide rule will be sent free of charge to engineers or executives. Write on business letterhead.

General Industrial Co., Dept. ED, 1788J Montrose Ave., Chicago 13, Ill.

### Magnet Wire Cables

397

Ribbon-type cables of Formvar insulated magnet wire are available with any number of conductors from 2 to 30, gauges from 26 to 44.

Spectra-Strip Wire & Cable Corp., Dept. ED, Box 415, Garden Grove, Calif.

Availability: Ten days to 2 weeks.

### Printed-Circuit Tape Kits

398

These kits contain plastic strips and dots for making patterns on copper-clad Fotoceram circuit grid contact. Ten 9 x 1/8 in. strips and forty 3/16 in. dots are supplied.

Corning Glass Works, Dept. ED, Corning, N.Y.

Price: 75¢.

Availability: Stocked by distributors.

### Nickel-Cadmium Battery

399

This 5-amp, nickel-cadmium battery is for military and space applications. The hermetically sealed unit operates for 20,000 duty cycles.

Gulton Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 212 Durham Ave., Metuchen, N.J.

### Dielectric Capacitor

400

Type TH Teflon dielectric capacitor operates in a temperature range of -55 to +200 C. This hermetically sealed unit is claimed to have high insulation resistance and low dielectric absorption.

Efcon, Inc., Dept. ED, Patterson Place, Roosevelt Field, Garden City, L.I., N.Y.

Price: From \$0.73 to \$22.08 in quantities of 1,000.

Availability: Made on order, delivery 15 to 30 days.

### Toggle Switch

401

Type T-203 swivel-type toggle switch has a toggle throw of 20 deg in any direction. Life is 25,000 operations min at rated load. Ratings are 2-circuit at 10-amp resistive and 5-amp inductive or 3-amp lamp, 28 v dc.

Controls Co. of America, Control Switch Div., Dept. ED, 1420 Delmar Drive, Folcroft, Pa.



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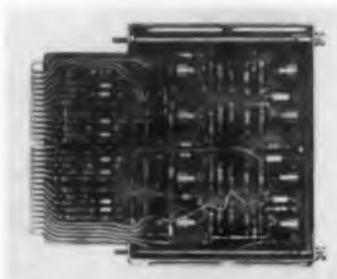
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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Flip-Flop Module

For use at 1 mc



Model FS-20 1-mc static flip-flop module accepts standard MIL-T-PAC signals and may be used as a logical element, an output package and a relay driver in shift-register applications. It operates within a temperature range of 0 to +65 C. Humidity maximum is 95%. It meets MIL-T-17113 for shock and MIL-STD-167, type 1 for vibration. Dimensions are 5-1/4 x 5/8 x 6-3/8 in.

Computer Control Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.

**Price:** \$242.

**Availability:** From stock.

### Regulated Power Supply

Furnishes 0 to 50 v dc



The T50-750 power supply furnishes 0 to 50 v dc at 0 to 750 ma. It provides both constant voltage and constant current to within 0.05%. Ripple for voltage is less than 0.5 mv and for current, less than 0.01%. Because the unit is adjustable down to the low-millivolt region, it is suitable as a supply for tunnel-diode applications.

Trygon Electronics Inc., Dept. ED, 111 Pleasant Ave., Roosevelt, L. I., N. Y.

**Price:** \$199.50.

**Availability:** Four weeks.

374

### Isolation Transformer Kit

Output is 90 to 130 v



Model IP-10 isolation transformer provides complete isolation from the ac power line and allows exact control of line voltage to the equipment under test. Output voltage is variable from 90 to 130 v in 0.75-v steps by means of heavy-duty, eight-position switches. Power rating is 300 w, continuous duty, or 500 w, intermittent duty. Output-voltage accuracy is  $\pm 1$  v.

Daystrom, Inc., Heath Co., Dept. ED, Benton Harbor, Mich.

**Price:** \$54.95 direct from factory.

**Availability:** Immediate.

587

### RF Interference Filters

For airborne defense systems



Three rf interference filters are designed for use in airborne defense weapons. Three types, designated 41045, 41046 and 41066, have a minimum attenuation of 100 db with 500 ma dc bias, 80 db with 3 amp dc bias and 130 db with 800 ma dc bias, respectively. Working voltage is 300 v min from -55 to +125 C. The filters have been tested over a frequency range of 18 to 1,000 mc in accordance with MIL-STD-220 and meet all applicable portions of MIL-E-5400 and MIL-F-15733.

Sky-Borne Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 13013 Los Nietos Road, Santa Fe Springs, Calif.

**Availability:** Two to three weeks.

592

### Tape-to-Card Converter

Is solid state



Basically a block-tape reader and decoder, this system consists of type 55 tape-to-card converter and a standard IBM summary punch. Coding is numeric. Speed is 100 cards per sec. Block length is 22 to 44 digits on 5 to 8 channels. Tapes with sizes of 11/16, 7/8 or 1 in. can be used. An input of 105 to 120 v at 60 cps, 8 amp, is required.

Telecomputing Corp., Dept. ED, 12838 Saticoy St., North Hollywood, Calif.

**Price:** \$14,500 job Hollywood.

**Availability:** 90 days.

593

### Translatory Potentiometer

Output is accurate to  $\pm 0.05\%$



Model PT37-1 translatory potentiometer has a non-linear output that is accurate to  $\pm 0.05\%$ . Specifications include: standard resistance range, 50 ohm per in. to 50 k per in.; independent linearity,  $\pm 0.5\%$  for 5 in. or more stroke,  $\pm 1\%$  for 1 to 5 in. stroke,  $\pm 3\%$  for 1 in. stroke; temperature coefficient, 20 parts per million per deg C; ambient temperature range, -55 to +125 C; equivalent noise resistance, 100 ohms max; dielectric strength, 1,000 v dc breakdown test, 5-sec duration.

Accuracy, Inc., Dept. ED, 4 Gordon St., Waltham 54, Mass.

**Price:** \$750 to \$1,500 ea, 1 to 6 units.

**Availability:** 45 days.

## Sealed Switch

392

For space applications

This dpdt, sealed switch for space applications offers the performance characteristics of a relay. It is based on the contact structure of the firm's contaminant-free, balanced-armature relay. Specifications include a rated load, at 28 v dc and at 115 v ac: resistive, 2 amp; inductive, 1 amp; motor, 0.5 amp; lamp, 0.3 amp. Operating life is a minimum of 50,000 cycles. Maximum weight is less than 1 oz.

Leach Corp., Relay Div., Dept. ED, Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

## Pressure-to-DC Transducer

393

Linearity is  $\pm 0.5\%$

Model DC-2000 Deceeeducer combines a variable-reluctance diaphragm pressure transducer with an all silicon, solid-state, synchronous modulator-demodulator. Excitation is from an unregulated 28-v dc supply. The unit is available in pressure ranges from 5 to 5,000 psi in gage, absolute and differential pressure types. Response is 2,200 cps. Hysteresis is low.

Solid State Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 15321 Rayen St., Sepulveda, Calif.

Price: \$750.

Availability: 30 days.

## Precision Oven

534

Temperature stability is  $\pm 0.1$  C at 70 C

Model 1201 precision oven has an internal temperature stability of  $\pm 0.01$  C at 70 C over an ambient temperature range of 0 to 50 C. The internal chamber has a volume of 20 cu in. It can be used to house tuning forks, filters, oscillators and other electronic circuitry. The proportional controller is transistorized and is powered from a 28-v dc supply.

Airtronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 5522 Dorsey Lane, Washington 16, D.C.  
Availability: 45 to 60 days.

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The FL will remain firmly latched in either armature position without applied power, a significant advantage where power is limited and long relay "on" times are required. This relay may be operated by:

1. Pulsing each coil alternately (observing coil polarity), or
2. Connecting the coils in series and operating from a reversing (polarized) source.

Write for complete information or call your nearest P&B representative.

### FL SERIES SPECIFICATIONS

Shock: 100 Gs for 11 milliseconds. No contact openings.

Vibration: .195", no contact openings. 10 to 55 cps. 30 Gs from 55 to 2500 cps.

Pull-In: 150 milliwatts maximum (standard) at 25° C. 80 milliwatts maximum (special) at 25° C.

Operate Time: 3 milliseconds maximum at nominal voltage at 25° C.

Transfer Time: 0.5 millisecond maximum at nominal voltage at 25° C.

Temperature Range: -65° C to +125° C.

Terminals: Plug-in pins.

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### Acceleration-Integrating Switch 549

Weights 6 oz



Model 2357A acceleration integrating switch, weighing 6 oz, is designed for applications such as telemetering and missile guidance. It provides precise switching operation at a preset value of gravity-time product for such operations as missile guidance and telemetering. Accuracy is  $\pm 8\%$  of gravity-time value, shock resistance is 50 g for 0.011 sec without integration and range is 1.5 to 25 g-sec.

Giannini Controls Corp., Dept. ED, 1600 S. Mountain Ave., Duarte, Calif.

### Transistors

500

Have ribbon leads

The Microbloc transistors can be furnished with ribbon leads in the T design. They can be made to order in the 120-deg design, Y configuration and other styles. The units with ribbon leads have the same electrical characteristics as units with conventional leads.

Rheem Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 1327, Mountain View, Calif.

### Magnetic Reed Relay

550

For printed circuit applications



Class 101 Magnereed magnetic reed relay is adaptable to most mounting requirements including printed circuit applications. Contacts are spst, normally open; rated 12 w, resistive load, at 1 amp max. Contact resistance is 50 milliohms max. Breakdown voltage is 200 v ac rms, min. Coil power is 100 mw nominal and 50 mw min. Operating time is less than 1 msec and release time is less than 0.5 msec.

Magneecraft Electric Co., Dept. ED, 335 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.

## SILICONE NEWS from Dow Corning

# To Speed Production



## Make Flexible, Durable Molds With Easy-to-use Silastic RTV

For production short-cuts and economies, look to Dow Corning Silicones. Here's just one example: Shallcross Manufacturing Company, Selma, N. C., makes molds for encapsulating electronic components with epoxies — they are made from Silastic® RTV, Dow Corning fluid silicone rubber.

Shallcross has found that it's easier to make molds with Silastic RTV because it sets up quickly and cures without heat. The previous mold making material required a 300 F cure and distorted on aging. Per cavity cost is substantially less with molds made of Silastic RTV.

Shallcross engineers also found Silastic RTV molds are easier to handle . . . have 400% longer production life . . . don't distort, shrink or alter their shape during storage . . . give finer detail. Flexible, multiple cavity molds are used for a variety of electronic components including delay lines, precision resistance networks, and shunts — like those pictured above.

Here's the simple procedure Shallcross follows:

**Step one:** Make the mold. Silastic RTV is poured over the mold forms . . . flows smoothly around the form. Result: a void-free flexible mold that withstands temperatures to 500 F . . . doesn't shrink or distort on aging.

**Step two:** Components to be encapsulated are placed in the mold and the encapsulating material is poured over the component. After the encapsulant sets up, parts are ready for removal.

**Step three:** Parts release quickly and cleanly from the flexible Silastic RTV multiple cavity form. The form is clean — ready for next use.

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"Silicones for the Electronic Engineer"  
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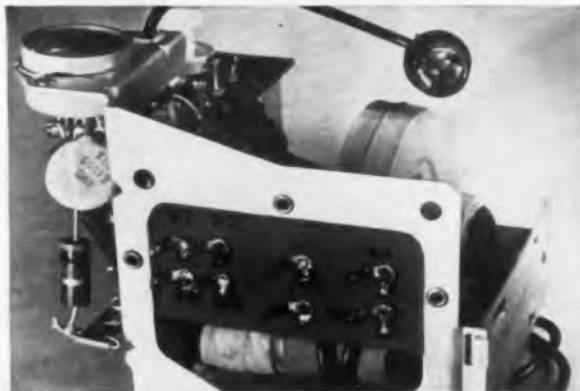


**Dow Corning**

# ... Specify Silicones

## Heat Loosened Terminals No Problem

Production of flyback transformers for RCA "Living Color" TV sets is expedited by the use of terminal boards made from silicone-glass laminates. Bonded with a Dow Corning silicone resin, these laminates easily withstand 250 C continuously . . . much higher temperatures for shorter times. Soldering heat doesn't loosen terminals or slow production. Good electric and physical properties, ease of fabrication, and resistance to creep-under pressure of terminal fasteners add up to a top quality high voltage laminate that lends itself to mass production techniques.



CIRCLE 801 ON READER SERVICE CARD

## Faster Pump Down, More Cycles

Dow Corning silicone diffusion pump fluids offer a combination of properties that add up to high production rates and long runs without maintenance. These properties provide heat stability, low vapor pressure, high vacua in the range of  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-7}$  mm of Hg, rapid recovery, quick pump down, inertness to air and metals and resistance to gamma radiation. Silicone diffusion pump fluids are non-toxic and chemically inert . . . pump vacuum can be released without first cooling the boiler . . . decomposition does not occur when hot fluid is exposed to air.



CIRCLE 802 ON READER SERVICE CARD

## Tape-On Heater Where It's Needed

A new, easy-to-install, flexible strip heater developed by Electro-Flex Heat of Hartford, Conn., consists mainly of a spread-out coil of resistance wire sandwiched between layers of Silastic®, the Dow Corning silicone rubber. Only 0.04" thick and very flexible, the unit can be taped to any shape and will pinpoint controlled heat to any desired location. Silastic brand silicone rubber was chosen because the heater elements are completely sealed against moisture and current leakage. Silastic also withstands temperatures as high as 260 C without loss of insulating efficiency or flexibility.



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## Power Supplies

570

Two units occupy the space of one



This dual laboratory supply has two meters for voltage setting or continuous monitoring of the two output currents. Output voltages are continuously adjustable from 5 to 30 v at 0 to 100 ma with a load regulation of 0.2% or 20 mv. Line regulation is better than 0.2% for line variations from 105 to 125 v. Ripple is less than 1 mv rms.

Straza Industries, Electronic Div., Dept. ED, 790 Greenfield Drive, El Cajon, Calif.

## Precision Potentiometers

407

Torque is 0.003 to 0.025 oz-in.

The Micro-torque, models 85111, and the Mini-torque, model 85151, potentiometers divide an electric current or voltage in proportion to shaft rotation up to 354 deg. They can be furnished with linear and sine-cosine functions. Useful angles up to 360 deg in a toroid form can be provided. The units stand vibration at 10 g to 1,000 cps and meet MIL-E-5272, Proc II. Both models use precious-metal resistance elements; standard resistances are 100 to 100,000. Linearity is  $\pm 0.5\%$ ; resolution is up to 0.05% for the higher resistance units. The design is compact.

Giannini Controls Corp., Dept. ED, 1600 S. Mountain Ave., Duarte, Calif.

## Turn Switch

408

Is vibration resistant



This turn switch combines the life and reliability features of conventional, telephone-type lever keys with the positive operation and anti-vibration of the rotary-wafer switch. Switch rotation for three positions is through 140 deg. Double cam and latching movement prevent false operation. Over-all size, including shaft and terminals, is 4-5/8 x 1-1/4 in. with a shaft length of 15/16.

Switch-Trol, Inc., Dept. ED, 726 S. Washington St., Park Ridge, Ill.

## NEW PRODUCTS

### Miniature Transformers 413

Operating level is 22 dbm



These miniature transistor transformers have primary impedance ratings of from 4,000 to 25,000 ohms, center-tapped, and secondary impedances of 150 to 1,500 ohms, center-tapped. Operating level is about 22 dbm with a frequency response of 200 to 15,000 cps. The units can be furnished in hermetically-sealed cases with high-compression glass terminals or in epoxy-molded construction or open-frame design with channel mounting.

Microtran Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 145 E. Mineola Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y.

Price: \$2.90 to \$10.

Availability: Immediate, from distributors.

### Plastic Tape 394

Flexibility at -50 F is claimed for black plastic tape No. 295. The pressure-sensitive tape has a thickness of 8.5 mils, 135% elongation, and will remain serviceable up to 180 F.

Permacel, Dept. ED, New Brunswick, N. J.

### Photoconductive Cadmium Cells 612

Act as noiseless resistors



ORP 60 photoconductive cadmium cells are suitable for use in computers as noiseless resistors and in light-operated flip-flop circuits. They are housed in sealed, all-glass transistor envelopes measuring 0.59-in. long and 0.25 in. in diameter. Dissipation rating is 70 mw.

Amperex Electronic Corp., Semiconductor and Special Purpose Tube Div., Dept. ED, 230 Duffy Ave., Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.

Price: \$0.35 to \$0.75.

Availability: Immediate, in production lots.

### Synchronous Motor 540

For timer applications



This synchronous motor combines the features of hysteresis motors and shaded pole motors. The basic design involves the permanent magnetization of both ends of an induction motor, giving the rotor a combination of synchronous and induction torque. The motor permanently locks into synchronous speed and is free from slip. Applications include: timer applications, data processing and equipment associated with recording charts and graphs.

The Alliance Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, Alliance, Ohio.

Availability: Made on order.

### Stack Switch Kits 417

Working samples of stack switches may be built from these experimental kits. Kit No. K-101 consists of springs, contacts, and other hardware for making switches with 1/4 in. or 3/8 in. mounting centers. Kit No. K-102 contains parts with 1/4 in. centers; Kit No. K-103, 3/8 in. centers.

Switchcraft, Inc., Dept. ED, 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.

Price: \$9.90 each.

### Electrolytic Capacitor 418

Type BMT miniaturized tubular electrolytic capacitors are available in size ranges for all transistor applications. Diameters are from 3/16 up to 5/8 in. Capacitances are from 1 to 2,000  $\mu$ f. Voltages are 3 to 50 v, inclusive. Operating range is -30 to +65 C. The unit has low impedance at -30 C.

Illinois Condenser Co., Dept. ED, 1616 N. Throop St., Chicago 22, Ill.

### Cathode Ray Tube 420

Type 5DEP cathode ray tube is for use in oscilloscopes and kits. It is available in P2, P7 and P11 phosphors. Vertical deflection sensitivity is 24.5 and horizontal deflection sensitivity is 42.

Waterman Products Co., Dept. ED, 2445 Emerald St., Philadelphia 25, Pa.

### Silver-Zinc Battery 468

For missile applications



Incorporating an internal chemical heating device, this silver-zinc battery needs no preheating from external sources yet heats up to full-power temperature several minutes faster than conventionally heated batteries. It delivers an average of 10 to 12.5 w-hr per lb and operates in ambient temperatures down to -65 F. Types 88-19 and 88-78 deliver a 20-amp current; type 88-80, 10 amp; and type 88-89, 50 ma to 17.5 amp.

The Electric Storage Battery Co., Missile Battery Div., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 11301, Raleigh, N.C.

### Soft Solder Foil 469

This soft solder foil is available in 50 alloys with melting points from 100 C to 400 C, widths up to 6.00 in., and thicknesses down to 0.0005 in. with tolerances to  $\pm 0.0001$  in.

Accurate Specialties Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 340 Hudson St., Hackensack, N. J.

Availability: 1 to 2 weeks.

### Turns-Counting Dial 604

With indication to 1/100 of a turn



Model 30 turns-counting dial indicates shaft position in increments of 1/100 of a turn. The unit measures 1-13/16 in. in diameter and 1-in. deep; it is designed for 1/4-in. shaft mounting. The bevelled window allows for reading at extreme angles.

Spectrol Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 1704 S. Del Mar Ave., San Gabriel, Calif.

Price: \$5.75.

