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### Typical Miniature Audios
RC-25 Case
61/64 x 1-13/32 x 1-9/16
1.5 oz.

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<tr>
<th>Type No</th>
<th>Application</th>
<th>MIL Type</th>
<th>Pri. Imp.</th>
<th>Sec. Imp.</th>
<th>Unbal. DC in Pri. MA</th>
<th>Response 2 db (Cyc.)</th>
<th>Max. level Ohms</th>
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<tr>
<td>H-20</td>
<td>Single plate to 2 grids, can also be used for P.P. plates</td>
<td>TF4RX15YY</td>
<td>15,000 split</td>
<td>80,000 split</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>30-20,000</td>
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<td>H-21</td>
<td>Single plate to P.P. grids, DC in Pri.</td>
<td>TF4RX15YY</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>80,000 split</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>100,000-20,000</td>
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<td>H-22</td>
<td>Single plate to multiple line</td>
<td>TF4RX13YY</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>50/2000</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>50-20,000</td>
<td>+23</td>
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<td>H-23</td>
<td>P.P. plates to multiple line</td>
<td>TF4RX13YY</td>
<td>30,000 split</td>
<td>50/200</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>30-20,000</td>
<td>+19</td>
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<td>H-24</td>
<td>Reactor</td>
<td>TF4RX20YY</td>
<td>450 Hys.-0 DC, 250 Hys.-5 Ma. DC, 6000 Ohms</td>
<td>65 Hys.-10 Ma. DC, 1500 Ohms</td>
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<td>H-25</td>
<td>Mixing or transistors to line</td>
<td>TF4RX17YY</td>
<td>500 CT</td>
<td>500/125 split</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>40-10,000</td>
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### Typical Subminiature Audios
SM Case
1/2 x 11/16 x 29/32
.8 oz.

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<th>Type No</th>
<th>HV Sec. CT</th>
<th>DC MA*</th>
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<td>H-31</td>
<td>450</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>6.3V.2A</td>
<td>168</td>
<td>6.3V.2.5A</td>
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<td>H-32</td>
<td>500/550</td>
<td>65/65</td>
<td>6.3V.3A/5V.2A</td>
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<td>6.3V.4A/5V.2A</td>
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<td>H-33</td>
<td>750/600</td>
<td>110/60</td>
<td>6.3V.4A</td>
<td>210/150</td>
<td>6.3V.3A/6.3V.2A</td>
<td>KA</td>
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<tr>
<td>H-34</td>
<td>850/1050</td>
<td>230/280</td>
<td>6.3V.4A/6.3V.4A/6.4A.3A</td>
<td>400/320</td>
<td>6.3V.3A/6.3V.4A/6.4A.3A</td>
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### Typical Power Transformers
Pri: 115V 50/60 Cyclic *Choke/Cond. inp.

### Typical Filament Transformers
Pri: 105/115/210/220V except H-130 (115) and H-131 (115/220) 50/60 Cyclic
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<th>Tape-Programmed Circuit Tester</th>
<th>Missile Test Console</th>
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<td>Tests electronic and electrical circuits and systems according to values punched in tape.</td>
<td>Continuously monitors circuits of main missile wiring harness undergoing 15-minute vibration test.</td>
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<td>Model 180</td>
<td>Custom made</td>
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<th>Automatic Circuit Tester</th>
<th>Missile Check Out</th>
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<td>Voltages, impedances, resistances, etc. of complex circuits and equipment are checked on a go/no-go basis.</td>
<td>Performs final electrical test on missile guidance head.</td>
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<td>Model 100</td>
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<th>Automatic Circuit Tester</th>
<th>Missile Hi-Pot Test Station</th>
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<td>Designed especially for rack-mounted test installations, this is another in the series of CTI Supertesters shown above.</td>
<td>Hi-pots main forward and aft missile wiring harnesses.</td>
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<td>Model 104</td>
<td>Custom made</td>
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<th>Component Tester</th>
<th>Tape Reader</th>
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<td>Insertion of a punched card instantly programs test series and test limits for any one of the seven basic electronic components.</td>
<td>For programming automatic equipment, this reader provides 80 bits of information at each advance of the punched tape.</td>
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<td>Model 176</td>
<td>Model 171</td>
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<th>Cable Tester</th>
<th>Tape Punch and Tape Duplicator</th>
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<td>Simultaneously measures continuity, leakage, and d-c hi-pot on complex cable harnesses. The latest state of the art in cable testing.</td>
<td>Facilitates tape programming, and, used with above reader, reproduces and speeds editing of tapes.</td>
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<td>Model 165</td>
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ELECTRONICS AND PSYCHOLOGY. If anyone had asked us a year or so ago, with which sciences electronics was likely to have direct interplay, we'd probably not have named psychology among the first two dozen. But there's really no holding this technology—ultimately, it gets into everyone's backyard.

There is an article in this issue (p 45) which discusses the intriguing possibility that negative or positive ions in the air may affect the health and wellbeing of the breather. Since we wake up some mornings with inexplicable headaches, stuffed respiratory tract, or general malaise, we're intuitively inclined to accept some of the research findings mentioned in the story. We're also intrigued by some of the ramifications.

Some storekeepers think that ionizers in an air-conditioning system may hold down shoplifting and pilferage. If positively ionized air truly contributes to mental aberration we can extend the possible applications of ionizers far beyond the department store. How about schools and research labs, to encourage clear thinking and productivity? And in the halls of Congress, and the United Nations?

Coming In Our March 4 Issue ...

SOLID-STATE PROGRESS. Some of the most exciting developments in our industry are taking place in the application of solid-state physics to electronic components, devices and circuits. Nowhere was the great interest in solid-state technology more in evidence than at the recent International Solid-State Circuits Conference in Philadelphia. Some 3,000 engineers attended daytime and evening sessions devoted to device applications and circuits. So great was the turnout for the first day's papers, particularly those on the tunnel diode, that the sessions had to be repeated.

To bring you highlights of this important conference, Associate Editor Perugini and Assistant Editor Lindgren teamed up to cover sessions, interview prominent visitors and probe into the possible future significance of reported developments. As a result, next week's conference roundup adds up to a red-hot progress report on solid-state circuits. You'll read about new circuit applications for tunnel diodes, the latest trends in microelectronics, results of recent investigations into the properties of thin magnetic films, and the latest information about storage techniques.

Some of the interesting developments reported in next week's article include a shift register using only tunnel diodes and passive elements, an evaporated-film cryotron shift register, an experimental solid-state neuron circuit and a semiconductor diode that might be used as an inducance.

PHASEMETER. Measuring phase in the uhf region has generally been laborious and less accurate than required for some electronic applications, such as phased antenna arrays.

In our next issue, R. T. Stevens of Electronics Systems, Inc., in Boston, Mass., describes a new phasemeter that operates in the band from 100 to 520 mc and measures the phase between two signals to within 0.2 degree for c-w and to within 0.5 degree for pulsed r-f. If the i-f is changed, the same method can be used down to 20 mc and, with suitable preamplifying equipment, operation up to X band is possible.
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<td>Water Absorption</td>
<td>12 to 18 Highly Porous</td>
<td>14 to 17 Highly Porous</td>
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<td>Specific Gravity</td>
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<td>Density</td>
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<td>Tε</td>
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<td>Dielectric Constant</td>
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**Output Impedances:** 50, 150 and 600 ohms balanced; 600 ohms single ended

**Specifications**  
- **Frequency Response:** Better than 0.2 db, 30 cps to 15 KC  
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| 1 1/4 x 2 1/4 | 6,700 | 2,720 | 322 | 46 | 3,200 | 1,190 | 128 | 19 |
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New Machine Converts Computer Data into Visual Form on Microfilm

Direct conversion of magnetic tape computer output to microfilm for storage or for subsequent hard-copy processing is now speeded by electronic techniques. New system being marketed by Recordak Corp. was developed by parent Eastman Kodak, uses monoscope tubes as intermediary between taped data and visual form. The system is called Dacom (for DATascope Computer Output Microfilmer), can operate on or off line, will be used first with an IBM 705 computer.

Matrix decoder translates the tape-recorded data; monoscope tubes for all letters, numerals and special characters spell out the message. Scan rate is 2.5 microseconds for each of 14 lines which are fed from the monoscopes through video amplifiers to a cathode-ray tube.

An electronically-controlled camera photographs the face of the CRT automatically on 16-mm film. A page containing 66 lines of 130 characters each occupies less than half a square inch on the film. Recordak says the system has an input rate of 15,000 characters a second or more (depending on the computer with which it's used), and an output rate of 6,923 lines a minute or more. Company says 1,000 ft of Dacom film contains the decoded information from more than 35,240-ft reels of magnetic tape.

Russia’s Setun Computer Operates on Ternary Rather Than Binary Code

Soviet Setun computer developed by graduate students at Moscow Power Engineering Institute operates on ternary rather than binary code, uses 4,000 high-speed magnetic amplifiers. Institute spokesmen claim the new computer—developed as an engineering aid—is faster than binary systems and uses fewer components.

Only three stages would be needed to register a decimal digit in ternary code, where four are needed to express the same digit in binary code. Shifting, memory readout and other data transfers would be faster. U.S. computer engineers have generally preferred the binary system because of the greater reliability of standard bistable devices over tristable ones. Magnetic amplifiers and phase-locked oscillators are among newer developments with reliable tristable modes of operation.

The Setun computer uses a buffered input and storage technique. Main magnetic drum transfers data and instructions onto a smaller but faster secondary memory of 162 words, which in turn feeds the magnetic-amplifier arithmetical units. The system occupies about 215 sq ft.

Highly Sensitive Strain Sensing Element of Whisker Size and High Strength Developed

Semiconductor strain sensing element a thousandth of an inch in diameter and about one-fourth of an inch long has been developed by Electro-Optical Systems, Inc. and the Army Ordnance Corps’ Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J. The new element could provide aircraft or missiles with strain gauges of 50 times greater sensitivity than present metallic devices, EOS says. Whisker elements are either grown through vapor deposition or made by slicing slivers from silicon bars, then lapping and etching them. They are said to have an ultimate gage factor of 175 compared to less than five for present wire strain elements.

ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

New cadmium sulphide field-effect transistor is being developed by General Motors Research Laboratories and has been successfully demonstrated in such electronic circuits as an oscillator, multivibrator, amplifier and radiation detector.

Gerald M. Rassweiler, head of GM’s research physics department, said the new amplifying photosensitive element is an outcome of work in growing single crystals of pure cadmium sulphide. The company claims that field-effect phototransistors have unique characteristics which permit them to “perform new and combined circuit functions which are not practicable with conventional circuit elements.”

New BMEWS contract award of $474,831,000 to RCA, detection system prime contractor, pushes the total for the ballistic missile early warning system to more than $700 million. The Western Electric Co., prime contractor for the communications system, has received a contract for $66,769,000.

Soviet remote-controlled farm tractors are scheduled to start large-scale tests next year. Control device weighing a few pounds is said to control guidance, speed, brakes and fuel intake of an unmanned tractor from a second tractor some 40 yards behind the first.

NASA administrator T. Keith Glennan noted in a speech recently that his agency’s request to Congress for the next fiscal year totals $938 million, then added: “And you should know that our long range planning suggests the expenditure of a total of 12 to 15 billion dollars for space exploration over the next 10 years.”

Federal Aviation Agency has ordered $983,746 worth of additional test monitoring control equipment from ITT’s Federal division to check out the VORTAC air navigation system. Gear is used to monitor and control ground beacons of VORTAC (vhf omnirange-Tacan). Tacan gives military pilots their distance from a ground station and their heading. Commercial pilots require additional distance measuring equipment to obtain distance and bearing.
Flames swept across the open plains as the Mongol hordes ran in terror from the "arrows of flying fire". When the smoke had cleared the Chinese had won the battle of Pienking with the first rocket.

Missiles have become greatly more sophisticated since this crude unguided arrow was propelled by gunpowder packed in an open-ended bamboo tube. Today, as a vital part of one of the world's largest electronics companies, Raytheon's Missile Systems Division is making significant contributions to the art of missilry. The exciting new Pin Cushion Project for selective missile identification, the constantly advancing Navy's air-to-air SPARROW III and Army's HAWK are examples of their outstanding creative work.

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**WASHINGTON OUTLOOK**

**Cold Cathode Trigger-Timer-Gap Tube**

switches 1000 amperes

The KP-130 is a subminiature, cold cathode tube, capable of switching pulse circuits with currents in excess of 1000 amperes.

The KP-130 is one of a family of "Krytrons" announced recently by KIP ELECTRONICS CORPORATION, manufacturer of electron tubes in Stamford, Connecticut.

The KP-130 is a T-3 size (see cut) capable of controlling pulse discharges as high as 1100 amps at 2500 volts. The anode delay time (time from the application of signal until conduction) averages 0.2 microseconds. The variation in delay ("jitter") is barely measurable, averaging less than 0.05 usec.

Hold-off voltage is in the 3000-4000 volt range, with higher voltage models in development.

With its high-voltage, high-current handling capabilities, the KP-130 will replace timer tubes and spark gaps, thereby eliminating circuit components and improving equipment reliability.

A low-level radioactive material is included for light and dark stability, but no external radiation results therefrom.

Tubes are available from stock. For further details, contact KIP ELECTRONICS CORPORATION, Dept. 87, Box 562, Stamford, Connecticut.

**FUTURE VOLUME of military electronics contracting is almost certain to be affected by the furious debate over defense policy now raging on the banks of the Potomac. But the precise strength of the impact on the industry is still an open question.**

As the debate shapes up now, the odds are that Congress will tack an extra $1 billion or so onto the Eisenhower administration's military requests. Electronics procurement and R&D figure strongly in just about all the projects most likely to be favored: the B70, Polaris-launching submarines, the Minuteman ICBM, and reconnaissance and early-warning satellites.

There's little likelihood that Atlas or Titan ICBM output will be boosted beyond present plans (a total of 270 is now scheduled). The Air Force has told Congress that unless additional orders are placed by April, the extra missiles could not be delivered before the more sophisticated Minuteman is in full production. And there's little chance for more contracting in the next two months.

In the past, the Eisenhower administration has purposely delayed or neglected to spend extra defense funds voted by Congress. But the fiscal 1961 military funds will be at the disposal of a new administration. A Democrat in the White House would be virtually committed to stepping up military outlays; some Washington observers feel that a Republican administration headed by Richard Nixon would be almost as favorably inclined toward a costlier defense program.

- Development of stereo broadcasting for a-m radio and television will be delayed considerably by the Federal Communications Commission's decision to go ahead first with f-m stereo instead of backing a study of all three together.

The National Stereophonic Radio Committee (an industry group set up by Electronic Industries Association) asked FCC last September to sponsor the group officially, as it had the Television Allocations Study Group (TASO). RCA and CBS felt they could not participate in the Committee unless the government sponsored it, since an industry-controlled effort to work out a standard system of stereo broadcasting might run either of the two big networks onto the reefs of the antitrust laws.

Last week FCC declined to chair the group, deciding to go ahead with just f-m instead on the grounds that f-m is further developed than either a-m or tv. Hearings on a standard system for f-m stereo will start about March 15; consideration of a-m or tv stereo systems will be delayed indefinitely.

- Bureau of the Census is cranking up for the first all-electronic nose-count in the nation's history. Data collected in the 1960 Decennial Census will be tabulated from start to finish by computing systems and by special equipment designed specifically for the Bureau.

Three steps are involved in the census tabulation. The raw data will be microfilmed at Jeffersonville, Ind., in an abandoned Army depot taken over for this census. The film will then be developed, and the pencil-mark information will be transferred onto magnetic tape by the Bureau's FOSDIC (film optical sensing device for input to computers). FOSDIC, installed at the Bureau headquarters in Suitland, Md., was developed by Census and Bureau of Standards in 1954.

The tapes will then become input to two Univac 1105 systems now operating at Suitland. Two other 1105's—at the Armour Research Institute in Chicago and at the University of North Carolina—will be used for peak-load scheduling and as standby systems.
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ANOTHER NEW DIODE/RECTIFIER PRODUCT FROM TI!
For original equipment, direct replacement

**NEC tubes with new doped-nickel cathode**

Both tube series described here use NEC's new doped-nickel cathode core material. This 10-year development increases emission without raising operating temperature. Oxide evaporation rate is lower than any known core material. Operating data show tube life is extended up to 50%.

**WIDE-BAND AMPLIFIER TUBES:** Development began seven years ago with the 6R-R8, which was used in Japan's first microwave link. A modification, 6R-R8C, with very low distortion factor, is used in coaxial amplifiers. 6R-P10 Power Amplifier Pentode, with high mutual conductance and small capacitance, is designed for larger power output.

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**DISC-SEALED TRIODES:** NEC designed the first disc-sealed tube in 1939, giving NEC many years of experience in the design and manufacture of this type of microwave tube. Each is a direct replacement under all circumstances for the corresponding type. The NEC tube will give longer life, an especially important advantage in repeater stations.

