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# CROSSTALK

ORGANIC SEMICONDUCTORS. The Inter-Industry Conference on Organic Semiconductors, co-sponsored by ELECTRONICS and Armour Research Foundation in mid-April, was a success. The technical quality of the papers presented was high, the sizable audience was serious and attentive. It represented a highly-placed, significant cross-section of the electronics and chemical industrial community.

We greatly enjoyed this experience. We heard portents of great significance to our industry and others in the technical dissertations. But we derived no big story from this conference. No new electronic devices have as yet been fabricated utilizing organic technology. Indeed, any references to plastic transistors or organic photocells must be relegated to that class of devices wryly referred to by W. O. Baker of Bell Labs as "journalistors," compounded of blue sky and printer's ink. But some day the real devices will come. Of that we are convinced.

Baker, speaking at a Conference luncheon, touched upon another intriguing aspect of organic semiconductor research. He speculated that complete understanding of the conduction process in organic compounds would lead to knowledge of the control and signaling processes in living organisms with untold applications in computer and communication fields. It might eventually lead to synthesis of the mechanism of the life process itself. Indeed, one scientist told ELECTRONICS that a better comprehension of organic semiconductors might stem from biology rather than from physics. Whichever approach is the right one, it is apparent that the two disciplines are now inextricably linked. ELECTRONICS intends to follow this exciting field carefully, and as developments unfold, they will be reported to our readers.

### Coming In Our May 26 Issue

AIR-TRAFFIC CONTROL. As reported recently in ELECTRONICS (p 26, Feb. 10), the FAA believes the ultimate approach to the problem of midair collision is to keep flights of all aircraft continuously under surveillance by ground control centers. A step in this direction is the ground-based system for controlling high-density traffic at air terminals described in our next issue by R. Meuleman and S. D. Moxley, Jr. of Avco Corp. of Cincinnati. Aircraft can be controlled out to 80 miles and 18 arrivals and six departures governed simultaneously. System automatically computes instructions for the pilot and controls landing time with a precision of  $\pm$  9 seconds.

UV DETECTION. Reliable ultraviolet radiation detector tubes have many applications in systems where uv radiation is the independent variable either by nature or design. Typical applications include fire detection, explosion detection and communication between satellites.

Next week, D. H. Howling and R. C. Roxberry of McGraw-Edison Co. describe a gas-filled uv detector tube that exhibits a power gain of 110 db. Counting rate approaching 3 Mc is expected to allow unambiguous detection of explosions in a few microseconds.

FURTHERMORE. A variety of interesting feature material to appear next week includes: a transistor amplifier that controls remote appliances by Midwest Editor Wiley; a carrier phase reversal system for transmitting digital data over telephone lines by J. R. Masek of The Hallicrafters Co.; interstage design for stagger-loaded amplifiers by L. A. Beattie of the University of Idaho; and a survey of transmission media by J. H. Vogelman of Capehart Corp. On the ground, or high in the sky, Raytheon's line of rugged diode rectifiers gives dependable arc-free operation.

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CLIPPER DIODE	2.5	4.75	15,000	8.0	0.020
H. V. RECT. (OP. 1) (OP. 2) (OP. 3) CLIPPER	2.5	4.9	16.000 7.700 5.000	0.250 0.300 0.300	0.065 0.080 0.095
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### COMMENT

### **Medical Electronics**

Re.: your articles on medical electronics (p 49, Jan. 20; p 46, Feb. 3; p 54, Feb. 20) ...

The Burnham Beeches unit here is the Australian division of the Nicholas Institute for Medical Veterinary Research. This Institute is the basic research organization of the Nicholas group of companies and has another division at Slough, Buckinghamshire, in England. The work at Burnham Beeches is about equally divided into veterinary and medical pharmacological research aimed at producing new drugs and information about new drugs. The medical pharmacology group contains a small neurophysiology unit which is investigating the effect of analgesic drugs on the central nervous system.

The equipment of the neurophysiology unit is probably of interest to you. Electrodes are inserted into the brains of dogs using standard stereotaxic methods and the electrical activity of the site at the electrode needle tip is led off to a Tetroniks 122 preamplifier, thence to a main amplifier of an electroencephalograph unit and recorded by both pen recorder and cathode-ray oscilloscope. We have the standard Grass Instrument equipment, stimulators, cro photocamera, photic stimulator for this work. The whole system is a fourchannel one and in this respect is unusual-it is based on the use of a 20th Century (English) crt which has four separate guns. We have a visual monitor and a paralleled crt for photographing. The timebase and trigger circuitry is orthodox and was made here in Melbourne.

The eeg unit, of which four main amplifiers are used in the four recording channels, is also unusual. It was made to our specifications in Adelaide and, although suffering from the usual drawbacks of an experimental model, has been on the whole very successful. The eight channels of amplifiers, both preamps and main amplifiers, have a frequency response from 0.1 to 10 Kc, and two of the main amps have a response from d-c to 10 Kc. The gains attainable are also higher than usual, and five microvolts can be recorded satisfactorily. We do a

good deal of straight eeg recording from dogs, especially from chronically implanted electrodes . . . N. R. BEECHY

Nicholas Institute Burnham Beeches, Victoria Australia

### Help Wanted

I am writing in the hope that one of your readers may be able to help me. In connection with some research that I am conducting on human leukemia, I have been trying, without success, to obtain 18 in. each of 5- to 10-mil platinum and silver wire with an insulated coat capable of withstanding 200 C; the final dimension of the insulated wire should not exceed 15 mils.

I wonder whether any of your readers can help me locate this wire; I will be most grateful for any assistance in this matter...

JOHN A. SYKES, M. D. TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER HOUSTON, TEXAS

Our local contacts in the wirespecialty field were unable to help Dr. Sykes. Can anybody else?

### **Character Counter**

The prompt appearance in your Apr. 28 issue (p 120) of my short article "Character Counter Aids Teletypewriter Routing" was indeed gratifying. Unfortunately an error in the published diagram would prevent the device from functioning as described. Further, the relay  $K_1$  in the original drawing was described as a Sigma series 72 polar relay and was schematically shown as a polar relay...

ROY E. PAFENBERG Arlington, Va.

The bottom winding of  $K_1$  is shown returned to the anode of 0B2; it should have been returned to the bottom of capacitor  $C_1$  so that that capacitor shunts the lower winding of the relay.

### To the Editator

Concerning the "Birdbanding" item on p 10 of the Apr. 14 issue (Electronics Newsletter): your *editator* must be slipping.

GEORGE LANGER DENVER, COLO.

The headline calls a capacitor a capacitator. Oh well . . .

isicorder and record shown approx. 1/2 actual size.

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recording.

### "MASTER CLOCK" for the missile range uses 15

## Honeywell Visicorder oscillographs

The Timing Operations Center designed and built by Epsco-West for the Navy's Pacific Missile Range is now in use at Point Mugu, California. It makes use of 15 Honeywell Visicorders to read out (as shown on the unretouched record at left) the modulated timing codes distributed as balanced outputs to the Center's "customers."

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#### **Specifications**

Frequency Range:		1 to 4 GC
<b>Overall Accuracy:</b>		0.14%
<b>Dial Calibration Accu</b>		0.10%
Max. Temp. Coefficier	nt/°C:	0.0016%
Connectors:		Type N
Dimensions: 91/8"	high x 6" long x 6"	deep. 13 pounds
Price:		\$536A, \$500.00

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#### **Specifications**

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Frequency Range: @393A, 0.5 to 1 GC; @394A, 1 to 2 GC Attenuation or Coupling: @ 393A, 5 to 120 db, @ 394A, 6 to 120 db; both continuously variable

Absolute Accuracy: Within ± 1 db ar 1% of dial (@ 393A), ± 1.25 db or 2% af dial (@ 394A), whichever is greater. (With matched generator and load)

Nominal Impedance: 50 ohms SWR: < 2.5:1, 5 - 10 db attenuation; < 1.5:1, 10 - 30 db; < 1.2:1, 30-120 db () 393A); < 1.4:1, 30-120 db () 394A) Directivity: Greater than 15 db (@ 393A), or 10 db (@ 394A), 10 to 40 db attenuation with laads of less than 1.05:1 SWR

Maximum Voltage:	500 v peak
Connectors:	Type N
Dimensions:	$5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$
Price:	@393A, \$420.00; @394A, \$420.00

### #872A Coaxial Slide-Screw Tuner

906A Coaxial Load

kw peak.

With the \$872A Coaxial Slide-Screw Tuner, insertion of the precision probe carriage into a specially developed slab line is quickly and easily varied with a micrometer drive, and position along the line may be read directly on a recessed scale. Probe travel is at least 1/2 wavelength at 0.5 GC so that any phase reflection may be compensated. Logging penetra-tion and position of the probe makes repetition of settings simple, and the probe can be withdrawn so that no correction is applied.

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#760D/761D Dual Directional Couplers

### Frequency Pan

Frequency kange:	0.5 to 4 GC
Correctable SWR:	10
Insertion Loss at Max. Correctable SWR	: 1 db or less
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Connectors:	Type N
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# ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

### Power Sources Conference Discusses Energy Converters

IMPROVED TECHNIQUES for thermal and solar energy conversion, and progress in fuel cells and batteries, drew the attention of some 1,000 engineers at the 15th Power Sources Conference in Atlantic City, N. J., last week.

Cryogenic fueled thermoelectric generators were discussed by J. Angello of U. S. Army Signal R&D Labs. Experiments with a singlestage bismuth-telluride converter using liquid nitrogen yielded a maximum power of 875 milliwatts at a temperature difference of 126 C and a cold-junction temperature of -191 C. Technique may yield conversion efficiency of 20 percent.

Increase in thermoelectric efficiency by impeding heat flow by structural means was described by **R.** C. Evans of Johns Hopkins. His report on isthmus effect experiments covered the construction of welded and sheared barrier generators. Experiments with chromelconstantin thermocouples showed an efficiency of 1.3 percent for two welded barriers per leg compared with 0.2 percent with no barriers.

In surveying recent advances in thermal energy conversion, D. C. White of MIT postulated the possibility of achieving 35-percent efficiencies by using the photovoltaic effect for conversion. An incandescent surface would supply photons to a *pin* photocell for conversion to electrical energy.

Increasing the power density and efficiency of thermionic converters by using cesium plasma triode converters was discussed separately by A. O. Jensen of GE and W. B. Hall of RCA. According to Jensen, a device now under development may achieve power density of four watts per square centimeter and efficiency of 20 percent at cathode temperature of 1,300 C.

Methods of reducing cost of solar-cell systems and increasing their resistance to radiation were discussed by several speakers. A. Herchakowski of Army Signal Labs described concentrator configurations for increasing power output per unit cell area; J. F. Elliott of GE reported on work aimed at increasing yield and efficiency by constructing large-area thin-film photovoltaic cells. P. Berman of Transitron and J. Mendelkorn of USASRDL both presented data indicating that resistance to radiation is increased with n or p-type cells.