Availability: Immediate.

## Crystal Switch 421

Operates at 25 mc

This spdt, solid-state crystal switch, designated model SNB203A, is designed to operate at 25 mc with a bandwidth of  $\pm 5$  mc. It can be factory-tuned to operate from below 10 mc to about 75 mc. Closed insertion loss is less than 2 db; isolation is greater than 50 db.

American Electronic Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 121 N. 7th St., Philadelphia 6, Pa.

Availability: 21 days.

## Bounce-Free Switches 424

For high-speed components

The 1PB2000 series bounce-free switches are designed to eliminate spurious voltage pulses caused by contact bounce. They are for use with high-speed electronic components that operate in less than 1 usec. One unit in the series produces a positive voltage output with resistive loads from 100 to 500 ohms; another produces a positive voltage output from resistive loads over 500 ohms; and the other two produce negative output voltages with these same resistive loads.

Micro Switch, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Dept. ED, Freeport, Ill.

Availability: 14 days.

## Double Triode 432

High- $\mu$ , high-perveance type

Type 6EA7 double triode is for vertical-deflection oscillator and amplifier applications in TV receivers. It contains both a high- $\mu$  triode and a low- $\mu$ , high-perveance triode. Section one (high- $\mu$ ) has a maximum plate rating of 350 v, a peak grid voltage of -400 v and a plate dissipation of 1 w. Section two, with a maximum plate voltage of 550 v dc, is rated at 10-w plate dissipation and 175-ma peak cathode current.

General Electric Co., Receiving Tube Dept., Dept. ED, Owensboro, Ky.

Availability: From stock.

One of a Series

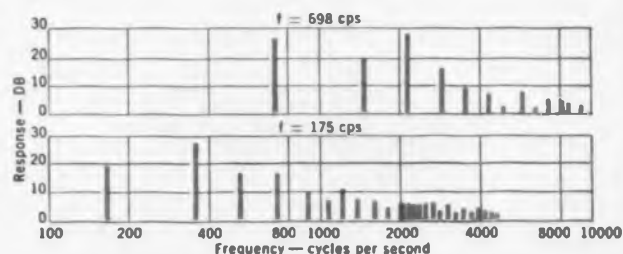


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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Moisture-Proof Switches

For ground support equipment



These moisture-proof, pushbutton switches are designed for applications in ground support and aircraft equipment. Type J3136 is a push-push, two-circuit switch rated at 5 amp, inductive or 10 amp, resistive at 28 v dc and at 120 v ac. The 1-19 32-in. unit has a life of 25,000 operations min at rated load. Type J3336 is a dpdt switch rated at 1 amp at 28 v dc or 120 v ac, resistive.

Controls Co. of America, Control Switch Div., Dept. ED, 1420 Delmar Dr., Folcroft, Pa.

### Pneumatic Shock Tester

Yields 50g for 11 msec

This pneumatic shock tester determines the amount of shock a missile component can stand before it fails. It produces a short duration pulse with square wave characteristics which apply constant acceleration for a fixed time. The unit can determine peak shock in a part before failure. The shock wave is calibrated to yield a 50-g load for 11 msec, 100-g for 7 msec or 500-g for 1 msec.

General Dynamics Corp., Convair Div., San Diego 12, Calif.

### Tapped Delay Lines

Total delay of 1 to 100  $\mu$ sec



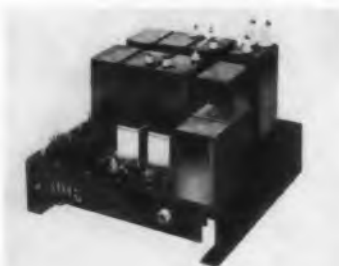
Series N delay lines are available in total delay times of 1 to 100  $\mu$ sec and in impedance levels of 50 to 2,000 ohms. Rise time is 3% to 4% of delay time. Standard tolerance on delay is 2% and temperature coefficient of delay is 0.005% per deg C.

The Artronic Instrument Co., Dept. ED, 11232 Triangle Lane, Silver Spring, Md.  
*Availability: One week.*

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### Radar-Pulse Modulator

Is compact in size



Model 30-116-0 solid-state modulator is claimed to offer a size reduction of 50% to 60% and increased operational life over tube-type modulators. Designed to drive a 4J52-A magnetron, the unit has two output channels. Pulse width is 0.12  $\mu$ sec at 3,000 pps and 0.4  $\mu$ sec at 750 pps. Voltage rise time is 0.1 usec. Peak power output is 225 kw.

Magnetic Research Corp., Dept. ED, 3160 W. El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif.

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brass housing. Resistance range extends to 8,400 ohms, power rating is 1/3 w at 85 C and operating ambient temperature range is -50 to +100 C. Sealed-metal-to-metal construction is used.

The Liquidometer Corp., Dept. ED, Long Island City, N. Y.

### Transistorized Choppers

443

Are germanium type

These epoxy-encapsulated choppers utilize germanium transistors. They are capable of linearly switching or chopping voltages from a fraction of a millivolt to 10 v, and can be driven from dc to 100 kc. The model 50 is 1.25-in. long and 0.45-in. in diameter. Model 60 is 0.5 in. long and 0.25 in. in diameter.

Solid State Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 15321 Rayen St., Sepulveda, Calif.

*Price: Model 50, \$29 ea; Model 60, \$42 ea.*  
*Availability: 1-day delivery from stock.*

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### Impulse Relay Control

In module form

The model 10A-RA impulse relay control module is a spdt power switching device permitting an electrical impulse or momentary contact to control on-off power to projectors, recorders, lights, etc. Triggering may be local or remote. Coil voltage is 110 to 120 v, 50 to 60 cps; contacts are rated for 10 amp at 115 v. The 1.5-lb module is 5-1/4-in. high, 3-in. wide, and 9-1/4-in. deep.

TelePrompTer Corp., Dept. ED, 311 W. 43rd St., New York 36, N. Y.

*Price: \$70.*

*Availability: 30-day delivery from stock.*

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### Data Simulators

388

For analog systems test

The Dator series of data simulators generate signals simulating synchros, resolvers, tachometers, and other transducers. Providing greater accuracy than the simulated transducers, they are used in the testing of analog systems. A typical configuration simulates a 3-wire synchro transmitter at increments of 5 deg from 0 through 360 deg. The device is useful for data input to servo systems in production test, ground support, and laboratory applications.

Angler Industries, Dept. ED, 3 Lexington Drive, Metuchen, N.J.

*Price: \$285.*

*Availability: 4 to 6 weeks.*

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### Trimmer Potentiometer

For hermetically-sealed instruments



Type B329 potentiometer is for trimming adjustments on hermetically sealed instruments and is available to manufacturers of aircraft and missile instrumentation. Weighing 1/2 oz, the unit is easily installed and is encased in a nickel-plated

608

### Repeat-Cycle Timers

444

Are automatic type

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G. C. Wilson & Co., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 5525, Huntington, W. Va.

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1-3/32"	1K	± .25%
	10K	± .25%
	50K	± .25%
2"	1K	± .25%
	10K	± .25%
	50K	± .25%
3"	1K	± .1%
	10K	± .1%
	50K	± .1%
2"	5K	± .25%
	20K	± .25%
	50K	± .25%
3"	5K	± .1%
	20K	± .1%
	50K	± .1%
2"	5K	± .05%
	20K	± .05%
	50K	± .05%

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		2" Stroke	± .5%
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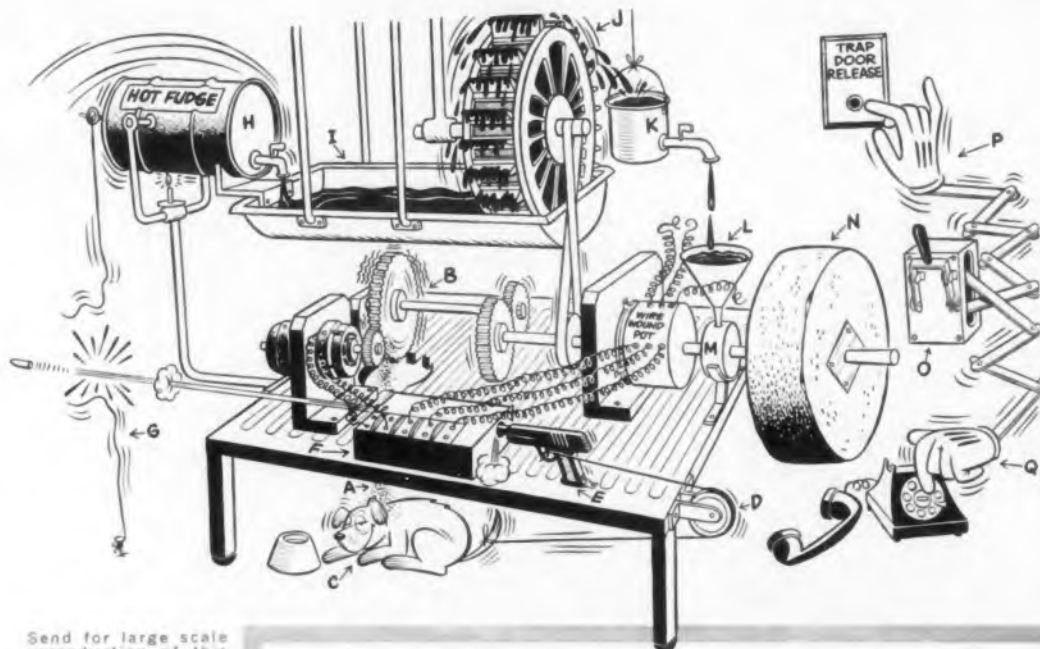


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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Digital Readout

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Industrial Electronic Engineers, Inc., Dept. ED, 5528 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, Calif. Price: \$35.

Availability: 30 days.

### Torque Transducer

536

Ranges are from 0.5 to 10,000 lb-in.



Type TF torque transducer is a precision electronic torque measuring instrument for static or dynamic testing operations. The unit is available in nine standard ranges from 0.5 to 10,000 lb-in. Speed ranges are 0 to 6,000, 0 to 25,000, 0 to 50,000 and 0 to 75,000 rpm. The TF uses variable permeance design for operation with frequencies between 400 and 3,000 cps. It can be operated into the firm's 83F translator or other conventional recorders and amplifiers that employ ac bridge circuitry. Linearity is 1%; temperature range is -60 to +450 F. The unit stands 50% of full scale overload.

Crescent Engineering & Research Co., Dept. ED, 5440 N. Peck Road, El Monte, Calif.

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### Identification Light

447

The back-lighted head of this indicator light can accommodate two 1/2 in. or three smaller digits or letters. The light is 1.6 in. long; its plastic head measures 5/8 in. by 15/16 in. It uses 6, 12, or 28 v. Glar-Ban Corp., Dept., ED, 118 Glar-Ban Bldg., 3807 Harlem Road, Buffalo 15, N. Y.

Price: \$1.10 to \$1.75 ea.

### Pushbutton

448

This oil-tight, illuminated pushbutton can operate with multiple contact blocks in any combination of normally open or normally closed contacts. It incorporates a molded transformer designed for immunity to voltage surge/lamp damage. Available for 110 to 550 v applications. Cutler-Hammer, Dept. ED, 538 N. 12th St., Milwaukee, Wis.



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### Glass-Mica Substrates

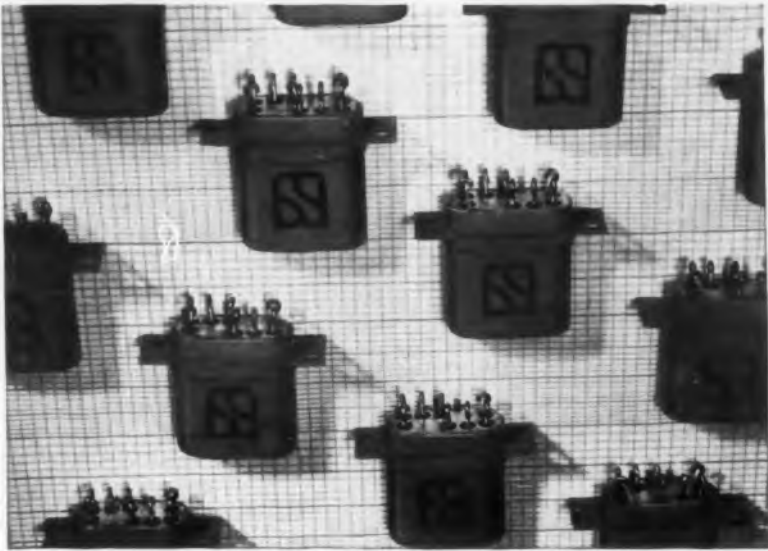
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These printed-circuit substrates are slabs of glass-bonded mica with leads molded in position and surfaces lapped to a 10 in. finish. They are supplied blank or with 0.0005 in. thick deposited copper circuits. A stacking device is molded in. Electronic Mechanics, Inc., Dept. ED, 101 Clifton Blvd., Clifton, N. J.

### Terminal Block

450

A subminiature terminal block featuring slotted nut and threaded stud terminals, the type 409-1802 can accommodate 21 terminals, plus mounting holes, in an overall length of 4 3/8 in. The molded-barrier block is 5/16 in. wide. MIL-M-14 specifications are met. Kulka Electric Corp., Dept. ED, 633-643 S. Fulton Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.



## This is the new Union Crystal Case Relay

The UNION 2-PDT General Purpose Crystal Case Relay is designed to consistently meet the requirements of MS 24250, Mil-R-25018, Mil-R-5757C. Use it where minimum size and *optimum reliability* are essential—in control systems, computers, airborne and guided missile electronic equipment.

To provide vibration immunity, we have incorporated a unique feature in this relay's armature suspension system. A torsion wire is anchored to the armature and backstrap. It acts as a biasing spring; supports the armature and eliminates end play. The relay uses the rotary principle of operation, found in the entire line of extremely reliable Union Switch & Signal miniature relays.

The 2-pole, double throw, bifurcated contact structure increases reliability and efficiency in dry circuit applications. UNION Crystal Case Relays are designed for continuous operations in the  $-65^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$  range.

Union Switch & Signal's manufacturing capabilities and experience make it possible to provide these quality relays in quantity. Manufacturing techniques make it possible to provide the ultimate in reliability.

The new UNION Crystal Case Relay is available with the 0.2" grid-spaced header or "S" type header, with solder lugs, plug-in terminals, or 3-inch leads, and for various operating voltages.

Contact Union Switch & Signal for additional information about this new Crystal Case Relay. Write for bulletin 1064.

Vibration: 20 G—2,000 cps

Shock: 50 G

Temperature Rating:  $-65^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$

Contact Rating: Dry circuit to 2 amp., 28-volt DC resistive load.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Heat-Sink Fixture 415

For servo component testing



This standardized heat-sink fixture is for servo component testing. It tests units such as synchros, resolvers, motors, generators and potentiometers with close repeatability of thermally affected parameters.

Angler Industries, Dept. ED, Metuchen, N.J.

Price: \$57.50 ea, fob Metuchen.

Availability: 1 week.

### True RMS Voltmeter 438

Measures complex waveworms to 1/4% accuracy



Model 350 voltmeter has a range of 0.1 to 1,199.9 v. The frequency range of the input signal is from 50 cps to 20 kc with harmonic content to 50 kc. A wide range of waveforms, from sinewaves to square waves, can be measured to an accuracy of 1/4%. Accuracy is 1/2% for frequencies below 100 cps and above 10 kc and for voltage over 300 v.

Ballantine Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, Boonton, N.J.

Price: \$720.

Availability: December, 1960.

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Canine cleaning, to be candid, is one of the few jobs that stump Circosonics — the amazing equipment that bombards dirt with sound, yet never harms your product. Circo ultrasonic units, however, clean almost everything else and clean them absolutely in mere minutes or less!

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The above partial list of applications must suggest a use for Circosonics in your business. Circo — for 37 years the leader in planning, engineering and installing cleaning equipment — pioneered the ultrasonic cleaning field. And Circo offers you the widest line of such units to be found. Thus, Circo is your best and logical choice, whether you need a small bench model or a huge custom-designed conveyerized unit.

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No matter what you make — Circo ultrasonic units will solve your cleaning problems. They've chalked-up success after success — in a vast number of different fields — by swiftly, safely and economically licking the toughest cleaning jobs. It will well pay you to put amazing Circo-sonics to work for you.



### "WHITE ROOM" WIZARD!

Specifically designed for industrial "white rooms," hospital, dental, or other critical work areas, Circo Model US-WR-20 is a star performer where absolute cleanliness is a prime consideration. This compact, self-contained unit has automatic wash and rinse as well as dryer.



### PUTS MORE "GET" IN A JET!

This Agitating Washer — another Circo first! — removes carbon, grease and oil from Pan American Airways jet engines in their overhaul, cleaning and inspection system. First of its kind, it super-cleans while it slashes time and labor costs.

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## Transistor Test Socket

542

Power factor is less than 0.0003



This transistor test socket, called the Tran-socket, has a power factor of less than 0.0003 over the frequency spectrum from 60 cps to 30,000 meg. The electrical properties remain essentially unchanged up to +400 F. Dielectric strength ranges from 1,000 to 2,000 v. The unit can operate and be used from -100 to +500 F.

Atlantis Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 3322-26 Broadway St., Garland, Tex.

## Telemetry Device

445

Transmits integrated data

Transmission of integrated data over existing analog telemeter channels is possible with this digital telemetry system. The transmitter accumulates pulse signals and sends data to the receiver at intervals programed by a built-in timer.

General Electric Co., Dept. ED, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

Price: Approximately \$2,000 for basic equipment.

## Multiple Connectors

572

Have up to 82 contacts



The Cal-Met connectors are offered in sizes with 10, 15, 18, 22, 25, 38, 43 and 82 contacts. Basically a connector receptacle, one of these units accepts the terminal edge of standard etched-circuit boards the same way the connector is received. Gold-on-silver-plated contacts minimize corrosion. Nominal resistance is 0.005 ohms; there is a 20-mv drop with 7.5 amp at 25 ±3 C.

Automation Electronics, Inc., Arnoux Corp., Dept. ED, 11924 W. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles 66, Calif.

# NEW!

## Solid State DISPLAY ASSEMBLY



for decimal display  
and storage of  
binary coded  
decimal data

accepts up to 24 bits of parallel BCD data

Hermes' new Solid State Display Assembly, Model 2060, is designed for use in any system requiring presentation in decimal display of a BCD parallel signal. For example, Model 2060 permits direct reading of Angular Shaft Encoders with BCD parallel output. Model 2060 accepts up to 24 bits of parallel BCD information in any of the following 4-bit Codes: Binary Code Decimal (1-2-4-8); Gray Code (Cyclic Code); Decade Counter Code (1-2-2-4) or (1-2-4-2); Binary Complement Coded Decimal; Binary Two Out of Five Code; Binary (1-2-4-7).

These signals are converted to 60-line decimal display using Burroughs-type Nixie tubes. Binary input to Model 2060 may be either static or parallel pulses.

Storage capability which can conveniently be retrieved through a multi-pin connector is provided in the converting circuitry. Converter Boards can be furnished which accept up to six bits of parallel information, converting to two decimal displays. Write for Technical Bulletin 2060.