Please write for specifications sheets.
Silicon
General Purpose Diodes

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*NEW!* Fast Recovery Low Recovery Capacitance Computer Diodes

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*NEW!* VHF Silicon Power Transistors

2N1335 2N1336 2N1337 2N1339 2N1340 2N1341

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Silicon Subminiature Rectifiers

**MEDIUM POWER TYPES**

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*All above types available as Air Force Approved Units.*

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**Sierra Very High Voltage Cartridge Rectifiers**

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The document presents various specifications and characteristics of diodes, including Zener diodes and Varicap diodes. It also features tables with data on diode types, capacitance, and other parameters. The text is divided into sections discussing power dissipation, high reliability, and specific diode types such as Zener and Varicap diodes. The content is technical in nature and is likely intended for use in electronic engineering or related fields.
ADVANCED SEMICONDUCTOR PRODUCTS FROM PSI
Jacques Bernoulli, the great Swiss mathematician, pondered a question early in the 18th century. Can you mathematically predict what will happen when events of chance take place, as in throwing dice?

His answer was the classical Bernoulli binomial distribution—a basic formula in the mathematics of probability (published in 1713). The laws of probability say, for instance, that if you roll 150 icosahedrons (the 20-faced solid shown above), 15 or more of them will come to rest with side "A" on top only about once in a hundred times.

Identical laws of probability govern the calls coming into your local Bell Telephone exchange. Suppose you are one of a group of 150 telephone subscribers, each of whom makes a three-minute call during the busiest hour of the day. Since three minutes is one-twentieth of an hour, the probability that you or any other subscriber will be busy is 1 in 20, the same as the probability that side "A" of an icosahedron will be on top. The odds against 15 or more of you talking at once are again about 100 to 1. Thus it would be extravagant to supply your group with 150 trunk circuits when 15 are sufficient for good service.

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Stock Tally Reveals Growth

The 899,344 shares of common stock outstanding.
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25 MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

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Motorola's Western Military Electronics Center in Phoenix uses four General Electric ceramic 7077's for high-speed RF switching and pulse attenuation in a 440-mc distance measuring circuit where timing to one billionth of a second is needed for pulse delay measurement. Minimum plate-to-cathode capacitance, high gain, low noise, and a configuration that makes the tube ideal for grounded-grid service, were reasons back of Motorola's choice of the G-E 7077.
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MARKET RESEARCH

Selecting New Products

Products introduced within the last five years are accounting for 45 percent of the average electronics firm's current sales. A new product's sales contributions generally mount from eight percent of the total one year after introduction to 50 percent in 10 years.

Above figures are taken from a survey made last year by Harold C. Buell, marketing vice president of P. R. Mallory, among 28 electronics firms, with sales ranging from $3 million to $500 million annually. They show the importance of new products to the electronics industry.

Measuring Success

The 28 firms told Buell they brought out an average of nine new products a year ago. Within a five-year period 30 new products were introduced by the typical firm. Over a 10-year period, the number was 53.

Here's a guide for measuring your new product success record. Of products introduced in the last five years, an average of 15 percent were discontinued during the period, survey shows. One firm discontinued 60 percent of its new products over the five-year period.

What are the major reasons for discontinuing new products? Market changes and unprofitability topped the list with 10 mentions each. Product obsolescence and inadequate screening were close behind. Other reasons given: inadequate development, competition, lack of proper distribution, production difficulties.

Engineering research is the prime source of new product ideas. It was mentioned by 22 firms, slightly ahead of customers (20 mentions), and the sales department (19). Other idea sources: top management, new product groups, competitors and market research.

Screening Procedures

Despite the importance of new products to the electronics industry, only 13 of the 28 firms said they had a written procedure for screening and selecting new product ideas.

Committees handle new product screening in 15 firms. Departments handle the function in three firms and individuals in eight. On average, 50 products are screened annually, and 14 get further study.

Profit potential had to be the most important criteria in screening of new products. It was mentioned by 27 firms. Twenty firms listed competitive status. Other frequently-mentioned criteria were compatibility with present manufacturing facilities and distribution system, costs of development and marketing.

Studies by engineering and marketing research groups, internal and external, shared top honors in answer to question on methods used to study new product ideas. Both groups were mentioned by 18 firms.
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#### Metal Parts and Finishes

**STANDARD COMMERCIAL**—Punched steel parts are lead-coated, cold-rolled steel. Parts such as nuts, lockwashers, etc., are cadmium-plated steel. Shafts may be cadmium-plated steel, brass, or aluminum. Brass parts are unplated.

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Diodes: New Market Appeal

Many tunnel diode circuit designs are being devised for a wide range of commercial products—even as research opens new possibilities.

New semiconductor diodes based on the tunnel effect delineated by Leo Esaki are being developed and studied so intensively by electronics companies that several commercial implications are now recognized by technical observers.

Computers, communications and the home entertainment field are being singled out by scientists as promising areas of application for tunnel diode circuitry.

However, companies with large R&D groups seem to be methodically investigating all possible fabricating materials and circuit approaches before they invest heavily in extensive product engineering efforts.

Tunnel diode circuit design by many electronics firms, and R&D work by a smaller number, are running concurrently. Some circuit designers attending the Solid-State Circuits Conference in Philadelphia recently told ELECTRONICS they had not worked with tunnel diodes because samples had been too costly. They said now that germanium samples could be bought for as little as $10 apiece, their own manage-
Battelle is putting most of its effort into aluminum antimony and gallium arsenide, but is studying indium phosphide too. The program began two years ago, and is scheduled to run another two years.

Scientists are acquiring data on thermoelectric, resistive, magnetoresistive and Hall effects.

**Outlook for Computers**

One new indication of how seriously computer manufacturers are considering application of Esaki diodes as switching elements came from IBM's advanced systems development division in a paper at the Solid-State Circuits Conference.

"Under suitable bias and loading conditions," said the paper, "Esaki diode circuits can perform threshold logic and binary memory functions and can provide power gain when switched."

Earlier, ELECTRONICS had reported (p 11, Jan. 8) that IBM researcher R. F. Rutz and his colleagues had attained a frequency of oscillation figure of 5,300 Mc at about 1 microvolt. Recently, IBM announced that Leo Esaki has taken a leave of absence from Sony Corp., Tokyo, to join IBM's semiconductor research department in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

RCA reports it is investigating the use of Esaki tunnel diodes as storage elements. Cycle time of less than 100 nanoseconds has already been achieved.

Some opinion has been expressed that use of tunnel diodes in logic circuits will be limited only by the design limitations of the circuits themselves. New design techniques are required to take into account the fact that the power source may be an integral part of a logic circuit using tunnel diodes.

A GE scientist reports a tunnel diode flip-flop digital circuit, which overcomes the design problem of matching tunnel diode peak current characteristics. He said this circuit work would be shown and described at a conference later this year.

Flexibility of the tunnel diode's performance is noted by another GE scientist. He says that because of its flat frequency response, the same diode can be used to perform different functions at several frequencies. Specifically, he reports that it has operated as an oscillator at one frequency and as an amplifier at a frequency low in comparison to the first.

Several company representatives see Esaki diode computer developments heading towards eventual substitution of the new units for transistors. They predict plug-in modules with simpler circuits than that presently used.

**Communications**

Many of the criteria which hold for the feasibility of using tunnel diodes in computers apply as well to electronic telephone switching. Since electronic switching in telephony is still in its R&D stages, Esaki diodes conceivably could be designed into telephone switching systems of the future.

Pulse transmission, including television pulse-code-modulation, is a communications area in which R&D involving Esaki diodes is likely to receive attention.

Masers and parametric amplifiers are expected to get limited competition from Esaki diode devices in the space electronics field and in some microwave communications equipment because of the higher noise level of the latter. Amplifiers using present units would be relatively inefficient, for example, with the conventional sugar-scoop antennas used in the Bell System's transcontinental radio-relay system.

However, it seems plausible that there could be a place for Esaki diode amplifiers in certain parts of microwave systems, where they may operate as high as 30,000 Mc. It is believed they could find use in conjunction with long waveguides in which noise is determined by the temperature of the material (usually copper).

A new broadband amplifier, announced by Bell Telephone Laboratories, makes use of the negative resistance of an Esaki diode of indium antimonide in combination with nonreciprocal ferrite attenuation in order to achieve a high amplification ratio without self-oscillation.

Bell says the amplifier, which operates above 1,000 Mc, is expected to have applications in radar, microwave radio relay, satellite communications and waveguide transmission systems.

"Power requirements are low and it is expected that the device will be lower in cost and have greater reliability than other methods of achieving comparable signal amplification," says Bell.

**Receiver Amplifiers**

RCA scientists identified with both defense electronic products and home entertainment instruments reported results of recent experiments with tunnel diode amplifiers at the circuits conference. Their principal conclusion: "With tunnel diode circuitry, negative resistance amplifiers can be made practical and useful in various receiver applications."

Small size, potential low cost and fairly simple circuitry were advantages cited. The RCA men see the tunnel diode amplifier as a basic building-block for future micro-miniaturization.

A noise factor of less than 4 db was measured for one RCA tunnel diode amplifier tested in the experiments.
Metal that acts like air wraps half-mile vacuum

Upton, N. Y. In the huge new 25-Bev Synchrotron at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Inconel "X" age-hardenable nickel-chromium alloy—"a metal that acts like air"—is used to contain a ½-mile-long proton beam vacuum cavity.

Principal reason for the selection of Inconel "X" alloy, reports Brookhaven, was its high electrical resistivity. This resistivity, about 740 ohms per circular mil-foot, results in the avoidance of high eddy currents. In addition, the low magnetic permeability of Inconel "X" alloy, approximately the same as air, has virtually no effect on the strong magnetic field passing through the tube walls to guide the proton beam.

Inconel "X" also benefits vacuum cavity tube in other ways

Its high structural strength permits thin-wall construction—ten times the strength after heat treatment, above 130,000 psi. Other physical properties important to this application—the alloy's low vapor pressure, good degassing, freedom from porosity.

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9-T9 increases volumetric efficiency of the chassis by eliminating the relatively large octal base of the T9 outline.

9-T9 enables the use of large tube-assemblies in those stages where higher power-dissipation capabilities of the tube are a design necessity to include reliability.

9-T9 maintains compactness of the equipment formerly afforded by tubes fitted with T6-½ header.

NEW SYLVANIA TUBE-TYPES IN 9-T9 DESIGNS!

6EW7... double-triode... triode #1 will be intended for service as a vertical deflection oscillator, triode #2 as a vertical deflection amplifier in TV receivers. Note especially the high plate-power dissipation capabilities of triode #2 in this new tube-type as compared to a conventional 9-pin miniature tube. 10EW7... identical to 6EW7 in electrical characteristics except for heater power requirements.

New 9-T9 SYLVANIA designs include a beam-power pentode with approximately 5-watts power output in audio amplifier service; a medium-mu triode, beam-power pentode for audio amplifier service in low-cost equipment where power outputs of 1 to 2 watts are required; a medium-mu triode, high perveance beam-power pentode for vertical deflection circuits in TV equipment.
NEW SYLVANIA TUBES FOR LOW-COST STEREOPHONIC AMPLIFIERS

18HB8 and 35HB8...9-pin miniatures feature high-mu triode and power-pentode in one envelope!

Looking for sales-building record players you can quantity-produce and market? Here are 2 new tube-types that will help you design stereophonic and monophonic amplifiers small enough in cost to reach the "popular" market, with enough power output to please the music fan with a "tight" budget. The triode section of these new tubes has a mu of 100. That makes it excellent as a voltage amplifier for the types of pickups usually used in low-cost phonographs. In typical operation as a class-A audio amplifier, the pentode section with only 115-volts on the plate can deliver up to 1-watt power output, adequate for a small-speaker system. SYLVANIA 18HB8 and 35HB8 are identical in their electrical characteristics except for heater power requirements: 18-Volts at 300-Ma, and 35-Volts at 150-Ma, respectively.

NEW SYLVANIA TUBES ANNOUNCED FOR IMPROVED TV-RECEIVER DESIGNS

8ET7...this 9-pin miniature features duo-diodes for discriminator or video-detector service and a pentode section for video-output service.

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ARDC = Air Research and Development Command; ONR = Office of Naval Research; ADC = Army Ordnance Missile Command; ASC = Army Signal Corps; BRL = Ballistic Research Laboratories; NBS = National Bureau of Standards

Seeking protection until 1980, U. S. is now probing for

**Tomorrow's Space Defense Setup**

ATTEMPTS TO COME UP with a "breakthrough" to protect the U. S. from "extra atmospheric offensive vehicles" are proceeding on schedule, says the Advanced Research Projects Agency this week.

Being sought is a new technique that will protect this nation through 1980. Such a system would go far beyond capabilities of Nike-Zeus—anti-missile missile system now under development by the Army.

The study program is called Project Defender. It's being given $106 million, approximately half of the Advanced Research Projects Agency's budget for fiscal year 1960.

Project Defender is master minded by ARPA scientists and specialists from Air Research and Development Command and Army Ordnance Missile Command.

Seek New Concepts

Whereas Nike-Zeus will attempt to intercept an oncoming ballistic missile in the terminal phase of its trajectory, Defender will study new means of destruction from the moment of launch until impact. To do this, all phenomena associated with missile flight must be studied—both the natural and disturbed conditions of the upper atmosphere and the space beyond.

Emphasis in the Defender project is on development of new concepts and the application of new techniques. ARPA will not be satisfied with less than a "breakthrough" system.

Area of study will be wide. By 1980, more than ballistic missiles will be a threat. There may be maneuverable ballistic missiles, missile-launching satellites, or satellites that can be commanded to reenter at specific targets.

Defender covers more than 50 programs in the following areas: missile characteristics throughout the entire trajectory; characteristics of upper atmosphere radar; reentry body identification; destructive mechanism; interception; defense complexes; and exploratory research. (For specific contracts, see table.)

Brig. Gen. Austin W. Betts recently told the House Science and Astronautics Committee: "The study of such things as atomic cross-sections, changing molecular relationships and electron densities is involved. We are experimenting with the release of chemicals at high altitudes and the observation of artificial electron clouds and luminescence in order to determine basic data which will enlighten our understanding of the medium in which our weapon systems and those of the enemy will have to operate."

Pushing State of Art

Defender is pushing the state of the art of radar, infrared and optical sensing, as well as the capability to receive, process, communicate

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and effectively use data collected by these elements.

An important area of the study is counter-countermeasures: to determine whether a warhead is armed or a dud and to neutralize jamming.

ARPA is currently using existing "laboratories," such as the Atlantic missile range, for obtaining study data. ARDC's JC-151 telemetry aircraft ply the range during missile firings to pick up and record data. Two converted ships—ARDC's SS Arcania, Army's SS American Mariner—are carrying out the same mission.

Defender's major effort will begin in early 1962 on Roi Namur Island in the South Pacific. From there, two high-powered radars and a data processing system will monitor Nike-Zeus test firings on Kwajalein Atoll 45 miles away, and the IRBM's fired for the Nike-Zeus' practice from Johnston Island, 1,420 miles away.

'Pincushion' Radar

One radar will be an RCA modification of the AN/FPS-49 tracking radar being built for the Ballistic Missile Early Warning System (BMEWS). This unit will be acquired for ARPA by the Army Ordnance Missile Command.

The second radar on order is being built by Raytheon under a $15-million contract. An advanced tracking radar, the 80-ton unit will make microwave measurements of ballistic missiles outside the earth's atmosphere—compiling a billion bits of data on every run.

Named "Pincushion" because of its microwave beam pattern resemblance, the new radar will transmit more than a dozen narrow beams from the parabolic, five-story-high antenna.

Key to Pincushion's power is a series of Amptron power tubes which make it possible to generate tremendous power levels in a relatively small space. Transmitting and receiving circuitry will be housed in a pair of 17-ft sq compartments mounted on the back of the antenna. The radar is scheduled for delivery in late 1961.

Total cost of the Roi Namur facility, including the radars, computer installation, support facilities and one year's operation, will range from $75 to $100 million.
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IONS IN THE AIR may have a marked effect on human health and behavior.

This idea—which has been kicking around the edges of several sciences for years—was recently revived at a symposium on electrical techniques in medicine and biology during the Winter General Meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

A report on experiments with air ions in the trachea indicated that positive ions impede the clearing action of the breathing passages, while negative ions speed it up.

The report was delivered by A. P. Kruegar, M.D., of the University of California at Berkeley, and J. C. Beckett of Wesix Electric Heater, San Francisco.

The authors pointed out that, while negative ions have been shown to aid respiration, "this does not mean that negative ions will cure a respiratory ailment." Positive ions, they said, "enhance the susceptibility to trauma, may account for some mucosal irritation, and may set the stage for infection if other conditions are also present.

Problems in Space, Submarines

The report stressed that electrical engineers have a special responsibility in designing gear for use in confined spaces like submarines or spacecraft. Accumulations of positive ions in such a closed atmospheric system could seriously affect the health and well-being of crew members.

"Improved measuring devices and techniques," the authors said, have helped establish that "a small quantity of electricity could cause measurable response." Applying the experimental findings awaits completion of controlled clinical studies.