### Seek Optical Maser

To Use Solar Power

AIR RESEARCH & Development Command has awarded a research contract to American Optical Co. to develop a sun-powered optical maser for satellite and space use. The proposed device would be a ruby maser fed from a solar collector instead of being powered by flash tubes. AO chief physicist E. Snitzer figures that a large solar collector would be able to produce enough of the necessary green and blue light to cause the ruby rod to go into continuous oscillation, Project is aided by the fact that sun power falling on an earth satellite is much more intense than the solar energy reaching the earth's surface.

### Defense Spending Rise Seen Paced to GNP

ECONOMIC FORECASTS being bruited about Washington these days indicate that Department of Defense expenditures will rise at a rate equivalent to the increase in the gross national product. Rapidly growing resources of the Sino-Soviet bloc are being allocated to military forces; planners in Washington figure that U.S. preparedness must at least keep pace. Average increase being forecast-privately and without administration publicity—is around 5 or 7 percent annually, about \$2 billion or more. Present budget is about \$45 billion: 1970's may be near \$80 billion. Research and development expenditures will continue to take about 10 percent of this figure. Even if an

effective plan for disarmament can be adopted, the R&D expenditure will continue high since detection devices will require more R&D than the weapons they replace.

In other defense developments last week: Bendix received \$12 million in contracts to equip aircraft of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) with advanced electronic navigation systems. Air Force awarded a \$35.8million contract to Philco for continuation of work begun in 1957 in development of command and control subsystems for space and satellite programs. Another Air Force contract, for \$10 million, was awarded to GE for ICBM target vehicles to test the Nike-Zeus countermissile; the target vehicles will be flown in place of operational ICBM nose cones.

### Develops Small, Cheap Negative-Ion Generator

COMPACT INEXPENSIVE generator for producing negative ions was put on the market in England last week by Winston Electronics, an associate of Dynamics Corp. of America. Ion generator is  $14 \times 6 \times 73$  inches, consumes about 75w, handles about 4,000 cu ft of air. Cost is about \$52. DCA, which developed the basic generator of which the Winston model is an improvement, is expected to manufacture the improved version.

Unit consists of a fine filter to trap dust particles, four ultraviolet lamps to generate negative ions at the rate of about 4,000 per cubic centimeter, and a negative-ion multiplier—a metallic mesh from which electrons are ejected by secondary emission—to increase the ion content to about 100,000 per cubic centimeter. A small fan forces air through the unit.

### Air Agency Prohibits F-M Radios in Aircraft

FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY last week prohibited the use of portable f-m radios on U. S. civil aircraft. The ruling results from an investigation of interference from electrical and electronic devices on aircraft instruments. The investigation disclosed that local oscillators in f-m radios affect the vhf navigation systems, causing the appearance of the "red flag" which indicates to the pilot that the instrument is not working properly. The red flag warns the pilot not to trust the reading of the instrument, and prevents the instrument from giving a faulty indication.

### "Next-Hour" Facsimile Delivery Proposed to Post Office

SUBCOMMITTEE on the Post Office & Treasury of the Senate Appropriations Committee last week heard Alden Electronic & Impulse Recording Equipment Co.'s proposal of a next-hour delivery system using facsimile techniques. Alden proposes to pay the Post Office Department for a franchise to install high-speed facsimile equipment in local postoffices for use by the commercial and other mailers who need a high-priority mail delivery service. Alden fax equipment would be able to send two letterheads per minute; copy arriving at the destination postoffice would be automatically wrapped, and a clerk would put it in the regular postoffice box of the addressee.

### Aerospace-Electronics Show Favors Data-Handling Gear

AUTOMATIC devices for tape preparation, digital guidance and control computer, power-spectrum analyzer and fiber-optics scrambler were among newer products introduced by 70 firms who filled the booths at last week's National Aerospace-Electronics Conference in Dayton, O.

McDonnell Aircraft showed tape preparation equipment for automatic checkout and machine control. Logic circuits in the unit analyze word groups and numerical keyboard commands, convert them to complete coded programs. A digital guidance and control computer, still under development by McDonnell, will feature nondestructive wired-rope core memory of passive elements which allows a 16-bit word to be read from a single core. Scratchpad memory will store 64 16-bit words. Incremental power-spectrum analyzer for countermeasures was demonstrated by Hallicrafters. It will substitute continuous display of microwave power in 125 10-Mc increments for point-by-point plotting; unit covers the 2.4-3.6 Gc range.

Security for codes and secret messages is provided by fiber-optics scrambler device developed by Chicago Aerial Industries. More than 300,000 glass fibers are packed in an area whose cross-section is a little more than a square inch; scrambling the fibers scrambles the message. Transmitter and receiver are equipped with the scrambler devices to maintain communications security.

### Granite Being Tested for Underground R-F Transmission

DEEP-ROCK transmission of r-f energy is being investigated by Raytheon in an abandoned dry well in Concord, Vt. Under an Air Force contract, Raytheon is working with l-f and vlf energy, sending to receivers in a granite quarry nearly 20 miles away. The company reports results at Globecom in Chicago this week.

Prior investigations have used potash and salt strata; granite seems a better medium, both because of its lower conductivity and also because granitic strata can be found all over the continental land mass.

Jamproof character of deepstrata electromagnetic transmission is attractive to the military planners, particularly for shortrange communications between missile silos and underground command-control centers in the event that surface communications are disrupted by possible enemy attack.

### Sales And Imports Of Radio-Tv Rise

JAPAN'S Ministry of Finance last week released figures on February exports of electronic products to the U. S., indicating that all categories increased over the January level.

Exports of transistor radios with more than three transistors jumped

from 157,447 units valued at nearly \$2 million in January to 251,725 units worth \$3.2 million. Tube radios went from 56,639 units worth \$398,000 to 105,168 units worth \$722,000; toy transistor radios (containing one or two transistors) from 177.188 units worth \$520.000 to 196,665 units worth \$601,000. Exports of tv sets with 21-in. screens or larger jumped from 1,935 units worth \$97,000 to 2,677 units worth \$132,000, and taperecorder shipments went from 25.-374 units worth \$525,000 to 30,787 units worth \$802,000. Ministry of International Trade & Industry figures that some 3 million toy radios (one or two transistors) will be produced in fiscal 1961, of which most will probably be exported to North America. The toy units are exempt from Japan's quota regulations.

In the U. S., Electronic Industries Association announced last week that retail sales and production of radio and tv sets continued to rise in March, but that cumulative totals remained below the totals for the first three months of 1960 in all categories excepting radio sales. March tv sales totaled 530,105 units, an increase of 77,823 over February. Radio retail sales totaled 853,821, up 187,593 over February's figure.

### British Companies Wary Of Space Agency Contracts

ELECTRONICS and control-equipment manufacturers in Great Britain are expressing wariness about accepting contracts from National Aeronautics & Space Administration because of NASA's patent British companies have terms. asked their government for advice on their rights to inventions made under contracts placed by the space agency or to which the agency contributes financial aid. Some firms are afraid that the NASA patent terms might be interpreted as retroactive, since the wording of the law defines the making of an invention as "a conception or first actual reduction to practice ;" if a contractor files for an invention which is first used in a subsequent NASA contract, the U.S. government may be able to lay claim to the patent rights.

### Microdot Expands Telemetry Capability

South Pasadena - Microdot Inc. has recently acquired Spectralab Instrument Co. of Monrovia, California. The acquisition provides Microdot's Instrumentation Division with outstanding capabilities in the field of VHF and UHF cavities and related instrumentation. Spectralab has been widely noted for its recent scientific breakthrough in the new UHF telemetry field with the first operational UHF telemetry transmitter, and for its high power transmitter designed for the Pioneer V satellite. Spectralab instruments have also flown in the Redstone, Jupiter, Atlas and Pershing missiles.



The Pioneer V transmitter shown above is typical of the sophisticated instrumentation now offered by Microdot. This miniaturized unit features an output of 150 watts, ease of adjustment, and proven outer space reliability.

With the Spectralab acquisition, Microdot's telemetry capability now includes a broad product line ranging from sensing devices through transmitters. As a single source for instrumentation, Microdot can provide weldable strain gages, load cells, temperature probes, thermocouples, amplifiers, power supplies, signal conditioning equipment, power amplifiers, frequency doublers, oscillators and transmitters.

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# WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY competition for a place in the commercial communications satellite field was dramatically played up during the House Space Committee's inquiry into the program.

The hearings pointed up the basic disagreements within the industry. The sharpest dispute is over the division of ownership in a space communications system. Generally, it's accepted that the government will prevent any single company from getting a dominant position.

The real in-fighting, therefore, shifts to what combination of companies should be allowed to pool their efforts. One bloc of companies wants ownership confined to firms already in international communications. Another group wants to include domestic communications companies—not only those already in the business but others that might crop up. General Telephone & Electronics Corp., for example, favors this.

Still another camp wants to pull in producers of aerospace equipment as well as common-carrier communications firms. GE backs this idea. The company recently formed a subsidiary, Communications Satellites, Inc., with ownership open to all interested firms with a miximum 10 percent equity ceiling stipulated.

There's also a divergence of technical opinion. One group of firms wants a system of synchronous satellites that would be placed some 22,300 miles out in space and appear to remain in a stationary position. This would require only three or four satellites to provide worldwide coverage. Other companies, however, are plumping for a system of 50 or more satellites in 3,000 to 5,000-mile high orbits.

NASA, meanwhile, is not content to allow industry to pace development of a space communications system. While the shapeup in industrial ownership goes on, the Agency is pushing for development of a system under Project Relay. The government-developed system will undoubtedly have a dominant role in any commercial system that eventually evolves.

Seven proposals, including three joint ventures, were submitted to NASA in March to develop Project Relay. A contract is due soon.

A TIP-OFF on administration views on electronic imports may be apparent in President Kennedy's first major policy decision on foreign trade. Only textiles are immediately covered in the new decision, but it could be applied to products such as electronic parts.

Kennedy has ruled against imposition of country-by-country import controls on textiles, as the domestic industry urged. Instead, he wants to work for an international voluntary agreement under which some other major industrial nations, such as West Germany, would take more textiles from the under-developed nations which produce them.

The President has ordered a series of steps aimed to help the industry at home. The State Dept. will begin negotiations with textile-producing and major consuming countries this month. If the efforts prove successful, the idea of an international voluntary agreement may be tried for other light-manufactured products—electronics, for example.

PENTAGON efforts to minimize over-pricing on major weapon contracts are being accelerated. Officials appearing before a congressional committee have spelled out what's being done:

Competition is being expanded by increasing the number of potential sources in negotiating contracts for which advertised bidding is not practical. Internal audit of cost estimates and price proposals from contractors is being substantially broadened. Purchasing techniques, cost estimating procedures, and financial cost controls "have been improved."