## Hermes



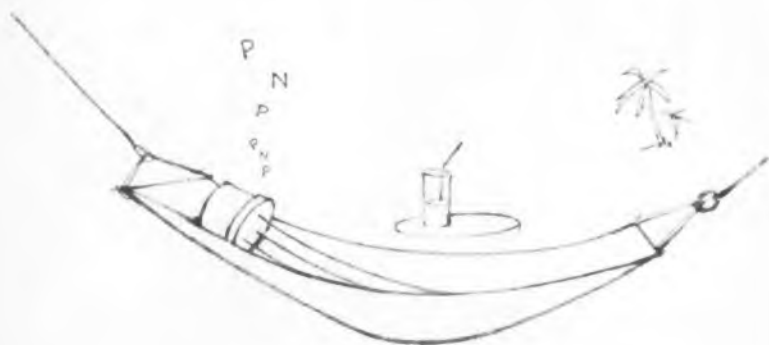
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## taking the overload off

The trouble with using fuses to protect transistors from short period overloads or fault currents is simple: the transistor is by far the better (and faster) fuse. It can also be called too much "thermal inertia" on the part of the fuse, but the transistor still ends up the same way.

As fate\* would have it, a prominent relay manufacturer has now come to the rescue. We've devised a simple little 3-terminal device that will prevent destruction of transistors by DC overloads. It's working in customers' equipment, and

- operates in 1 to 5 milliseconds
- limits the transient, with a complete short circuit, to a maximum of 5 times the set value
- interrupts currents up to 5 amperes
- can be reset (locally or remotely) or designed to cycle
- will operate a local or remote warning light, buzzer, etc.
- can be supplied in a wide variety of set points

- operates within +20% of its set point
- doesn't cost all outdoors

You do have to allow for the resistance this overload protector introduces into the circuit, but it's in the order of 1 to 5 ohms and the voltage drop is a few millivolts, less than one-tenth the voltage drop of the conventional circuit breaker.

To those who might question the economics of spending more than the transistor's cost just to protect it, keep the alternatives in mind. If the burned out transistor(s) lets a machine produce a carload of 4-foot yardsticks or causes a few hours of expensive down time, the protection is cheap. (Ever rented a computer?)

If you'd like some block diagrams of typical uses and an assortment of representative values and ratings, write to us, care of our Current Fault Division.

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## NEW PRODUCTS



### Ring Dynamometer Transducers 750

Made in both resistance and capacitance types, these ring dynamometer transducers are designed for extreme sensitivity and micro-deflection values. The resistance type changes resistance of the firm's load cell 20,000 ohms with a 0.001-in. deflection. It operates from a 1.5 v dc supply at a current drain of 0.001 amp. Clark Electronic Laboratories, Dept. ED, Box 165, Palm Springs, Calif.



### DC Power Supply 744

This dc power supply is designed to power thermoelectric cooling modules. Currents are up to 20 amp. Maximum power output is 50 w. Input power is standard 115 v, 60 cps. The unit measures 8 x 12 x 8 in. and weighs 11 lb. It is intended for low-power laboratory experimentation. Mar-Cone Corp., Dept. ED, 44 Winn St., Woburn, Mass.



### Power Line Filters 458

The manufacturer claims reduction in voltage drop, reactive current, and weight of these power line filters. Type A-25 is rated at 20 amp at 250 v ac. Attenuation is 100 db down from 70 to 45,000 mc. Other types have 100-db attenuation to 0.014 mc. McMillan Industrial Corp., Dept. ED, Brownville Ave., Ipswich, Mass.



### VHF Receiver 459

Designed for airport control or point-to-point applications, the fixed tuned Type RV-9 vhf receiver is capable of reliable unattended performance. Both local oscillators of the double superheterodyne design use crystal control. Range is 108 to 152 mc. ITI Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 369 Lexington Ave., Clifton, N. J.



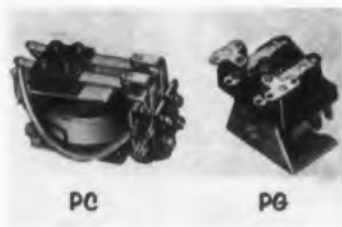
### Illuminated Switch 460

This push-push switch, the J8000 Series, is a dpdt unit with independent light circuit rated at 28 v dc or 115 v ac. It has a nickel-plated brass plunger and anodized aluminum case, a choice of 6 lens colors, and an over-all length of 2-33 64 in. Controls Co. of America, Control Switch Division, Dept. ED, Folcroft, Pa.



### Vane-Axial Fan 461

A type originally designed for aircraft, this turbo-slot vane-axial fan, designated model 8057AX48, delivers 250 cfm at a total pressure rise of 1.15 in. H<sub>2</sub>O. The induction-type unit operates on 115 v, cps, at 3,450 rpm. General Dynamics Corp., Electric Boat Div., Dept. ED, Groton, Conn.



### Power Control Relays

463

A wide range of coil voltages and mounting and terminal arrangements is available in the PC and PG Series power control relays. The ac or dc units are rated at 15 amp resistive, 5 amp inductive; the PG series may be hermetically sealed, with contacts rated at 20 amp resistive. Elgin Advance Relays, Elgin National Watch Co., Dept. ED, 2435 N. Naomi St., Burbank, Calif.



### DC Amplifiers

464

This line of amplifiers has 4 compatible models: medium high gain amplifiers, power amplifier, and chopper stabilizer. Open loop gain is to about 30,000, with chopper drift rate stabilized to less than 1 mv per day. The units are interchangeable with others now on the market. Deltex Laboratories, Dept. ED, Box 2666, Jackson, Miss.



### Erase Heads

465

The HQ Series of stereo and monophonic erase heads use double-gap construction; quiet, efficient erasure is claimed. Suitable for two-track or four-track tape, the heads come in three-mounting styles to enable any mode of installation. High and low impedance models are available. Nortronics Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 1015 S. 6th St., Minneapolis 4, Minn.

*Availability: From stock.*



### Adjustable Switch

466

Differential travel can be adjusted from 0.0025 in. to 0.007 in. on the 10BS210 switch, affecting contact distance, pre-travel distance and operating and differential force. It is rated at 20 amp, 120 to 460 v ac; 3/4 hp at 115 v ac or 1-1/2 hp at 230 v ac. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Micro Switch Div., Dept. ED, Freeport, Ill.



### MIL-SPEC Blowers

467

This line of MIL-SPEC rack-mounted centrifugal blowers has units ranging in panel height from 3-1/2 in. to 10-1/2 in., and airflow ranges from 150 cfm to 800 cfm. All parts in the line meet military specifications. Motors are 50 to 400 cps single and 3-phase, 115 v to 440 v. McLean Engineering Laboratories, Dept. ED, Princeton, N. J.

### Accuracy Is Our Policy . . .

In the New Product description of miniature connectors on p 80 of the Nov. 23 issue, Atlas Connectors Corp. was incorrectly identified as Atlan Connectors Corp. The firm is located at 27 E. 21st St., New York, 10, N.Y.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Wheatstone Bridge

588

Accuracy is 0.05%



Model MV-276A electronic Wheatstone bridge has a measuring range of 1 ohm to 1,000 meg with an accuracy of 0.05%. The calibrated unbalance makes it possible to read many similar resistances directly without balancing each time. The unit is portable, contains an electronic null detector and power source, and measures 12 x 8 x 9 in.

Millivac Instruments, Div. of Cohu Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, Schenectady, N.Y.

### Power Breaker Control

456

In module form

The model 30A-D15 power breaker control module is a 115 v ac, 30-amp equipment overload protection unit. The input line circuit, 110 to 120 v at 30 amp, is protected by a push-to-reset circuit breaker. The output line, either one 30-amp or two 15-amp circuits, is protected by automatic breakers. The 1.5-lb module is 5-1/4-in. high, 3-in. wide, and 9-1/4-in. deep.

TelePrompTer Corp., Dept. ED, 311 W. 43rd St., New York 36, N. Y.

Price: \$50.

Availability: 30-day delivery from stock.

### Water-Cooled Triode

601

For use as a Class C amplifier



Type ML-7560 water-cooled triode is designed to have a 400-kw continuous output as a Class C amplifier or as an oscillator at frequencies to 30 mc. It delivers 2.5 megawatts in a pulsed rf amplifier and switches 14 megawatts in a pulse

modulator at long-pulse duration with high duty factors. Maximum ratings are: 20 kv dc, plate voltage; 600 kw, plate input at frequencies to 30 mc.

Raytheon Co., Machlett Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 1063 Hope St., Springdale, Conn.

Price: \$4,700.

Availability: From stock.

### Universal Test Set

591

Provides standardized signals



Model 1300B universal module test set provides standardized test signals for verifying operation of the firm's transistorized digital system modules. It generates waveforms necessary for checking the modules and provides supply voltages, variable loads and controls for sensitivity, margin and frequency checking. A single-pulse generator and output monitor meter eliminate the need for an oscilloscope during most tests.

Navigation Computer Corp., Dept. ED, 1621 Snyder Ave., Philadelphia 45, Pa.

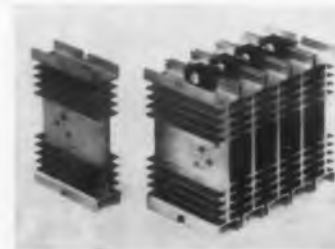
Price: \$995.

Availability: 45 days.

### Heat Sinks

558

For power transistors and diodes



These heat sinks are especially designed for easy mounting and stacking. They can be used singly or in multiple heat-sink arrays and offer 25-sq-in. of surface area for each inch of length. They have holes for mounting or stacking.

Invar Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 323 W. Washington Blvd., Pasadena, Calif.

### Variable Transformer

633

Has output-limiting switch



The VT8G is a portable, variable transformer which has an overvoltage-no-overvoltage selection switch. With it the user can limit the output of the transformer to the line voltage of 120 v or to the overvoltage rating of 140 v. The VT8G is rated at 7.5 amp and incorporates a circuit breaker for protection.

Ohmite Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 3627 Howard St., Skokie, Ill.

Price: \$28.50 for one to five units.

### Tantalum Capacitors

457

Are 0.438 in. long, 0.172 in. in diameter

Type TSP tantalum capacitor measures 0.438 in. long and 0.172 in. in diameter. The capacitance range extends to 5.6  $\mu$ f, voltage rating is 50 v, and leakage current rating is 0.01  $\mu$ a per  $\mu$ f per v.

U. S. Semiconductor Products, Dept. ED, 3540 W. Osborn Road, Phoenix, Ariz.

Price & Availability: \$1.65 ea; 10-day delivery time.

### Frequency-Deviation Meter

618

Input sensitivity is 10 mv rms



Called the series PI-111 Pulse Rate Integrator, this unit is for monitoring power-line frequencies, tachometers, repetition rate pick-ups, radiation detectors and other devices. Input sensitivity is as low as 10 mv rms. Standard models indicate 57 to 63 cps and 380 to 400 cps. Variations with center frequencies from 50 cps to 50 kc are also offered. All models have a resolution of 0.1%.

Anadex Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 14734 Arminta St., Van Nuys, Calif.

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COLORADO: Denver Electronics Supply Co., 1254 Arapahoe St., Denver 4.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Capitol Radio Wholesalers Inc., 2120 14 St., N.W., Wash., D. C.

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ILLINOIS: Newark Electronics Corp., 223 W Madison St., Chicago 6.

MARYLAND: D & H Distributing Company, Inc., 2025 Worcester St., Baltimore 30; Kann-Elliott Electronics, Inc., 2050 Rock Rose Avenue, Baltimore; Wholesale Radio Parts Co. Inc., 308 W Redwood St., Baltimore 1.

MASSACHUSETTS: Cramer Electronics Inc., 811 Boylston St., Boston 16; Radio Shack Corp., 730 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 17.

NEW JERSEY: Federated Purchaser Inc., 1021 U.S. Rte. 22, Mountainside; General Radio Supply Co., 600 Penn St., Camden 2; Radio Elec. Service Co., Inc., 513 Cooper St., Camden 2.

NEW MEXICO: Electronics Parts Co., Inc., 222 Truman St., N. E., Albuquerque; Midland Specialty Co., 1712 Lomas Bl. N. E., Albuquerque; Radio Specialties Co., Inc., 209 Penn Ave., Alamogordo.

NEW YORK: Arrow Elect. Inc., 525 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, L. I.; Elect. Center Inc., 211 W 19th St., N. Y. 11; Harvey Radio Co., Inc., 103 W. 43rd St., N. Y. 36; Lafayette Radio, 100 Sixth Ave., N. Y. 13; Stack Industrial Electronics, Inc., 45 Washington Street, Binghamton; Terminal Elect. Inc., 236 W. 17 St., N. Y. 17.

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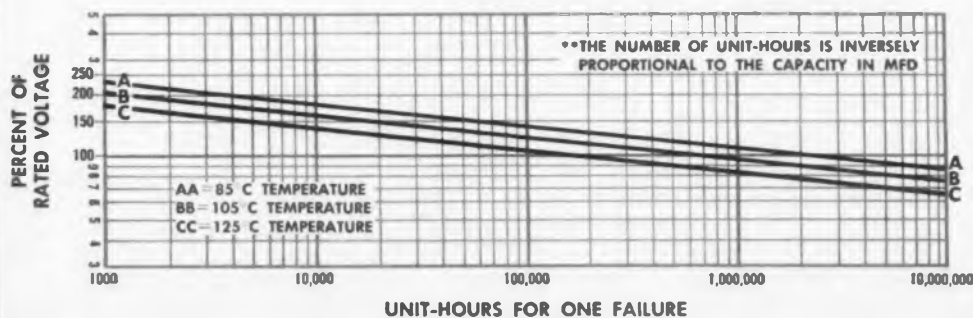
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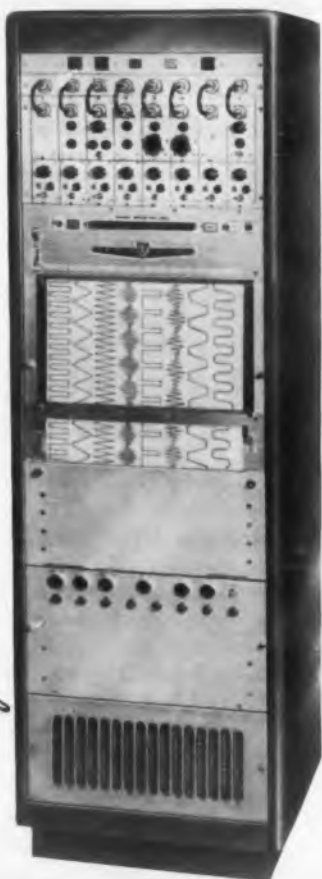
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## NEW PRODUCTS

### DC Power Supply

471

Regulated to 0.01%



Model CR-36-20 dc power supply is regulated to 0.01% and rated at 0 to 36 v and 0 to 20 amp. Specifications include: peak-to-peak ripple, 0.003 v; recovery time from full load step, 40  $\mu$ sec; stability, 5 parts per 10,000 per 24-hr day. The unit weighs approximately 70 lb and measures 7 x 19 x 16-5/8 in.

NJE Corporation, Dept. ED, 20 Boright Ave., Kenilworth, N.J.

Price: \$845 ea.

### Phenolic Varnish

382

Resinox 495 is a flame-retardant, high-electrical grade laminate with good cold-punching properties. Especially recommended for printed circuits in commercial radio and TV applications and as copper-clad laminates for computers and military applications. The varnish meets NEMA specs.

Monsanto Chemical Co., Plastics Div., Dept. ED, Springfield, Mass.

### Wire-Stripping Tool

383

The SW-1 Stripwright has a squeeze-grip slide action with all parts machined to a close tolerance. It is equipped with a cam-action calibrated dial that can be adjusted to strip wire sizes 12 to 26 AWG with a full range of up to 0.08 in.

Kelsey-Hayes Co., Utica Drop Forge and Tool Div., Dept. ED, Utica 4, N.Y.

### Control Relay

384

The Compact 300 is rated at 6 amp, 300 v max. It is a fixed-circuit device with provisions for eight independent poles and is also available with 2, 3, 4 or 6 poles in any combination of normally open or normally closed contacts. It requires only 5.5 in. of panel space.

Cutler-Hammer, Dept. ED, 538 N. 12th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

### Plastic Tape

402

Tesamoll 763 polyurethane foam tape stands temperatures to 248 F. It is fungus-proof, chemically inert, and resistant to most oils. Offered in 30-ft rolls, it is 1/4 in. thick.

United Mineral & Chemical Corp., Dept. ED, 16 Hudson St., New York 13, N.Y.

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## Generator-Detector

462

Provides six output ranges



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Electro Scientific Industries Inc., Dept. ED, 7524 S.W. Macadam, Portland, Ore.

Price: \$1,300 ea.

Availability: 30 days.

## Soldering Machine

378

This machine uses a wave method for production soldering of printed-circuit panels. Standard performance to 0.015 in. spacing of circuitry is possible. Operation is automatic. Conveyor speeds are up to 72 in. per min.

Hollis Engineering, Inc., Dept. ED., 669 South Ave., Weston 93, Mass.

## Plastic Front Meter

379

Model 68H is available in all common milliammeter, ammeter and voltmeter ranges with an accuracy of 1% full scale. The acrylic plastic is rugged and does not fade.

The Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., Dept. ED, 10526 Dupont Ave., Cleveland 8, Ohio.

## Coaxial Load

663

Model 1117 coaxial load has vswr of 1.1 max at 5,000 to 6,000 mc. It stands extreme vibration.

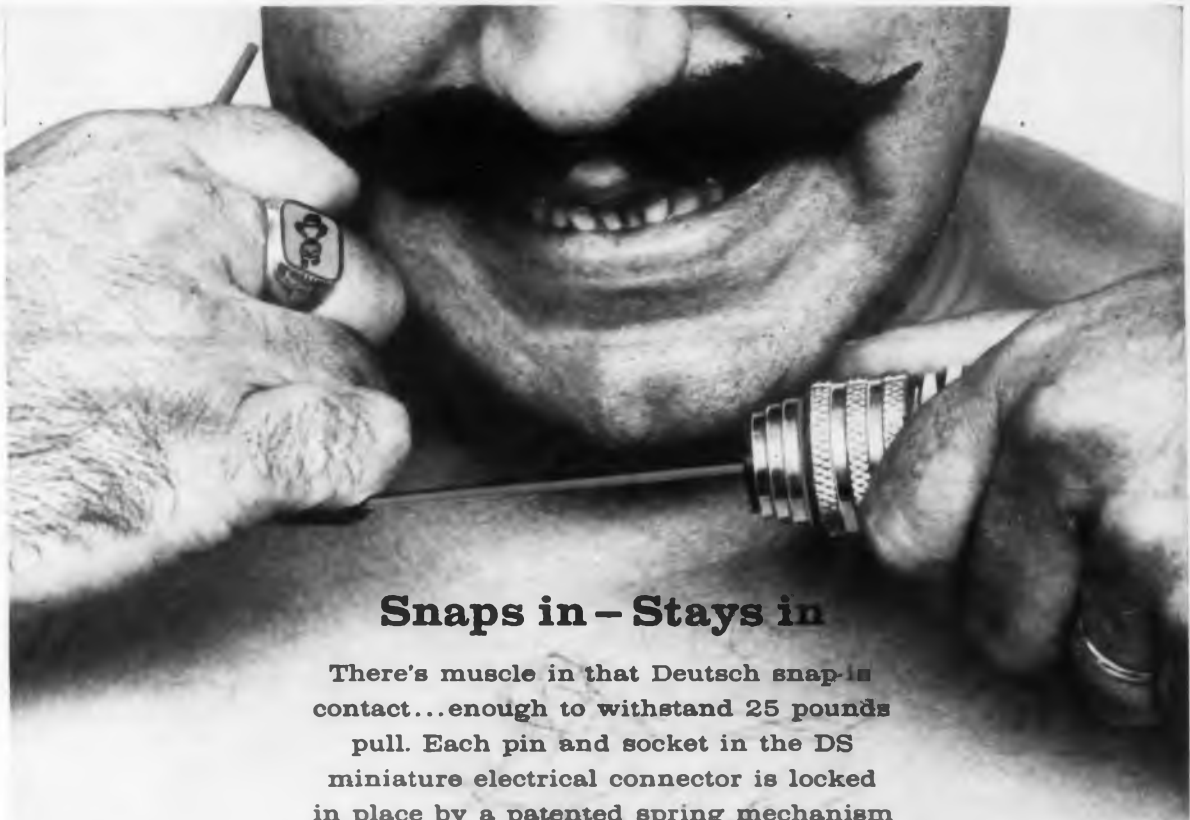
Radar Design Corp., Dept. ED, Pickard Drive, NE, Syracuse 11, N.Y.