... And Department Stores

The experiments by Beckett and Dr. Kruegar reinforce suggestions made last year by S. J. Curtis at a special session on Ionization and Inventories, part of the 39th Annual Convention of the Controllers' Congress.

Curtis, who is security superintendent of giant Detroit department store J. L. Hudson, suggested that ionizers should become standard equipment in department stores as an aid to keep down pilferage. He told the Controllers' Congress that not only health but also emotional wellbeing and mental attitude are influenced by the ion content of air.

Documentation of ion effects on personality and behavior is about 30 years old. Dessauer concluded in 1931 that negative ions are beneficial to health and positive ions harmful. In 1933 at Harvard's School of Public Health, C. P. Yaglou demonstrated that negative ions normalized certain human organisms while positive ions often cause headaches and respiratory infections.

In 1947, Kornblush and Piersol established that the negatively ionized air of spas and health resorts, not the mineral waters or climatological conditions, was principally responsible for therapeutic effects.

In 1950, T. Puck at the University of Colorado reported that viruses carry a negative charge, as does healthy human tissue. Hence, Puck suggested, healthy cells repel virus attacks electrically. If a cell has a positive ion charge, then the disease virus is attracted to the cell and attaches itself to it.

According to a widely held theory, a falling barometer causes the emergence from porous soil of dead air, highly charged with positive ions. This partly accounts for the increased irritability, tiredness, even headaches, experienced by many people before a storm.

In Germany and Italy, courts of law traditionally take into consideration the sirocco and Fohn winds—positively charged seasonal winds from North Africa and the Alps—and reduce sentences for crimes committed in the Fohn or sirocco season. San Francisco police commissioner T. J. Mellon says "it is recognized that positively ionized air causes an increase in crime."

Ionizers

Positive ionization apparently contributes to the cracking of "fringe personalities." In summer dog days, when the positive ion index climbs, more neurotics slip across into pathological psychosis than at other times. Sex crimes rise, suicides increase in number, as do crimes of violence—and pilferage and shoplifting become serious commercial problems.

Retail-store executives are reportedly intrigued with the practical possibility of reducing shoplifting by artificially controlling ion content of air in their stores. Air is ionized naturally by solar radiation, by nuclear radiation, or by being broken down in an electromagnetic field. Ionizing instruments contain a radioisotope in an electrostatic field, remove positive ions from the air but leave a residuum of negative ions. Equipment would be installed as part of the air-conditioning system.

Radar View of Atlas

Composite photo shows how the launching of an Atlas ICBM looks to General Electric's radar-command guidance tracking radar.
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WASHINGTON—Electron tubes and semiconductors manufactured in the United States have a good reputation abroad, and there should be an increasing demand for specialized types and technically advanced designs.

This is the conclusion reached by Business and Defense Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce in a nine-country survey report entitled “Electron Tubes and Semiconductors; Selected European Countries.”

The survey was based primarily on information received from the U.S. Foreign Service covering Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

It indicated that American producers are supplementing their U.S.-based marketing operations in some cases by establishing European outlets either through licensing arrangements or by direct investment.

Some highlights of the study:

Austria: The electronics industry, still in early stages of development, represents a potential market for foreign producers of new and technically advanced items. The U.S. suppliers, with recognized quality items, must compete with low prices and easy credit offered by competitors. Austria’s electronics trade is largely “oriented towards Netherlands.”

Belgium: Manufacture of electron tubes and semiconductors in Belgium is confined to a few firms, much of the output coming from a subsidiary of the Netherlands firm, Philips. The U.S. is expected to continue exporting to Belgium-Luxembourg substantial quantities of transmitting and special-purpose tubes, particularly those of advanced design. Receiving and television picture tubes are subject to stiff price competition and probably will not have an increasing market.
Abroad

Denmark: Here the U.S. market is limited because of prices and lack of interchangeability of many U.S. and European tubes.

France: The Netherlands share of this market is increasing, but U.S. producers are likely to retain their strong position. The U.S. was France's principal source for transmitting tubes and a substantial quantity of receiving tubes in the first half of 1959.

Italy: U.S. firms are expanding their direct investment and licensing operations in Italy. In spite of the fast-expanding Italian electronics industry, prospects are considered good for new and advanced types of tubes and transistors.

Norway: No production here. U.S., UK, and Sweden are furnishing a relatively high proportion of Norwegian market for power, special-purpose and transmitting tubes. The Netherlands and West Germany are principal suppliers of receiving tubes.

Sweden: Electronic products from U.S. are usually priced about 20 percent higher than those produced in Sweden and other foreign countries, according to the survey. There is competition in this market from tubes of U.S. design manufactured under license in western Europe and marketed in Sweden.

United Kingdom: Market for relatively specialized types. GB expects to continue shipping large quantities of receiving and special-purpose tubes to U.S. The report indicates that investment possibilities for U.S. firms in GB are favorable.

This report is the first of a series of three publications being prepared in the BDSA Electronics division, and can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., for 25 cents.

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Probes Etch Hi-Mach Airflow

New technique makes patterns of airflow inside hypersonic wind tunnel visible in color

AIRFLOW patterns around a missile nose cone inside a hypersonic wind tunnel are made visible in brilliant oranges and blues by means of a new technique developed by researchers at the MIT Naval Supersonic Laboratory in Cambridge, Mass.

Use Two Probes

The researchers place two negatively charged probes in the airstream and slightly closer to the model undergoing tests than to the tunnel itself.

The tunnel wall is held at a potential positive with respect to the probes.

As the voltage is increased in the probes to about 1,100 volts, the charge across the airstream excites the molecules to luminescence and makes the flow patterns visible in color to the naked eye.

This phenomenon, postulated in theory but not previously verified in a hypersonic wind tunnel, is not yet clearly understood, say the MIT scientists, but it is apparently analogous to the aurora.

For years, wind tunnel operators have used Schlieren systems for flow visualization, but at the extremely low pressure and densities associated with hypersonic flow there are not enough air molecules to permit good Schlieren observations.

The flow visualization technique was demonstrated recently in conjunction with the announcement that velocities of more than Mach 7 have been achieved at the NSL tunnel, doubling previous velocity.

Extending Capacity

Systems being developed with higher temperatures and pressures are expected to extend the capacity of the tunnel to about Mach 15.

The NSL supersonic tunnel has been used for nondestructive testing of the North American F100 series, Boeing’s Bomarc and the Navy’s Sidewinder missiles, the B58 Hustler bomber, the X-15, the experimental B70 aircraft and the Navy’s F8U.
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Solid-State Dielectric Circuit Devices

Controlled current flow in insulators points to new class of devices. Cadmium sulphide diodes have been built and triodes are envisioned

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A new class of solid-state dielectric devices now being developed is expected to complement semiconductor devices in applications where insensitivity to temperature changes is required, in operation at moderately high voltage or impedance levels and in high-speed switching or high-frequency applications. These devices are the result of experiments showing that large and controllable currents can be produced in solid insulating materials. Relatively high current densities have been obtained in thin insulating crystals of cadmium sulphide with a few volts applied.

Current in Insulators—In its pure state, cadmium sulphide is an insulator. Possibility of achieving current flow in insulators rests on the fact that electrons can travel freely through any electric potential field that is periodic in space. The interior of a perfect crystal represents such a periodic potential field; consequently, an electron should be able to travel through it without difficulty. The only condition to be met is that the electron energy be within the allowed energy bands of the crystal.

In normal circumstances, current does not flow through insulators. There are two main reasons for this. First, the allowed bands of insulators seem to be above the energy levels occupied by electrons in metals. This means that, at the contact between a metal and an insulator, there is a step in

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electron potential energy. This step forms a contact potential barrier that prevents large-scale introduction of electrons into the insulator from an external source. Secondly, all real crystals contain lattice defects, some of which are able to act as electron traps. This means that even if small numbers of electrons do manage to enter the crystals, most fall into electron traps and are unable to contribute to current.

Experiments have shown that in the case of cadmium sulphide it is possible to eliminate these obstacles to electron movement and obtain current. Approximate solutions to the equations for current flow in insulators are illustrated in Fig. 1 for various restricted ranges of interest.

**DIELECTRIC DIODE**—Like the thermionic vacuum diode, the dielectric diode is basically a capacitor in which the negative plate (cathode) can emit electrons into the normally insulating region between the plates. The charge stored on the capacitor is thus continuously in transit between the plates, and current is obtained.

The situation is illustrated in Fig. 2, which compares the thermionic and dielectric diodes on this basis. A difference between the two, however, is that in the dielectric diode some of the charge in the crystal is trapped because even the most carefully grown crystals contain some lattice defects. This is taken into account by saying that, because of trapping, only a fraction, θ, of the total charge in the crystal is free to contribute to current flow. Bearing this in mind, the magnitude of the current is given in each case by the ratio of free charge to transit time.

Diodes made at present are constructed on the open bench from crystals of cadmium sulphide. This material grows quite readily into thin, flat crystal plates by condensing the vapor in nitrogen at a temperature of about 900°C. The transparent, yellow crystal plates, about 30 microns thick, are taken directly from the growing furnace and soldered with indium onto brass stubs which act as heat sinks (Fig. 2C).

Diodes constructed in this way have reverse resistances typically of the order of 10^6 to 10^9 ohms; forward currents in the dark are typically in the range of a fraction of a microampere to tens of milliamperes at 10 volts applied, depending on the trap content of the crystal. Steady-current and pulse current characteristics are shown in Fig. 3.

**TRAP-LIMITED CURRENT**—At small applied voltages the charge injected into the crystal is small. Most of this charge falls into deep-lying traps for which θ is very small and is voltage dependent; thus currents are very small and non-linear. This is the deep-trap limited region in Fig. 1.

As the applied voltage rises, more charge is injected into the crystal and eventually a voltage V_T is reached at which all deep-lying traps are filled. At this point the current rises extremely rapidly towards the theoretical space-charge-limited curve. This is the trap-filled transition region in Fig. 1. For a crystal 30 microns thick with 10^6 traps/cm^2, V_T ≈ 1,000 volts.

In order to obtain useful current at small voltages, traps as deep as this must be reduced in number.
Using very careful crystal growing techniques, diodes can now be made with trap-filled transition voltages of the order of a volt or so. This indicates that deep-trap densities have been reduced to levels of the order of $10^8$ to $10^{10}$ a cubic centimeter.

**SQUARE-LAW RESPONSE**—When deep traps have been reduced to negligible proportions, the current is space-charge-limited and follows a square-law dependence on applied voltage. In general, however, the crystal may contain large numbers of shallow traps. These are traps which are well above the Fermi level in the crystal, while deep traps are those that are well below it. For shallow traps it is found that the trapping factor may be very near unity; for instance, if the crystal contains $10^8$ traps/cm$^2$ at a depth of 0.2 ev, then $\theta = 0.9$. In these circumstances $\theta$ is independent of voltage and the current follows a modified square-law dependence on voltage lying just below the theoretical square-law curve. Thus, $i = 9 \ e \ \mu \ \theta AV/7.8 \ d^2$ and in a crystal with $\varepsilon = 10^{-4} f/m$, $\mu = 0.05 m^2/V$-sec, $A = 1 \ mm^2$ and $d = 10 \ microns$, the current is theoretically equal to 100 ma at 10 volts applied. This is the modified square-law region in Fig. 1.

Many diodes have now been made in which this square-law dependence of current upon voltage has been found. These diodes are effectively free from deep electron traps.

**TEMPERATURE SENSITIVITY**—Diodes operating under space-charge-limited conditions should be little affected by moderate temperature changes, particularly if the degree of trapping is small. Measurements over the temperature range + 120 C to -190 C show that, in general, there is little variation in diode characteristics above room temperature but that the current at constant voltage increases slowly as temperature falls, as shown in Fig. 4.

**FAST-PULSE RESPONSE**—Response of these diodes to switch-on and switch-off operation should be extremely rapid. Anticipated response times are of the order of the electron transit time and should be in the range $10^{-11}$ to $10^{-9}$ second depending on crystal thickness and applied voltage. This was tested, using very fast voltage pulses. For both switch-on and switch-off operation, the steady state was reached in a time less than three millimicroseconds, which was the response time of the equipment used. Further, an integration of reverse current while being pulsed showed, as expected, that there was no detectable mechanism analogous to hole storage in semiconductor diodes.

**SATURATION CURRENT**—The proportional current region in Fig. 1 represents saturation current. This occurs at high applied voltages which are sufficient to move the whole cathode space-charge across the crystal. The onset of saturation current occurs at the voltage $V_0$.

In the proportional current region, the current is given by $i = e \ \mu \ N_e \ AV/d$ and is proportional to the applied voltage. This region has not yet been observed experimentally because power dissipation in the crystal limits the voltages which can be applied.

**POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS**—Experimental work has shown that space-charge-limited current of practical magnitude can be achieved in insulators.

One of the most interesting space-charge-limited dielectric devices that can be envisaged is that formed by inserting a control grid into the dielectric diode to form a dielectric triode. The small dimensions which this device would have to have introduce many technical problems connected, in particular, with intricate crystal shaping and the precise placing of minute electrodes. However, design calculations indicate that the development of such a device is worthwhile.

The dielectric triode would have the very high input impedance of the vacuum triode and would possess similar anode and grid characteristics, thus enabling it to use the same type of circuits. Gain bandwidth products approaching 1,000 mc should be realizable and, by using a crystal containing large numbers of shallow electron traps, it should be possible to obtain a mutual conductance rising to high values at high frequencies.

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Designing Transducers

Key element in determining performance of modern sonar systems is the transducer. In this article, data for selection of materials and backing-plate design for a desired beam pattern are given.

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Important characteristics of sonar transducers are resonant frequency, efficiency, voltage response, directivity pattern, power handling capability and impedance. These factors are largely determined by the type, size and mounting of the active elements of the transducer. The three classes of reversible elements generally used in sonar transducers are magnetostrictive, piezoelectric and electrostrictive. Electrodynamic transducers, similar to loudspeakers, are used to some degree at low frequencies.

Transducer Types

Magnetostriction, associated with ferromagnetic metals, iron, nickel, cobalt and alloys of these metals, refers to the change in dimensions of these materials when placed in a magnetic field.

Magnetostrictive transducers are characterized by rugged construction, relatively high weight, high Q, low driving impedance, and narrow bandwidth. The unloaded Q may be several hundred; when the transducer is water loaded, the Q can vary between 5 and 40, with the usual value between 10 and 15. The piezoelectric potential (piezo—Greek combining form for press or pressure + electric) in a crystal is directly proportional to the mechanical stimulus producing it.

Of the several hundred types of piezoelectric crystals, only Rochelle salt, lithium sulfate, and ammonium dihydrogen phosphate (ADP) are used to any extent in sonar work. Rochelle salt is little used because of its water-solubility and wide variation of electrical characteristics with temperature. Lithium sulfate is particularly well suited for wide-frequency-band omnidirectional hydrophones.

The majority of crystal sonar transducers, particularly units intended for high-power operation, use ADP crystal elements. These crystals provide high electromechanical coupling, are linear, reversible, have no hysteresis effects, and are extremely stable up to 100 C. They will not dehydrate since they contain no water of crystallization. At operating temperatures, ADP has a higher electromechanical coupling coefficient than any other available nonferroelectric crystal. (See Fig. 1.)

The fundamental resonant frequency of a freely vibrating ADP crystal plate is expressed approximately by

\[ f_r = \frac{[64.7 - 13.6 (W/L)^2]}{L} \]  

where \( W \) and \( L \) are the width and length (in inches) of the crystal, and \( f_r \) is in kc.

Electrostrictive Elements

Electrostriction is defined as the deformation of a dielectric when subjected to an electric field and occurs as a low magnitude effect in all materials. Barium titanate ceramic, a material gaining wide use in sonar transducers, manifests large electrostrictive effects when its molecular electric dipoles are oriented by means of a polarizing voltage. When stressed, barium titanate behaves as though it were piezoelectric and develops potential differences. It is produced by common ceramic techniques and can be shaped into complex forms.

Principal advantages of barium titanate for sonar transducer use are its high dielectric constant and relatively low impedance, resistance to moisture, ruggedness, ability to operate over wide temperature ranges, low relative cost per surface area, and the fact that it can be produced in a great variety of sizes and shapes.

Transducer Materials

A summary of the characteristics of various transducer materials is shown in Table I. The electromechanical coupling coefficient, defined as the ratio of mechanical energy stored to the electrical energy applied, is a measure of the element efficiency and is shown for both the parallel and transverse modes. In the parallel mode, the axes of polarization and stress are in the same
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FIG. 2—Resonance design curves for 2 1/2 x 1 1/4 x 1/4-in. ADP crystal with single backing plate

FIG. 3—Chart for determining directivity pattern of a piston radiator in salt water

direction, while in the transverse mode the polarizing axis is at right angles to the stress. Frequency constants listed are for a freely vibrating bar in electric short circuit condition.

Choice of the specific active material to use in a sonar transducer is based on numerous factors and no specific rules can be given. It can be generally stated, however, that above 100 kc barium titanate is usually found most suitable, while in the 10- to 100-kc region all three types—magnetostrictive, piezoelectric, and electrostrictive—can be designed for efficient operation; below 10 kc barium titanate appears to be a convenient material to use. Eddy current losses, which increase as the square of the frequency, limit the operation of magnetostrictive elements at the upper frequencies; the size and weight of these elements become excessive at the lower frequencies.