In addition, excessive inventories are being slashed, more effective controls are being clamped on overhead expenses, "more effective" subcontract management has been instituted, the "quality of negotiations have been improved," and the use of value engineering to trim costs is being encouraged.

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### FINANCIAL

## Earnings Go Up In First Quarter

FIRST QUARTER reports and annual statements being issued this month shown an upturn in sales and earnings for many electronics companies.

HOFFMAN ELECTRONICS, Los Angeles, reported 1961 first quarter sales of \$16,098,315 were the highest in any quarter in company history and resulted in a net profit after taxes of \$256,668, or 16 cents a share. The sales volume for the quarter compares with \$10,215,897 in the same period of 1960, when the after-tax profit was \$2,530. The increase is attributed to sales rises for the military products and semiconductor divisions of the company.

FAIRCHILD CAMERA AND INSTRU-MENT, Syosset, N. Y., reports 1961 first quarter net earnings after taxes of \$877,000, or 71 cents a share. This is an increase of 9.5 percent over first quarter 1960 earnings of \$801,000 or 65 cents a share. John Carter, company president, savs this year's first quarter earnings are the best in company history. Sales during the period were \$20,655,000, a 49-percent increase over sales of \$13,838,000 in the first quarter of 1960. New orders this year, during the first quarter, were up 58 percent over 1960's first quarter, while backlog rose 75 percent.

ELECTRONIC SPECIALTY CO., Los Angeles, reports 1961 first quarter sales more than double those of 1960 for the same period. This year the figure is \$6.1 million as compared with \$2.5 million in 1960. Profits for the January-March period this year were at an all-time high of \$185,000, or 21 cents a share. Backlog at the end of this year's first quarter exceeded \$20 million as against the \$4.2 million on Mar. 31, 1960.

BOWMAR INSTRUMENT CORP., Ft. Wayne, Ind., reports record sales

for the six months ended Mar. 31, 1961, first half of the company's fiscal year. Earnings after taxes were \$187,285, making this the seventh consecutive year the company has shown increases in sales and earnings. Sales rose from \$2,-724,896 for the same period a year ago to \$3,122,837 for the six-month first half of this fiscal year. Pretax earnings rose from \$302,749 to \$378,285. Per-share earnings after taxes were up from 20 cents to 24 cents.

GENERAL PRECISION EQUIPMENT CORP., Tarrytown, N. Y., reports preliminary figures for the first quarter of this year show a net income of 87 cents per common share. This is a 12.9-percent rise over net income of 77 cents per share in the same period a year ago. Net income for the period this year was \$1,334,-000 after taxes, up from \$1,224,000 in the first quarter of 1960. In addition to this, a 51-cent per share special gain was realized from the sale of the company's downtown Manhattan headquarters building. Preliminary figures for the first quarter of this year show sales of \$62.897.000, up 13 percent from 1960's first quarter.

THE MARTIN COMPANY, Baltimore, Md., reports a rise of 40 percent in sales and earnings for the first quarter of this year as compared with the same period of 1960. Net earnings of \$4,914,690 on sales of \$198,248,575 this year exceed the net of \$3,488,122 on \$140,839,907 of sales in the first quarter of 1960. This year's per-share earnings are equal to 79 cents net as against a 57-cent figure a year ago.

SIEGLER CORPORATION, Los Angeles, announces earnings of \$553,363 on sales of \$24,592,863 for the threemonth period ended Mar. 31 this year. Earnings per share were 25 cents on 2,214,363 shares outstanding. Earnings in the first nine months of the company's fiscal year were \$2,330,228 or \$1.05 per share on sales of \$73,646,826. Because of a merger with Jack & Heintz, Cleveland, O., in February of this year, company spokesmen say there is no basis of comparison with last year's figures.

GLASS-TITE INDUSTRIES, Providence, R. I., reports sales and earnings for 1960 to be the highest in company history. Sales in 1960 were \$3,636,-454 against \$1,899,446 in 1959. Net income rose to \$263,436, equivalent to 26 cents per share as against \$139,015, or 20 cents a share in 1959. The order backlog at the end of last year was in excess of \$3 million.

CONTROLS COMPANY OF AMERICA, Schiller Park, Ill., announces first quarter sales of \$10,535,076, a drop from the \$13,158,316 recorded a year ago. Net earnings after taxes for the first three months of this year were \$283,605, equal to 22 cents a share. compared with \$437,-338, or 35 cents a share in the same period a year earlier. Louis Putze, company president, said cost reduction measures taken in the past year will result in improved performance during the remainder of 1961.

### **25 MOST ACTIVE STOCKS**

	WEEK	ENDING	MAY 5.	1961
	SHARES			
(	IN 100's)	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
Avnet Elec	2,512	60 <sup>3</sup> 4	461/2	6034
Avco Corp	2,173	205/8	19 <sup>3</sup> 8	1934
Dynamic Corp of Am	2,128	177/8	125%	16%
General Electric	1,847	661/2	601/2	661/8
General Tel & Elec	1,669	29	2838	281/8
Universal Controls	1,513	151/2	1414	143/8
Sperry	1,496	331/2	305 8	321/2
Martin Company	1,467	391/2	371/2	375/2
Nuclear Corp of Am	1,410	61/4	51/8	6
Nycon	1,340	534	47⁄8	55/8
Westinghouse	1,305	45	40	443/4
Ampex	1,293	253/4	243/8	247/8
Victoreen Inst	1,248	171/2	141/2	1712
Waltham Precision	1,243	41/8	35/8	41/8
Standard Kollsman	1,126	483.8	401/2	4634
Sterling Precision	1,103	31/2	31/8	31/2
Ling Teinco Elec	934	361/2	3134	361/4
Rheem Mfg	918	217/8	181/4	217/8
Lear Inc	884	243 3	211/8	237/8
RCA	870	635/8	56%	633/8
Lockheed	855	423/8	3934	401/8
Burroughs	786	35%	325⁄8	323/4
General Dynamics	729	39%a	363/4	391⁄8
Rep Aviation	713	501/2	47	471⁄8
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# Fresh Look At Space Communications

CHICAGO—Space communications will be in spotlight of Fifth National Symposium on Global Communications sponsored by AIEE and IRE here at the Hotel Sherman next week (May 22-24), monopolizing three of 18 sessions and 15 of 88 technical papers.

More than 1,000 engineers, scientists and managers are expected to attend. Three simultaneous sessions will be held each morning and afternoon with topics ranging from space communications down to sharing earth radiation spectrum, through switching, data handling and transmission to compression methods for packing more meaning into speech transmissions.

George Mueller, vice president of Space Technology Labs, Los Angeles, will address the Tuesday luncheon session. Two dozen manufacturing and engineering firms will display communications equipment, processes and technical advances on first floor of symposium headquarters.

Saturation of present intercontinental message facilities points up need for symposium's study of communication problems, currently assigned top priority in offices and labs of government, industry and universities, says William L. Firestone, general chairman.

Ultraviolet communication system extending range of one watt of radiation to 20 million miles will be described by J. W. Ogland, Westinghouse, Baltimore, Md. Video information may be transmitted with same power at shorter, lunar distance ranges. Beam focused down to two minutes of arc provides antenna gain of about 50 million or 77 db.

Ultraviolet, infrared, visible light, x-ray and other exotic means of space communication will also be explored in a paper by L. R. Bittman. Martin Co., Baltimore, Md., with goal the attainment of enormous additional channel capacities.

Antenna of strip steel prestressed into tubular shape, stored on drum, then unfurled in orbit to form two-dipole system 150 and 75 ft between tips to cover one to 15 mc range will be displayed and discussed by Richardson and Molozzi, of the Canada Defense Research Telecommunication Establishment, Ottawa.

High antenna gain without need for attitude control of vehicle through use of active Van Atta arrays positioned over multiple faces of satellite—will be explained by R. C. Hansen, Aerospace, Los Angeles.

Comparison of satellite communication with rural party line—allowing two or more party use for interconnection of any two points on globe—will be presented by Walker, Campbell and Glomb of Hoffman and ITT, N. J.

Restriction of deep space communication systems band to 1.2-10 Gc by strong influence of atmospheric and galactic noise will be discussed by Breese and Sferrazza, Sperry Gyro, Great Neck, L. I.

Incremental delay problem effecting data transmission and transit delay problem limiting orbit height of satellites for telecommunication without impairing conversation quality through hybrid echo effect will be discussed by Vadasz and Haviland, GE, Lynchburg, Va.

Performance estimates of delayed time satellite repeater system will be discussed by J. Dressner, Army Signal Research and Development Lab., Ft. Monmouth, N. J., and study of orbital patterns providing most efficient coverage of globe by Hight and Kreer, Bell Labs, Whippany, N. J.

Near-infinite channel capacity, capable of simultaneous transmission of several tv and hundreds of voice channels will be discussed by T. Hafner, Surface Conduction, Inc., N. Y.

Digitized transmission of speech at 1,000 bits per second will be discussed by Campanella, Coulter and Irons, Melpar, Falls Church, Va., through derivation of seven parameters digitized into a 23-bit code word sampled 43.5 cps to provide 1,000 bit serial digital stream. Receiving end of system decodes and converts stream to synthetic speech.

Automatic message handling system to be installed in downtown Manhattan in 1962 for worldwide communications net linking 68 countries will be described by Becken and Andres, RCA, N. Y.

G. I. Carlson, Motorola, Chicago, will discuss microwave communications system in which transistors substitute for all but one vacuum tube, solid state logic and switching circuitry may be used instead of solenoids and meter relays and harmonic generator supplants local oscillator to reduce size from four standard seven-ft racks to single unit, while increasing transmitter stability four to 10 times.

### Buttoning Up Polaris Guidance System



Polaris Mark I inertial guidance by GE Ordnance and MIT is smallest in any U.S. ballistic missile. Same team is working on 2,500-mi Mark II

### Controls German Planes

# Stereo's Impact and Collins' Program Highlight Broadcasting Convention

WASHINGTON—Impact of the Federal Communications Commission's recent approval of the multiplex system of f-m stereo broadcasting dominated the 39th annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters here last week. In all, 3,000 persons attended.

Exhibitors, anticipating the surge of interest, displayed new equipment that had been hurriedly prepared for the convention after the decision was announced.

Equipment makers showed lines along two fronts, for the broadcasting stations and the listeners. Orders, particularly for new broadcasting units, were being placed at a fast pace.

Fisher Radio and Scott were showing new f-m stereo adapters that can be used by the listener. Prices on the adapters ranged from around \$45 to \$90 for self-powered units. Units that take their power from the set won't be so expensive, but no units were demonstrated and manufacturers shied away from predicting a price.

The big showing on home adapters is expected to come in September at the New York hi-fi show.

### Klystron Tester Crackles



Lightning-like bolts test klystron tubes used in radar. Sperry facility can deliver 100 million watts of peak power

Then, it is expected that virtually all manufacturers of f-m tuners will be exhibiting their own lines of adapters.