## Console Cabinet

385

Model 14 is designed for industrial use and is made of 14-gage steel. It is oil and dust tight; seams are welded and doors and panel have neoprene gaskets. Dimensions are 50 x 24 x 23 in.

Hoffman Engineering Corp., Dept. ED, Anoka, Minn.



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475

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Tektronix, Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

Price: \$525 ea.

Availability: From stock.

### Missile Test System

717

This portable electronic laboratory is for testing missiles, aircraft equipment, communications equipment, and other systems. It is portable for transportation to missile launching sites.

Goodyear Aircraft Corp., Dept. ED, Akron, Ohio.

### Plated Wire

718

These silver-plated, nickel-plated copper conductors can be used at temperatures up to 250 C. They are available in full AWG ranges of single end and stranded conductors.

Hudson Wire Co., Ossining Div., Dept. ED, Ossining, N. Y.

### Instrument Counters

709

Three series of high-speed units offer several choices as to number of figures, rotation, side of drive and type of wheel imprint. They are suitable for applications such as missile tracking devices, radar controls, computers and gaging instruments.

Durant Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 1953 N. Buffum St., Milwaukee 1, Wis.

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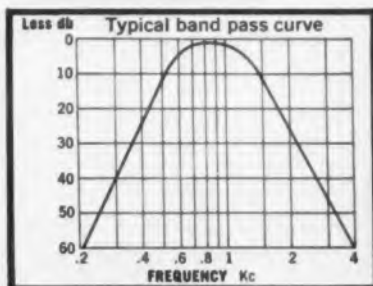
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## Thermal Timing Relay 430

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Type DM thermal timing relay provides instant-reset operation. Operating voltages up to 230 v can be used. The unit provides time delays down to 0.75 sec. Setting tolerance is  $\pm 10\%$ . Load rating is 3 amp to 250 v ac, 1 amp resistive to 32 v dc. Timing elements must be specified for normally open or normally closed single-point output.

G-V Controls Inc., Dept. ED, Okner Parkway, Livingston, N.J.

## Voltage Reference Standards 431

For high-temperature applications



Series 260 voltage reference standards are for high-temperature military applications. Temperature coefficient is  $\pm 0.001\%$  per deg C from  $-55$  to  $+150$  C. These units operate directly from an unregulated 26.5-v dc source. Regulation is  $\pm 0.005\%$  for  $\pm 10\%$  line voltage change. Approximately 1-ma current is delivered to an external load. Outputs are 5.8 or 8.5 v dc.

Viking Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 21343 Roscoe Blvd., Canoga Park, Calif.

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Model 737A shown with Model 732A Converter Plug-In

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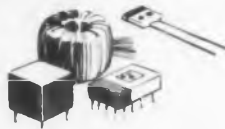
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## NEW PRODUCTS

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642

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The TGS-720 tone generator transforms dialed pulses from a telephone dial to interrupted tone signals for transmission over any voice channel. The unit consists of a stable-tone oscillator and a regulated power supply that works from 117 v at 50 or 60 cps. The oscillator circuit is of the symmetrical type. The unit may be used single-ended for radio applications. The power supply provides heater and regulated plate voltage for the oscillator and has sufficient capacity to operate the firm's digital decoders. Designed primarily for signaling over wire lines, the unit works well over carrier, microwave and radio in any combination.

Secode Corp., Dept. ED, 555 Minnesota St., San Francisco 7, Calif.

### Stator Wedges

712

These U-shaped wedges have widths of 5/16, 11/32 and 3/8 in. One-piece molded construction of polyester reinforced with woven fiberglass provides high strength and easy driving. Dielectric strength is 3,000 v min. The wedges are designed for use as electrical insulation in Class B and Class F motors.

The Glastic Corp., Dept. ED, 4321 Glenridge Road, Cleveland 21, Ohio.

Price: \$0.10 to \$0.24 per ft.

### Mylar Film Capacitor

713

Series 9FM tubular capacitors have Mylar-film dielectrics and plastic cases with epoxy resin end seals. Units are compact and are able to withstand humidity.

John E. Fast & Co., Victoreen Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 3598 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.

### Display Light

714

The TEC-Lite RDL lights have easily replaceable lamps. They can be furnished for computers, data processing, control systems, and instrument and airborne equipment. Legends with up to three characters can be stamped on the lens.

Transistor Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 3357 Republic Ave., Minneapolis 26, Minn.

### Magnetic-Tape Recorder

619

Has 22 channels



Model 104-1 magnetic-tape recorder with 22 channels is for use in airport-traffic-control centers. Up to eight units may be used simultaneously in some areas. The unit will operate unattended for 32 hr. The 22 amplifiers are modular, plug-in type. Each reel holds 4,800 ft of tape. Rewind time for one reel is 3.5 min. Normal recording and playback tape-speeds are 15/16 in. per sec. Forward and reverse speeds are 250 in. per sec.

Webcor, Inc., Dept. ED, 816 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago 51, Ill.

### Electrical Enclosures

678

These cabinets have a sliding-tilting drawer which permits instrumentation in each drawer to be easily repaired or replaced. Construction can be of steel, aluminum, stainless steel or other commercial metals.

The Formweld Products Co., Dept. ED, 1530 Coit Ave., East Cleveland 12, Ohio.

### Switch Plates

679

These on-off switch plates are designed especially for subminiature toggle switches with 1/4-in. diam bushings. They are made of a pre-gummed aluminum foil 0.002-in. thick.

Alco Electronic Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 3 Wolcott Ave., Lawrence 2, Mass.

Availability: From stock.

### Instrument Wire

680

Developed for satellite use, Super-Jet instrument wire is offered in two styles, both radiation resistant. Style one is for use in sealed capsules and style two stands a dielectric test of 1,500 v after 90 days immersion in tap water. Sizes are 24 through 16 awg.

Boston Insulated Wire & Cable Co., Dept. ED, 25 Bay St., Boston 25, Mass.

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## Semiconductor Test Set

639

Test frequency is 1,000 cps



Model 310 portable-semiconductor tester measures operational parameters and leakages of small and medium transistors, rectifiers and Zener diodes. Test frequency is 1,000 cps. The standard h parameters of transistors may be measured at constant emitter currents to 100 ma and constant collector voltages to 30 v. Rectifier diodes may be measured with up to 100-ma forward current. For Zener diodes, 65 ma is available at 10 v, 50 ma at 15 v and 30 ma at 20 v. Leakage and reverse current test potentials range to 600 v.

Owen Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 55 Beacon Place, Pasadena, Calif.

Price: \$685.

Availability: From stock.

## Hook-Up Lead Wire

377

Type BB-1000 can be supplied for a variety of applications. It provides continuous service at 1,000 F, intermittent service to 1,800 F. It has braid and fibrous insulation able to stand 2,000 F without decomposing or melting.

Birnbach Radio Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 145 Hudson St., New York 13, N. Y.

Availability: Three weeks.

## Plug-In Reset Timer

380

Type-125 interval timer, designed for installation in a 3-1/8 in. diameter opening, may be removed and replaced in a few seconds. It contains four separate, independent load contacts; two may be used as relays and two are time-delay relay contacts which operate at the end of the time set on the dial.

Eagle Signal Co., Dept. ED, 202 20th St., Moline, Ill.

## Proximity Transducers

381

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Systron-Donner Corp., Dept. ED, 950 Galindo St., Concord, Calif.

Price: \$2,650 for model 231.

### Interlock Switches

671

Types WC1627 and WC1630 interlock switches with resistance to high shock and vibration conditions, are for use in aircraft. Design of the switch provides for always having one button in the multi-station system down.

Controls Co. of America, Control Switch Div., Dept. ED, Folcroft, Pa.

### Bread Boards

672

Proto-boards are designed to provide specific transistor locating holes. They eliminate a large part of point-to-point wiring, terminal boards and connecting hardware usually required in prototype circuit lay-outs.

Spectronics, Dept. ED, 13901 Saticoy St., Van Nuys, Calif.

### Tape Unwinder

673

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Western Apparatus Co., Div. of Comptometer Corp., Dept. ED, 5600 Jarvis Ave., Chicago 48, Ill.

### Standoff Terminals

674

Type RST-SM-31 TUR-L2, for miniature assemblies, has a turret stud with Teflon body. Over-all length of the unit is 0.296 in., soldering lug is 0.156-in. long. The Teflon body is 0.148 in. in diam with a 0.172-in. diam shoulder for chassis support.

Sealectro Corp., Dept. ED, 610 Fayette Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y.

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2N526	"	"	"	"	" "	53	90	44	88	.080v	.230	"
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2N1414	"	"	"	"	" "	34	65	30	64	.075v	.243	"
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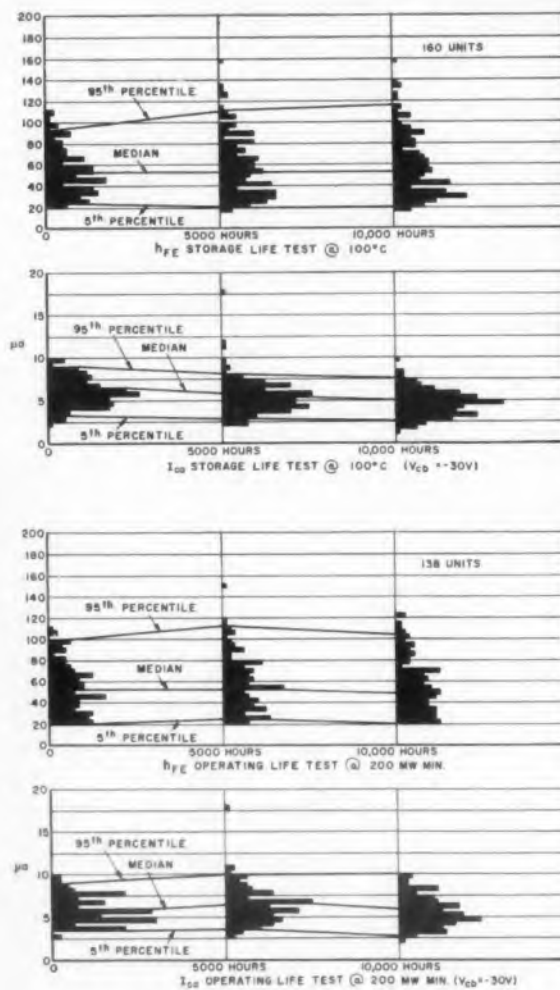
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## Timer Motor

439

Stands 7,000-g axial shock



Measuring 7/8 in. in diameter, type 9001-00 size 9 permanent-magnet timer motor stands 8,000-g axial shock and 500-g transverse shock. The unit also stands the shock of dropping from a height of 1 mile. There is virtually no speed variation from -67 to +167 F. Gear-train ratios are 6:1 to 46,656:1. Peak loads of up to 500 oz-in. can be handled. At 100 oz-in., rpm is 0.25 to 10. The unit measures 1.406-in. long without gear train.

John Oster Manufacturing Co., Avionic Division, Dept. ED, Racine, Wis.

## Phosphor for Picture Tubes

667

Type CR407 phosphor offers rewet adherent characteristics that simplify application to the face of a picture tube. It also resists contamination from impure elements during production processes and resists ion burn that sometimes causes a spot on the face of the tube.

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 730 Third Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

## Subminiature Feed-Throughs

668

Having an extra-long pin, type FT-SM-16L6 subminiature feed-through is for use with a chassis of 0.06-in. maximum thickness. Over-all length is 0.987; the Teflon body is 0.93 in. in diameter through-chassis and 0.125 in. in diameter through the mounting shoulder.

Sealectro Corp., Dept. ED, 610 Fayette Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y.

## Test Receptacle

669

This test receptacle receives the 0.08-in. test probe used with ammeters, voltmeters, ohmmeters and other test equipment, to test printed-board circuits without interrupting operating currents. It is available with two- or three-leg mount.

Amp, Inc., Dept. ED, Harrisburg, Pa.

## Electro-Luminescent Panels

670

Offered in sizes to 12 x 12 in., these panels can be used as instrument panels in both military and commercial aircraft. They are constructed of plastic for easy machining and provide glare-free lighting.

Controls Co. of America, Control Switch Div., Dept. ED, Folcroft, Pa.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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597

Frequency range is 10 kc to 30 mc



Type USVH microvoltmeter has a frequency range of 10 kc to 30 mc. It uses a sensitive super-heterodyne receiver; the output of this is read by a diode voltmeter. Applications include: selective attenuation and frequency-response measurements on four-terminal networks; selective frequency-response measurements on amplifiers or filters within their passbands; measurements of rf distortion on transmitters; modulation-depth measurements with carrier frequencies from 10 kc to 30 mc and modulation frequencies over 1 kc.

Rhode & Schwartz, Dept. ED, 111 Lexington Ave., Passaic, N.J.

### Pushbutton Switches

371

These switches have from 2 to 16 buttons per row, with momentary, locking or accumulative lock-button actions. Behind-the-panel depth is 3-11/16 in. for model 20 and 2-5/8 in. for model 10.

Switching Controls Corp., Dept. ED, 8222 Lanekershim Blvd., North Hollywood, Calif.  
*Availability: From stock.*

### Prefabricated Circuit Cards

404

This circuit card can be prefabricated and adapted to different circuit requirements. It contains a universal etched pattern which can be modified by interconnections to form any desired circuit function. The etched circuitry is carried through from the base plug of each card to the top where a duplicate connector is provided. This permits operational checks.

General Precision Inc., Librascope Div., Dept. ED, Glendale, Calif.

### Switch and Balance Units

405

Model C-10 switch and balance units are for use with strain gages and resistance bridge transducers. They have a modular construction that enables ready assembly of systems ranging in size from 10 to 100 channels. Special cables and terminal boxes are provided to extend the input connections to the gage location.

Automation Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 3613 Aviation Blvd., Manhattan Beach, Calif.

### Crossbar Switch

599

Capacity is up to 600 circuits



This crossbar switch provides a capacity of up to 600 circuits for many varied switching combinations within a space of 14-5/16 x 8-3/4 x 5-3/8. It has 5 x 12 coordinates with 10 contacts per cross-point, double-wound hold coils and ball-bearing pivot pins. Bifurcated springs with silver-alloy contacts provide for a contact life of over 50,000,000 operations. The switch can be used in analog and digital computers and automatic test programming.

North Electric Co., Dept. ED, Galion, Ohio.

*Price: \$250.*

*Availability: 30 days.*

### Ceramic Capacitors

389

Offered in 19 sizes, these capacitors fit 0.1-in. modular spacing. Body sizes are 1/4 in. max for units rated at 5 to 750 pf and 5/16 in. max for 1,000 to 10,000 pf.

Mucon Corp., Dept. ED, 9 St. Francis St., Newark 5, N.J.

*Availability: Immediate*

### Transistor Analyzer

390

Model 850 P portable transistor analyzer is suitable for use as a breadboard to determine the operating characteristics of a transistor under different conditions. It measures parameters in any of three configurations: common base, common emitter and common collector.

The Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., Dept. ED, 10520 Dupont Ave., Cleveland 8, Ohio.

*Price: \$169.50.*

*Availability: From stock.*

### Temperature Chamber

391

Model A-120-2-HC has a range of -150 to +300 ±2 F. It measures 24 x 12 x 13-1/2 in. and has a fin coil and blower. The lid has a multipane frost-free window.

Cincinnati Sub Zero Products, Dept. ED, 3932 Reading Road, Cincinnati 29, Ohio.

*Price: \$2,100.*

*Availability: From stock.*



## Oscilloscope Recording Camera 485

Has two-min processing attachment



Model KA-30 oscilloscope recording camera has a two-min rapid processing attachment. It records radar and crt impulses and develops the film in the camera in one min without tanks of processing solutions. This continuous-strip unit allows the checking of a limitless number of electronic functions at selected intervals on a strip of film up to 100-ft long. Designed for any standard 5-in. oscilloscope, it has a speed range of from 0.25 to 12.5 ips. The unit weighs 15 lb and measures 19 x 13 x 7 in.

Chicago Aerial Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 550 W. Northwest Highway, Barrington, Ill.  
Availability: January 1961.

## Solid-State Materials 375

These active solid-state materials are up to 99.999%+ pure. Gallium arsenide, indium arsenide, gallium antimonide and indium antimonide are available in large grain, poly-crystalline-ingot form. Cadmium telluride, bismuth telluride, lead telluride and mercury telluride are available in microcrystalline-powder or polycrystalline-ingot form.

Alloys Unlimited Chemicals, Inc., Dept. ED, 42-73 Hunter St., Long Island City 1, N.Y.

## Cathode Supports 376

The cathode support consists of a stamped mica insulator combined with two beryllium copper end pieces. The insulator measures 1/8 x 5/16 in. and is punched from 0.015-in. thick clear ruby mica. The unit possesses the dielectric and mechanical strength for use in reflex klystrons.

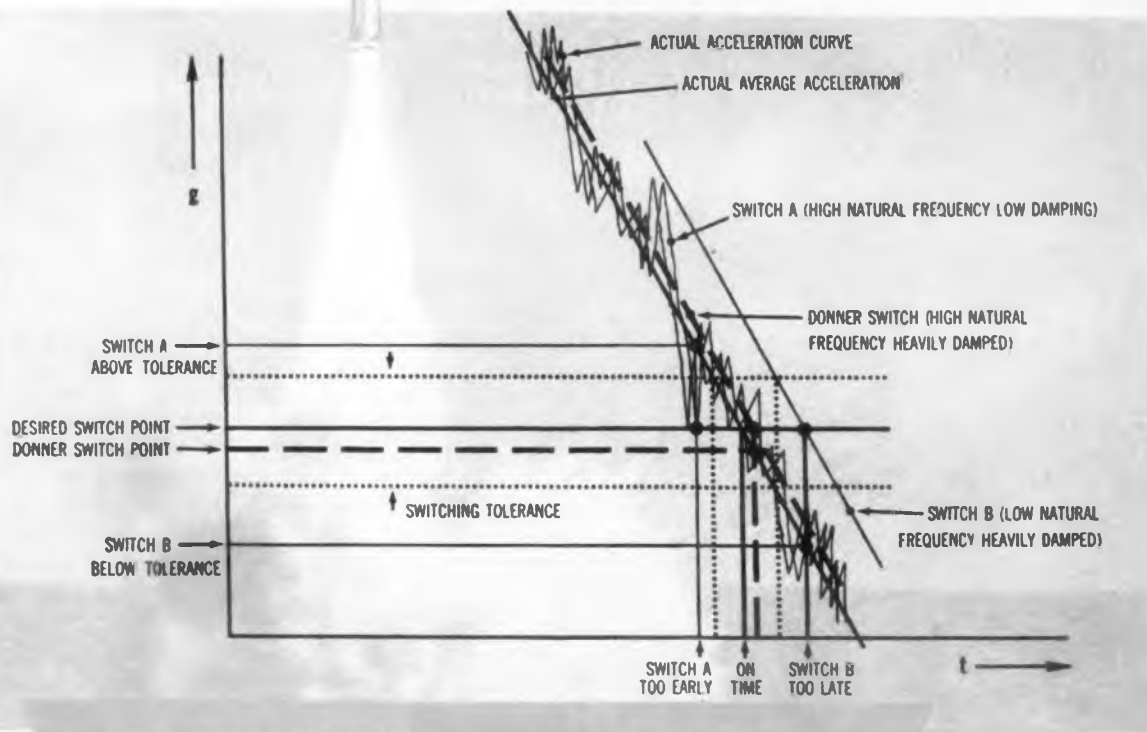
Ford Radio and Mica Corp., Dept. ED, 536-540 63rd St., Brooklyn 20, N.Y.