**Backing Plate Elements**

In a hydrophone, nonresonant operation is usual since it is desired that the response be flat over a wide frequency range. When a transducer is designed for an active sonar system, the equipment must obtain the maximum possible detection range with the available power and the transducer efficiency has to be considered. For this type of operation, the transducer is designed to operate at or very close to resonance; in high power sonar systems, the transducer voltage or current usually becomes prohibitive if the transducer is operated away from the resonant region.

The basic half-wavelength transducer elements become impractical, however, at the lower frequencies because of their large size. For example, the longest ADP crystal that can be profitably produced is about 3 inches. This will give a resonant frequency of about 21 kc; for lower operating frequencies, the resonance of this element must be modified by the addition of reactive elements or backing plates.

In a design using backing plates, a portion of the crystal is replaced by a metallic plate so that the effective over-all length of the combination element is a half-wavelength. The acoustic reactance of the backing plate viewed from the crystal-backing plate junction is derived from transmission line theory: \[ Z = \frac{tan(\omega L/V)}{\omega L/V} \]

Table 1—Characteristics of Sonar Transducer Materials

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<td>Barium titanate with 5 percent calcium additive</td>
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<td>112</td>
<td>0.44</td>
<td>0.17</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rochelle salt, 45 deg X-cut (20°C)</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>83</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.7</td>
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Double Backing Plates

Double backing plates, consisting of two dissimilar materials bonded together, often results in a greater decrease in over-all length of the

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element. The savings in element length resulting from the use of these backing plates can be seen in Table II. The bandwidth, impedance, and other characteristics of these elements differ from the corresponding values for a single crystal and must be considered in the ultimate design.

For double backing plate elements, the dimension of the individual plates can be chosen for many materials so that a minimum over-all length is obtained. For the particular case in which a quarter wavelength of crystal is used, the lengths $L_1$ and $L_2$ for the shortest over-all length are given as:

$$L_1 = \frac{V_1}{\omega} \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{(Z/Z_1)(Z_1/V_1) - (V/V_1)}{(Z_1/V_1) - 1} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$L_2 = \frac{V_2}{\omega} \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{(Z/Z_2)(Z_2/V_2) - (V/V_2)}{(Z_2/V_2) - 1} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

A variable backing plate transducer with a variable length mercury column as backing plate operates between 48 kc and 90 kc with reasonable efficiency. A comprehensive analysis of multiple backing plate transducers with accompanying design charts has been made.

**Directivity Patterns**

Relatively narrow beam patterns are used in sonar for target location and sonar transducers are consequently several wavelengths in size. At 20 kc for example, the wavelength of sound in water is about 3 inches and an echo-ranging scanning sonar transducer would have an active dimension of about 15 inches. This would produce a beam pattern whose width at half-power points is 10 degrees.

In the forming of directivity patterns, the sonar transducer is analogous to the antenna of a radar system; an interesting similarity arises from the fact that the signal wavelengths of certain radars and sonars are the same. For example, the wavelength of both the electromagnetic radar signal in air at 9,375 mc, X-band, and the acoustic wave in sea water at 47 kc is about 1.25 inches.

Sonar transducers are composed of a large number of closely spaced individual stacks, elements, or crystals. Since the individual spacing is a fraction of a wavelength, the transducer can be assumed to form a smooth radiating surface with dimensions equal to those of the active face of the transducer. Whether this surface is of uniform amplitude or has a prescribed distribution depends on the beam pattern and secondary lobe suppression requirements. The configuration of the transducer active surface is also governed by considerations of efficiency and bandwidth. This requires that the radiation loading be resistive rather than reactive and therefore necessitates a radiating area closely packed with active elements and having linear dimensions of several wavelengths.

**Directivity Charts**

Sonar transducer directivity patterns can usually be described in any one plane by one of two relationships: the first applies to a line source made up of a large number of points of equal strength and phase separated by very small distances, while the second is for a circular source with all parts of the surface vibrating with the same strength and phase. The beam pattern of a plane rectangular source in any normal plane is the same as the product of the directional characteristics of two line sources of dimensions equal to the length and width of the rectangle. For nonsymmetrical transducers, a different beam pattern exists for each possible axis of rotation.

Charts for determining the directivity pattern of circular piston and line transducers are given in Figs. 3 and 4. The following example demonstrates the use of the directivity pattern charts. A circular, flat-faced (circular piston) baffled, depth sounding transducer has an active diameter of 10 inches and is to operate at 30 kc. All parts of the surface are assumed to be vibrating with the same strength and phase. Find the beamwidth of the transducer at the operating frequency.

The frequency-diameter product is $30 \text{ kc} \times 10 \text{ inches} = 300 \text{ kc-inches}$. Using this value to enter Fig. 3, the beam pattern is determined as tabulated in Table III. The following problem is typical in transducer design.

**Design Approach**

From Fig. 3 the transducer should have an effective radiating diameter of approximately 9.3 inches. The basic half-wavelength resonant frequency of the ADP crystals can be found from Eq. 1 to be 25 kc. The thickness of backing plate required to produce resonance at 16 kilocycle can be found from Fig. 2. If steel is used,

| Table II—Length of ADP With Backing Plates for 10 kc Resonance |
|------------------|------------------|
| Element                  | Over-all Length of Element (inches) |
| ADP alone                   | 6.5               |
| Dural & ADP                | 2.5 ADP & 7.2 Dural (total = 9.7) |
| Dural, steel & ADP (double backing plate) | 2.5 ADP, 1 Dural & 1.15 steel (total = 4.65) |

| Table III—Beam Pattern from Chart in Fig. 3 |
|------------------|------------------|
| Db down from Total/beamwidth max./response (Deg) |
| max.            | response         |
| 3              | 12               |
| 6              | 17               |
| 10             | 21               |
| $\approx$ 1st null | 28.4          |
| 17.8 1st lobe max. | 33.3           |
| $\approx$ 2nd null | 32.2           |
| 23.8 2nd lobe max. | 65             |
| $\approx$ 3rd null | 81             |
then \( Z_s = 39.3 \times 10^9 \text{ gm/cm}^2 \text{ sec} \), 
\( V_s = 5 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec} \), and for the ADP crystal, \( Z_s = 5.9 \times 10^9 \text{ gm/cm}^2 \text{ sec} \), 
\( V_s = 3.28 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec} \). The desired resonant frequency can thus be obtained by bonding the ADP crystals to a 1.84 cm (0.725 inch) thick backing plate.

Receiving Response

The receiving response of a transducer is defined as the open circuit voltage at the electrical terminals when an acoustic pressure of 1 dyne cm\(^{-2}\) (1 microbar) is applied to its face. In order to calculate the response of the transducer, an equivalent electromechanical circuit, such as shown in Fig. 5, must be obtained. In this circuit: 
\( C_s \) = electrical capacitance = \( 3.25 (LW/T) \), \( \mu \text{F} \); 
\( N \) = electromechanical transducer ratio = 7.29 \text{ W, volts/Newton} \; C_s \; \text{= mechanical compliance} = 1.92 (L/WT) \times 10^{10} \text{ meters/Newton} \; M \; \text{= effective mass of crystal} = 1.21LWT \times 10^{-4} \text{ kilograms} \; Z_s \; \text{= radiation load} = WT \times 10^{-4} \text{ kilograms/second} \; R_s \; \text{= motional losses} = R_s(1-E)/(E) \text{, kilogram/second} \; M_s \; \text{= effective mass of backing plate, kilograms} \; R_e \; \text{= electrical losses, ohms} \; \text{and} \; LWT \text{= length, width, and thickness of ADP crystal in inches}.

The backing plate can be considered as a lumped mass since at resonance it is only a small fraction of a wavelength in thickness. The radiation load, \( Z_s \), in this case is entirely resistive and equal to the characteristic impedance of water times the active area of the transducer. The applied force corresponding to a pressure of one microbar at the face of an individual crystal is equal to \( 2.02 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Newtons} \). By assuming low electrical losses, the output voltage can be found by use of Fig. 5 and conventional circuit theory to be approximately \(-70 \text{ dB/volt/microbar}\).

Transmitting Response

The power transmitting response is the pressure (expressed in decibels referred to one microbar) at a distance of one yard from the acoustic axis of the projector when one watt is applied to its electrical terminals. This can be found from 
\[ TR = 71.6 + DI + 10 \log E \]  
where \( DI \) = transducer directivity index (18 db for this example, see ELECTRONICS, 33, p 41, February 19, 1960), \( E \) = electroacoustic efficiency of transducer (estimated to be 0.55), 71.6 = a conversion factor to convert electric power to acoustic pressure for water at one yard. For this example \( TR = 87 \text{ db/microbar} \text{ yd} \). For an input of 500 watts, the maximum transmitted pressure will be 114 db/microbar yd.

For high efficiency as a projector, the active surface must be closely packed with crystal material. A total of 150 of the available crystals will be used for the active diameter of 9.3 inches.

**Electrical Impedance**

The electrical impedance looking into the electrical terminals can be calculated from the circuit shown in Fig. 5. The component \( R_s \) represents the various motional losses associated with the crystal and has been expressed as a function of the radiation resistance and the estimated efficiency. For a transducer efficiency of 55 percent, the impedance is approximately 300–

\(-j1,800 \text{ ohms for the 150 crystals in parallel}\).

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**Unity-Gain Amplifier**

An isolation amplifier is described whose gain stability and input impedance characteristics excel over conventional cathode followers.

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**Advantages** of this isolation amplifier are its simplicity and high order of precision. Normally, the precision provided by these amplifiers can be obtained only by using series or parallel feedback amplifiers.

In a conventional cathode follower (Fig. 1), the effective gain factor $(\delta)$ is approximately equal to the reciprocal of the amplification factor $(\mu)$ of the tube. This factor normally limits the nominal accuracy of transmission to the order of a few percent. In the new circuits (Figs. 2 & 3), $\delta$ is approximately equal to the reciprocal of the product of the $\mu$'s of the two halves of the tube. Thus, it is possible to obtain a transmission accuracy of a few tenths of one percent with ordinary tubes.

An additional feature of the circuit shown in Fig. 2 is its exceptionally high input impedance. In a normal cathode follower, the input impedance has a minimum value which is determined by the grid-to-plate interelectrode capacitance. For most tubes, this capacitance is a few picofarads. In Fig. 2, however, the plate of the input tube is driven to almost the same potential as the input grid. Hence, the effective input capacitance is greatly reduced. The reduction factor is about equal to the $\mu$ of the cascode tube section $(V_{\text{in}})$. Thus, an effective input capacity of a small fraction of a picofarad can be obtained. This is of particular importance in h-f applications.

**No-Load Gain Stability**

In the simple cathode follower of Fig. 1, the ideal no-load voltage gain $(K)$ at low frequencies is $e_{r}/e_{i} = \mu/(1+\mu)$.

The gain stability factor $(\delta)$ of a vacuum-tube circuit as a function of the $\mu$ of the tube is

$$\delta = \frac{dK/K}{d\mu/\mu} = \frac{dK}{d\mu} \times \frac{\mu}{K}$$

Thus, $\delta$ of a cathode follower is

$$\delta = \frac{(1 + \mu) - \mu}{(1 + \mu)^2} \times \frac{\mu(1 + \mu)}{\mu} \approx \frac{1}{\mu}$$

In Fig. 2A, the output of cathode follower $V_{\text{out}}$ is supplemented by feedback to the grid of $V_{\text{in}}$, which also acts as a cathode follower. The ideal or no-load gain $(K_i)$ is derived from the equivalent circuit, which is shown in Fig. 2B.

$$e_3 = \mu c_{3a} - c_{3d} = 0$$
$$e_{3i} = c_{1} - c_{3}$$
$$c_{3d} = c_{1} - c_{3}$$
$$c_{3} = \mu (c_{1} - c_{3}) - \mu c_{3}(c_{1} - c_{3}) = 0$$
$$c_{3}(1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2) = c_{1}(1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2)$$

The ideal gain stability of Fig. 2 may be investigated under three conditions: $\mu_1$ may be assumed constant while $\mu_2$ is variable, $\mu_2$ may be assumed constant while $\mu_1$ is variable, or $\mu_1$ and $\mu_2$ may be considered as equal and varying together.

With $\mu_2$ constant:

$$\mu_1(1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2)(1 + \mu_2) = \frac{(1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2)^2}{(1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2)}$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2} \approx 1/\mu_1\mu_2$$

Similarly, with $\mu_1$ constant: $\delta \approx 1/\mu_1\mu_2$.

Thus the gain stability of the new circuit is greatly improved over that of the cathode follower.

Table I gives ideal-circuit, and other mathematical expressions for the circuits of Fig. 1 and 3, derivations of the expressions for Fig. 3 are similar to the derivations for Fig. 2.

**Gain Stability With Load**

Now that we have seen what the gain stability of the three circuits is under ideal (no-load) conditions, let us see what can be achieved in a practical circuit. Here we assume a non-zero plate resistance $(r_p)$ and a finite load $(R_k)$.
Offers High Stability

Deriving the gain expression for the loaded circuit of Fig. 2:

\[ \mu_1 c_{1} + \mu_2 c_{2} - i_p(r_{p1} + r_{p2} + R_K) = 0 \]
\[ e_{1} = \frac{1}{\mu_1 c_{1}} \]
\[ e_{2} = \frac{1}{\mu_2 c_{2}} \]
\[ c_{1} = \mu_1 c_{1} - i_p(r_{p1} + R_K) \]
\[ c_{2} = \mu_2 c_{2} - i_p(r_{p2} + R_K) \]
\[ \mu_1 (c_{1} - i_p R_K) + \mu_2 (c_{2} - i_p R_K) - i_p (r_{p1} + r_{p2} + R_K) = 0 \]
\[ e_{0} = \frac{1}{c_{1} + c_{2}} \]

Let \( \mu_2 \) be a constant and assume \( r_{p1} = r_{p2} \) and that \( \mu_1 = \mu_2 \).
Now \( K_{1} = \mu_{1} K_{2} \).

\[ \delta = \frac{r_{p1}(1 + \mu_1) + R_{K}}{r_{p1}(1 + \mu_1) + R_{K}} \]
\[ \delta = \frac{r_{p2}(1 + \mu_1) + R_{K}}{r_{p2}(1 + \mu_1) + R_{K}} \]

\[ K_{1} = \frac{R_{K}}{r_{p2}(1 + \mu_1) + R_{K}} \]
\[ K_{1} = \frac{R_{K}}{r_{p1}(1 + \mu_1) + R_{K}} \]

Let \( \mu_2 \) be constant; now
\[ \delta = \frac{r_{p1}(1 + \mu_1)}{(2+\mu_1+m)(1+\mu_1)} \]
\[ \delta = \frac{r_{p2}(1 + \mu_1)}{(2+\mu_1+m)(1+\mu_1)} \]

\[ \delta = \frac{(2+\mu_1+m)(1+\mu_1)}{(2+\mu_1+m)(1+\mu_1)} \]
\[ \delta = \frac{(2+\mu_1+m)(1+\mu_1)}{(2+\mu_1+m)(1+\mu_1)} \]

Table II compares the reciprocal of gain stability as a function of \( m \) for the circuits of Fig. 1, 2 and 3. The curves of Fig. 4 show some of the data of this Table.

Table II shows that variations in \( \mu_1 \) form the major contribution to gain instability. Ordinarily \( \mu_1 \) and \( \mu_2 \) would vary together.

Output Impedance

Output impedance \( (Z_{o}) \) of Fig. 2 is \( e_{o}/i_{e} \), where \( e_{o} \) is the no-load output voltage and \( i_{e} \) is the short-circuit output current. From Eq. 2
\[ c_{2} = e_{1}(1+\mu_{2})/\mu_{1}(1+\mu_{2}) \]
Calculating \( i_{e} \) and \( Z_{o} \).

\[ -i_{e} = \frac{r_{p1}(1+\mu_{2}) + \mu_{2} c_{2} + \mu_{2} c_{2}}{0} \]
\[ e_{o} = c_{1} \]
\[ c_{2} = e_{1}(1+\mu_{2})/\mu_{1}(1+\mu_{2}) \]

Output impedances for Figs. 1, 2, and 3 are 196, 204, and 200 ohms, respectively.

Input Capacitance

For Fig. 2C, the l-f input capacitance \( C_{in} \) is derived for the no-load case. Using Eq. 1 and 2, and \( e_{o} = e_{1} - \mu_{1} e_{1} \)
\[ e_{o} = c_{1}(1 + \mu_{2}) \]
\[ Y_{in} = \frac{i_{o}}{i_{e}} = \frac{Y_{in}}{i_{e}} \]
\[ = \frac{Y_{in}}{i_{e}} \]
\[ + \frac{Y_{in}}{i_{e}} \]
\[ \therefore \]

Therefore the input capacitance of Fig. 2 is less than that of a cathode follower by a factor about equal to the \( \mu \) of a tube section. The expressions for the output capacitance \( (C_{o}) \) of Fig. 2 are derived similarly to the input capacitance. The \( C_{o} \) of Fig. 2C is about \( C_{o} = \mu_{2} \). About the same result would be obtained for Fig. 3.
Selective Paging System

Transmitter excites single-wire loop surrounding area to be covered. Receiver attracts attention by buzzer or flashing lamp and may be used as a voice intercom. Up to 45 individual stations may be contacted

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Early inductive paging systems had the disadvantage that calls were picked up by all receivers within the transmitter field. This simple transistorized inductive paging system uses coded transmissions so that any one of 45 different receivers can be selected.