Manufacturers don't see any mass movement to dump existing f-m equipment dealers have on the shelf. Reason is, for the past couple of years most manufacturers have been providing space in f-m tuners for the adapters needed in anticipation of FCC approval of stereo broadcasting.

Buoyed by the FCC decision. National Association of Broadcasters' president Leroy Collins bluntly told the convention he wanted support for a new program he has laid out for the industry.

"If you do not approve of the course I have outlined for NAB," Collins told the broadcasting industry, "I want you to say so. If you do approve, I want your support your active support, not just your acquiescence."

Keyed to this tone, Collins then laid out this program:

• For the broadcasting industry to become the initiator, rather than the defender, of legislative proposals relating to the industry.

• The establishment and operation of an NAB research center.

• For the broadcasting industry to begin an imaginative and energetic public-relations program.

Collins lashed out at pay-tv and warned that its acceptance could mean the ultimate elimination of free television with the public the ultimate loser.

The networks, Collins continued. should provide more quality programs and the advertisers should support them.

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Newton N. Minow backed up Collins in calling for advertiser support for quality programs.

The FCC chairman told the industry:

"We need imagination in programming, not sterility; creativity, not imitation; experimentation, not conformity; and excellence, not mediocrity.



German air traffic control digital computer TR4 (Telefunken) is part of new system installed in Frankfurt

### British Output Rises 25% In Five Years

BRITAIN'S electronics industry our put, excluding telecommunications equipment, now exceeds \$700 million a year.

This is an increase of 25 percent in five years and exceeds the prewar figure 10 times.

About half of present output consists of consumer electronics, mainly radio and television receivers. Electronic capital goods account for about \$140 million. British authorities estimate 2,000 different products are being placed on the market.

The electronics labor force, which has doubled in the past decade, now totals around 230,000 and equals the number of people making electrical machinery in the British Isles.

Over seven percent of United Kingdom scientists and engineers working in industry are employed in electronics, according to a British Treasury report, and two-thirds of these are involved in research and development.

A recent British study found that 12 percent of electronics industry output is now being spent on research.

This, for England, exceeds the percentage spent by any other industry except aircraft.

# HOW DO YOU RATE AS A VENDOR?

#### By ROY J. BRUUN,

Assistant Editor

TODAY potential customers are taking a long hard look inside their prospective vendors' factories before signing contracts. Object is to spot potential trouble with deliveries or quality before it occurs. Afterwards, when the contract is in force, representatives of the customer's purchasing department keep up their vigilance. If things slip, they may move in with you.

Here is how a medium-sized firm, large firm and smaller firm rate their prospective vendors before letting contracts and how they follow up after contracts are let:

At Arma division of American Bosch Arma, members of the internal liaison staff complete source questionnaires to evaluate capabilities of possible bidders. Answers are based on visits to vendors.

The source questionnaires cover: adequacy of technical library; amount of vibration-test equipment; vintage of model shop equipment; whether firm is engaged in work of equal complexity; plant efficiency; plant morale; cooperation displayed; test techniques; assembly and wiring capability; variety of work; type and amount of test instruments; caliber of lab people; computational facilities.

At a conference attended by bidders selected on the basis of the completed questionnaires, the product design specification data are reviewed, technical and programming requirements outlined, terms and conditions stated, hardware demonstrated, Arma's policies are highlighted and all questions pertaining to the bid answered.

After the conference, purchasing releases to the bidders a request for proposal which in addition to information discussed at the conference includes schedules and form of contract, cost-plus-fixed-fee (CPFF), fixed-price-redeterminable or other.

A price-analyst from purchasing's support section summarizes the bid-pricing data and prepares an abstract of each bidder's proposal. He is assisted by engineers and other specialists from various Arma departments.

Proposal abstracts permit comparison among bidders of required man hours, hourly rates, burden rates, general and administrative rates, profit and conformity to schedule requirements.

The internal liaison staff reviews the abstracts and the technical proposals and rates bidders on experience, personnel and facility to do the work, engineering approach and technical concept, production methods and reliability control, cost and pricing structure, overall program plan, and effective management.

On the basis of rating, purchasing recommends a vendor to top management for approval.

During the contract, the internal liaison staff will visit the vendor's plant unannounced in an effort to check if he is either maintaining or improving his original capabilities.

If it looks as if delivery dates may be missed because of significant design changes, expedited delivery requirements, and other emergencies, Arma's management support team physically moves into the subcontractor's plant to assist in a recovery effort.

Headed by a purchasing man, the team has members from engineering, manufacturing, product reliability and the program manager's office. The team reports to the purchasing manager.

Careful and elaborate sizing-up of potential suppliers is done by RCA's Industrial Electronics Products activity. Performed by value analysts from purchasing, the sizeup is guided by a vendor survey report. Among questions posed: is the potential vendor now producing products requiring government quality and specification standards? Do production and engineering capabilities appear adequate to do work up to missile standards?

These questions do not mean IEP is going into the missile business; they do emphasize its interest in high quality parts for industrial products in the face of an increasingly competitive climate.

Under employees and labor relations, the forms asks: shop union? Office union? Their names? Expiration dates of union agreements? Previous strike experience? Copies of union agreements and contracts?

Also wanted: information on number of graduate engineers, an



RCA processing diagram shows expense and inconvenience to vendor and customer caused by rejected products

appraisal of management's experience and capabilities, firm's position in case of mobilization, a copy of the potential vendor's quality-control manual.

The form also asks: how many shift hours are being worked in the first, second and third shifts? Are adequate production records maintained? Is the procurement system adequate? How much of available equipment is company owed?

Purchasing also wants to know if the supplier is capable of performing in the field of endeavor without extensive subcontract support.

In addition to IEP's initial evaluation of vendors, the quarterly vendor rating report is maintained by purchasing's follow-up personnel. These people are in day-to-day contact with suppliers. The report indicates the number of lots inspected and the number of lots found to be defective.

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Excerpt from a vendor survey report form used by RCA's Industrial Electronics Products activity. The form runs into several pages



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between 0 and 3 percent defective material. He is classified as a satisfactory supplier. Rating B indicates 3.1 to 10 percent defective lots and that improvement is required. The vendor receiving a C would have rejects at the rate of 10.1 percent and over, and is considered to be unsatisfactory.

Delivery ratings are also given. The ratings 1, 2 and 3 indicate satisfactory, improvement required and unsatisfactory.

IEP's experience has indicated that quality and delivery go hand in hand so that if a supplier is unsatisfactory in quality, he is usually unsatisfactory in delivery. The reports are mailed out to all suppliers, and those who are unsatisfactory are called in far further discussion. Every vendor is given every opportunity to improve his rating, but if he is unsatisfactory for three successive quarters, he is dropped.

Huyck Systems' purchasing department relies on a vendor survey quality control rating sheet. Items such as the following are checked: condition of equipment (is there a program of maintenance and calibration?); does quality control or inspection report to production? (no-100 points, yes-0 points); is there a quality control manual?; are formal inspection records maintained and are they adequate?; is equipment government approved?

A vendor performing special processes such a welding, X-ray, plating, anodizing, magnetic particle inspection is automatically disqualified if he does not have government-approved equipment.

In obtaining conventional components, Huyck limits itself mainly to three suppliers bidding on individual orders. With some components such as transformers it will have the winner of a previous threebidder competition bid with another set of two suppliers, and will continue this to keep active with a number of vendors to reap the benefits of new designs as well as gaining price and quality advantages.

Once a vendor has had an inspection visit, Huyck will make other visits only in response to deteriorating performance. Afterwards, if the vendor does not improve his performance, he is dropped.



### Soviet Cosmonaut's Cabin Instruments

INTERIOR of Soviet Union spaceship's cabin (photo) shows controls and instruments used by Yuri Gagarin in his recent orbital flight. Visible are:

(1) Pilot's dashboard for control of cabin temperature, radiotelephone systems, and the switching in of manual control for functions such as engine retardation. Two sets of flight instruments for manually controlled descent are provided. Beneath a band extending from forty to sixty kilometers above the earth, conventional aerodynamic controls are used. Above this band inertial controls are employed.

(2) Instrument panel with mounted clock. Also present is a globe which revolves in synchronism with the vehicle's motion in orbit, to aid the pilot in determining his position in flight.

(3) Television camera. Two images of the pilot are transmitted back to earth. (Second lens not identified.)

(4) Optical instrument (not otherwise identified) and illuminator.

(5) Handle for manual control of ship orientation. Automatic orientation in descent and landing is accomplished by an optical and gyroscopic sensing system which feeds signals to an electronic coverter for transformation into commands. When the vehicle is properly oriented, the retarding engine is fired. Commands for switching on the orientation system, retro engine and other systems are issued by an electronic programming control.

(6) Radio receiver and (7) container with food.

The spaceship carries a radiometer for orbital measurements, and telemetry system for transmission of this information to earth.

A radio transmitting system provides tracking assistance and sends other telemetry information on 19.55 Mc.

Communication with earth is performed on a two-way radiotelephone which operates on 9.019 Mc, 20.006 Mc and 143.625 Mc. The pilot also has a telegraph key for c-w operation.

Contact with the Soviet Union could be carried out during most of the orbit. A tape recorder transcribes the pilot's voice in flight for subsequent transmission over ground receiving stations if desired.

### Ninth Czech Tv Station Begins Operations

**PRAGUE**—Czechoslovakia's n in t h television transmitter went into operation recently in the community of Dubnik near Presov.

Location of the station in eastern Czechoslovakia indicates the equipment may be used as a relay station between this country and the Soviet Union.

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## Tropo Net Employs All-Steel Dishes

ALL-STEEL 60-ft parabolic reflectors built in West Germany by Krupp are being installed at 44 station links in the world's longest tropo scatter communications network, from northern Norway to eastern Turkey.

Project Ace High will collect and disseminate vital NATO defense information (ELECTRONICS, p 38, April 29, 1960). Operational date is undisclosed, but picture above of Paris North Station indicates equipment installation is nearing completion at principal sites.

The military network will give SHAPE a communications link with radar outposts and information centers in a 5,000-mile arc through Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Belgium, West Germany, France, Britain, Italy, Greece and Turkey. It will be operated by SHAPE personnel from 15 nations.

Ace High will also be part of an intercontinental communications system joining Western Europe with North American continent (ELECTRONICS, p 27, Sept. 4, 1959).

The galvanized-steel antennas chosen for Ace High have a reflecting skin fabricated of steel plate 2 mm thick and also steel support structures. Stress techniques based on aeronautical principles were designed into the antennas to withstand wind and weather conditions in varied climates.

Systems contractor is International Standard Engineering, Inc., a subsidiary of ITT. Itek Laboratories of Cambridge, Mass., formerly Hermes Electronic Co., is engineering consultant charged with system design and equipment specification responsibility.

high-reliability operation For over a range of climates from the Arctic Circle to the Mediterranean, redundancy and conservatism were designed into Ace High, with substantial amounts of reserve power and system gain. To insure operation even under unfavorable propagation conditions, two complete and parallel systems will be in operation at all times. The "operating spare" approach instead of idle standbys is expected to prevent communications failure even if equipment outages cause some circuit degradation. System will operate in band between 400 and 1,000 Mc, employing quadruple diversity in space and frequency.