## Subminiature Capacitors 710

These subminiature capacitors are for missile, computer and communications applications. A typical 2-pf capacitor is contained in a 1-in. cube. Other units average 1-1/16 x 1 x 15/16 in. The hermetically sealed units have tolerances held to within 0.1%.

Southern Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 150 W. Cypress Ave., Burbank, Calif.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Coaxial Switches

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Transco Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 12210 Nebraska Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.

### Cold-Weather Electrical Tape

369

This vinyl electrical tape strips easily, remains flexible, never freezes, and sticks down to  $-20^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Total working range is  $-20$  to  $+120^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Designated Slipknot CW, the tape is 8-1/2-mil thick, and is available in 66-ft rolls.

Plymouth Rubber Co., Dept. ED, Canton, Mass.

### Miniature Eyelets

370

These precision miniature eyelets have outside diameters from 0.046 to 0.1 in. They are made of nickel, stainless steel, copper, nickel-plated steel, and brass.

Ramco Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 540 Westfield Ave., Roselle Park, N. J.

### Strain Relief

372

This plastic strain relief is held in place by a metal C-ring. Designated type SR-1082, the device satisfies U. L. strain relief pull-test requirements. The unit can be used for both round and D-shaped panel openings.

Phalo Plastics Corp., Dept. ED, Shrewsbury, Mass.

### Strain Gage Module

373

Model SRB-75A strain gage module and hand servo gun is used to obtain automatic null of a strain gage bridge. It contains a stable, regulated, strain-gage power supply, automatic calibration circuits and space for bridge completion resistors. Plug-in resistor boards permit rapid conversion of circuitry for various applications.

Video Instruments Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 3002 Pennsylvania Ave., Santa Monica, Calif.

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## Thermocouple Junction

409

For airborne equipment



This thermocouple reference junction is a miniature, heated, multi-channel unit for airborne equipment and test cells. It is designed to replace the conventional ice bath as reference temperature for thermocouples. The unit is available in 115 or 28 v ac or dc and having adjustable (3 F stability) or non-adjustable (1.5 F stability) regulators. Accuracy is  $\pm 1$  F and temperature range is  $-65$  to  $+220$  F.

Aero Research Instrument Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 315 N. Aberdeen St., Chicago 7, Ill.

Price: On request.

Availability: Made to order, 8 weeks.

## Self-Locking Synchro Clamp 419

For sizes 5 through 11



This self-locking synchro clamp, called Mini-Synclamps, permits the fastening of size 5 through size 11 miniature components to any base. It meets Mil specs and is functional up to 350 F. Diameter is 0.265-in. max. The unit is available in four different grip thicknesses: 0.031, 0.047, 0.062 and 0.093.

Timber-Top, Inc., Dept. ED, 35 Brooklyn Ave., Freeport 2, L.I., N.Y.

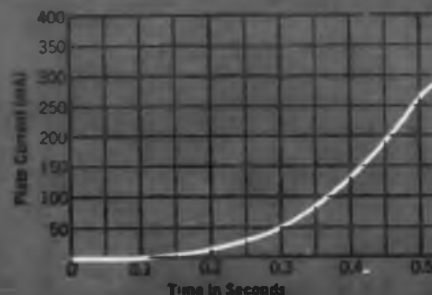
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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Curve-Follower

641

Interprets function curves



Model FGE 5048 Data-Track curve follower interprets function curves drawn as a double line with an ordinary pencil on graph paper. The pencilled chart guides a servo-driven capacitive probe that follows the centerline between the plotted lines. A potentiometer, geared to the probe-drive mechanism, divides any impressed voltage in precisely the same proportion as the drawn curve divides the graph scale. Data-drum rotation time is 300 to 10 sec per revolution on standard models. Operation may be continuous or limited to an arbitrary number of cycles. Units can have two or three channels.

Research, Inc., Dept. ED, Box 6164, Minneapolis 24, Minn.

### Seamless Tubing

362

Made of 80% nickel and 20% chromium alloy, this tubing comes in OD sizes of 0.01 to 0.375 in. Standard wall thicknesses extend to 0.001 in. It stands temperatures to 2,100 F and has good electrical resistance. It is used in resistance-heating elements, thermocouple protection tubes and instrument components.

Uniform Tubes, Inc., Dept. ED, Collegeville, Pa.  
*Availability: Delivery in four to five weeks.*

### Pushbutton Switch

356

This pushbutton switch is available in single pole to six poles, double throw or single throw, models. It combines in a single unit a control switch and an indicator light. It will mount either horizontally or vertically. It is for dry circuit to 3 amp operation.

The Sloan Co., Dept. ED, 7704 San Fernando Road, Sun Valley, Calif.

### Electrostrictive Ceramics

358

These thin-sheet electrostrictive ceramics are available in a wide variety of shapes and sizes. Motor elements constructed from this material are offered in beam, disc and stack forms. They have application in relays, computers, sonic systems and as actuators in specialized valves, pumps and meters.

Electric Machinery Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, Mullenbach Div., 2100 E. 27th St., Los Angeles 58, Calif.  
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Pacific Semiconductors, Inc., Dept. ED, 10451 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City, Calif.  
Price: \$2.50 to \$6.02 in large quantities.

## Dual-Element Fuse

724

These dual-element cartridge fuses, designated Fuseking, are for the range of 250 to 600 v. The thermal cut-out element provides reliable control of over-load currents. The snap-open jaws of the heat sinks are activated when heat from any source approaches 300 F.

El-Tronics, Inc., Monarch Electric Div., Dept. ED, Jamestown, N. Y.

Price: \$24.54 to \$1,246.87 per 100.

Availability: From stock.

## Stripper For Printed-Circuit Boards

725

Type 99 stripper "K" was developed for photo resist on printed-circuit boards. It may be used by immersion techniques or may be sprayed or brushed. Stripping action is almost immediate and requires only a water rinse.

Arnold Laboratories, Dept. ED, 7103 Laurel Canyon Blvd., North Hollywood, Calif.

Price: \$4.75 per 5 gal.

Availability: From stock.

## Coaxial Load

664

Model RDL-3LT coaxial load is rated for 1.05 vswr max and 0 to 1,500 mc. Typical operation is to 3,500 mc.

Radar Design Corp., Dept. ED, Pickard Drive, NE, Syracuse 11, N.Y.

Price: \$82 ea.

Availability: Stock to 4 weeks, depending on quantity.

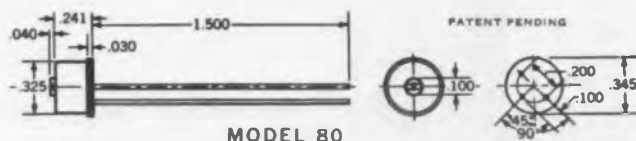


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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Amplitude- and Phase-Sensitive Relay

640

Operates from ac or dc signals



This sensitive relay operates from either ac or dc input signals and provides closure of two dpdt 10-amp relay contacts. When used with ac signal, one relay closes when the input is in phase with the reference signal. When the input is 180 deg out of phase with the reference signal, another relay closes. The relay closes on a 5-mv input and opens at 4.9 mv. Hysteresis is  $\pm 2\%$  under conditions specified by MIL-E-5272 with a power-supply variation of 25 to 31 v dc. Units are packaged in modules measuring 2-5/16 x 2-1/16 x 2-1/12 in.

Natel Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 15922 Strat-hern St., Van Nuys, Calif.

Price: Relay amplifier, \$90 to \$225; ac feedback amplifier \$80 to \$225.

Availability: Three weeks.

### Magnetic-Tape Recorder

366

The MFR-1 is a portable drum-type recorder with a 54-db signal-to-noise ratio. The auxiliary power pack contains the time standard, phase comparator and motor-drive oscillator.

Mandrel Industries, Electro-Tech Labs, Dept. ED, P. O. Box 13243, Houston 19, Tex.

### High-Voltage Fuses

367

Designed for current-limiting applications, these fuses are available in ratings from 1 to 150 kv dc and 0.5 to 35 amp, continuous current. Clearing time is claimed to be extremely fast.

Franklin Engineering Design Co., Dept. ED, 977 Commercial St., Palo Alto, Calif.

### Dust-Light Relays

368

Series DOS relays come with a plastic dust cover. They are 2 pdt general purpose units rated at 15 amp and can be furnished for ac or dc operation. They have octal plug-terminated bases.

Ohmite Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 3634 Howard St., Skokie, Ill.

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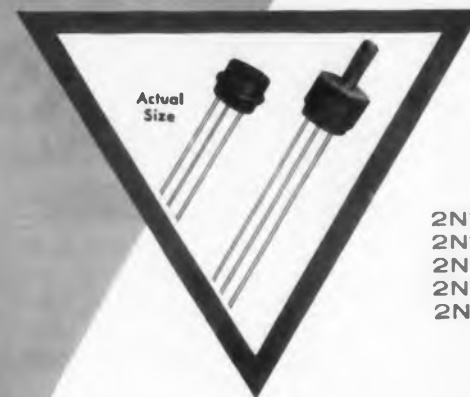
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Berg Manufacturing Corp., Dept. ED, New Cumberland, Pa.

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**Availability:** Four to six weeks.

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493

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Ultrasonics Corp., Dept. ED, 10909 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif.

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Micro Systems, Inc., Dept. ED, 319 Agostino Road, San Gabriel, Calif.

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Julie Research Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 556 W. 168th St., New York 32, N.Y.

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636

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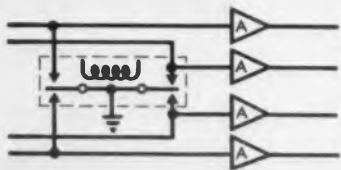
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Price: \$2,800 ea.

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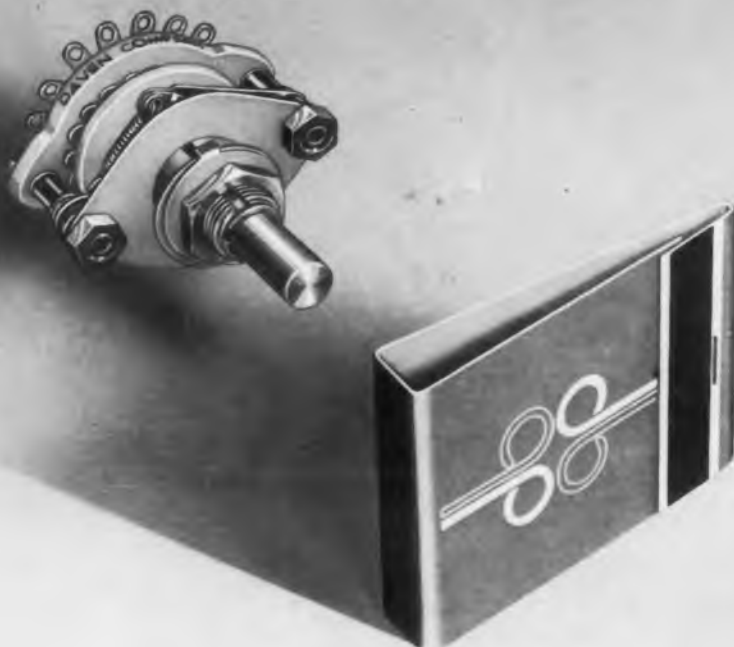
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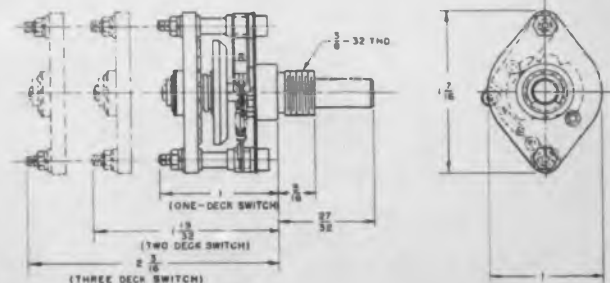
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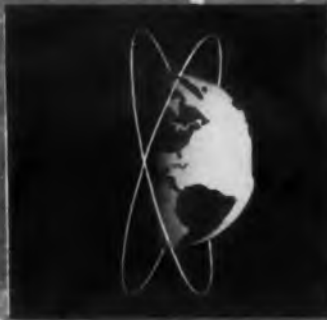
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Donner Scientific Co., Dept. ED, Concord, Calif.

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426

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Invar Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 323 W. Washington Blvd., Pasadena, Calif.

Availability: From stock.

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437

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General Controls Co., PIC Automation Controls Div., Dept. ED, 8078D McCormick Blvd., Skokie, Ill.

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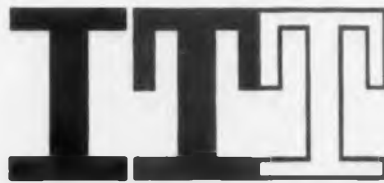
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FW-227	4	2 writing guns	ES	ES	FW-208	7	—	EM	EM
7423	5	—	ES	ES					

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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561

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Microtran Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 145 E. Mineola Ave., Valley Stream, N.Y.

Price: \$5.70 to \$11.80.

Availability: From stock.

### Microwave Absorber

683

Type T absorber has been improved to operate over the temperature range of  $-70$  to  $+270$  F. It is light in weight and is furnished in standard sheets measuring 18 x 36 in. The high electrical characteristics of the previous type unit are retained.

McMillan Industrial Corp., Dept. ED, Brownsville, Ave., Ipswich, Mass.

Availability: From stock.

### Work Positioner

684

The Rototilt handles chassis and bench assemblies. Tilt angle is 135 deg and rotation is through 360 deg. Tilt and rotation functions are independently controlled. The tilt adjustment locks under loads of up to 300 lb-in. Dimensions are 3-3/4 x 3-3/4 x 4 in.

Technical Devices Co., Dept. ED, 11242 Playa Court, Culver City, Calif.

### Silicon Diodes

685

Two types are offered. The audio detector diode has a low noise-to-signal ratio and detects up to 3 mc. The noise-generator diode can be used in instruments requiring a balanced noise circuit, frequency oscillator and as a noise balancer.

Solotron Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, 67 Lexington Ave., White Plains, N. Y.

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## Chemical Film Transducer

423

Resistance is from 0 to 5,000 lb



This chemical film transducer has an electrical resistance of from 0 to 5,000 lb over 100,000 ohms, with a 0.0005-in. deflection at full load. The unit stands from -150 to +450 F continuously. Units are available with up to 3 million lb thrust for missile pads, hydrofoil boats, machine tools and presses.

Clark Electronic Laboratories, Research Products Div., Dept. ED, Box 165, Palm Springs, Calif.

Price: \$38 ea.

Availability: From stock.

## Absolute Pressure Transducer

427

For missile and aircraft applications



Model 735 absolute pressure transducer is for missile and aircraft applications. It can be used with any media compatible with the Ni-Span-C Bourdon tube, including conductive gasses and liquids and explosive atmospheres. LOX compatibility can be provided. Specifications include: static error band,  $\pm 1\%$ ; vibration, to 35 g; response time, 15 msec or less; range, 0-to-400 to 0-to-5,000 psia; resistance, 1 K to 10 K; resolution, 0.2% to 0.4%; temperature range, -100 to +200 F. The unit weighs approximately 7 oz.

Bourns, Inc., Instrument Div., Dept. ED, 6135 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, Calif.

Price: \$350 to \$450 ea, 1 to 10 units.  
Availability: 45 to 75 days.

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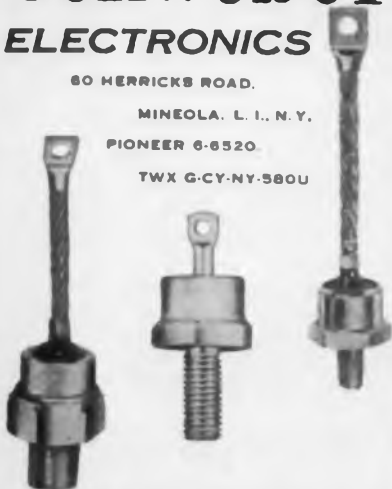
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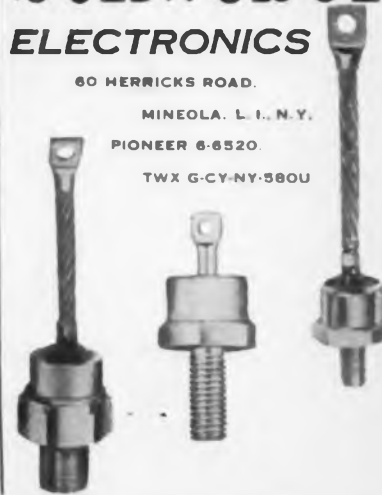
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## NEW PRODUCTS

### Insulation Tester

Provides 0-3,500 v dc



Model T high-potential and insulation tester offers 0 to 200 v dc for tests on small capacitor transistors and other components and 0 to 3,500 v dc for hi-pot testing. Leakage-current ranges of 1, 10 and 100  $\mu$ a are also provided. The test voltage is automatically cut off when the pre-determined leakage-current level is exceeded. The unit measures 7 x 19 x 7 in. and weighs 22 lb.

Arizona Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 3839 N. 39th Ave., Phoenix, Ariz.

**Price:** \$680.

**Availability:** Two weeks.

### Plastic Laminate

For high-temperature use

Grade AA-HT plastic laminate is recommended for continuous use at 500 F. It retains 40% of its mechanical strength after exposure to 500 F for 1,000 hrs. It has an asbestos woven fabric reinforcement and a modified phenolic resin binder. Applications include: use in missiles, for inhibitor tubes and for the handling of propellant fuels in space vehicles.

Synthane Corp., Dept. ED, Oaks, Pa.

### Signal Simulator

For checkout of ground stations



Model ESS-204 signal simulator produces PAM, PDM or PAM/NRZ pulse trains for calibration and checkout of telemetry ground stations. The continuously variable pulse rate is 20 to 7,000 pps. Linearity is within 0.15% of full scale and stability of output and pulse width is within 0.15% of full scale for 12 hr after 45-min warmup.

Telemetrics, Inc., Dept. ED, 12927 S. Budlong Ave., Gardena, Calif.

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### Solid-State PCM Multicoders

Accept analog and digital inputs



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Applied Electronics Corp. of New Jersey, Dept. ED, 22 Center St., Metuchen, N.J.