The receiver attracts the attention of the user by either a built-in buzzer for normal use or a flashing light when carried into noisy areas. By operating a switch on the pocket receiver, a voice message can be received.

System Requirements

The ideal paging system signal should be received only by the one person to whom the particular call is directed. The calling signal must be restricted to a determined area so that systems operating on similar frequencies may be used in adjacent buildings. The system should have a visual signal for noisy areas. Speech transmission, if any, should be F-m to reduce interference and improve intelligibility. The receiver must be small, self-powered and without controls, and its calling signal must be short and automatically switched off to prevent unnecessary annoyance. The absence of persons to be located must be automatically indicated to prevent loss of time. The system must be flexible to meet the requirements of any business.

The system uses a transmitter, control installation and a loop antenna that surrounds the area that requires the paging signals.

Depressing a combination of buttons on the control unit produces a signal in the receiver being paged. The six-transistor receiver requires a field strength of $50 \times 10^{-6}$ cersteds and uses two rechargeable batteries of 150 ma hours.

The total current consumption of the receiver is 1.5 ma when a call is not being received. As the capacity of the internal batteries is 150 ma hours, the receiver can operate for about 100 hours before requiring battery recharging.

The calling signal consists of a selected carrier frequency keyed on and off at a selected rate as shown in Fig. 1. For example; receiver number 24 is tuned to a carrier frequency of 20.6 kc at a repetition time of 1/100 of a second.

Signal Transmission

The keyed carrier is applied to a single-wire loop antenna that surrounds the area in which the calls are to be made.

Each receiver is tuned to one of the five available carriers keyed on and off at one of the selected nine rates.

The control unit, shown in Fig. 2, selects the carrier frequency and the repetition time of the transmitted signal. A timing circuit within the control unit shuts off transmission after a predetermined time has elapsed.

The carrier is keyed on and off by a multivibrator. The multivibrator is slightly frequency

FIG. 1—Coding used by calling system. As illustration, receiver 11 uses 16-ke carrier keyed at 1/76 second with 50-kc source

FIG. 2—Basic operation of transmitter

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modulated by a wobbulator circuit so that its repetition time varies slightly. When this occurs, the keyed signal passes back and forth across the receiver resonant-reed relay frequency, thus causing the buzzer or light to operate intermittently. It has been found that an intermittent signal attracts attention faster and is less disturbing than a continuous signal.

Wobbulating the repetition rate also makes the receiver system independent of slight variation in the keying code due to temperature or component variation. The wobbled signal could also be coded to produce identifying signals at the receiver. One of these codes is used to announce that a voice message is to be transmitted.

The basic transmitter is shown in Fig. 3. Multivibrator V1 and V2 has its frequency determined by the selection of coupling capacitors C1 and C2 by the control unit.

The wobbulator is a relaxation sawtooth oscillator consisting of resistor R, capacitor C and neon lamp L. The sawtooth signal is applied to cathode follower V2. The signal output of the cathode follower is in the grid return circuit of the multivibrator so that the sawtooth frequency modulates the multivibrator.

The carrier frequency is determined by the tank circuit of oscillator V3. The carrier frequency and the keying signal are applied to the grids of parallel-connected output tubes V4 and V5. The output tubes supply power to the loop antenna. Capacitor C resonates the loop antenna for maximum output.

When a voice signal is to be transmitted, the keying multivibrator is removed from the circuit and the audio is used to frequency-modulate the carrier. To remove shock hazard from the loop antenna, the positive d-c supply for the transmitter is grounded.

Figure 4 shows the basic operation of the receiver. The keyed r-f carrier is picked up by a ferrite antenna and amplified. The signal is then demodulated and applied to a resonant-reed relay. When the incoming pulse rate is the same frequency as the resonant reed, the relay contacts interrupt current flowing through a miniature loudspeaker to cause an audio tone to be generated. Operating the receiver speech reception pushbutton connects the emitter follower to the output of the detector and the audio signal is then passed to the loudspeaker.

The incoming signal is picked up by ferrite antenna L, shown in Fig. 5, which is tuned to the chosen carrier frequency. The signal is am-
amplified by $Q_2$, $Q_3$, and $Q_4$. Transistor $Q_4$ has a high-value base bias resistor $R$, and is coupled to $Q_3$ through a high-value capacitor. As a result of this high RC value, $Q_4$ is partially cut off at large signal input voltages thus obtaining a degree of AGC.

The collector current of $Q_3$ flows through the primary winding of tuned transformer $T_a$. The transformer is tuned to the same carrier frequency as $L$. Resistor $R_a$, between the collector of $Q_4$ and the primary of $T_a$, limits the current flow through the transformer primary.

Selectivity is further improved by the low value of the base resistor $R$. Transistor $Q$, only operates when the signal voltage has reached a certain level.

**Detection**

Transistor $Q$, operates as an emitter follower. The high input impedance of the transistor has practically no damping effect on the tuned transformer $T_a$. To prevent oscillation due to feedback between the coil of resonant relay $K$, and the ferrite antenna, the relay coil would have to be shielded. As shielding adds weight, the following method of r-f filtering is used.

In the detector circuit shown in Fig. 6A, $i_r = i_r + i_c$ and $i_t = i_t + i_c$. Thus $i_r = i_r$, and $V_r = V_r + V_c = 0$ (a-c voltages), where $V_r = i_r R/(1 + jaRC)$, $V_c = -i_c/jaC$ and $V = i_c R + i_c R$. Then $[i_r R/(1 + jaRC) - i_c/jaC + i_c R] = 0$, $i_t = i_t - i_r$, $[i_t (R/C(1 + jaRC))] = (i_t/jaC) + (i_t/jaC) + i_t R = 0$. Thus, $i_r = i_r (1 + jaRC)/[jaRC + (1 + jaRS)]$ and $V_r = i_r R/(1 + jaRC) = i_r R/(1 + 3jaRC)$.

Thus, for the high frequencies attenuation is proportional to the square of the frequency. The same attenuation can also be obtained with the filter shown in Fig. 6B.

Since $Q$, has a certain input impedance, the filter of Fig. 6B would also attenuate the lower frequencies due to the voltage divider of $R_3$ and the input impedance of $Q_3$. The filter of Fig. 6A does not have this disadvantage nor does it use extra parts.

The detected audio signal is amplified by $Q_3$ which has the coil of resonant relay $K$, in its collector circuit. When excited, the resonant relay reed vibrates at its natural frequency, thus interrupting the current flow through the loudspeaker to make an audible tone. As the transmitted signal is wobbled back and forth across the resonant reed frequency, the audible frequency will be interrupted. An amplifier with a lamp may be connected in parallel with the loudspeaker to make a visible signal.

**Voice Messages**

To receive voice messages, the selectivity of tuned transformer $T_a$ must be decreased to improve speech reception.

When pushbutton switch $S$, is depressed (see Fig. 5), the upper section connects the base of $Q'$, through resistor $R$, to the battery voltage thus causing slight damping of the tuned circuit and biasing $Q'$, in such a way that detection is no longer delayed. The lower portion of the switch connects emitter follower $Q$, into the circuit.

At the transmitter installation, the audio signal is used to frequency modulate another carrier slightly displaced in frequency from the a-m calling signal. When the $Q'$ of tuned circuit $T_a$, is reduced by depressing the speech pushbutton, the f-m signal is slope detected as shown in Fig. 7.

When not in use, the receivers are stored in individual pockets on a mounting rack. Each receiver is assigned its own pocket and each pocket has charging contacts so that when the receiver is installed metal strips on the side of the plastic case make contact to charge the receiver internal battery. A buzzer arrangement indicates when the receiver is inserted the wrong way.

When the receiver is installed in its mounting pocket, it closes a switch to inform the control desk that the particular receiver is not in use.

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**FIG. 5—Five-transistor receiver uses resonant reed relay for signaling**

**FIG. 6—Detector circuit used to prevent r-f feedback from the resonant reed relay**

**FIG. 7—When Q of tuned circuit is reduced, f-m voice signals can be received**
Power Amplifiers Using Electro-Optical Effects

Here is a listing of the 27 power amplifiers that can be designed to use various combinations of electric, radiative and thermal power

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INTEREST IN ELECTRO-OPTICAL effects such as photoconductivity and electroluminescence has grown considerably during recent years because of the possibility of practical applications in electronic circuits. The most useful common criterion for the feasibility of electro-optical solid-state devices is their performance as power amplifiers.

Any power amplifier is based on a control of source power (which brings the device materials to a condition deviating significantly from thermal equilibrium) by means of an input power, resulting in an output power flow. (See Fig. 1). For the sake of brevity we will confine ourselves to three kinds of power: electric (including magnetic and either d-c or a-c up to microwave frequencies), radiative (either quanta onwards from the infrared, or corpuscular) and thermal. These will be denoted by e, r and t respectively.

MORPHOLOGY—Because of the various possibilities of interaction between radiation, heat and charge carriers in semiconductors, the nature of source power, input power and output power may in general be an arbitrary combination of e, r and t. Based upon this phenomenological discrimination, the morphology of 27 possible amplifier types is listed in Table I. One should bear in mind that in many cases the source power is necessarily of a composite nature.

Thus, for example, the photoconductor has a mainly electric power source, but it would not work if the photoconductor material were not in good thermal contact with a thermal power source, taking out the heat dissipated in the electrical conduction process. Similarly the Lossev effect could give rise to power amplification if with a small bias voltage the additional power needed to have the carriers jump across the barriers is provided by intimate contact with a thermal power source (for example of room temperature). Since this device is at the same time acting as a Peltier cooler, this does not contradict thermodynamics.

Not all combinations are equally interesting. The e (..) r and r (..) e combinations, of which electroluminescence and photoconduction are the prototypes, form a special category. To stress the change in nature of power and at the same time to include devices with a gain less than unity, devices in this category will be referred to hereafter as mutators rather than as amplifiers.

MUTATORS—The most striking differences from other existing types arise from the fact that mutators transfer power by quantum or corpuscular radiation, obeying the laws of geometrical optics. This gives rise to two useful features. First, a beam of radiation can give a one-way power transfer from A to B while electrically A and B can be completely disconnected. Second, such a beam can be split into different energetically uncoupled sub-beams while, conversely, beams originating from different sources can be united into a single one without causing crosstalk between the different channels.

Due to the change in nature, the output of such a mutator cannot be fed to the input of the same kind of mutator. Also, internal feedback is negligible. Two different mutators can, however, be used in

FIG. 1—General scheme of a power amplifier

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cascade, resulting in two types of “straight” amplifiers. The first is an \( e (\ldots) r + r (\ldots) e \) electric amplifiers. The second is an \( r (\ldots) e + e (\ldots) r \) radiation amplifier.

Regenerative feedback and bistable operation is possible with these straight amplifiers. Also, we think that in some respects they may become superior to the competing straight amplifiers listed in Table 1, first because of the features mentioned above and second because, in general, a separation of different functions gives more freedom for optimum use.

STATE OF THE ART—We will summarize the state of the art by discussing the amplifier properties mentioned above for the \( e (\ldots) r \) mutator, based on electroluminescence, and the \( r (\ldots) e \) mutator, based on photoconductance. As far as technology is concerned, simple and cheap techniques exist for both devices whereby multi-element arrays with electrode-leads can be prepared. These techniques include printing, spray coating and dipping, sometimes followed by sintering at moderate temperatures.

Gain and power output of an \( e (\ldots) r \) device should be improved. With the Destrian effect, however, no big improvements are to be expected. Therefore, we are concentrating on the Lossev effect. With amplifiers and visual display devices, the output and gain for visible radiation should be improved. We think this can best be done by separating the functions of carrier injection and luminescence, such that layers of well-activated luminophors like ZnS can be used as a body material. With mutators for electric circuits, the emission should be preferably in the infrared, where it can be matched to fast photoconductors of high gain. A more practical solution with III-V compounds like GaP seems to be around the corner.

The \( r (\ldots) e \) photoconductors can have high gain and power output but the bandwidth has been up until now much smaller than that of the \( e (\ldots) r \) devices (approximately 100 cps with CdS, 1,000 cps with CdSe). For operation of the CdSe device, we have developed a red electroluminescent ZnSe powder of high efficiency.

The III-V compounds are also being investigated for the problem of gain-bandwidth products. The gain-bandwidth product is proportional to the mobility and the square of the maximum field strength (which is limited by breakdown and heat dissipation). Thus, we are studying III-V compounds with moderate energy gaps (between 1 ev and 2.5 ev).

**OPTICAL MATCHING** — With these materials which, in general, have a high refractive index, opti-

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**Table 1—Electro-Optical Power Amplifiers**

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cal matching is difficult to achieve because of the total reflection of radiation at the surface of the material. This drawback could be converted to an advantage by building the $e(e)r$ and the $r(e)e$ mutator into two parts of the same bulk material, each of which should, of course, be activated according to its own function. (See Fig. 2).

Compared to the transistor, one has here a greater freedom in choosing the material (resulting, for example, in better temperature dependence) and, owing to the radiative link, a better electrical isolation between input and output.

It should be borne in mind, however, that in some applications not too fast a response is wanted. Thus slow CdS photoconductors are useful in amplifiers for radar- and X-ray viewing, in automatic brightness control of TV sets (where they are adapted to the response time of the human eye) and in switches in electric musical instruments (where they smooth the transients).

Impedance of the low-ohmic Lossev device can, moreover, be matched much more easily to other low-ohmic, solid-state devices than that of the Destriaux device. However, a combination of many Destriaux elements in parallel can be matched to a ferrite, for example for TV scanning. Photoconductors can be matched to high as well as to low impedances by variation of electrode geometry.

The problem of cross-talk in cross-bar systems can be solved with non-linear elements. We have added a new type of sprayed and sintered photodiode, based on the combination of a photoconductor and an electrolyte. 

**LIFETIME**—With suitable activation and protection against moisture, sulfide and selenide materials can have an operational life of several thousand hours. It is our experience that trivalent metals are superior to halides for so-called coactivation, as halides give rise to electrolysis.

The temperature stability is in general superior to that of a germanium transistor; for example, CdS, Cu and Ga photoconductors and ZnS, Cu and Al electroluminescent layers can easily stand operating temperatures up to above 80°C.

Noise in these mutators has up until now not been studied very extensively, but we know that in general the mutators discussed will not be of especially low noise. The application will thus not be in low level amplification but rather in switching, logic, memory and other devices operating at not too low a signal power level.

**OTHER POSSIBILITIES**—It should be borne in mind that tunnel effects can be used for amplification and modulation in a wider sense than in the tunnel diode only. Tunneling from localized levels, lying near one of the electronic bands, which are kept in a nonthermal equilibrium situation by a power source can also give rise to negative resistances and, thus, to switches and amplifiers of a kind different from that of the mutator combinations discussed above.

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**Glossary of Terms**

**DESTRIAUX EFFECT.**—Sustained emission of light by suitable phosphor powders embedded in an insulator and subjected only to the action of an alternating electric field.

**ETTINGSHAUSEN EFFECT.**—When a metal strip is placed with its plane perpendicular to a magnetic field and an electric current flows longitudinally through the strip, corresponding points on opposite edges come to different temperatures.

**GUDDEN-POHL EFFECT.**—The momentarily illumination produced when an electric field is applied to a phosphor previously excited by ultraviolet radiation.

**HALL EFFECT.**—When a metal strip is placed with its plane perpendicular to a magnetic field and an electric current flows longitudinally through the strip, a potential difference is developed across the strip.

**LOSSEV EFFECT.**—Radiation resulting from recombination or charge carriers injected in a pn or pin junction biased in the forward direction.

**NERNST EFFECT.**—When a metal strip is placed with its plane perpendicular to a magnetic field and heat flows through the strip, a potential difference is developed across the strip.

**PELTIER EFFECT.**—When electric current flows across the junction of two properly chosen materials, an evolution or absorption of heat occurs at the junction.

**PHOTOVOLTAIC EFFECT.**—When radiant energy, commonly light, is incident upon the junction of two dissimilar materials such as a pn or metal-semiconductor junction, an electromotive force is produced.

**RIGHI-LEDUC EFFECT.**—When a metal strip is placed with its plane perpendicular to a magnetic field and heat flows through the strip, a temperature difference is developed across the strip.

**SEEBECK EFFECT.**—When one junction of two properly chosen materials in a closed circuit is heated with respect to the other junction, an electric current flows across the junction.

**SUHL EFFECT.**—When a strong transverse magnetic field is applied to an n-type semiconducting filament, holes injected into the filament are deflected to the surface where they may recombine rapidly with electrons showing a much reduced lifetime, or be withdrawn by a probe as if conductance had increased.