Although some commercial power lines will be used, each station will have two diesel generators to supply power when needed.

Main route of the system will have 36 voice channels, with some equipped to handle telegraph service.

Line-of-sight microwave circuits, and in some instances low-power tropo, will connect the main route with spur lines and with information centers.

With parametric amplifiers, system designers say, it might be possible to get the receivers'  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -db effective noise figure down to 3 or  $3\frac{1}{2}$  db, but the system was designed before parametric amplifiers had been proven. Also, increased receiver sensitivity and correspondingly lower transmitter power might make the receivers susceptible to ignition interference and jamming.

### Urges More Research For New Components

SAN FRANCISCO—Keynoting the 1961 Electronic Components Conference here earlier this month, James Bridges, director of electronics, Office of Director of Defense Research and Engineering, spoke out for curbing the weaponssystem concept and for more applied research to develop radically new components and concepts. About 500 attended the three-day meeting.

"I think the weapons-system pendulum has swung a little too far," said Bridges, who believes research and development management has become too strongly systems oriented. The result, he says: a lot of money spent to achieve marginal improvements over existing weapons systems and too little spent on applied research to develop radically new concepts.

Bridges placed most, but not all, of the blame for this situation at the doorstep of government. "The government has created in the defense electronics industry a competitive and profit—or lack of profit —situation that makes a very extensive involvement in applied research appear unattractive to most companies," he said.

Bridges proposed two fundamental changes in fiscal policy and management organization to foster what he called "more thought given to weapons of the future."

One change would be establishment of a separate budget category for applied research, and "building a fence around that money" so that it may not be diverted for systems.

Bridges suggested the possibility of combining applied research funds with basic research funds, since the latter are already well established in most levels of the military.

The second suggested change is to establish in each military service a management organization for applied research and component development "that will remove the planning and direction of these important R&D areas from influence of weapons-system managers."



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Dataspeed, high-speed paper tape transmission system by AT&T. sends 750 bits a second over regular telephone lines. Photo shows teletypewriter with tape reader and punch attachments (left), Dataspeed tape punch or receiver (center), and tape reader or transmitter

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$$\simeq + \frac{R_{\rm L}}{\frac{r_{\rm b} + r_{\rm e} + R_{\rm E}}{\beta} + r_{\rm e} + R_{\rm E}}$$

dependent on beta as beta is increased:  $A_r \simeq -\frac{r_e}{r_e + R_E}$ 3. The input impedance, RIN, excluding the bias network is  $R_{1N} = \frac{E_{1N}}{i_L}$  $\frac{E_{IN}}{E_{IN}} \simeq r_{b} + (r_{e} + R_{E}) (1 + \beta)$ . Thus, the input impedance is much higher if high-beta transistors are utilized.

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The peak collector current (shown in the above figure) in a square core oscillator can vary with a change of  $V_{BE}$ . For a given spread

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MA-4306	10.0	50.0	1.5 @ 6v	.025 @ — 20v	25.0 @ — 20v	4.0	200
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# Transmitting Facsimile Messages Over Meteor-Burst Paths

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THE METEORFAX SYSTEM transmits pictures up to distances of about 1,000 miles over meteor trails. These trails are formed in the E region by the multitude of tiny meteors that enter the atmosphere daily and burn up, leaving in their wake ionization columns. Capable of reflecting vhf signals, the ionization columns are random with respect to time, orientation and location. Thus, special techniques are required for a forward-scatter meteor-burst communication link. The communication circuit is momentarily closed when a favorably oriented meteor trail is formed and the signal at the receiver exceeds a predetermined threshold level. Hence, storage devices and appropriate circuits are needed to hold and then quickly release information when a closed path is recognized simultaneously by the sender and receiver.

Prior techniques' have used magnetic or tape storage devices to store teletypewriter, digital and voice signals. However, studies at AFCRL showed that it would be feasible to transmit high-information graphics over meteor trails with available transmitter powers during the short lifetimes of the meteor signals; these lifetimes range from 0.1 to 1.0 second. The system uses a high-speed electronic facsimile, to transmit in real time directly from printed page or photograph.

Instrumentation was developed<sup>2</sup> and the relationships of bandwidth, system gain, duty cycle and picture quality evaluated on an experimental link operated between NBS station WWI at Longbranch, Illinois and the RCA station at Riverhead, New York (see photos).

Meteor-trail signals have been classified as either underdense or overdense, depending on the initial electron densities in the trail and the concomitant scattering mechanism. Signals reflected from underdense trails, which have initial electron densities of less than 10" electrons per meter, exhibit a sharp signal rise followed by an exponential decay; underdense trails have highly directional characteristics. Although the trail electrons are considered to be independent scatterers, the trail behaves somewhat as a metallic reflector when the initial densities exceed 10" electrons per meter; such signals are identified as overdense. This type of signal rises to full amplitude more slowly and remains near peak amplitude for a much longer period before falling off sharply. These signals are more frequently distorted by atmospheric winds, which produce random strong fading of the signal, increase of single-trail multipath and loss in signal directivity.

Design of facsimile systems transmitting over meteor trails involves considerations such as the power available at the receiver from a forward-scattered signal, the meteor-burst detection rate at a specified receiver-threshold level, and the signal-duration distribution at this level. These factors contribute to establishment of the duty cycle — percentage of on-time which determines the average information rate of the circuit.

Duty cycle of the propagation medium is about<sup>1</sup>.

$$\begin{array}{l}
D C \cong K_1 \left( P_t / B \ W L \right)^{1/2} \\
\times \lambda^{2.35} \left( P^1 \sec^2 \phi \right) \sec^{3/2} \phi 
\end{array} (1)$$



FIG 1-Power as a function of distance, frequency and duty cycle (A). Signal duration distributions (B)



FIG. 2—Transmitter circuit blocks of (A) control flying-spot scanner (not shown), and receive, amplify and transmit signal from scanner. Expansion of (B), which is frame interval, into single-line interval is shown in (C)



FIG. 3-Common volumes shared by transmitting and receiving antennas and relative gains of these volumes (A). Receiving station antenna (B)

where  $P_i$  = transmitted power, BW= bandwidth, L = power threshold level above cosmic noise,  $(P' \ sec^2 \ \phi)$ = probability duration factor,  $2\phi$  = forward scattering angle,  $\lambda$  = wavelength, and DC = duty cycle.

Available experimental data from National Bureau of Standards and Stanford meteor-burst circuits were applied to Eq. 1 to obtain an estimate of the power requirements for the meteorfax system as a function of DC distance and bandwidth. The experimental data showed that power-bandwidth products of 1 watt/cps were not unreasonable over long paths. Results are shown in Fig. 1A where the value and relative contribution of each parameter to the power available at the receiver is illustrated.

A complete picture per burst requirement was initially set up and picture information was experimentally varied within a preselected fixed frame time. The selection of a frame time was contingent on the usable meteor signal durations to be expected over a path. Meteorsignal durations are influenced by wavelengths, scatter angles. meteor size and diffusion coefficients, thus making it difficult to determine, both theoretically and experimentally, the signal-duration distribution of all usable meteor signals. However, it was shown<sup>3</sup> that for the underdense trails, the signal-duration distribution is independent of the receiver decision level and is

 $P(t > t_{o}) = \exp(-mK_{2}T_{o}) \qquad (2)$ 

where:  $P(t > t_{o})$  is the probability of obtaining time t greater than time  $t_o$ , which is of arbitrary duration;  $K_{x}$  is a function of wavelength. scattering angle and diffusion coefficient; m is an exponent expressing amplitude echo rate above an The arbitrary peak amplitude. theoretical and observed signalduration distributions are shown in Fig. 1B. On the basis of the anticipated signal durations, a picture scanning time of 0.5 sec was chosen. A 0.6-sec experimental median on high power tests provided an appreciable percentage of time when a complete picture could be transmitted and received in a single burst.

A slowed-down television-scanning approach was used in the frame-per-burst system. This allelectronic system transmitted, in the brief duration of a meteor signal, picture intelligence at rates higher than conventional facsimile. At the transmitting station (Fig. 2A) the subject copy on 35-mm strip film was repeatedly scanned at 2 cps by a flying-spot scanner, and the resulting picture continuously transmitted over the air. No vertical sync pulses were transmitted. The vertical scan voltage was generated from a capacitor whose charge-discharge cycle was controlled by a limit switch actuated by a motor.

improvement in picture An quality was made by using stable frequency standards at each terminal to generate synchronized line sweeps. Picture legibility was improved by a more precise timing of the horizontal sweeps; picture quality could be maintained even when the signal-to-noise ratio was too marginal to recover transmitted sync. Maintaining horizontal sweeps during momentary fades of the signal below threshold allowed quick recovery of the text in relation to the rest of the picture. A 67elment-per-inch vertical and horizontal resolution was used with three sizes (widths) of letters or lines so that the information rate becomes proportional to the scanned area with constant resolution and scanning time. This provided a variety of picture information rates within the 0.5-sec frametime to establish experimentally the meteor-trail-bandwidth capabilities.

The picture-modulated light from the flying-spot scanner goes to a multiplier phototube that produces an electrical output. This output is amplified, limited and combined with the blanking and sync pulses to form the composite video of Fig. 2B and 2C. The composite signal after frequency limiting by the lowpass filter, which determines the upper picture frequency, frequency modulates the transmitter with three discrete levels of frequency shift corresponding to white level, black level and horizontal sync pulse level. The use of f-m eliminates the amplitude-variation effects of the meteor signal on picture quality. A grid reactance modulator (Fig. 2A) controls a Collins 70E-15 variable frequency oscillator whose frequency-multiplied output of 49.72 Mc is the carrier frequency. This output goes to the intermediate

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power amplifier, which drives a Collins 205G-1 having a 20 Kw peak envelope power output.

The signal was radiated at Longbranch, Illinois from a rhombic antenna 536.7 feet long in each leg, with half side angles of 80.25 deg. Antenna height above ground placed the main lobe in the vertical plane at 4.6 degrees. Gain of the antenna was 18 db above a half-wave dipole. Antenna beam width was 6 deg at the half-power points. The azimithal direction was 75 deg and 11 minutes, thus placing the beam 6.2 deg north of the great-circle path to Riverhead, N. Y.

Transmissions were generally made in the morning because the meteor rate is higher during the morning hours. The common antenna volumes shown in Fig. 3A were produced with a similar antenna (Fig. 3B) at Riverhead oriented to Longbranch, Ill.