498

### Carbon-Film Resistors

Are rated at 1/10 w

These specially coated carbon-film resistors are rated at 1/10 w at 125 C. Resistance range is 10 ohms to 300 K. Length is 1/4 in. and diameter is 3/32 in. Lead length is 1-1/2 in. Designated type DC1/10, the units are built to stand environmental extremes.

Electra Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 4051 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

**Availability:** From stock; 16-day delivery.

576

### Indicator Light

Life is 100,000 hr at 5 v



Model 106S indicator light has a life of 100,000 hr at 5 v and 60,000 hr at 6.3 v. It can be furnished with military or commercial bulbs and lenses of red, white, blue, green or amber. All materials and processes used meet or exceed Mil specs. Lights may be installed either from the front or rear of the panel in a 5/16-in. diam hole.

The Sloan Co., Dept. ED, 7704 San Fernando Road, Sun Valley, Calif.

### Selector Switch

Hermetically sealed



Series 150,000 hermetically-sealed switches are furnished in eight voltage ratings from 6 to 240 v dc. Configurations of 4 pdt through 14 pdt on the two-position units and sp 12 t through 4 p 12 t on the 12-position units, are offered. The units are primarily for remote-switching functions and can be furnished as both stepping and selective controls.

Ledex Inc., Dept. ED, 123 Webster St., Dayton 2, Ohio.

**Availability:** Seven weeks.

### Materials for RF Shielding

For integrity of equipment

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Emerson & Cuming, Inc., Dept. ED, Canton, Mass.

### Inertia Switch

For accelerations up to 250 G



Model 6U0-200 is pre-set to respond to acceleration forces of up to 250 g within a tolerance of  $\pm 15\%$  of setting. It has only one moving part, a precision-ground steel ball held against a solid base by a uniform magnetic field. The unit meets all environmental specs of MIL-E-5272.

Inertia Switch, Inc., Dept. ED, 311 W. 43rd St., New York 36, N.Y.

**Price:** \$100.

**Availability:** 10 days.

### Flame-Retardant Laminate 686

Insurok T-777 is a paper-base, phenolic laminate. Manufacturer claims it has good electrical properties, fine dimensional stability and superior punching characteristics. All standard sheet sizes, thicknesses and tolerances are offered.

The Richardson Co., Dept. ED, 2735 Lake St., Melrose Park, Ill.

### Alnico With High-Cobalt Content 687

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Thomas & Skinner, Inc., Dept. ED, 1 N. LaSalle St., Chicago 2, Ill.

### Gold-Plated Conductors 688

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Hudson Wire Co., Dept. ED, Ossining, N. Y.

### Chassis Latch 689

A small version of the Gripwell, this latch is for a 5.25-in. electronic-chassis drawer. Over-all size is 4.7 in. Installation requires two drilled or punched holes.

The Hartwell Corp., Dept. ED, 9035 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles 34, Calif.

### Teflon Components 690

A wide variety of molded and extruded electronic components made of Teflon FEP are offered. Minimum thickness can be 0.02 in. Temperature range is -395 to +400 F.

Garlock Electronic Products, Dept. ED, Camden 1, N. J.

### Transistor Lead Insulators 691

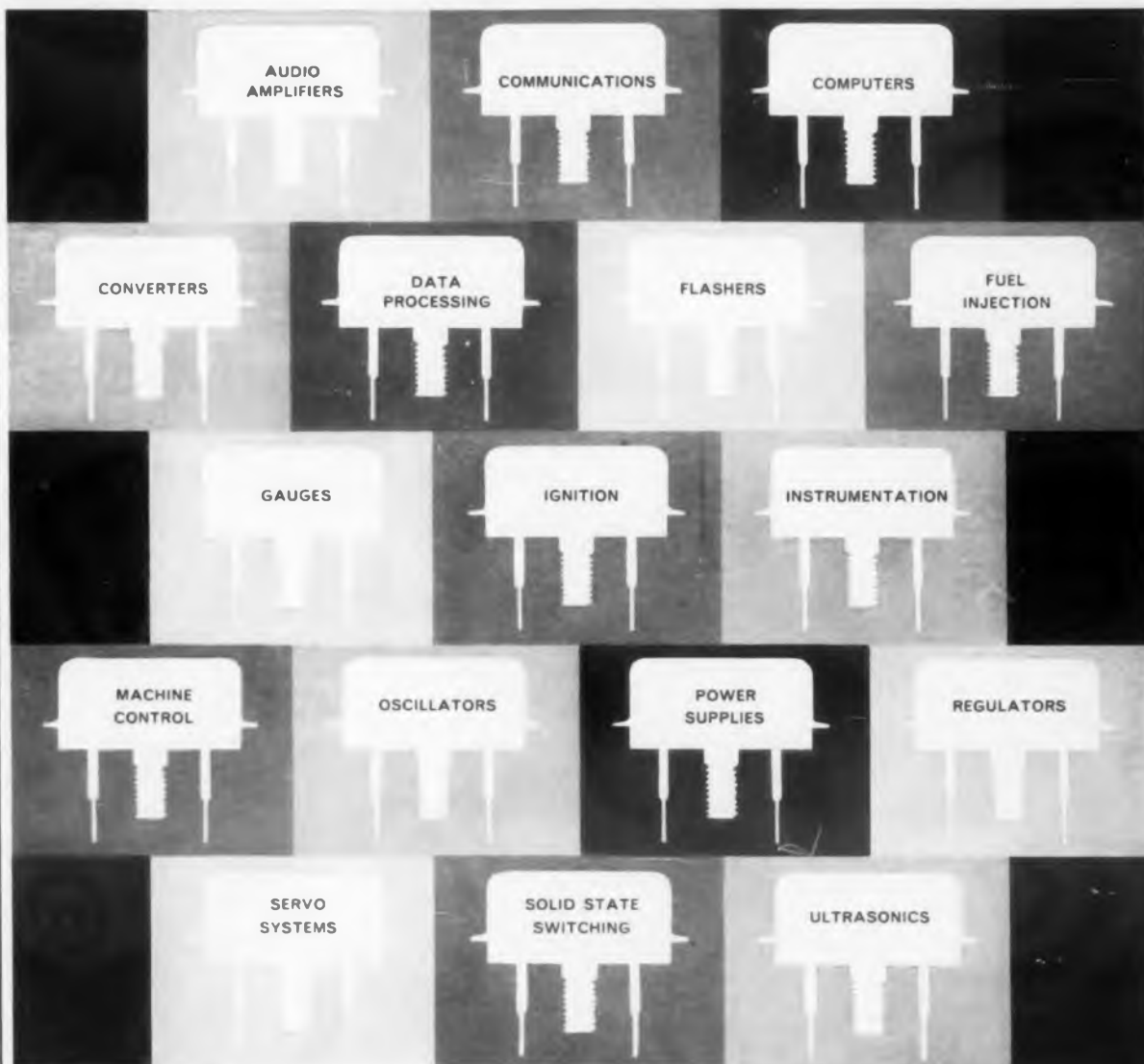
Made of Teflon TFE, these insulators stand temperatures from -100 to +500 F. Loss factor is less than 0.0005. They stand shock and vibration.

Garlock Electric Products, Garlock Inc., Dept. ED, Camden 1, N. J.

### Plastic Laminate 692

NEMA Grade G-10 is available in both standard and printed-circuit copper-clad varieties, types 11548A and 1158A. It stands temperature and humidity extremes. Bonding strength is superior.

General Electric Co., Laminated Products Dept., Dept. ED, Coshocton, Ohio.



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627

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Erie Electronics Div., Erie Resistor Corp., Dept. ED, 645 W. 12th St., Erie, Pa.

*Availability: In production quantities.*

### Wire Stripper

693

Model H is for quick stripping of Teflon and low-melting insulations. Stripping heat is controlled by a foot switch. Wire sizes 12 to 24 AWG in low-melting types and with Teflon sizes 20 to 24 AWG can be handled.

Western Electronic Products Co., Dept. ED, 2420 N. Lake Ave., Altadena, Calif.

*Price: \$47.50.*

*Availability: Immediate.*

### Gallium Arsenide

694

Four of the five grades offered are dense. The crystallites are about 1-sq cm in cross-sectional area and 1-cm long. The fifth grade is a fine-grained material with a cross-sectional area of about 1-sq mm and is suitable for laboratory devices or as starting material for doping and crystal growth.

Ohio Semiconductors, Inc., Dept. ED, 1205 Chesapeake Ave., Columbus 12, Ohio.

*Price: From \$8 to \$37.50 per gram.*

*Availability: Immediate.*

### Epoxy Resin

698

Araldite DP-437 is recommended as a modifier for conventional liquid epoxies to produce flexible systems. It is suitable for use in adhesives, caulking and sealing compounds, electrical potting, high-solids coatings, impregnating and other applications.

CIBA Products Corp., Dept. ED, Fair Dawn, N. J.  
*Availability: Experimental samples can be furnished.*

## Sampling Switch

584

Low-torque type



This low-torque sampling switch can be used for scanning many circuits, as pulse generators for precision measurements, for high-level and low-level telemetry signals, strain gaging and other applications in aircraft, missiles, satellites and computers. Standard units can be furnished with up to 12 positions, single pole, in a size 10 synchro housing. The unit shown consists of eight slip rings interconnected to an eight-segment commutator.

Electro-Tec Corp., Dept. ED, 10 Romanelli Ave., S. Hackensack, N.J.

## Clad Metal Materials

681

These raw materials and stampings are for semiconductor applications. They consist of an overlay of a low-melting point solder such as tin or tin-antimony over one or both sides of a base material. Tolerance on over-all thickness can be  $\pm 0.0002$  in.

Accurate Specialties Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 340 Hudson St., Hackensack, N. J.  
*Availability: One week.*

## Digital Converter

682

This unit converts the indication of pointer-type instruments (pressure gages, temperature indicators, voltmeters and others) for operation of standard digital-readout equipment. It is particularly suitable with instruments having circular scales. The pick-off unit is photoelectric.

MacLeod Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 4250 N.W. 10th Ave., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.  
*Availability: About 30 days.*

## Metal Cans

734

Offered in aluminum, brass, copper, steel, mu-metal, stainless steel and nickel silver, these cans come in MIL-T-27A sizes AF to OA. All sizes can be supplied with holes, slots, cover stops, knockouts, screws, inserts and other special features.

Hudson Tool & Die Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 18-38 Malvern St., Newark 5, N. J.  
*Availability: From stock.*

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Information on Vernistat a.c. potentiometers for design engineers

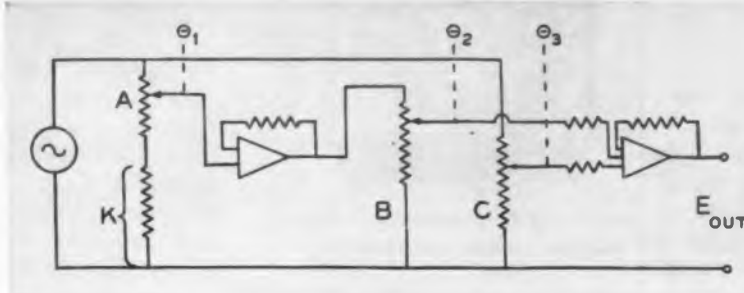


Fig. 1 Using Resistance Potentiometers.

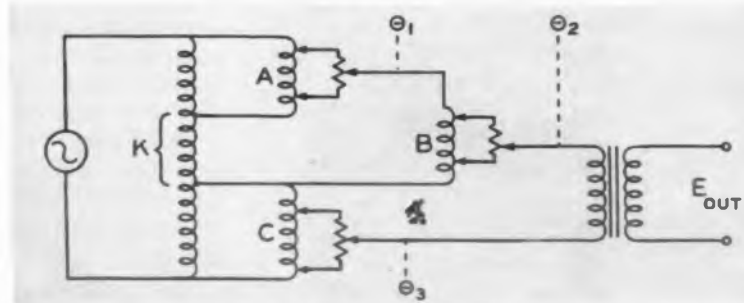


Fig. 2 Using Vernistat Potentiometers.

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Acme Machine Works, Divac Div., Dept. ED, 13025 Cerise Ave., Hawthorne, Calif.

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Atlee Corp., Dept. ED, 47 Prospect St., Woburn, Mass.

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Dearborn Chemical Co., Dept. ED, Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago 54, Ill.

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Collins Radio Co., Western Div., Dept. ED, 2700 W. Olive, Burbank, Calif.

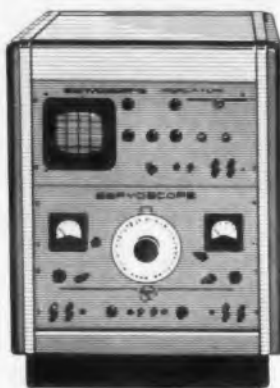
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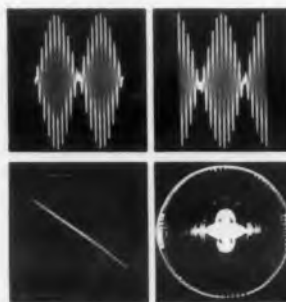
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Typical scope patterns, measuring phase of A.C. servo system.

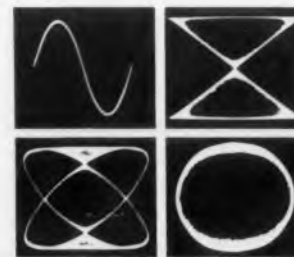
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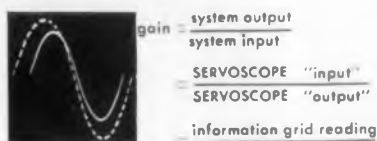
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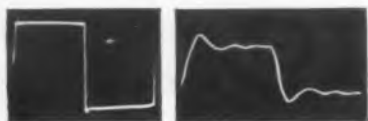
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AMP, Inc., Dept. ED, Harrisburg, Pa.

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The 800N series of sensitive, microminiature, crystal-can relays have a contact life of 100,000 operations in high-level switching. They are rated at 2 amp, resistive, at 28 v dc or 115 v ac. Sensitivity is 25 mw. The units meet MIL-R-5757C.

Iron Fireman Manufacturing Co., Electronics Div., Dept. ED, 2838 S. E. Ninth Ave., Portland 2, Ore.

### Knobs

360

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Vemaline Products Co., Dept. ED, Franklin Lakes, N.J.

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Availability: From stock.

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Model STG-2-Z spring tension gage checks tensions of relay or other springs and determines settings. Range is 0 to 1,200 g in 100-g steps. The range is also shown in ounces and pounds avoirdupois from 0 to 2-3/4 lb.

P. K. Neuses, Inc., Dept. ED, 511 N. Dwyer St., Arlington Heights, Ill.

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Collins Radio Co., Western Div., Dept. ED, Burbank, Calif.

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National Vulcanized Fibre Co., Dept. ED, 1060 Beech St., Wilmington 99, Del.

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Switchcraft, Inc., Dept. ED, 5555 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.

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Struthers-Dunn, Inc., Dept. ED,  
Pitman, N.J.

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

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Farmer Electric Products Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 2300 Washington St., Newton Lower Falls, Mass.

### Wire and Harness Taper

675

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Possis Machine Corp., Dept. ED, 825 Rhode Island Ave. South., Minneapolis 26, Minn.

### Solder Mask

676

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Western Electronic Products Co., Dept., ED, 2420 N. Lake Ave., Altadena, Calif.

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Daystrom Inc., Weston Instruments Div., Dept. ED, 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N.J.

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Telecomputing Corp., Data Instruments Div., Dept. ED, 12838 Saticoy St., North Hollywood, Calif. Price: \$595 to \$2,000 ea. 1 to 9 units.

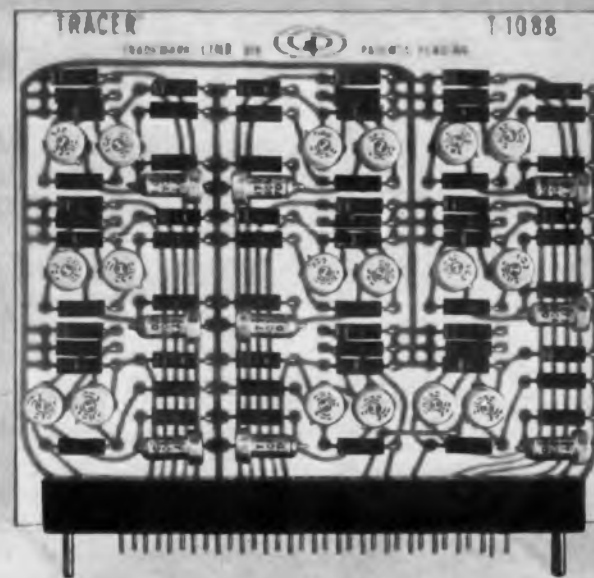
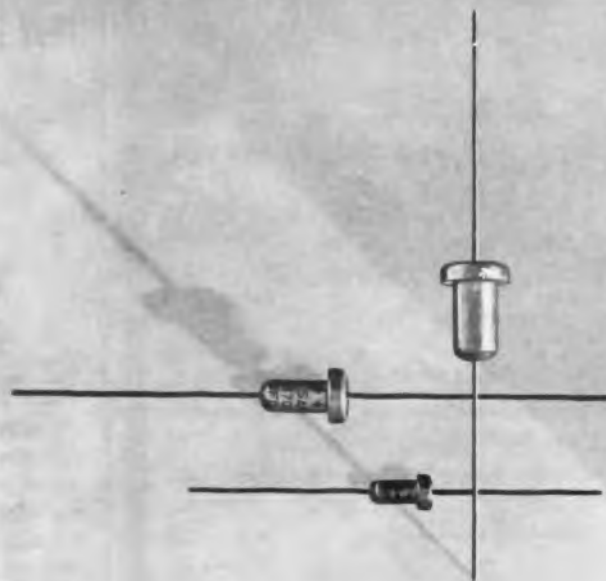
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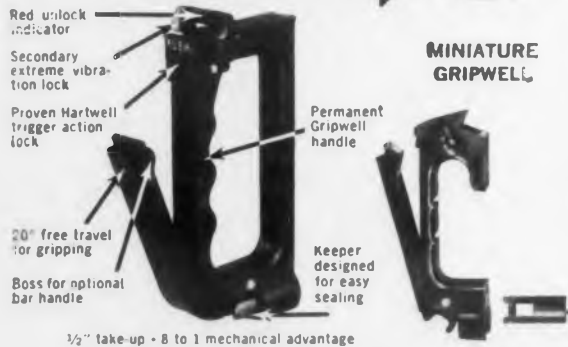
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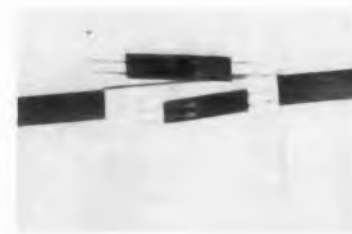
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Tempo Instrument Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 338, Hicksville, L.I., N.Y.

### Recorder-Reproducer System 565

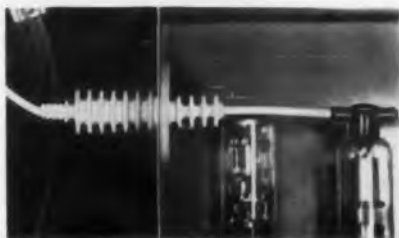
For use in anti-submarine weapon



This recorder-reproducer system is designed for use in the ASROC anti-submarine weapon. It serves as the core of a complex signal-analysis system that identifies targets at great distances in the pretense of making background noise. Primary function of the recorder-reproducer is to provide a precise and stable frequency multiplication of 100 times for all input-signal components. Its use permits time-division multiplexing of the remainder of the analysis equipment and provides a permanent record of raw data for a 13-hr period.