**TUNNEL EFFECT.**—The probability that a particle of given potential energy can penetrate a finite barrier of higher potential.

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Frequency Modulation
By Reactance Switching

With this method, it is possible to use a fixed reactance to frequency-modulate a resonant circuit. Resonant frequency is a function of voltage

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Many methods are available for producing f-m by varying the resonant frequency of a parallel-resonant circuit. Most methods vary the resonant frequency by varying the magnitude of a reactive element in the circuit (e.g., capacitive microphone across a parallel resonant circuit). Such reactive changes, however, require a change in some physical dimension. Practically, it is more desirable to voltage-control some element of the resonant circuit.

The earliest voltage-controlled frequency modulator was the reactance-tube circuit. Its overall linearity is poor, however; also, it may load the main resonant circuit in an undesirable fashion.

More recently the reverse-biased pn junction has been used in f-m circuits. The capacitance associated with a pn junction becomes a function of the potential across the junction when a reverse bias is applied. An ordinary junction diode, a specialized voltage-variable capacitance diode, or a transistor may be used. It is possible to obtain very broad-band high-linearity f-m with a reverse-biased pn junction; a sweep generator with a 200-kc sweep width at a center frequency of 500 kc has been designed. In such circuits, however, too much a-m may result.

It is possible to use a fixed reactance to frequency-modulate a resonant circuit. A switching circuit can be so arranged that a fixed reactance is switched in parallel with the main resonant circuit during a portion of every cycle; the resonant frequency of the total circuit can then be made a function of the potential or current that controls the switching element. The switching circuit may use a triode, or a diode and may employ either a capacitor or an inductor as the fixed reactance.

The inherent advantages of the reactance-switch type of frequency modulator are that wide frequency deviation with very little a-m is possible, and the circuit is exceedingly simple and uses readily-available components.

Reactance Switching

A practical circuit for reactance-switching frequency control using an inductor is shown in Fig. 1A. Resonant circuit L and C has a frequency of ω0. Inductor L is switched across the resonant circuit during a portion of each cycle determined by the voltage difference between the resonant circuit voltage E, and the controlling voltage Ey. Capacitor Cr is a bypass at the operating frequency while resistor R loads the controlling signal.

The effective mechanism of the circuit is shown in Fig. 1B. From zero to time t, the resonant frequency is ω0. From t to t0, inductor L0 has been switched in parallel with L, and the resonant frequency of the circuit is thus raised. From t0 to t the resonant frequency is again ω0. Thus, over a number of cycles, the resonant frequency
This common game is a sequential machine. Its inputs are the possible moves at a given state. Its state is the arrangement of numbers at a given time.

States in a Sequential Machine

A "sequential machine" is any device producing prescribed sequences of outputs in response to given sequences of inputs. The theoretical problem of designing a machine, satisfying certain specifications with the fewest possible number of states, is now under study by IBM scientists.

The operation of a sequential machine is not necessarily completely specified. Some states may have no specified transitions for certain inputs, and some states may have no assigned outputs. For this general case, a technique has been developed for reducing a given machine to an equivalent machine with a minimum number of states. The procedure is to construct a state diagram of the machine which describes input and output sequences. Then through the use of a transition-matrix representation, a minimum-state diagram is obtained, which is equivalent to the original machine in the sense that it will produce the same sequences of outputs for the given sequence of inputs.

Earlier reduction procedures have been applicable only to state diagrams having known transitions for each input at each state. The extension of the procedure is important since many practical sequential machines (such as computers) require a specified operation for only a certain set of sequences of inputs.

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changes as a function of the control potential $E_c$.

Analysis of the circuit is relatively straightforward. The diode is assumed to be ideal: that is, it is a self-operated switch that closes when its terminal voltage is positive and opens when its terminal voltage is negative. With the ideal diode, then, there are obviously two states of the modulating portion of the circuit. In Fig. 1C, when $E_i$ is greater than $E_m$, the diode is conducting and the loop equation for the circuit can be written:

$$I_i' = E_i - E_2$$  \hspace{1cm} (1)

where the prime indicates the first time derivative. When $E_i$ is greater than $E_m$, the diode is nonconducting, and the current $i$ is zero. These two states then define the conditions on the current $i$. Assuming that the voltage $E_i$ is produced by a sinusoidal voltage generator of constant frequency and amplitude (Fig. 1C), a solution for $i$ may be obtained in terms of a Fourier series through consideration of the necessary boundary conditions. Using the conventional notation for Fourier coefficients and taking only the first terms of the series:

$$i = \left( E_i/\omega L_2 \right) (A_1/2 + A_1 \cos \omega t + B_1 \sin \omega t)$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

$E_i$ was assumed to be a sinusoid, so the dimensions of the coefficient of $\cos \omega t$ must be susceptance while those of the coefficient of $\sin \omega t$ must be conductance. The $A_i$ term merely defines a steady-state component. The equivalent parallel impedance presented to the main resonant circuit by the modulating circuit may then be written:

$$R_p + jX_p = \omega L_2 \left( 1/|A_1| + j/|B_1| \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)

**Using a Capacitor**

A practical circuit for reactance-switching frequency control using a capacitor is shown in Fig. 1D. The operation of the circuit is fundamentally the same as that of Fig. 1A, except that the frequency is lowered when the capacitor is switched in. The diode is now in parallel instead of in series with the modulating signal source in order that a return path for the steady-state component of the modulating current exist. A choke is provided to isolate the r-f circuit from the modulating circuit.

**Analysis of the capacitor-switched circuit** follows closely that of the inductor-switched circuit. In Fig. 1D the diode will conduct as long as $i$ is greater than $i/c$ and will be open when $i$ is equal to or greater than $i$. Equation for the loop including $C_i$ may be written:

$$i = C_i E_i'$$  \hspace{1cm} (4)

where $E_i$ is voltage across $C_i$. If $E_i$ is of frequency $\omega$, then when the diode is conducting, current $i$ is:

$$i = \omega C_i E_i'$$  \hspace{1cm} (5)

An equation for $i$ expressed by only the first two terms of a Fourier series, is:

$$i = \omega C_i E_i \left( A_1/2 \pm j, \cos \omega t \right) + B_1 \sin \omega t)$$  \hspace{1cm} (6)

$E_i$ was assumed to be a sinusoid, so the dimensions of the coefficient of $\cos \omega t$ must be conductance while those of the coefficient of $\sin \omega t$ must be susceptance. The equivalent parallel impedance presented to the main resonant circuit by the modulating circuit may then be written:

$$R_p + jX_p = \left( 1/\omega C_i \right) \left( 1/|A_1| - j/|B_1| \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (7)

All that remains to completely describe the behavior of the reactance-switch circuit is to describe the coefficients $A_1$ and $B_1$. Letting the coefficients $B_1$ for the inductance and $A_1$ for the capacitance equal $D$, the coefficient $A_1$ for the inductance equal $F$ and the coefficient $B_1$ for the capacitance equal $G$, Eq. 3 and 7 may be re-written:

$$R_p + jX_p = \left( 1/\omega C_i \right) \left( 1/|D| + j/|F| \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (8)

$$R_p - jX_p = \left( 1/\omega C_i \right) \left( 1/|D| - j/|G| \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (9)

For the switched inductance, $E_i$ can vary from zero to $E_i/c$; values of $E_i/c$ greater than $E_i/c$ are meaningless, for the inductor $L_2$ is then not connected to the resonant circuit during any portion of the operating cycle. Likewise, the current $i$ in the switched capacitance circuit cannot exceed the current $i/c$. The coefficients $D$, $F$ and $G$ of Eq. 8 are then plotted against $E_i/c$, or $i/c$, in Fig. 2.

As can be seen from Fig. 2, there is a relatively large linear range of the coefficients $F$ and $G$, and thus a large range of available linear $f$-m. It is desirable for the parallel resistance $R$, to be as high as possible; therefore, if linear $f$-m is desired, operation should be at as low a value of $E_i/c$, or $i/c$, as possible.

If the change in resonant frequency $\Delta f$ is very small with respect to the resonant frequency determined by $\omega_m = 1/\sqrt{L_2 C_i}$, then the usual approximations $\omega_m \cong \omega_m + \Delta f / \omega_m \approx \omega_m$ yield the following expressions for frequency deviation (for switched inductance and switched capacitance, respectively):

$$\Delta f = \omega_0 I/(2L_2)$$  \hspace{1cm} (10)

$$\Delta f = \omega_0 G C_i/2C_i$$  \hspace{1cm} (11)

Equation 8 and Fig. 2 can be used to determine the exact frequency deviation to be expected in a practical circuit, while Eq. 9 provides an approximation for small frequency deviations. The reactance-switch circuit has been used successfully. Figure 2 and the method of evaluating the coefficients are derived from the work of G. K. Frölich Hansen of the Danish Atomic Energy Commission Research Establishment Risø, Roskilde, Denmark.

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Thin Film Balanced Modulator

Completely passive balanced modulator circuits may be evolved using thin (less than one micron) single-domain permalloy film. The proposed modulator was described at the 1960 Winter Convention on Military Electronics by R. L. Samuels and A. A. Read, Electrical Engineering Department and Engineering Experiment Station, Iowa State University of Science and Technology. The work was partly supported by the National Science Foundation.

Ferromagnetic Film

Vacuum deposition of single-domain thin films has led to their application in low-loss inductors in which self-inductance can be varied parametrically at frequencies from d-c to several hundred mc. Availability of such inductors suggested their application in a suppressed-carrier double-sideband modulator.

Films used were of 80-20 permalloy vacuum deposited in the presence of an external magnetic field to a thickness of 2,000 A (2 × 10⁻⁶ cm) in the form of disks about 8 mm in diameter. A film so deposited has a low anisotropy in the plane of the film and a very large demagnetizing factor for rotation out of the plane of the film.

The films are essentially single magnetic domain structures. A domain possesses a saturation magnetization vector \( M \) per unit volume, which represents the intrinsic magnetic flux density of the material. With no external magnetic fields, \( M \) lies in the plane of the film in the easy or rest direction. In the plane of the film but normal to the easy direction is the hard or transverse direction.

Figure 1A shows a coordinate system for a single domain thin film. External fields \( h_x \) and \( h_y \) along the rest and transverse directions respectively cause \( M \) to rotate through angles \( \phi \) and \( \psi \). The equation of motion for \( M \) is similar to that of a damped gyro. If \( h_x \) is held constant and \( h_y \) varied sinusoidally with time, the tip of \( M \) precesses, tracing out a path that is essentially a flat ellipse.

The large demagnetizing fields normal to the plane of the film constrain angle \( \psi \). But the low anisotropy provides limited constraining forces in the plane of the film so that \( \phi \) can become quite large. Practically, \( M \) can be assumed to move back and forth in the plane of the film. If both \( h_x \) and \( h_y \) vary rapidly with time, the motion of \( M \) can become a complicated Lissajous pattern, but its motion remains essentially in the plane of the film. In practice, rotation out of the plane can be neglected and quasistatic conditions assumed for frequencies below vhf at least.

Modulator Windings

In Fig. 1B the axis of the carrier winding is parallel to the rest direction; the axis of the output winding is parallel to the transverse direction. A modulation winding can be added in parallel with the output winding or the output winding itself used as the modulation winding. Because of the mutually perpendicular orientation, no voltage is induced in the output winding if no currents flow in the modulation or output windings.

Assume that d-c bias current \( i_b \) and a carrier current \( i_c \) at an angular frequency \( \omega _c \) flow in the carrier winding. A d-c current flows in a separate modulation winding (not shown) in parallel with the output winding. This current establishes a magnetic field in the transverse direction producing a torque that rotates vector \( M \) through an angle \( \phi \), establishing a flux linkage in the output winding. When \( M \) is rotated away from its rest position, the fields established by the a-c carrier current in the carrier winding exert added forces on \( M \), rocking it back and forth around some equilibrium value of \( \phi \), thus constantly changing the magnetic flux linking the output winding.

Voltage is induced in the output winding at carrier frequency and of amplitude determined largely by the equilibrium angle of rotation established by the amplitude of the d-c current. Nonlinearity in modulation current can be kept small if the maximum angle of \( \phi \) is kept small. A variable capacitor across

![Figure 1](https://example.com/figure1.png)

FIG. 1—Coordinate system of single-domain thin film is shown at (A) and alignment of windings at (B)

![Figure 2](https://example.com/figure2.png)

FIG. 2—Single winding was used for both output and modulation in experimental modulator circuit
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the output terminals can tune output to resonance. The tuned circuit partially suppresses carrier harmonics and increases useful output amplitude.

A time varying modulation current slowly rotates M back and forth around the rest direction while the carrier current rapidly rocks M around its equilibrium position. Thus suppressed-carrier double-sideband modulation is produced.

Experimental Verification

A ferromagnetic film research group at Iowa State University carried out investigations to verify predicted results. A single winding in the arrangement in Fig. 2 was used both as modulation and output winding. Carrier frequency was kept constant at 4 mc. Sinusoidal frequencies from 20 cps to 20 kc and square wave frequencies up to 100 kc were used to modulate the 4-mc carrier. Carrier feedthrough of 2.5 mv peak for zero modulation was measured. Carrier feedthrough measurement with modulation could not be made with the equipment available but there is ample reason to believe that it can be kept very low.

Experimental results generally verify theoretical expectations, but one of the most difficult problems experienced was that of properly aligning the two windings and the film. This problem might be partly overcome by evaporating films that have a much smaller anisotropy, making the system less sensitive to alignment. Also sandwiching techniques might be used and the inductors potted to maintain correct alignment.

A balanced modulator should be possible that would be almost completely immune to a wide range of mechanical and thermal environments.

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References
Mass Spectrometer Going Into Orbit

MINIATURE mass spectrometer will be orbited in a satellite by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in 1961. This lightweight instrument is now undergoing prototype testing.

The double-focusing mass spectrometer was designed by Consolidated Systems, a subsidiary of Bell & Howell/Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., to measure elements in the exosphere. It will be capable of accepting particles from wide entrance angles with energy between ±12 volts. It can measure ions, molecules, atoms and free radicals at altitudes between 150 and 600 miles above the earth.

Atmospheric Structure

Recent rocket firings have given limited data about the structure of the upper atmosphere. The spectrometer will analyze samples for a year. By analyzing neutral particles in addition to ions, scientists may gain a better understanding of the effects of solar and cosmic energies on the gases near our planet. Information will be telemetered to ground receiving stations.

Neutral particles will be ionized by an electron beam outside the satellite shell, accelerated and directed into the magnetic analyzer and separated according to their masses. Ions can be admitted directly into the analyzer when the ionizing beam from a rhenium filament is automatically switched off. The electron beam can be switched on to ionize and thus analyze atoms, molecules and free radicals.

A permanent magnetic will be used to deflect the ions into paths appropriate for their masses.

Cycling

A binary solid-state logic circuit will change potential between ions and molecules. Mass range will be for six constituents (hydrogen atoms, nitrogen and oxygen atoms and molecules, and water vapor), in addition to reference level and total current measurements. An electrometer amplifier will amplify the signal corresponding to ion currents as low as $10^{-8}$ amp.

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<td>Excitation</td>
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<td>Length, inches</td>
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<td>No-load, rpm</td>
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<td>Torque at stall, oz. in.</td>
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<td>Null voltage, millivolts</td>
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<td>Additional damping available dyn cm/sec radian</td>
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<td>10-100 (adjustable)</td>
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Sealed-Off Power Source for S-Band

By ARNOLD HASSE-DUBOSC, President, American Radio Company Inc., New York City

A HIGH-POWER pulsed klystron, originally designed as a power source for a 2 BeV linear accelerator which is actually being built by the Compagnie Generale de TSF for the Paris University in Orsay, has several original aspects that make it useful as a final stage for a long-range radar or in tropospheric scattering communications.

The AX-436 klystron of CSF is an S-band klystron that is sealed-off, operates at low voltage and has no cavity tuning.

**Voltage and Load**

One of the most interesting features of the tube is connected with the low voltage of 250 kv allowed by a beam perveance as high as 2.10^-4 resulting in a beam impedance of 1,000 ohms. Such voltage and load seem to be the optimum for the minimum cost of modulators, a question of great importance for systems using as much as several tens of tubes. For the tube itself above values involve not only easy insulation and X-rays shielding but also a lower Q of the cavities so that non-critical fixed tuned cavities can be used instead of fragile or cumbersome tunable systems.

The tube is essentially made of a thick cylindrical wall of copper. Cavities and drifts are massive blocks brazed inside the wall; the resulting accuracy of construction secures the possibility of pretuning the cavities at determined frequencies. The blocks are shaped to provide space for water cooling in order that no thermal drift of r-f power can occur.

**Tube Recovery**

All other components—water-cooled collector, gun, input and output circuits—are assembled by means of removable and bakable tight joints; so the tubes can be recovered at low cost.

A small ceramic seal is used for the UG-496/U coaxial input which is housed in the thickness of the wall. The output power is taken from the output cavity through a circular ceramic window and an S-band waveguide. The window is properly shielded to prevent troubles due to parasitic radiations or discharges. Possibility of gun oscillations has been suppressed by proper design.