The one-way facsimile transmissions from Longbranch were monitored at the Riverhead station (Fig. 4A) by a fixed-tuned singleconversion superheterodyne receiver (Fig. 4B). The first oscillator is crystal controlled and the i-f is 13 Mc. The i-f amplifiers had 27, 55, 110 and 220 Kc bandwidths to test the capabilities of the meteor propagation circuit to carry pictures at various information rates. Receiver noise figure was about 4 db. The picture was retrieved from the f-m components of the signal while the simultaneous recovery of the a-m components provided the means to trigger the picture-recording camera, and concurrently to describe on strip charts the amplitude-time characteristics of the meteor-burst signal.

The picture-recording mechanism at Riverhead was cocked in anticipation of an acceptable meteorburst signal from Longbranch by holding the crt blanked and the camera shutter open, both under the control of the facsimile recorder and camera control unit (Fig. 4C). This unit evaluated the signal output from the receiver and the transmitted horizontal sync preventing false triggering by random and ambiguous signals, static crashes and interfering stations. The abovethreshold signal must be accompanied by over-the-air sync before the recording mechanism is actuated. Recognition produces a pulse which







unblanks the crt and starts the vertical scan. The received picture copy was randomly framed since no frame synchronization was attempted. Horizontal-line sweeps of 200, 300, 400 or 600 cps to match the transmitter sweeps were derived from a local stable frequency standard. The relative phase between the transmitter and receiver line sweeps was manually adjusted and synchronized by using a dualbeam scope to monitor a line of incoming video and the local line sweep generated by the frequency standard.

Video picture information intensity modulated the crt, with line-byline scanning performed in 0.5 sec. The picture was reconstructed on film in either a fast-print camera for quick inspection and equipment adjustment or in the 34-mm automatic camera. The record mechanism and shutter remained open for 0.5 sec under the control of a relay system. At the end of that time the shutter closed, the electronics reset, the film advanced, the automatic camera shutter reopened and everything again was ready for another meteor burst signal at the end of a 1.5-sec recycle period.

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The average information passed over a discontinuous circuit, such as meteor burst, is the instantaneous rate times the path duty cycle. By assuming the instantaneous rate is proportional to bandwidth

$$I_{AV} \propto BW \times DC \qquad (3)$$

There is no simple approximation to a complicated DC-BW relationship for optimum information transfer. However, for a qualitative approach some value is obtained by a further simplification of Eq. 1 to

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$$DC \propto L^{-M} P_t^N f^{-B} \tag{4}$$

where f = frequency, and M, N and B are experimentally determined.

Empirical measurements of duty cycle, favoring early morning rates, as a function of threshold power level were made on this circuit at threshold ranges of -75 dbm to -85 dbm and from -85 dbm to -95 dbm. Exponent M was evaluated as a slope of the duty cycle versus threshold curve. Average half hour values versus time of day obtained are shown in Fig. 5A. A median range from 0.5 to 0.85 was established from a cumulative distribution of the exponent M taken with a combination of transmitted power and threshold values.

Exponent M then can be used to anticipate the direction that system bandwidth must go to maximize information transfer. From Eq. 3 and 4

$$W \propto 1 I_{M}$$

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for constant signal-to-noise ratio. Thus information rate is influenced by the slope of the duty cycle versus threshold curve.

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As bandwidth is raised to increase the instantaneous rate, the threshold level is also raised to maintain a constant signal to noise ratio. Where the slope of M in Eq. 5 is greater than unity, the information rate decreases. Under these circumstances, the average information rate would be higher by trading off bandwidth for duty cycle; that is, going to a narrow-band system. However, if the slope is less than unity, a gain in path information can be made by operating a wide-band system because duty cycle decreases slower than bandwidth noise and the increase in threshold level.

Wide-band operations and high instaneous picture rates were justified over the Longbranch-Riverhead circuit to obtain maximum information transfer over a period of time. This advantage was most pronounced in the early morning hours. using a combination of high transmitter power and low receiverthreshold settings; M was less than unity 97 percent of the time in the early morning. In other combinations of power and threshold, wide band (M < 1) operations was favored somewhat over 50 percent of the time

To make a further comparison of the system's information rate, a facsimile bit rate was established for 110-Kc and 220-Kc bandwidth transmission. Three sizes of letters and lines were transmitted in each test bandwidth, with each line or letter size corresponding to a different bit rate. The intermediatesize letters corresponded to 96.9 thousand bits per second in the 110 Kc bandwidth and 218 thousand bits per second in the 220-Kc bandwidth transmissions. These are the bit rates used in the following estimates of the propagation circuit performance. The received information (bit) rates were estimated over half-hour operating periods. A percentage of the 0.5-sec frametime was assigned to each frame in proportion to the readable text that was without error. A summation of values for the individual frames provided the total operating time. All test transmission data, which was taken at threshold values from -81 dbm to -92 dbm, was normalized to a -88 dbm threshold and a value of 0.75 was assigned to exponent M in Eq. 4.

On this basis an average of 1,000 bits-per-second received over this circuit represents sufficient information to keep twenty-two 60-wpm printers running continuously. Theoretically, a decrease in threshold should increase the average information rate. For example, the estimated bits-per-second would be increased by a factor of 3.8 if a -96 dbm threshold is assumed with 0.75 retained for M. Then, the minimum information rate for the 220-Ke bandwidth with 18 Kw of transmitter power would be sufficient to keep about 33 printers operating continuously under the worst conditions of evening operation, when meteor activity is lowest and with antennas oriented for best operation at other times of day.

An evaluation of the power exponent N (Fig. 5B) was made by directly measuring the duty cycle at threshold levels of -95 dbm. -85 dbm and -75 dbm, with transmitter powers of about 18 Kw and 2.5 Kw alternated at half-hour intervals. The morning median values ranged from 0.8 at threshold of -95 dbm and 1.2 at 85 dbm. The values were higher than a theoretical value of

0.5 under idealized conditions. However, no other experimental data was available to compare the results. No evaluation of exponent *B* was attempted.

The feasibility of sending pictures over ionized meteor trails was firmly established. The results exceeded the program objectives and saturated the top limit of the capability of the experimental equipment. System frequency response and horizontal-sweep stability limited the maximum picture information to approximately 200,000 bits per sec. However, picture rates in excess of 300,000 bits per sec were achieved by operating the equipment at optimum adjustment above the theoretical limit. Average information-handling capability for this circuit. over half-hour periods. was 2,300 bits per sec on 220 Kc bandwidth and 1,400 bits per sec 110 Kc bandwidth. The meteor propagation medium may not be the limiting factor in achieving higher transmission rates. Single burst multipath time delays measured on this circuit, up to the equipment resolution, was about 1.5 µsec. Distances up to about 1,000 miles appear feasible with more sophisticated devices.

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FIG. 5—Averages of M, the threshold exponent (A). Exponent N was evaluated from such data as in (B), which shows duty cycle as function of transmitter power

## Step-by-Step Design Techniques for

Thin-film passive networks and interconnections can reduce size and weight of electronic assemblies without appreciably increasing costs. Results of a study program are described

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THE LONG-RANGE objective of this thin-film network program is a circuit fabrication method, which interconnection techniques, with will enable the reduction in size of electronic equipment by several orders of magnitude. Before this long-range objective could be achieved, it was necessary to determine the feasibility of multilayered thin-film circuits and to fabricate a range of circuit functions and analyze their performance. Using these films in a multilayered configuration would make possible reductions in size and weight. However, the number of layers that could be used, the materials employed and the methods of fabrication had to be determined. To determine operational performance, a range of circuit functions employing multilayered films to form the passive element networks were fabricated and compared to circuits fabricated by conventional component techniques.

Six different circuit functions, encompassing a range of switching and communication applications, were selected for fabrication and evaluation. The topological layout of each circuit was designed to fit within a substrate area of 0.3 imes0.3 inch and to be compatible with the electrical characteristics of the films. The OR NOT circuit consisted of two grounded-emitter transistors having a common collector load resistor. The TRL (transistor-resistor logic) circuit provided for a fan in and fan out of 3. The astable multivibrator was designed for 500-Kc operation and 10-volt signal swings. The audio amplifier required an  $0.11-\mu f$  input capacitor to obtain a lower cut-off frequency of 500 cps. The i-f amplifier was designed for 4.5 Mc and r-f amplifier for 18 Mc.

Glass 0.020 in. thick was used as the substrate material on which the passive elements and interconnections were deposited. Aluminum was chosen for conductors, nichrome for resistors and silicon monoxide for dielectrics and insulation material. The aluminum conductors were deposited to a thickness of 5,000 Å and a minimum line width of 0.015 in. to obtain conductors having essentially the resistance per inch of bulk aluminum.

To obtain resistive films with good stability, nichrome was deposited to a maximum of 200 ohms per square. The tolerance limitations of masks limited the minimum line widths to 10 mils. At 200 ohms per square, the thickness of the resistor films was 150 Å and 5 watts per square inch was allowed for power dissipation. Interlayer shorts were minimized by depositing silicon monoxide to a thickness at 10,000 Å. Although the dielectric constant of silicon monoxide varies slightly with deposition pressures and operating frequencies, an average dielectric constant of 6 was suitable for the design of capacitors. With 10,000 Å of silicon monoxide as a dielectric, capacitances of 33,000 pf per square inch were attained. This value was sufficient to design. within the  $0.3 \times 0.3$  inch substrate area, capacitances up to 2,000 pf. To avoid paralleling many layers for capacitor values over 2,000 pf, cerium fluoride was used as the dielectric. Experimental data obtained from an advanced thin-film component development program indicated that dielectric constants of 200 or more could be attained with cerium fluoride when deposited under optimized conditions.

As an example of the method used in circuit fabrication, the topological layout of the free-running multivibrator is shown in Fig. 1. This figure also contains the schematic and shows the position of the circuit on the substrate. During this program, an overall  $0.6 \times 0.6$  inch glass substrate was used However, all passive elements were deposited within the  $0.3 \times 0.3$  inch area. Each  $0.6 \times 0.6$ inch substrate was optically checked for flaws or scratches and processed through several cleaning stages to remove dust, dirt and grease.

The evaporation process was initiated by depositing, 500 Å of chrome through an interconnection mask onto the substrate to obtain good adhesion of the films to the glass. This film was further built up to 5,000 Å by evaporating aluminum on top of the chrome. The aluminum, in a vacuum of approximately  $6 \times 10^{-6}$  mm of mercury, was allowed to achieve a rate of 75 Å per second before the shutter was opened and the evaporant began to deposit on the substrate. At this rate, 5,000 Å was deposited on the substrate in approximately 11 minutes. During this process, the substrate was held at 150 C.

The first circuit layer was a silicon monoxide undercoat which was placed over the area where the circuit was to be fabricated to smooth out the substrate and reduce the possibility of interlayer shorts in the succeeding layers. The silicon monoxide was evaporated from a crucible by a resistance heater un-

### Multilayer Thin-Film Networks



FIG. 1-Topological layout of a multilayer thin-film, free-running multivibrator showing method of fabrication

der a pressure of  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  mm of mercury. The substrate was maintained at 300 C and a rate of 50 Å per second was obtained before the shutter was opened. Approximately 3.3 minutes were required to deposit 10,000 Å.