Cook Electric Co., Dept. ED, 2700 N. Southport Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.  
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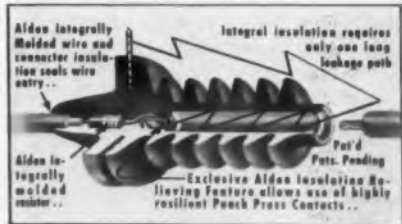
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Gertsch Products, Inc., Dept. ED, 3211 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

Price: \$3,200.

Availability: 90 days.

## Mechanical Recorders

Two control types available



Model 7813 comes in two types: one employing an on-off electric control and the other, an electrical proportional control with manual reset. The On-Off Temperature-Pressure Recorder Controller can be combined with single or dual thermostatters or pressure recorders and indicators. It accommodates one or two filled system-temperature actuations of any class, one or two pressure spirals or one pressure bellows. The proportional-electric-temperature-recorder controller, for liquid and mercury filled thermal systems, can have ranges as low as  $-100$  F or as high as 1,000 F.

Daystrom, Inc., Weston Instruments Div., Dept. ED, 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N.J.

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## Some Ideas

Six years ago, K&E introduced the very first polyester-base drafting film—a special-purpose medium featuring extreme dimensional stability. Experience with that film indicated that a definite need also existed for a *general-purpose* drafting film, if one could be perfected. About two and a half years ago we succeeded, introducing HERCULENE® Drafting Film—the first polyester-base medium for general drafting to meet professional standards. Many recognized its value immediately, stocked up on HERCULENE, and have used it happily ever since. Others—a bit more “canny” about adopting a relatively untried medium—deferred decision, saying “see us in a year or so.” Still others—having tried one or more of the other films marketed immediately after HERCULENE—seemed permanently disenchanted with all film based media. What with the passage of time and much favorable ado about drafting films in general, we rather think that those once stung may now have adopted a more congenial attitude—so we address ourselves solely:

### To fence-sitters everywhere...

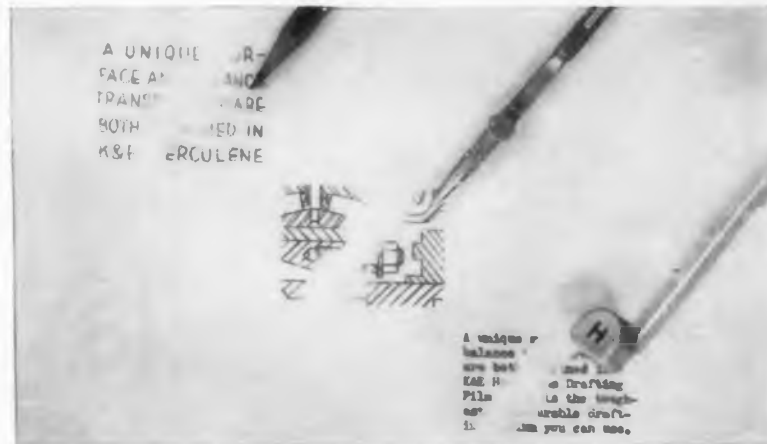
Just as we felt in '58, we feel today, that film has an important place in the drafting room. The only difference now is that experience has *proved* it so. Since 1958, the number of HERCULENE users has grown by leaps and bounds. All we're happy to say, have found HERCULENE a welcome, efficient, and *much needed* addition to their stock of drafting media. It is these HERCULENE users who have written the record. Their many and rigorous tests, their months of experience, their numerous successes and continuing satisfaction are convincing evidence that HERCULENE is all we said it would be.

### Why all the fuss about HERCULENE?...

HERCULENE combines practically all the qualities of a perfect drafting medium. An excellent product when introduced, it's even closer to perfection today. Working with major film users, K&E specialists have refined HERCULENE in many subtle ways since its introduction.

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Most of the refinements made in HERCULENE since 1958 have concerned its engi-



neered drafting surface. HERCULENE's surface “take” for pencil, ink and typing is now better than ever. Erasability, of course, is excellent for all three. Contrast has been built up for sharper definition of line, too, yet all the transparency necessary for fast, clear reproductions has been maintained.

### Two big bonuses, too...

A significant chapter in the HERCULENE story has been the development of a waterproof writing mate—the Duralar plastic pencil. Drawings made on HERCULENE with this waterproof pencil can actually be



washed in soap and water. Even gray, grimy “unreproducible” drawings can be washed spotless with this new technique. Many firms now use the HERCULENE

Duralar team exclusively... and are realizing undreamt-of savings in costly re-draws.

Some firms, of course, by virtue of smaller work volumes and “cleaner” or less frequent handling, will have little need for this new wash technique. Of particular interest here is another K&E exclusive recently introduced—the amazing Ruwe pencil. The Ruwe pencil will not withstand washing, but in every other respect, this new pencil is graphite-plus. Although of plastic composition, the Ruwe pencil has all the “fine” feel of graphite, erases well, and deposits a sharp, dense black line. The big bonus: Ruwe pencil lines are *virtually smudge-proof*. Rendered on HERCULENE's engineered drafting surface, they actually resist smudging better than graphite on regular paper!

### We leave it to you...

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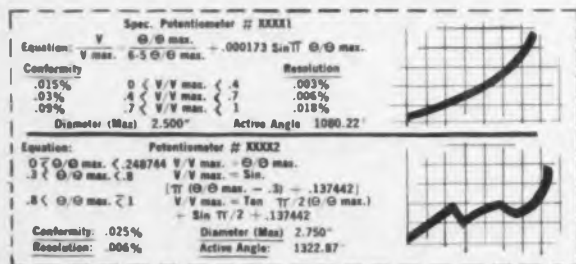
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Lumen, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 905, Joliet, Ill.

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Availability: Three weeks for small quantities.

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Manufacturers Engineering & Equipment Corp., Dept. ED, York and Sunset Lane, Hatboro, Pa.

## B-H Meter

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Displays the hysteresis loop of magnetic stage

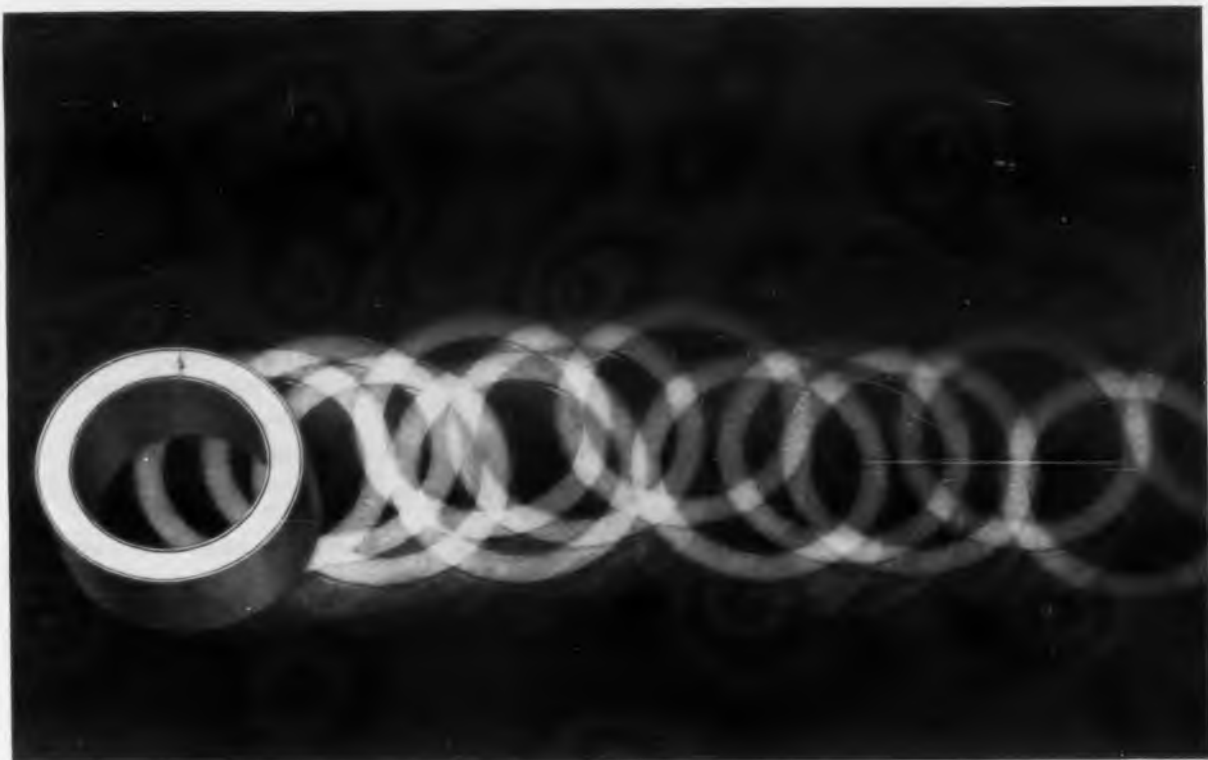


This B-H meter, designated model 651B, displays the hysteresis loop of magnetic tape or pigment on an oscilloscope. Measurements on samples as small as four strands of 1/4-in tape are possible. A display adequate for qualitative inspection can be obtained from a single strand. Direct-reading calibrated range of sample flux is from 3 to 1,000 maxwells with a maximum sample-chamber diameter of 3/8 in. The instrument can measure coercive force and flux at an arbitrary point.

Scientific-Atlanta, Inc., Dept. ED, 2162 Piedmont Road, N. E., Atlanta 9, Ga.

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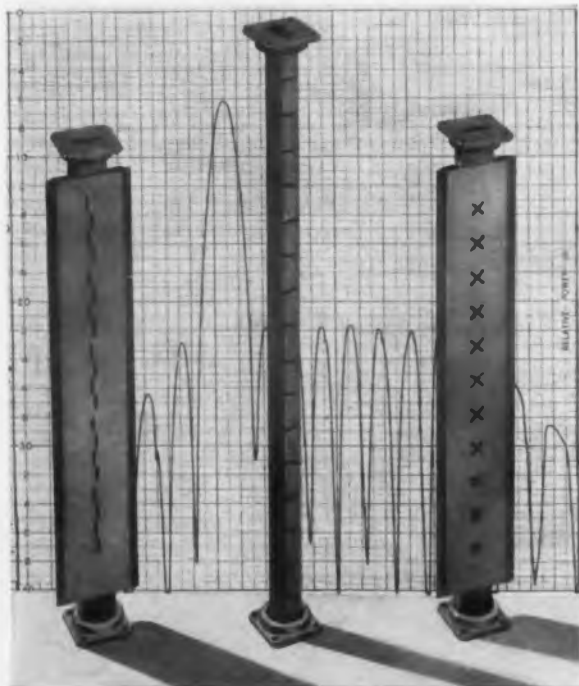
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Barker & Williamson, Inc., Dept. ED, Bristol, Pa.

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515

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Electra Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 4051 Broadway, Kansas City 11, Mo.

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Non-Linear Systems, Inc., Dept. ED, Del Mar, Calif.

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Daytronic Corp., Dept. ED, 225 S. Jefferson St., Dayton 2, Ohio.

Price: \$565.

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Nytronics, Essex Electronics Div., Dept. ED, 550 Springfield Ave., Berkeley Heights, N.J.

## Module Extractor

631

For use with printed-circuit modules



Model 84 module extractor is designed to facilitate the removal of series 300 card modules from the firm's 80-320 mounting racks. Cards can be removed with very little effort and with no danger of damaging or marring.

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Brush Instruments, Div. of Clevite Corp., Dept. ED, 37th and Perkins, Cleveland 14, Ohio.  
**Availability:** 45 to 60 days.

### Indexing Machine

728

This indexing machine provides for semi-automatic soldering at an increased production rate. Solder and flux are rapidly applied. A production rate of 2 soldered joints every 10 seconds is claimed for a job that previously took 3 min.

Fusion Engineering, Dept. ED, 17921 Roseland Ave., Cleveland 12, Ohio.

**Price:** Cost price is under \$1,000.

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705

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PIC Design Corp., Dept. ED, 477 Atlantic Ave., East Rockaway, N. Y.

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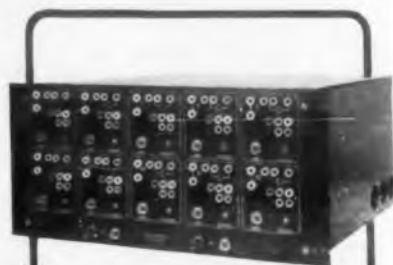
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Syntron Co., Semiconductor Div., Dept. ED, Homer City, Pa.

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Availability: One week.

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Microdot Inc., Dept. ED, 220 Pasadena Ave., South Pasadena, Calif.

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These devices, called models 100 and 200, are useful in semiconductor and related work for positioning and probing of wafers and microelectronic assemblies. Accessories include tungsten probes and phenolic insulating jaws.

The Kemble Co., Dept. ED, 109 De la Guerra St., Santa Barbara, Calif.

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Dow Corning Corp., Dept. ED, Midland, Mich.  
Price: \$300 per lb.

## Engineering Kit 704

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Ferroxcube Corp. of America, Dept. ED, Saugerties, N. Y.

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Availability: Immediate.

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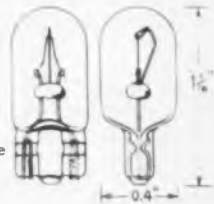
The Wedge Base saves space because, with its holder, it is considerably smaller than the old #57. It saves money because the holder and total installation costs are less. It saves time because the holder is easier to install and the lamp can be seated with just a push. And it saves manpower because installation can be automated and holders can be molded into plastic circuits. The G-E Wedge Base lamp can withstand ambient temperatures up to 600°F because it has no basing cement.

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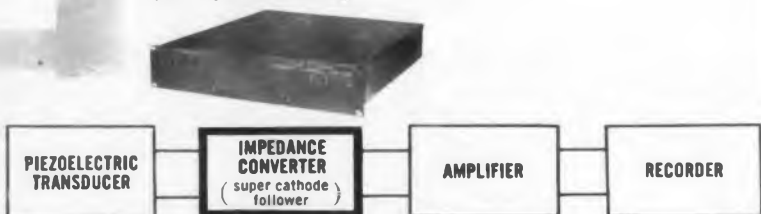
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Pioneer Magnetics Inc., Dept. ED, 850 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, Calif.

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Availability: 14 days, made on order.

### Instrument Cart

706

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Perkin Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, El Segundo, Calif.

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Unimax Switch Div., W. L. Maxson Corp., Dept. ED, Wallingford, Conn.

Price: \$1.10 to \$1.95.

Availability: Four to five weeks.

## Reference Amplifier

506

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Industro Transistor Corp., Dept. ED, 35-10 36th Ave., Long Island City 6, N.Y.

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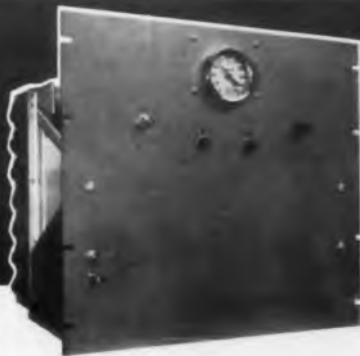
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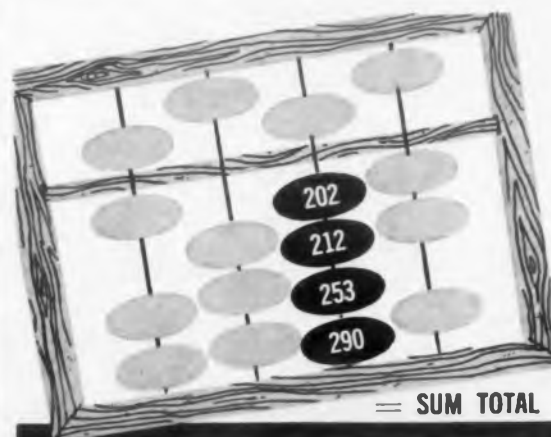
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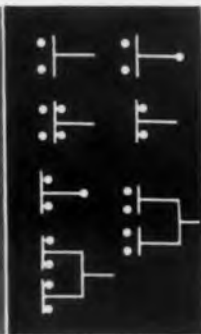
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## NEW LITERATURE

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### Strain-Gage Accelerometer

262

Bulletin 4202, two pages, describes type 4-202 temperature-compensated strain-gage accelerometer. Mechanical, electrical and physical specifications and a dimensional diagram are given. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

### Test Instrument Compendia

263

This four-page brochure is a list of booklets that contain physical dimensions, weight and price for all power supplies, signal sources, measuring instruments, and af, rf and microwave devices manufactured in America. Prices of these booklets range from \$1 for swr meters to \$14.25 for laboratory supplies. Booklets on power supplies include: high current supplies, laboratory supplies, ac supplies and special purpose supplies. Signal sources include signal generators, oscillators, pulse generators, sweep generators, noise generators, and square wave and function generators. Frequency, time and phase measurement devices include frequency meters, frequency counters, phase meters, phase shifters and time delay units. Current, voltage and power measurement devices include multimeters, vtvm's lab type meters, digital voltmeters, wattmeters and field strength meters. Waveform measurement devices include oscilloscopes, oscillographs, wave analyzers and distortion meters, spectrum analyzers, receivers and amplifiers. Af, rf and microwave devices include terminations, directional couplers, attenuators, isolators, variable filters and swr meters. Technical Information Corp., 41 Union Square, New York 3, N.Y.

### Variable Resistors

264

Bulletin 42-944, two pages, describes the six basic types and 60 models of the model 7 linear-motion variable resistors. Physical dimensions and electrical and environmental characteristics are given. Centralab, Div. of Globe-Union, Inc., 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis.

## Basic Switches

265

Data sheet No. 181, two pages, describes type E basic switches. It gives mounting dimensions, operating and electrical characteristics and pricing information. Variations in terminal designs, actuators, and operating characteristics are shown. Micro Switch, Freeport, Ill.

## Kmc Oscilloscope

266

Bulletin A-2023, eight pages, describes type 519 calibrated, high-speed, laboratory kmc oscilloscope. Specifications, block diagrams and performance data are given. Schematic diagrams and waveform patterns for various measurement applications are included. The unit is designed for observation, measurement and photographic recording of wideband phenomena. Tektronix, Inc., P.O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

## Gyros

267

The theory of gyroscopes is discussed in this 44-page publication. Performance, application, construction, and testing information on rate, rate integrating, free, vertical, and directional gyros and on accelerometers are provided. Descriptions, illustrations, and tabulated specifications of the firm's models appear. A chapter of this book on stable platforms appeared in *ED*, Sept. 14, 1960 in an article entitled "System Applications of Ferrite Devices." Also included is a section of reference data containing commonly encountered constants and a table of LaPlace transformations. Kearfott Div., General Precision, Inc., 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N.J.

## Logic Trainer

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This four-page brochure describes how application of a large selection of logic diagrams can be visually traced and demonstrated on the firm's self-contained logic trainer. The trainer can be used in classroom or lab for studying basic and complex operations of various circuits. Epsco, Inc., 275 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass.