Owing to the longitudinal position of the output circuit above the tube, the outside of the wall is kept clear for introduction of the focusing coils. Any set of coils fits electrically any tube and only minor adjustment of the total current may be required.

A titanium pump is incorporated and allows the tube to be operated sealed off. The main purpose of this pump is to take care of eventual outgassing of the tube during sealed-off operation, resulting in longer life. As the pump acts also as a vacuum gauge, both operations can be manually or automatically switched on.

**Power and Efficiency**

At the left is a photograph of a tube where the coils have been removed. Figure 1 is a typical plot of the variation of r-f peak power with the voltage (curve A); the corresponding efficiency is also plotted (curve B). Average power tests were made up to 5 Kw, although the first accelerator using these tubes requires only 2.5 Kw from each of the sixteen klystrons.

It can be seen that 30 Mw are obtained at a voltage quite lower than 300 kv and that efficiency is higher than 40 percent. Some recent work has confirmed the values of the order of 50 percent obtained in laboratory conditions could be accounted for on production tubes.

**Stagger Tuned**

The tube has four cavities, the second and the third ones stagger-tuned for optimal efficiency at 3000 Mc. The saturation gain in the 20

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**Figure 1**—Peak r-f power (A) and efficiency (B) curves of the pulsed klystron

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**Note:**

The tube is designed for systems working at fixed frequency, the tube operates satisfactorily over a frequency range of the order of 100 Mc. At a given voltage the output level can be kept constant at 1 db over a fre-
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Ceramic Filters Improve Receiver Selectivity

Ceramic filters used in the new design of Heathkit's all transistor, multi-band communications-type receiver are claimed to improve selectivity and help reduce size and cost. The i-f amplifier sections contain transfilters for shaping the band pass.

Alignment is simplified in the i-f amplifier sections and a fixed narrow-band pass is achieved. The new receiver design incorporates two models of the new ceramic filters which were recently introduced by Clevite Electronics Components Division of Clevite Corp for i-f stages of a-m transistor radios.

Conventional receiver design requires a combination of double-tuned and single-tuned i-f transformers to obtain the necessary selectivity. The Heath Mohican CC-1 design uses two double-tuned transformers and two each of models TF-01A and TO-01A ceramic filters. According to Heath engineers who designed the unit, its selectivity is 3 kc wide at 6 db down and 25-kc wide at 60 db down.

The ceramic filters set the width of the top portion of the i-f pass-band and the input and output transformers need only be peaked for maximum gain and skirt selectivity. Resonant frequency of these units is stable ±0.1 percent from -20°C to + 60°C and varies only 0.1 percent per decade of time.

**Interstage Couplers**

The TO-01A ceramic filters are interstage couplers providing impedance coupling between the first and second, and between the second and third i-f transistor stages. These filters combine the functions of impedance transformation and frequency selection of the 445-kc i-f frequency. The TO filter is a ceramic unit with impedance matching characteristics. This piezoelectric disc vibrates at the first overtone of its fundamental radial mode. It forms a four-terminal network with a high frequency range of 2.5 percent by adjusting the input signal. At constant input the bandwidth is 40 Mc.
impedance and a low-impedance pair of electrodes. The operation of these filters is the same as that of crystal lattice filters.

With appropriate circuit design, the ceramic filter replaces transformer, inductive and capacitive elements used in conventional frequency selective circuits. Band width is 4 to 7 percent at 6 db and insertion loss at 445 kc is 2 db maximum.

Emitter Bypass

The 76-01A filter is an emitter bypass frequency selective element also resonant at 445 kc. In combination with the 76-01A, it gives the receiver's i-f stage selectivity superior to that obtained by four tuned stages in LC circuits.

Thermoelectric Cooling Using Semiconductors

ECONOMIC APPLICATIONS of thermoelectric cooling are now possible using new semiconductor materials such as bismuth selenide, bismuth sulphide, lead and antimony tellurides, claim General Electric Co. Ltd., London.

Cooling units for an automatic dewpoint hygrometer and a cooled baffle for an oil-diffusion vacuum pump are already developed, and work is proceeding on a domestic refrigerator unit.

With a refrigerator, a small rectifier-transformer unit is needed to give the required d-c, but the unit should still be competitive with conventional equipment.

Preparation of semiconductor alloys for thermoelectric use is easier than for transistors as polycrystalline structure is acceptable and the impurity requirements are less stringent by a factor of 10⁴ or 10⁵. Thermocouples are either cut from ingots or sintered from powder pressings and soldered together.

Temperature difference across the thermocouple of 30 to 50 deg. C. is obtained in some applications, but when cooling the air in an enclosure temperature gradients between the junction and the air limit the temperature difference to 20 to 30 deg. C. Many future applications are now under review.

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Solve Tin-Nickel Plating Problems

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<td>Non-adherent deposits, pitting or high-tin deposits traced to organic contaminants</td>
<td>Treat solution with activated carbon in spare tank, allow carbon to settle out, filter and return solution to plating tank</td>
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<td>Inorganic contamination caused by lead content &gt;25 ppm, antimony &gt;0.4 g/l, cadmium &gt;1.5 g/l, copper &gt;0.2 g/l, iron &gt;0.5 g/l, zinc &gt;1.5 g/l</td>
<td>Plate out on dummy cathodes at low current densities overnight; minimize carryover from other processes; use nickel anode hooks and fittings and approved jig coatings</td>
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<td>Pitting caused by fine air bubbles at cathodes, bubbles dispersed in solution by filters</td>
<td>Correct filter; or filter only during idle periods, shutting off filter an hour before plating</td>
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<td>Solution becomes imbalanced and fails to maintain proportion of 65 tin-35 nickel due to aerial oxidation of stannous tin (stannic tin content above 300 g/l); stress in deposit changes from tensile to compressive; insufficient tin</td>
<td>Reduce stannous tin oxidation by avoiding air agitation, keep filter hoses below solution surface; add stannous chloride and low-lead ammonium bifluoride, correct pH to 2.5 with ammonia; use 20% nickel alloy anodes (add 1 nickel anode for each 3 alloy anodes), or separate tin and nickel anodes</td>
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<td>High-tin deposit resulting from bath temperature being too low</td>
<td>Maintain bath at 70 C, +10 C, -5 C (158 F, +18 F, -9 F)</td>
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<td>Layering resulting from variations in bath temperature</td>
<td>Cathode agitation, preferably vertical</td>
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<td>Chloride buildups in old solution; formation of chloride crystals in filters</td>
<td>Cool solution over weekend in spare tank, filter after crystals form; flush filters with makeup water before daily shutdown</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inefficient filtration; contamination during filtration</td>
<td>Back filter pads with Terylene cloth, filter steadily if possible; use compatible filter linings and stainless steel or nickel anodes</td>
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<td>Tin loss from anodes resulting in sludge in tank</td>
<td>Remove tin or alloy anodes if bath is to be idle for several days</td>
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Precautions that should be followed to obtain a satisfactory tin-nickel electroplate were recently reviewed in the quarterly journal of the Tin Research Institute, Greenford, Middlesex, England. The process was introduced by the Institute 8 years ago and is now frequently used in electronics production.

The plating, 65 tin—35 nickel, is bright, hard, nonmagnetic, and has excellent solderability, corrosion resistance and covering power. Deep tubes can be plated inside without internal anodes. The solution is made up of commercially available stannous chloride, nickel chloride and ammonium bifluoride.

Stannous tin content of the solution should be checked every other day by simple titration. Nickel, stannic tin and fluoride can be checked monthly. Accumulated chlorides should be removed by crystallization monthly. Problems and cures reported in the review are summarized in the table.

References

Sound Waves Measure Nose Cones

Ultrasonic resonance thickness gage is used by Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co., Marion, Va., to check thicknesses of reinforced radomes and nose cones. Thicknesses range from 0.02 to 0.5 inch and tolerances from 0.001 to 0.005 inch. The gage, made by Branson Ultrasonics, Stamford, Conn., can also be used while the radome is still on a mandrel. The instrument is shown in use on a filament-wound Bomarcone.

Electron Beams Weld, Saw, Drill Tiny Holes

Electron beam metalworking equipment developed by the Carl Zeiss Foundation, Oberkochen, Germany, was recently demonstrated in New York City. It is expected to find applications in the production of micro-miniature electronic devices and in fabrication of vacuum evaporation masks.

The electron beam process can be used for surface treating, welding, milling or drilling. The intensity of the beam can be adjusted to heat, melt, fuse or vaporize the material in the target area. Energy intensities as high as 600 megawatts per square inch are obtained. It has been used for working tungsten, hard glass and other difficult materials.

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The equipment consists of an electron gun, beam focusing, monitoring and control elements, a vacuum chamber in which the workpieces are placed, and the operator's viewing apparatus. The beam path can be controlled automatically by relays, magnetic tape or television-type controls (it was reported that a tv picture was reproduced in steel as a laboratory experiment).

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A plate with two slots is provided with a light source on one side and a photocell with lenses on the other. The wire passes in front of the first slot, which is equipped with a servo-driven shutter. The second slot is a smaller, reference slot whose light passage area equals the normal light passage area of the first slot and wire.

The light beam is chopped by an oscillating mask so that it alternately passes through the slots. If slot areas are equal, the photocell produces equal current pulses. If slot areas are unequal, pulses are unequal. The error signal is amplified to drive the first slot's shutter servomotor. The shutter is moved until the two light passage areas are balanced, providing for indication of wire diameter variation.

**Simulated Transformer Tests Magnetic Sheet**

**MAGNETIC SHEET material can be tested nondestructively for core loss by passing the sheet through a shell-type transformer in which the core element is replaced by the moving sheet. Yokes are arranged above and below the sheet, providing small air gaps for uniform flux distribution. The magnetizing element is a flat exciting coil over the width of the sheet. A similar coil measures induced voltage. The core loss ratio is measured and indicated by a light-beam wattmeter. A machine which tests 2 to 5 tons of material an hour by this method is in use in Hungary, according to a report (European Technical Digest 2646) by the European Productivity Agency, Paris, France. The method is also reported in use in the U.S.**

**Changing Concepts of the Cosmos—**

**The Sun**

Man, firing the first hydrogen bomb, tapped the basic source of energy that feeds the sun and stars. Deep in its interior, the sun, in effect, explodes many billions of hydrogen bombs every second. About two million tons of matter vanish, are transformed and appear again as radiation. Every second the sun would explode in a flash, if it were not for the heavy overlying mass, which cushions the explosion and turns what would otherwise be a cosmic detonation into a smooth, quiet burning.

The sun has been reacting in this turbulent way for several billion years. And taking its time too; about 50 million years must elapse before the liberated energy from the explosion finally warms its way to the surface. It then reveals, to impatient earth scientists, important facts about the sun.

The sun is composed entirely of hot gas—mostly of hydrogen. But the outer 10 per cent rises and falls, boiling violently, making the sun appear mottled.

Here and there we see sunspots, irregular, dark areas that increase and decrease in number in a cycle of about 11 years. Astronomers once believed them to be raging solar hurricanes. But recent studies indicate that the spots are islands of relative calm in an otherwise stormy ocean of seething gas. Regions frozen into immobility by the intense magnetic fields pervading the spot area.

The surrounding regions, which are violently stormy, present quite a display: weird mountains of pink flame, called prominences, soar to great heights. Geysers and jets spurt upwards hundreds of thousands of miles. Blinding eruptions of hydrogen gas form the solar flares. All these areas—the quiescent sunspots and the cataclysmic storms—are enveloped by a deep layer of still hotter gas; the solar corona, whose edges seem to ring the sun with a halo or crown. An impressive crown it is, with a temperature of about a million degrees (Centigrade) and a breadth that embraces the earth and extends far beyond.

With a trace of royal high-handedness, the corona often disturbs the earth’s magnetic field, triggers the glowering northern lights, or plays havoc with radio communications. Small vagaries in the earth’s physical environment over which the sun exercises such benevolent control.

We must know the sun better. We must understand its radiation more completely, how much of what types, and how it distributes itself when it leaves the sun—if space travel is to become a reality.

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Miniature Delay Line for computers
AD-YU ELECTRONICS LAB., INC., 249 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N. J. Type 7C series was developed to meet the need for compact delay lines with low attenuation, linear phase shift characteristics, and wide bandwidth in many applications such as computers, radar and power circuits. Some of the features are hermetically sealed construction, operating temperature ranging from −35 C to +125 C with 500-v peak working voltage, and temperature coefficient 0.005 percent per deg C. Rise time is 7 percent of the time delay for most types. Frequency response over 10 mc bandwidth with attenuation less than 1.2 db per µsec delay at low frequencies. Size is in. by ½ in. sq, 3½ in. long, for unit having 1 µsec delay or less. Time delays range from 0.1 µsec up to 1 µsec, and impedances range from 150 ohms to 1,000 ohms.

Microvoltmeter transistorized
SMITH-FLORENCE, INC., 4228-23rd Ave. West, Seattle 99, Wash. Model 951 is a differential voltmeter which compares a precise internal voltage with the unknown voltage to be measured. Since the two voltages are adjusted to be equal, no current will flow from the unknown into the instrument, thus the input impedance is determined by the leakage resistance of the internal insulation. Unit is capable of measuring voltages between 10 v at 1 µv. The null indicating meter operates over seven ranges, from 10 v full scale to 10 µv full scale. Instrument accuracy is 0.01 percent +0.5 µv in differential mode. Input impedance at null is infinite. Drift is less than 0.5 µv on null indicated.

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D-C Power Supplies modular units

DRESSEN-BARNES CORP., 250 N. Vinedo Ave., Pasadena, Calif. Ten modular d-c power supplies with outputs ranging from 28 v d-c, 2 amperes, to 500 v d-c, 300 ma, are now available with silicon rectifiers. Nine of these supplies are also available for 50 to 400 cycle operation. The modules are for use individually or with the company's multiple output rack mounting kits.

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TRANSISTOR CHOPPER. Airpax Electronics Inc., Cambridge Division, Cambridge, Md. Bulletin C-98 describes type 6025 transistor chopper, with self-contained drive transformer, having apt switching action for operation over a chopping range from 50 to 5,000 cps.

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SELENIUM RECTIFIERS. Radio Receiver Co., Inc., 240 Wythe Ave., Brooklyn 11, N. Y. Flat type selenium rectifiers are described in bulletin 295, an 8-page brochure presenting the basic rectifier information, product description, and methods of selecting the right rectifier for a circuit. Prices are included.

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VIDEO TAPE HANDLING. Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co., 900 Bush Ave., St. Paul 6, Minn. Proper handling and storage of video tape are discussed in "Video Talk" Bulletin No. 1, now available.

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MAGNETIC TRIGGERS. Avion Division of ACF Industries, Inc., 11 Park Place, Paramus, N. J., offers a four-page brochure on its complete line of magnetic triggers for silicon controlled rectifiers.

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GAS CHROMATOGRAPH. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Industrial Division, Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia 44,
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Pa. Instrumentation data sheet 10.15-20 describes how the F&M model 202 gas chromatograph, employing an ElectronIK recorder, has increased the speed, scope and accuracy of gas chromatographic analysis.

WAVEGUIDE DATA. Narda Microwave Corp., 118-160 Herricks Road, Mineola, N. Y. A new “Standard Waveguide Data Chart”, featuring military as well as EIA designation numbers, shows virtually all required electrical as well as mechanical parameters for waveguides in use today.

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WAFFER CAPACITORS. Corning Glass Works, Bradford, Pa., has available four-page data sheets describing glass-dielectric wafer capacitors. Reference File CE-1.02 should be requested on company letterhead.

GALVANOMETER. Photovolt Corp., 95 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y. Bulletin 965 describes model 45 multiple-reflection galvanometer for the indication of minute d-c currents and voltages in research and in production laboratories.

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CAPABILITIES BROCHURE. Adler Electronics, Inc., One Le Fevre Lane, New Rochelle, N. Y. An illustrated 4-page brochure describes recent major projects and capabilities of the company’s Communications Systems Division.

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SEALS AND FASTENERS. A. P. M. Corp., 252 Hawthorne Ave., Yonkers, N. Y. A 16-page general catalog (359A) illustrates and describes the company’s entire line of high-pressure, vibration-resistant seals and fasteners.

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NEW BOOKS

The Properties, Physics and Design of Semiconductor Devices
By J. N. SHIVE.
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This book is another of the Bell Laboratories series related to semiconductor devices including the more classic materials. The book is divided into two sections. Part I encompasses Chapters 1-14 presents a discussion on various semiconductor devices from an empirical point of view. The practice followed by the author in this section of the book is a description of the devices, their characteristics and properties followed by typical applications. Part II, Chapters 15-25, discusses solid state electronics leading to an understanding of the device physics and ultimately to design principles.