The rate of evaporation was determined by monitoring the change in frequency of a crystal placed in the stream of the evaporant. Prior calibration experiments had established the change in frequency of the crystal required for the thickness desired.

The second step was to place the material on the substrate for the first evaporation of resistors. The mask was positioned and the nichrome was sublimated from a 60 mil, 80-20-percent nickel-chromium wire at a rate of ½ Å per second at a pressure of  $4 \times 10^{-6}$  mm of Hg. The evaporant is deposited on the circuit being fabricated and on a monitor slide adjacent to it. An ohmmeter connected across the monitor indicated when the design value of 200 ohms per square was obtained. The nichrome material was evaporated in a vacuum of  $4 \times$ 10<sup>-0</sup> mm of Hg. During this step the substrate was maintained at 300 C. Approximately 4 minutes

were required to obtain the desired 200 ohms per square. The resistor being deposited in this step was one of the 15,000-ohm timing resistors and dissipated 12.5 mw in operation. The physical dimensions of the resistors were dictated by the ohms per square and the power dissipation. To stabilize the resistors, they were given a vacuum anneal at 300 C for 1 hour.

The third layer was aluminum which connected the resistor, provided the connection points and also provided the lower plate of  $C_1$ , one of the timing capacitors.

The fourth layer was silicon monoxide and it provided the layerto-layer insulation and the dielectric for timing capacitor  $C_1$ .

The fifth step was to deposit nichrome to form the two 1,000ohm collector resistors.

The sixth layer, aluminum, was evaporated to connect the resistor and provide the necessary layer-tolayer connections. It also formed the top plate for capacitor  $C_1$  and the lower plate for timing capacitor  $C_2$ . The seventh layer, silicon monoxide, was deposited to insulate and provide the dielectric of capacitor  $C_2$ .

The eighth step was the evapora-

tion of nichrome for the other timing resistor, followed by the ninth layer, an aluminum evaporation to connect the resistor and complete capacitance  $C_{\rm e}$ . The tenth circuit layer was an overcoat evaporation of silicon monoxide.

A total of eleven layers, ten circuit layers and an interconnection layer. was used for this circuit and the maximum build up of films was 50,000 Å. In the 18 layer OR NOT circuit, a maximum of 100,000 Å was achieved.

Four different systems were considered to fabricate the experimental models. The system used to fabricate the majority of the circuits used three separate evaporators, one for each of the materials. Since each evaporator deposited only one material, it was optimized for that material. The substrates were manually changed from one evaporator to the other until the circuit was completed. Eight substrates were handled in each evaporator, and only one evaporation was performed for each pumpdown.

Before the circuits could be tested, they were placed in a holder and had wire leads thermocompression bonded to the film-interconnection tabs. This method of connecting to evaporate thin films was found to be superior to soldering, conducting adhesive pastes or Experiments pressure contacts. showed that ohmic contacts were obtained with thermocompression bonds. The bonds were made by applying approximately 180 grams pressure at a temperature of 200 C to an 8 mil radius chisel. The wire bonded was 3 mil gold. Transistors and diodes were affixed to the film networks in the same manner. The units used were uncased 2N706 silicon transistors and PD101 silicon microdiodes. The units were glued on top of the film area and their wires were thermocompression bonded to the film interconnection tab. While extensive research is being conducted to develop active elements more compatible with the film fabrication process, the aims of this program of evaluating multilayered thin films could be achieved by using the uncased transistors.

A detailed investigation into the problem of the inductors required for the i-f and r-f amplifiers evaluated several different film inductor configurations, and it was concluded that a flat square spiral would have the fewest circuit and fabrication problems.

This film inductor required 46 turns of 2-mil copper conductor spaced on 4 mil centers, and produced an inductance of 10  $\mu$ h. While this configuration could yield inductances of 5 to 20 µh, a d-c resistance of the order of 20 ohms reduced the Q to low values. In addition, it was necessary to use an 0.6-in. square area for the component. Considerably improved performance was attained with bobbinwound, air-core microinductors. These chip inductors mounted in an  $0.1 \times 0.1$ -in. area, and exhibited inductances of 15  $\mu$ h with a Q of approximately 20 at 2 Mc. This investigation revealed that at the present microminiature inductors could best be attained through conventional techniques.

Miniaturizing electronic functions necessitated thermal studies. Studies of the thermal problems associated with miniaturizing electronic functions determined the temperature distribution and heat transfer paths within the circuits as the result of the heat dissipated

by resistors and transistors. The circuit layouts were evaluated by a numerical relaxation method based on the calculus of finite differences. The solution for the steady-state temperature within the substrate assumes constant heat flow with time. An IBM 704 data processing system was used to solve a group of simultaneous equations in matrix form, which described the heat flow balance at each point in the substrate. Figure 2 shows the results of the relaxation method applied to the OR circuit which dissipated 87 mw. The isothermal lines plotted for each 2 F increment indicated that the single substrate having the OR-NOT circuit did not exceed a 65 F rise over ambient. With an ambient of 140 F, the maximum film temperature of 205 F was well below the 257 F limit determined by the semiconductors.



FIG 2—Isothermal distribution for an OR circuit assuming a still air ambient of 140 F

These studies also proved that filmto-film thermal gradients were so small that the high heat dissipating resistors could be placed on any layer without affecting the overall package temperature.

The electrical performance of each of the six multilayered circuit types fabricated was carefully analyzed. A minimum of five operational circuits of each type were evaluated. The TRL-NOR circuit exhibited operational performance equivalent to a similar circuit built with conventional components. Initially, the five other circuit types had some departures from conventional circuit performances. The initial OR NOT circuits had distortion in the output waveforms, and had a maximum operating frequency less than the design limit of 1 Mc. Increasing the insulating layers from 10,000 Å to 30,000 Å reduced the feedback capacitance causing this effect, and enabled the circuit to meet the design goals.

The i-f and r-f amplifiers were found to contain feedback paths that produced sustained oscillations. By eliminating the feedback path, the film circuits were found to operate similarly to conventionalcomponent versions. The audio amplifier's lower cutoff frequency was higher than the design goals. It was found that the value of the input capacitor was lower than the design value of 0.11 µf. Cerium fluoride rather than silicon monoxide was used for the dielectric of this component in an attempt to obtain the desired capacitance. While experimental data obtained in the laboratory had indicated that dielectric constants as high as 250 could be attained with cerium fluoride, the vacuum systems used in this circuit feasibility study were not optimized for this material; hence much lower values were obtained. For the same area capacitor, an order of magnitude increase over silicon monoxide was attained.

The astable multivibrator is described in detail to present a clearer picture of the analysis performed on each film circuit. This circuit had a design frequency between 400 and 600 Kc, depending on component tolerances. However, the actual frequency of thin-film versions of the multivibrator was between 0.75 and 1.5 Mc.

An analysis of the film-circuit layout established that interlayer feedback from the collector resistor of one stage to the base resistor of the same stage shunted each deposited base timing resistor with a resistance and capacitance distributed network. This resulted in lower effective timing resistance, thus reducing the time constant of the circuit and increasing the pulse repetition rate. The value of the timing capacitor for each stage of the multivibrator was not altered by the component placement of the films. Interlayer feedback was responsible in this case, and in all other instances where deviations in circuit performance had been ob-

served. This feedback is a direct function of the component placement in the circuit layout. To predict the performance of the multilayered film circuits before fabrication, it was necessary to simulate the feedback paths within the film network. The three-dimensional nature of the films complicated any attempt to synthesize an exact equivalent of the film circuit. However, a layer-by-layer physical inspection of the topological design was used to determine an approximate equivalent for each circuit. Only feedback paths that primarily affected circuit operations were included in these representations. Conventional-component models of these approximated circuits were fabricated and dynamically compared to the corresponding filmcircuit version.

Figure 3 shows the approximate equivalent circuit derived from the film layout of the multivibrator. This schematic shows the network of feedback paths connecting the collector and base resistors of each transistor. Figure 4A and B shows the waveforms obtained from the film circuit and the approximated equivalent circuit. The identically shaped waveforms and operating frequency prove the validity of the circuit simulation. By using the approximate equivalent circuit to simulate the film version, the performance can be predicted before the circuit fabrication.

From the experience in the fabrication of the six circuit types, an optimized version of the identical multivibrator was designed. This design considered the film structure as an integrated circuit network to achieve the desired output function. To establish the reproducibility of the process, a series of 160 starts was made of this circuit. No departures from anticipated circuit performance were expected since the approximate equivalent circuit, derived from the new film layout, indicated that the performance goals would be achieved. The circuits would exhibit symmetrical operation in the 400 to 600 Kc range if the component design tolerances were held to within  $\pm$  10 percent. Figure 4C and D shows the output waveforms of one of these circuits compared to a conventional component version of the multivibrator.

A 90-percent yield of operational circuits was obtained and the data showed that the passive elements could be held at  $\pm 10$ -percent.

Several hundred circuits using nichrome resistors and aluminum conductors have been subjected to environmental tests. These tests include temperature, humidity, temperature cycling and load life and were designed to determine the limits to which film networks could be stressed without using protective coatings. The tests showed that when humidity was kept below 50 percent, the circuit components were stable within 1 percent over wide variations in temperature and power dissipations. The temperature range was between -55 and +100 C, while the power dissipation was varied from 0 to 200 percent of rated power. Originally, film samples containing nichrome resistors and aluminum conductors subjected to 1,000-hour combinations of power, high temperature (80 C) and high humidity (95 percent), exhibited some film deterioration due to electrolysis. However, other metallic film combinations such as NiCr/CrAu have been developed and exhibit high stability and immunity to corrosion.

The use of these newer materials along with a protective coating will enhance the use of thin films in the production of reliable electronic systems.

During the fabrication of the multivibrators, eight circuits were produced simultaneously within an area of 15 sq in. An analysis of the resistor distribution over the deposition area revealed that a maximum of  $\pm 6$ -percent deviation in resistor value was maintained for each evaporation. A closer examination of the masks used in the fabrication indicated that  $\pm 2$  percent of this deviation was a result of mask tolerances. These results indicate that with only minor improvements to the fabrication process, simultaneous deposition of as many as fifty or more circuits can be successfully achieved on a single substrate.

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FIG. 3—Approximate equivalent circuit of an astable multivibrator



FIG. 4—Collector waveform for film astable multivibrator (A)and conventional component equivalent (B). Optimized circuit waveform (C) with conventional equivalent (D)



Simplified hybrid-pi equivalent (A) of basic video amplifier (B). Equivalent input circuit (C) and input circuit with generator resistance (D)

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DESIGN of transistor commonemitter video amplifiers is complicated by the low input impedance of transistors and the frequency dependence of this imped nce. The response of a typical high-frequency transistor amplifier is more dependent upon input parameters than output: therefore, any peaking or high-frequency compensation should be concerned with the baseto-emitter circuit rather than the collector circuit.