## Quality Control Manual

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This 35-page booklet describes the firm's quality control program based on MIL-Q-9858 procedures. The 14 chapters are: introduction, inspection procedures, government source inspection, receiving of purchased items, inspection instructions, inspection records, drawing change control, material review, indication of inspection status, rejected devices, shipping, packing and packaging, definitions, forms and list of inspection equipment. National Connector Corp., 311 Fifth Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn.

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## NEW LITERATURE

### Frequency Measurement 270

In five pages, this application note, No. 2, presents methods of frequency measurement by using high-speed electronic counters and various accessories. Principal accessories include transfer oscillators and harmonic mixers, which, when combined with the counters, extend the measurable frequency range up to 18 kmc and above. Useful charts and diagrams summarize equipment applicable to the various frequency ranges and show typical instrument arrangements in each range. Hewlett-Packard Co., 1501 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif.

### Electronic Switches 271

Data sheet 177, two pages, describes electronic switches that eliminate spurious voltage pulses caused by contact bounce. They are for use with high-speed electronic components that operate in less than a microsecond. Characteristics and mounting dimensions are given. Micro Switch Div. of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Freeport, Ill.

### Vibration Equipment 272

Bulletin 420G, 16 pages, describes the firm's line of products that produce, measure and control vibration. It gives the principles of vibration testing and specifications for electrodynamic vibration exciters, electrohydraulic shaker systems, electronic power supplies and sine and random motion electronic control consoles. The booklet includes sections on vibration pickups and vibration meters used in testing engines, missiles, rockets and equipment subject to vibration. The final section contains information on vibration isolating Isomode pad and engine, machinery- and shipping-container mounts. MB Electronics, 781 Whalley Ave., New Haven 8, Conn.

### Sealed Components 273

Bulletin 760, six pages, describes hermetically sealed crystals, ovens and associated components. Diagrams and application information are given. Northern Engineering Laboratories, 372 Wilmot Ave., Burlington, Wis.

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### Trimmer Potentiometers 274

This four-page folder gives details of function, specifications, capacity and other specification information on Daystrom trimmer potentiometers. Information is given in tabular form. Schweber Electronics, 60 Herricks Road, Mineola, L.I., N.Y.

### Metals For Base Tabs 275

This data sheet No. 107-A describes and illustrates the physical properties of partially coated metals used as base tabs in the manufacture of transistors, or as a solder-coated part acting as its own preform. Dimensional ranges of base materials and full or partial coatings are listed. Alpha Metals, Inc., 56 Water St., Jersey City 4, N.J.

### Printed-Circuit Board 276

Data Sheet No. 9-60, two pages, describes Econo-Grid, a paper-base, epoxy, printed-circuit board. Applications, available stock sizes and prices are given. Erie Resistor Corp., Elgin Laboratories, Inc. Div., Waterford, Pa.

### Sweep Generators 277

Data Sheet No. T-203B, four pages, describes sweep generators used for television receiver alignment and production. Specifications for uhf and vhf application are given. A table of marker frequencies in megacycles is included. Telonic Industries, Inc., Beech Groove, Ind.

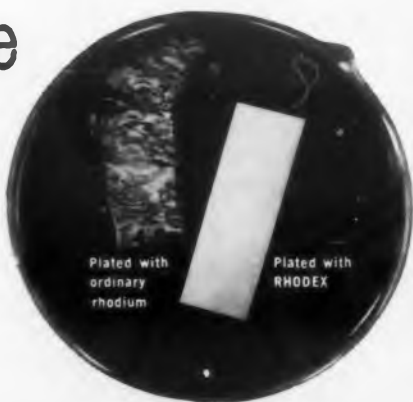
### Computing Resolvers 278

This 16-page, illustrated monograph describes the characteristics of computing resolvers. Properties and techniques of measurement are explained. Applications include system calculation and competitive evaluation. Theta Instrument Corp., 520 Victor St., Saddle Brook, N.J.

### Wirewound Potentiometers 279

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### Data-Processing Systems 281

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### Pilot Light Handbook 282

This 256-page handbook of pilot lights contains a Lamps Section which describes 15 types of incandescent lamps and six types of neon glow lamps. Following sections are in categories by particular lamp type. The text covers specific assemblies designed to receive the lamps. Illustrations, dimensions, lens styles, finishes, optional features and mounting clearance holes are given. An eight-page catalog number index is provided as a numerical cross reference for use with the handbook. Write for handbook application form to Dialight Corp., 60 Stewart Ave., Brooklyn 3, N.Y.

### Induction Potentiometer Transducers 283

Bulletin S-606, two pages, describes models UH-16 and UH-18 induction potentiometer transducers. The illustrated bulletin gives electrical, mechanical and dimensional specifications for both units. Servonic Instruments, Inc., 640 Terminal Way, Costa Mesa, Calif.

### High-Voltage Pentode 284

Illustrated bulletin 2158-9, four pages, describes type 7683 high voltage pentode. Dimensional and schematic diagrams illustrate typical circuits in which the pentode can be used as a series regulator or as a shunt regulator. Curves give transfer, screen and plate characteristics. Electrical and mechanical data are listed in tabular form. The Victoreen Instrument Co., 5806 Hough Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

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Type RA-1627 transistorized mixer for audio recording is described in this illustrated, four-page brochure. Electrical and mechanical characteristics of the modularized unit, photographs, graphs and schematics are included. Litton Industries, Westrex Recording Equipment Dept., 6601 Romaine St., Hollywood 38, Calif.

### Continuous Facsimile Recorder

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This illustrated eight-page brochure describes model RJ continuous facsimile recorder for weather maps, charts and other pictorial data sent by radio. Specifications for this self-contained unit are given. Litton Industries, Westrex Communications Equipment Dept., 540 W. 58th St., New York 19, N.Y.

### Short Form Semiconductor Catalog

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### Guidance System Components

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This folder illustrates guidance system components and describes the firm's facilities and equipment. The firm specializes in mechanical prototypes, mechanical development, electromechanical instruments, assemblies and component part production. General Machine and Instrument Co., 125 Clinton Road, Caldwell, N.J.

### Automatic Lathes

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This folder contains three brochures describing model 30 automatic lathes. Bulletins LO-6017, LO-6018 and LO-6010, 16, 12 and 12 pages, respectively, give specifications for the three lathes. Model 30-21D is for chuck work, model 30 is for work supported on centers using a tailstock, and model 30-60 is for a combination of a variety of machine components. Photographs and diagrams are included. Jones & Lamson Machine Co., Springfield, Vt.



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More Ph.D.'s are employed by large industrial firms than all the liberal-arts colleges in the country put together, according to a statement made recently at the University of Michigan by Bernard Berelson, director of the Bureau of Ap-

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Spread of demand for electronic techniques will put an increasing demand on engineers to broaden their knowledge into other areas. Scientists in other fields continue to complain that they themselves are more interested in electronics than electronic engineers are interested in the fields of these scientists. Biologists, for example, complain that while one can find many physiologists and biologists with books on electronics on their shelves, it is hard to find many electronic engineers with books on psychology or biology on their shelves.

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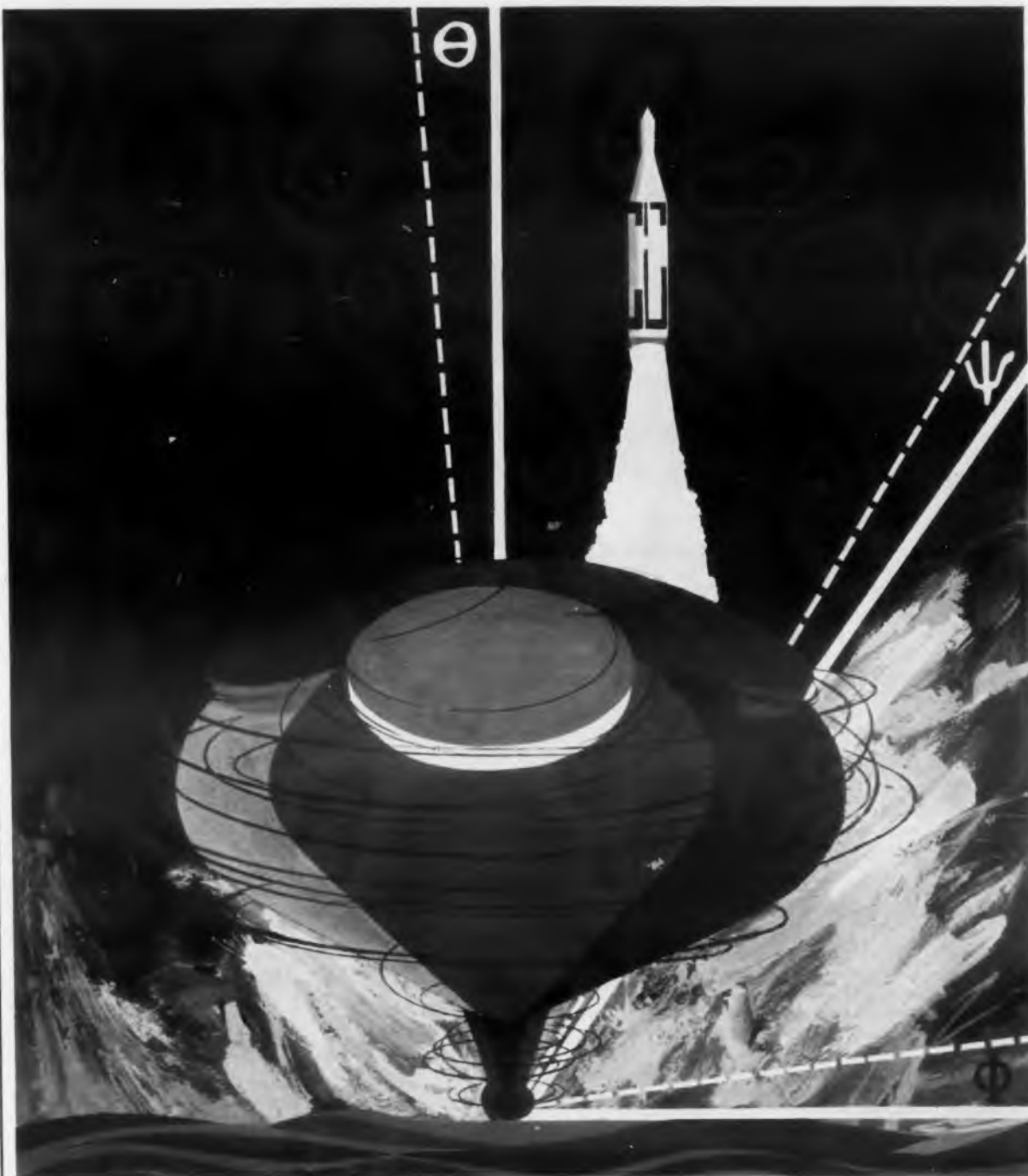
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The "intelligence" aspects of electronics will become the dominant factor in the cold war, according to Dr. Simon Ramo, executive vice president, Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Inc.

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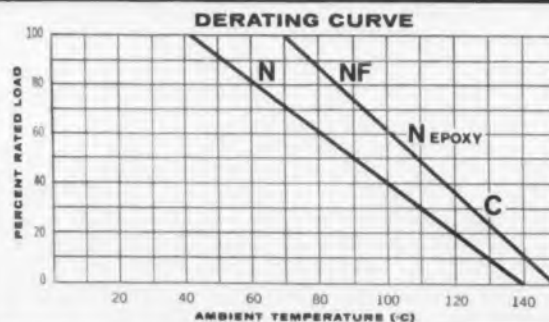
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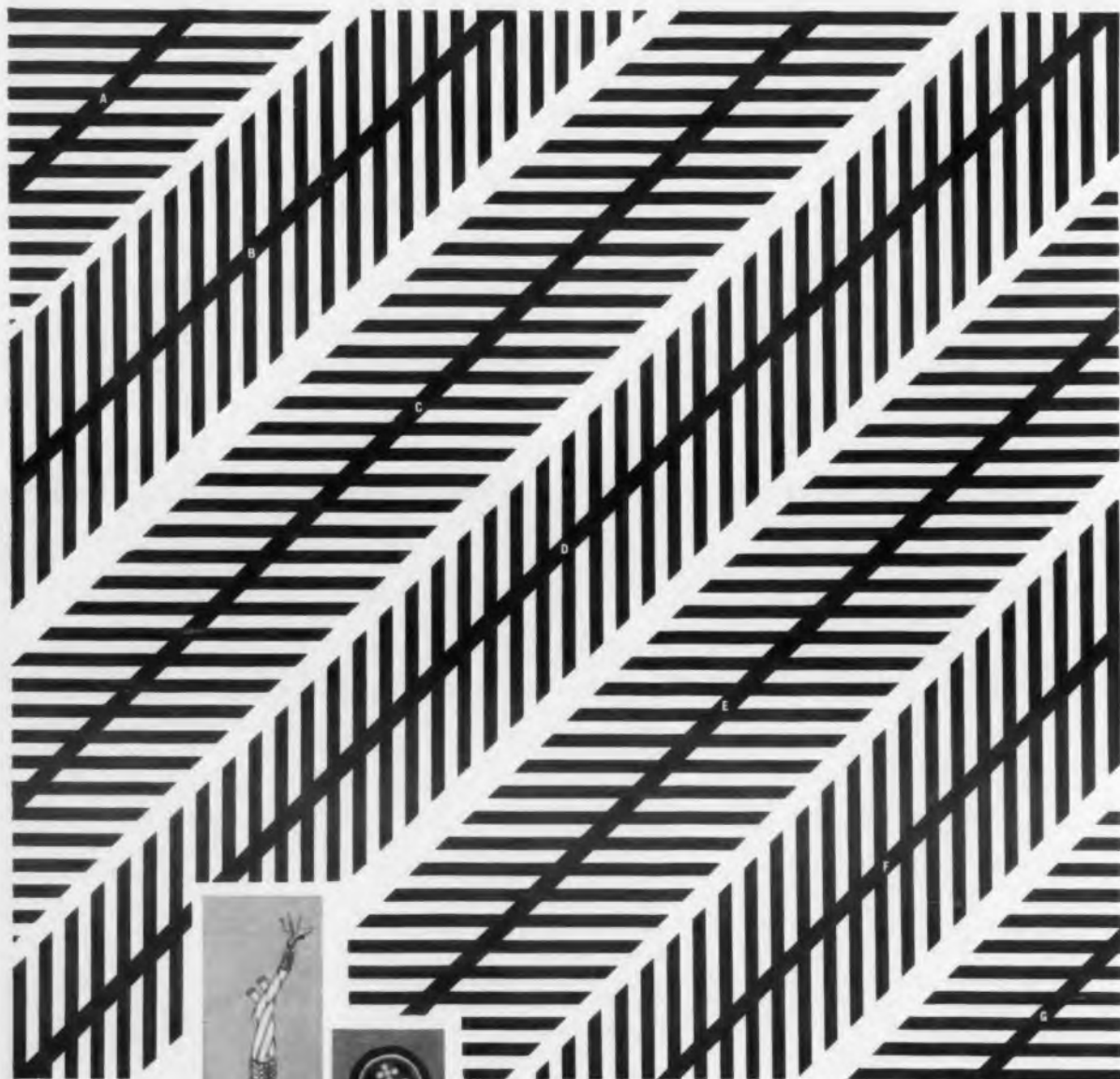


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MODEL 845  
DC Volts, Ratio, AC Volts, DC Pre-Amp, DC



MODEL 846  
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MODEL 847  
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MODEL 848  
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MODEL 849  
DC Volts, DC Ratio, Resistance, With Electrical Output



MODEL 850  
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MODEL 851  
DC Volts, DC Ratio, AC Volts, Resistance, With Electrical Output



MODEL 852  
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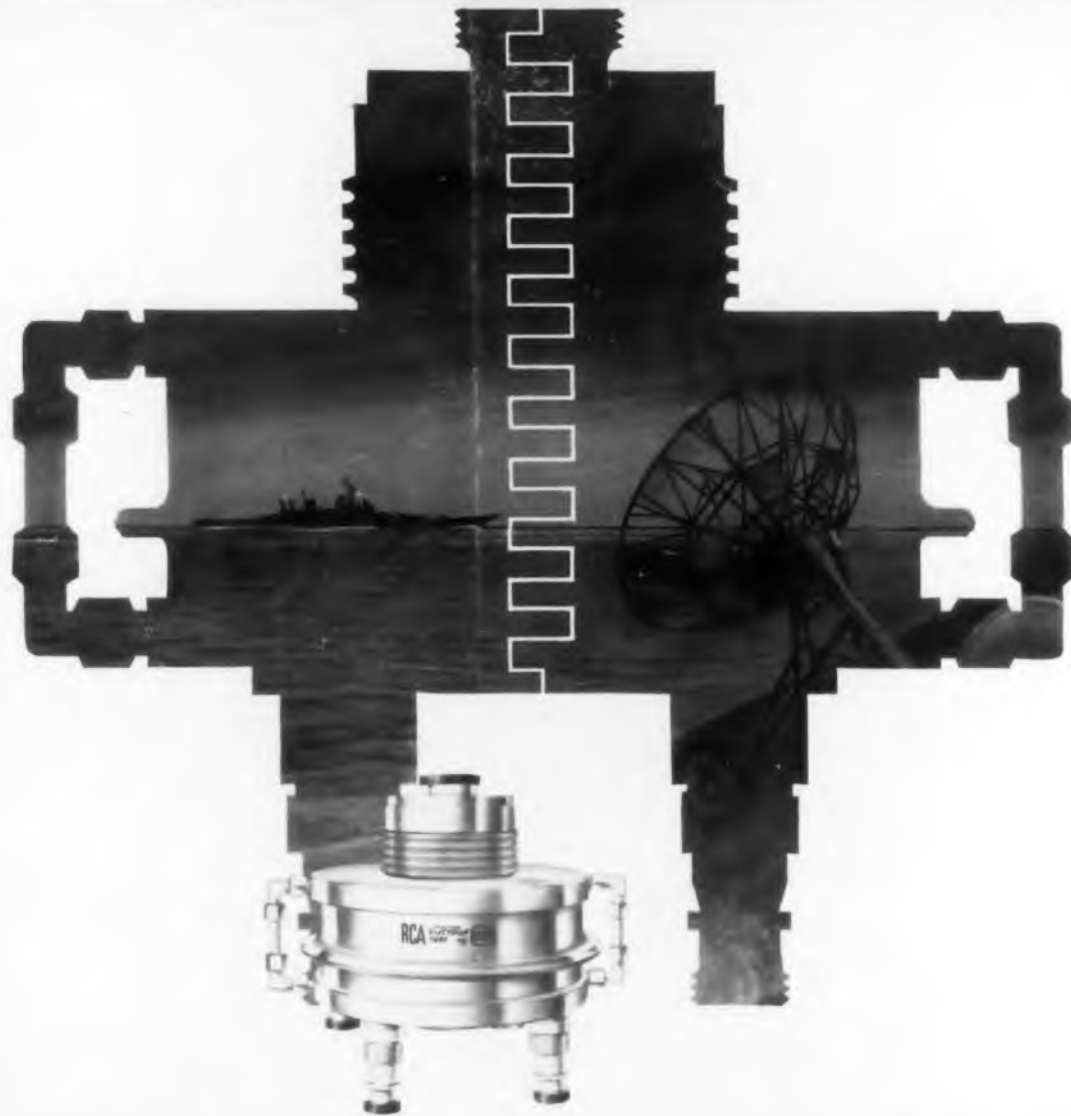


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