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This is a unique book coming into a most rapid moving technical area. It covers material not normally covered by modern semiconductor texts, particular reference being directed to the treatment of thermistors, selenium and copper oxide varistors, subjects with which many semiconductor engineers possess only a passing familiarity. This book should have preceded its famous ancestors, the three “Transistor Technology Volumes.”—BERNARD REICH, U. S. Army Signal Research and Development Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Accident Prevention Manual For Industrial Operations
By R. J. SULLIVAN, et al.
National Safety Council, Chicago, Ill., 1959, 1,542 p, $15.50.

This meaty, expanded and revised fourth edition of the National
Safety Council's industrial safety practices manual is based on the experiences of some 7,000 firms and 46 years. Except for a brief historical look at industrial safety and the staggering cost of industrial accidents (15,000 lives and $4 billion a year), it is packed with specific techniques for reducing injury and occupational ailments, and safety management information.

Since the topic is so broad, the specialist in electrical or radiation hazards won't find every available detail on the subject. As a day-to-day reference for the safety man, production engineer or plant manager, the manual should prove invaluable. Most safety organization practices, machine safety and materials handling precautions discussed are relevant to electronics production equipment and methods.

Where detailed information is generally useful, such as in the design and use of machine tool guards, the information is plentiful. The chapters on industrial hygiene and industrial poisons, concluding with a 25-page table of chemical hazards, are especially useful. In it are included most of the solvents, etchants, chemicals and materials used in the fabrication of electronic devices. A chapter concentrating on atomic radiation and its biological effects, is new.

Managerial aspects of safety are summarized in sections on safety organization, education and human relations; insurance and compensation laws and procedures in the various states; accident records keeping, use and cost analysis; and in-plant medical services. Organizations and officials which can assist in solving safety problems, or which can provide standards and educational material, are also listed.

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COPY OF THE FIRST EDITION AT THE LOCAL PUBLIC LIBRARY. THEN KNOWN AS Handy's Handy Handbook (after F. E. Handy, first compiler and long-time communications manager of the League) this perennial-to-be altered our adolescent and adult life completely. Out of our attic listening post went the crystal set tuned to KDKA; in came a regenerative short-wave receiver with Lorentz coils, Hartley oscillator-transmitter with a 201-A tube and B-eliminator power supply. At age 15 we had our own ham call, a Federal Radio Commission station and operator license on the wall.

Hundreds of thousands of people around the world have felt the impact of this book since it made its appearance in 1926. Many radio amateurs have grown into the industry as engineers, technicians and communicators. The armed forces use it as a training text.

Industry engineers and technicians find the Handbook's comprehensive tube and transistor tables valuable in that within one text they get the data contained in a dozen manufacturers' manuals. Moreover, they have in one text more than a score of chapters on practical two-way radio communication plus understandable theory.

The 1960 version of the Handbook comes in a sprightly two-toned green paperback cover with about ten percent revision over its 1959 predecessor. It's too early yet to determine whether the colorful cover will pass the stain tests of workbench soldering flux, chain-smoking engineers or avid dinner-plate-reading pursuers of the hobby, but the engineer-ham board of editors of the ARRL Handbook aren't too worried. They are well over the three million mark in distribution—probably a world's record for a radio text.—H. M. McK., W1CEG/2

Circuit Theory of Linear Noisy Networks

By H. A. HAUS and R. B. ADER.

This book is the second of a series designed to fill a need in science
and engineering for systematic publication of research studies larger in scope than a journal article and less ambitious than a finished book. Authors designate their book as a monograph written to present relatively recent work in a comparatively undeveloped field.

This monograph is concerned with describing the noise performance of a two-terminal pair amplifier. More specifically, it is concerned with the problem of isolating the study of noise performance from specific physical mechanisms. In the course of the study represented by the book, it was recognized that matrix algebra and a proper eigenvalue formulation would be needed. It became possible to furnish a single number to characterize amplifier noise performance on the basis of signal-to-noise criterion. Resulting theory clears up questions of the noise performance of low-gain amplifiers (that is, the effect upon noise performance of degenerative feedback) and provides the first systematic treatment of the noise performance of negative resistance amplifiers.

The authors are sensitive to the question of an optimum-noise criterion and admit that such a criterion will serve primarily to indicate the extent to which a given design fails to achieve best noise performance. That is, one may not attempt to realize the optimum noise performance directly, but instead use it as a guide to detect onset of diminishing returns in efforts to improve noise performance.

The book deals with impedance-matrix representations of linear networks and formulations of the characteristic-noise matrix. Canonical forms of linear noisy networks are developed, the purpose of these forms being to exhibit those essential noise characteristics which are invariant under all lossless network transformations which preserve the number of terminal pairs. Noise measure and an analysis of the network realization of optimum amplifier noise performance are also treated.

This book is elegantly written and well organized. It is a significant contribution to the analysis of noisy networks by matrix methods.—LEONARD S. SCHWARTZ, New York University, College of Engineering, New York.

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**THUMBNAIL REVIEWS**

**Design of Transistorized Circuits for Digital Computers.** By Abraham I. Pressman, John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., N. Y., 1959, 324 p., $9.95. This book gives a brief account of the fundamentals of logic circuits and transistors, a more complete account of diode gating and transistor switching. Detailed examples show how to design diode-transistor and all-transistor logic circuits. Though math is simple, many topics are treated too concisely to call this an intermediate-level text.

**The Electric Arc.** By J. M. Somerville, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1959, 150 p., $2.50. This monograph is for the nonspecialist, giving a concise account of the physical processes which operate to allow the passage of large electric currents through a gaseous medium, and across the junctions between gases and metallic conductors. Much of this material has not previously been available in English. This is not a reference book, thus no attempt is made to give any comprehensive account of the numerous technological applications of arcs. There are a large number of references, mostly to recent work.

**English-Spanish Comprehensive Technical Dictionary.** By L. L. Sell, McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 1959, 1,079 p., $35.00. This large volume contains over 400,000 technical terms and expressions on atomic and nuclear engineering, industrial electronics, automation, analog and digital computers, data processing, business machines, microwaves, telecommunications, facsimile, guided missiles, satellites, and the like.

**Inventions Patents and Their Management.** By A. K. Berle and L. S. de Camp, D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., Princeton, N. J., 1959, 602 p., $12.50. The subtitle of this book is "How to develop, protect and profit from new products and new processes." Subject matter is covered in twenty-four chapters, including one chapter each on trade marks and copyrights. Many practical points about the patent system are brought out and many case histories are cited.

This is not a book devoted strictly to patent law. As the authors point out, a patent is worth to the holder as much as he can realize from it, either by licensing, outright sale or by exploiting it himself. There are tricks and pitfalls no matter how the inventor proceeds and a great deal of time and money can be lost by simple ignorance. The practical, profitable approach to inventing is emphasized.

No mention is made of the differences that may be peculiar to specific industries and the electronics industry is not even listed.
in the index. Although too expensive for those only casually interested in the subject, the book can fill a niche in many company libraries.

Notes on the Quantum Theory of Angular Momentum. By E. Feenberg and G. E. Pake, Stanford University Press, Stanford, Calif., 1959, 56 p., $1.25. Originally written to assist graduate students in reading research papers on atomic, molecular and nuclear structure, these notes constitute a review, on an elementary level, of material usually included in a one-year course in quantum theory. Also, matrix elements of scalar, vector and tensor operators are computed and applied to derive several useful relations in theory of magnetic moments, electric quadrupole moments and dipole transition probabilities.

Nuclear Technology For Engineers. By R. Hobart Ellis, Jr., McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, 1959, 283 p., $9.80. This book starts with the theory of radioactivity and goes on to describe methods for detecting and measuring radiation; interesting applications of radionuclides as tracers in medical and other spheres are then outlined. Sources of high-level radiation are next discussed and put to more uses than the reader might have envisaged. Two final sections deal with nuclear fission and nuclear fusion. The value of the book (which is fairly expensive) lies in the techniques presented, rather than in the theory which it develops.

A Treatise on Algebraic Plane Curves. By J. L. Coolidge, Dover Publications, Inc., New York, 1959, 513 p., $2.45. Advanced students and teachers will welcome this unabridged reprint of one of the few full coverages of this subject in English. An account is given of the present status of the theory of algebraic plane curves and their relations to various fields of geometry and analysis.


The Birth of a New Physics. By I. B. Cohen, Doubleday & Co., Inc., New York, 1960, 200 p., $0.95. Written primarily for students, this book discusses the search for a new physics to describe the dynamics of a moving universe. A major aim of book is to indicate the penetrating force and deep effect that a single idea may have in altering the whole structure of science.

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Uses 'Engineering Modules'

To meet existing and anticipated needs for additional engineering, manufacturing and administrative facilities, Radiation, Inc., Melbourne, Fla., has undertaken a long-range expansion program.

The company has acquired a 60-acre tract five miles south of the present facility and an option on an adjacent 60 acres. The new plant complex consists of a group of medium-sized buildings, called "engineering modules". Each module will have 22,000 sq ft of work space. Three of these modules are already in operation. The 37,000-sq-ft administration building, recently completed, will serve as national headquarters for the firm.

Manufacturing done by the company is essentially assembly of components, augmented by specialized precise machine work. The real core of the company is engineering accompanied by development and limited production of complex electronic equipment generally keyed to the limits of the state of the art.

The new plant makes it possible to adapt general-purpose buildings to specialized work with complete provisions for flexibility during growth—and even during retrenchment—with the least possible financial risk. The company is growing, the art is progressing and this plant can vary to accept any reasonably foreseen changes with practically unlimited expansion, company officials claim.

Some of the most advanced architectural features include: orientation of buildings for best natural light and minimum air conditioning load, easily accessible, large, paved parking areas for each module, special acoustical treatment, a comfortable and "open look" in the administration building's customer reception area, partitions that can be relocated and special roof-installed antenna testing facilities.

Acoustica Hires O.E. Mattiat

Appointment of Oskar E. Mattiat as chief scientist of Acoustica Associates, Inc., of Plainview, N. Y., and Los Angeles, was recently announced.

Mattiat has been engaged in the development of acoustic systems and piezoelectric devices since 1934 at the German General Electric Co. in Berlin, the Clevite Electric Research Center in Cleveland and, more recently, at the Astrophysics Development Corp. division of Curtiss-Wright Corp. in Santa Barbara, Calif.

At Acoustica, which manufactures ultrasonic cleaning, gaging and processing systems, he will be responsible for all developments in the fields of piezoelectric and magnetostrictive ceramic materials.

According to Robert L. Rod, president, the addition of Mattiat to the Acoustica staff will permit an increased effort to be made in the areas of improved ceramics capable of use in the nation's space and submarine warfare programs, as well as in areas involving such products as microphones, phono pickup cartridges, earphones and measuring devices which make use of these novel ceramic materials.

EFCON Employs Project Engineer

Joseph Sipovic was recently named project engineer of the Film Capacitor division of EFCON, Inc., New York, N. Y.

Formerly chief engineer with the Condenser Products division of New Haven Clock & Watch Co., Sipovic comes to EFCON with a quarter century's experience in the capacitor field at Condensor Products and at Miacomold Electronics Mfg. Corp.

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GE Promotes Woolaver

THE GENERAL ELECTRIC Co., Syracu- cuse, N. Y., recently promoted Arling Woolaver to transistor product sales manager in the Semiconductor Products department. He had been the department's district sales manager for New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

In his new position, Woolaver replaces C. J. Goodman who was recently appointed eastern regional sales manager for the department.

Two Elected to Ling-Altec Board

JAMES O. WELDON and Lee D. Web- ster have been elected to the board of directors of Ling-Altec Electronics, Inc. The new directors were also named to the executive committee, and Webster was promoted

resigned to accept new position with SIE’s parent firm, Dresser Industries, Inc.

Peck had been vice president and general manager of Stromberg Carlson's Electronics division.

Beeman, in his new position with Dresser, will be engaged primarily in investigating new product possibilities and in broadening the application of Dresser's present products line both in seismic, instrumentation and the general electronics field.
from vice president to executive vice president.

Weldon is president of Continental Electronics Mfg. Co., which was founded in 1947 in Dallas and became a subsidiary of Ling-Altec last year.

Webster joined Ling-Altec as vice president, secretary and treasurer in 1958.

News of Reps

MECO (Measurement Equipment Co., Inc.) is a new rep organization located in Wakefield, Mass., to serve the electronics and related industries in the New England area. The company, founded by Donald A. Jenkins and John Riley, will specialize in the fields of microwave instrumentation and systems components, laboratory and special purpose power supplies, signal sources, and digital equipment.

Appointment of S. B. M. Associates of Rochester and Albany, N. Y., as sales rep for the Shockley Transistor Corp., Palo Alto, Calif., is announced. Rep firm will cover New York State, with the exception of New York City, Westchester County and Long Island.

Longstreet Smith Associates, Inc., sales reps for Mid-Eastern Electronics, Inc., have opened a new office in Albuquerque. They will handle Mid-Eastern's line of power supplies, ultra high resistance measuring instruments and test equipment for all of New Mexico.

Television Communication Products, Inc., Dallas, Texas, has been named authorized field engineering and sales rep for Adler Electronics, Inc., New Rochelle, N. Y., in the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana.


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COMMENT

Information Retrieval

A short item in the Electronics Newsletter (p 11, Dec. 18 '59) has given rise to considerable interest in this office. The paragraph which begins "Chemistry information retrieval..." describes certain USSR developments in a field of research in which we are seriously involved. The Patent Office and the National Bureau of Standards have, for several years, been engaged in a joint research project in the field of information retrieval. A considerable portion of the joint effort has been concentrated on the development of a system known as Haystaq, which uses a general-purpose computer to perform searches of large document files for chemical information. For about a year and a half the Haystaq team has directed its attention to the searching of chemical structures, based largely on a topological tracing technique ...

HERBERT R. KOLLER
U. S. PATENT OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

A brief discussion of the Haystaq project, not referring to it by that name, appeared in Research & Development, p 124, Feb. 12, with the headline "Computer Searches for Patents."

Minification

I answer your call for takers, and support your well-reasoned statement justifying the use of minitatize instead of minify (Comment, p 104, Jan. 22).

In the process of language development, usage certainly exerts a more powerful influence than the dictum of the purist. This is inevitable; in the interchange of ideas, man's needs are better taken care of by a clear understanding of words rather than by their grammatical rigor ...

JOHN J. RIVERA
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... Mr. Frank C. Smith Jr. of Southwestern Industrial Electronics was quoted as supporting promotion of the word minify. Some years ago I staged an ardent, albeit ineffective, one-man campaign among ad agency personnel
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handling electronics accounts and various others in the electronics industry for this same cause. Despite my protests, the word miniaturize, ugly and deformed as it is, seemed to grow in acceptance. The battle may have been lost by now, but I would like to go on record in support of Mr. Smith’s motion.

My basis for calling the word deformed is that miniaturize is compounded of a Latin prefix and a Greek suffix. Both parts should at least be drawn from related languages if a word is to be a proper word. Thus only two possibilities emerge: either a completely Greek-rooted word, which would give us micronitize, or a completely Latin-derived word, which would be the far simpler and more pleasant minify.

Five years of usage may have established the twisted, ungainly and cacophonics miniaturize as the preferred form. However, many of us in the world who still value language will be indebted to you for any plugs you might give to mini-fication.

DAN MEYER
DRESSER INDUSTRIES
DALLAS

Shift Register

I have read with interest the article “Six Ways to Use Magnetic Shift Register Elements,” by J. Porter, in your Jan. 15 issue (p 80). The article provided a useful comparative description of several of the shift-register circuits currently available.

Unfortunately, an error has occurred in Table 1 of the article that is of great enough magnitude to warp the comparison rather seriously. The output voltage of the voltage controlled shift register should be listed as 3.0 volts instead of 0.3 volts. Since 0.3 volts would be considered totally inadequate by most shift-register users, whereas 3.0 volts is usually satisfactory, it is felt that the voltage controlled shift register is not fairly presented in this tabulation . . .

B. F. WAGNER
GENERAL ELECTRIC
SYRACUSE, N. Y.

Author Porter regrets what turns out to have been a typist’s error; he missed it and so did we.
FIELD ENGINEERS

Thumbing through the pages of this magazine points up a salient fact—there's a field engineer shortage, or at least, there's a shortage of good ones. The only investment an engineer has to make in order to change jobs is a short resume, a 4¢ stamp and an envelope. But what does the new job mean? Does it mean more routine work in a different location, and a few extra dollars in the paycheck; or does it mean the opportunity to utilize all your skills in a position where you can really move ahead? • If the job turns out to be the former, you've spun your wheels professionally. On the other hand, if the job requires real use of your technical talent, and it's with a growing, wide-awake organization, then your future is just about what you make of it. • This brings us to what we want to say about our organization—General Electric's fast-moving Ordnance Department. We're not Utopia for a field engineer, but who is? We're fast on our feet, and we want field engineers who can keep the present hardware going while formulating new equipment and systems concepts. There's plenty of opportunity to employ "blue sky" thinking as long as you can plug it into a solid engineering approach. Field engineers are important to our future because they deal directly with our customers, and success in this area means just one thing—more business for us. • If you're convinced you've got to change jobs, why not let us tell you how a field engineering position with Ordnance Department will lead quickly to an advanced position in R&D, manufacturing, marketing or product service management.

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