Emitter peaking improves the response of the input network as well as the linearity and stability of the amplifier. It also minimizes the effects of varying or different transistor internal parameters on the characteristics of the circuit. Although the improvement in response is accompanied by an almost proportional loss in gain, the loss is not serious because of the high gain or transconductance inherent in the transistor.

The following analysis is based

on the familiar hybrid-pi' equivalent network shown in Fig. 1A and applies to the amplifier shown in Fig. 1B. The analysis consists of calculation of an equivalent input network, calculation of an output network and combination of these two calculations to provide useful design equations.

If it is assumed that the equivalent base resistance  $r_{hh}$  shown in Fig. 1A is part of the generator impedance, the input circuit can be represented by the equivalent circuit shown in Fig. 1C. At low frequencies, neglecting  $C_{e}$ , the input impedance appears as a parallel total input resistance  $R_{in}$  and equivalent input capacitance  $C_{i}$  having the values

$$C_i = C_{in} / (1 + g_m R_e)$$
  

$$R_{in} = R_{b'e} (1 + g_m R_e)$$

The value of 
$$C_{in}$$
 is given by

$$C_{\rm in} = C_{b'e} + C_{b'e} g_m R_L$$

To determine the time constant and loss of the input network, the effects of  $r_{\mu\nu}$  and the generator resistance must be included as shown in Fig. 1D. Equivalent input resistance  $R_{i}$  is the parallel combination

# **Emitter Peaking**

Emitter peaking improves response, linearity and stability of transistor video amplifier as well as minimizing effects of varying or different transistor internal parameters. Design equations for this circuit are presented

> of  $R_{in}$  and  $R_{g} + r_{bb'}$  as  $R_{i} = [R_{in} (r_{bb'} + R_{g})]/[R_{in} + r_{bb'} + R_{g}]$ where  $R_{g}$  is the internal resistance

> of the signal source. If emitter capacitance  $C_e$  is neglected, the input time constant is

$$T_{\rm in} = R_i C_i$$

There is a small signal loss  $(A_{bb'})$ in the input network as a result of  $r_{bb'}$ 

$$A_{bb'} = R_{\rm in}/(R_{\rm in} + r_{bb'})$$

Analysis of the collector at low frequency involves the parameters shown in Fig. 1C. Output voltage  $V_{out}$  is

$$V_{\text{out}} = g_m \ V_{b'e} R_L$$
  
Input voltage  $V_{\text{in}}$  is

$$V_{in} = V_{b'e} + g_m V_{b'e} R_e$$

Internal gain from base to collector  $A_{h'e}$  may be computed as

$$\begin{array}{l} A_{b'e} = V_{\text{out}} / V_{\text{in}} = \\ (g_m \ V_{b'e} \ R_L) / (V_{b'e} + g_m \ V_{b'e} \ R_e) = \\ (g_m \ R_L) / (1 + g_m \ R_e) \end{array}$$

Total gain A is

$$\begin{array}{l} A = A_{bb'} A_{b'\epsilon} = [R_i / (R_i + r_{bb'})] \\ [g_m R_L / (1 + g_m R_{\epsilon})] = g_m R_L R_{b'\epsilon} / \\ [R_{b'\epsilon} (1 + g_m R_{\epsilon}) + r_{bb'}] \end{array}$$

The value of  $g_m$  at 25 C is approx-

# Improves Video Amplifier Response

imately  $g_m = 0.38 I_c$  (in ma). Time constant of the collector is defined as  $T_{out} = R_L C_o$  where  $C_o = C_{ob} +$ Cwiring + Clond.

This time constant may be improved by shunt or series inductance peaking. More complex peaking generally will not produce an appreciable improvement in the response of the entire amplifier because the peak network imposes bandwidth restrictions.

Shunt peaking may be used with an allowable overshoot of 2.5 percent. Bandwidth improvement of 1.7 may be realized in the collector with the output time constant reduced by a factor of 1.7 as<sup>8</sup>

$$T_{\rm out} = R_L C_o / 1.7$$

For such shunt peaking of an amplifier, a small inductor L, is placed in series with the collector load resistance  $R_L$ . This inductor has the value<sup>\*</sup>

$$L = m R_L^2 C_a$$

where m is 0.4 for a bandwidth improvement of 1.7 and an overshoot of 2.5 percent. If  $r_{bb}$  is neglected, the low-frequency voltage gain of the amplifier A' is given by

$$A' = g_m R_L / (1 + g_m R_e)$$

The gain of the amplifier is reduced by the factor  $(1 + g_m R_c)$ compared to that of an equivalent amplifier having either no emitter resistance or a well-bypassed emitter resistance. Because the time constant or bandwidth is improved by exactly the same ratio, the gainbandwidth product remains constant.

The emitter resistance and capacitance perform to some extent as a frequency-compensated attenuator to the signal being amplified. The flattest response is achieved when the emitter-circuit time constant  $T_e$  equals the time constant of its parameters

$$R_e C_e = [(T_{\rm in})^2 + (T_{\rm out})^2]^{1/2} = T_e$$

The upper cutoff frequency of the amplifier  $f_{s\,db}$  for the maximally flat condition is given by

#### $f_{3\ db} = 1/2 \pi T_e$

If some overshoot or undershoot is desired or can be tolerated, an approximate expression for the upper cutoff frequency may be used

$$f_{3dh} = 1 / [2\pi T_e C_e](C_e + \Delta C)]$$

Over a small range  $\Delta C$  is the amount of capacitance added to or subtracted from the capacitance across the emitter resistance. The 10-percent to 90-percent rise time  $T_r$  is then approximately

#### $T_r = 2.2 T_s$

The gain-bandwidth product remains approximately the same for small changes in  $R_e$  or  $R_L$  as long as the emitter current is constant. For example, the germanium driftfield transistor 2N384 provides a gain-bandwidth product of approximately 200 Mc at an emitter current of 5 ma, whereas the 2N1491 silicon-mesa type transistor has a gain-bandwidth product greater than 500 Mc at an emitter current of 25 ma.

As an example of design procedure, assume a pulse amplifier similar to that shown in Fig. 1B required to have the following characteristics: voltage gain A of 20, input impedance  $R_{in}$  is from a 75ohm cable, load capacitance  $C_{\text{load}}$  of 10 pf and a maximum temperature  $T_{\rm max}$  of 75 C.

Free-air dissipation  $P_c$  of the 2N1491 is 0.25 watt at an ambient temperature of 75 C. Assuming  $V_{cc}$ of 28 volts and maximum dissipation capabilities

$$I_{e} = \frac{P_{e}}{(V_{ee}/2)} = \frac{(0.25)}{(28/2)} = \frac{17.8 \text{ ma}}{12.8 \text{ ma}}$$

$$R_{L} = \frac{(V_{ee}/2)}{I_{e}} = 785 \text{ ohms (750 ohms is used)}$$

The gain of the amplifier is

$$A = \frac{(g_m R_L R_{b'e})}{[R_{b'e} (1 + g_m R_e) + r_{bb'}]}$$
  
where  $A = 20$ ,  $r_{bb'} = 30$  ohms,  $R_{bb'}$ 

= 60 ohms and  $g_m = 0.38 I_s =$ (0.038) (17.8) = 0.675 mho.

Substituting these values in the gain equation yields a value of approximately 33 ohms for  $R_{\star}$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} C_{\rm in} = C_{b'e} + C_{b'e} \, g_m \, R_L = \\ 450 \, + \, 2(0.675) \, (750) \, = \, 1,462 \; {\rm pf} \end{array}$  $R_{in} = R_{b'e} (1 + g_m R_e) =$ 60 [1 + (0.675) (33)] = 1,396 ohms $\begin{array}{l} R_i = [R_{in} \left( r_{bb'} + R_{g} \right)] / [R_{in} + r_{bb'} + R_{g}] = \\ [1,396 \\ (30 + 75)] / 1,396 + 30 + 75 = \end{array}$ 

97.6 ohms. ~ ...

$$T_{in} = R_i C_i = R_i C_{in}/(1 + g_m R_e) = 6.15 \text{ nanoseconds}$$

Output capacitative loading  $C_{out}$ is given by

$$C_{\text{out}} = C_{ob} + C_{\text{wiring}} + C_{\text{load}} = 5 + 3 + 10 = 18 \text{ pf}$$

Assume the  $R_{\bullet}$   $C_{\bullet}$  product equal to the  $R_L C_L$  product. The output time constant  $T_{out}$  with shunt peaking is then given by

$$T_{out} = R_L C_{out}/1.7 =$$
  
(750) (18) (10<sup>-12</sup>)/1.7 =  
7.95 panoseconds

The value of  $C_{\epsilon}$  may be determined as

$$R_e C_e = (T_{in}^2 + T_{out}^2)^{1/2} =$$

$$[(6.15)^2 + (7.95)^2]^{1/2} = 10 \text{ nanoseconds}$$

$$C_e = T_e/R_e = 10/33 = 303 \text{ pf}$$

Upper cutoff frequency is given by

 $f_{3db} = 1/2 \pi 10 \times 10^{-9} = 15.9 \text{ Mc}$ 

The gain-bandwidth product of the amplifier is  $15.9 \times 20$  or 318. This product remains approximately the same at this emitter current for small changes in  $R_c$  or  $R_L$  and may be used as a guide for amplifiers requiring a different gain or bandwidth from that shown in the example.

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### Voltage-Variable Capacitors

Series-resonant circuits using voltage-variable capacitors can be interconnected to form a square-wave oscillator with a controllable frequency range between 15 cps and 1.5 Kc; r-f energy is used as the power source

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AMONG recent electronic devices using semiconductor material is the voltage variable capacitance diode. This semiconductor is a unidirectional element and has a voltage-variable junction capacitance. For a-c voltage components that are small in comparison with the reversed bias voltage across the junction, the diode operates as a variable capacitor and the magnitude of its capacitance is a function of the d-c reverse bias voltage'.

In the circuit of Fig. 1A, assume a signal input of amplitude Eacross matching impedance  $R_m$ . The positive half cycle of the signal will flow through diode  $C_r$  charging tank RC. Due to diode action, the negative half cycle cannot flow. If R is sufficiently large so that time constant RC is large with respect to the period of the input signal, the charge on C will remain almost constant and there will be a d-c voltage output Vout. This d-c output voltage appears across diode  $C_r$  as a reverse bias voltage that determines the capacitance of  $C_r$ .

As the amplitude of the input signal is increased, voltage  $V_{ext}$  increases and the value of  $C_r$  varies. Characteristic curves show that the capacitance value of  $C_r$  decreases with an increasing reversed bias voltage<sup>2</sup>. For a certain value of input voltage,  $C_r$  will be such that the series elements L and  $C_r$  will have a resonant frequency equal to the input signal frequency. At this point  $V_{ext}$  will be maximum.

When the natural frequency of the tuned circuit is below the input frequency, and the input voltage is small in amplitude, the small self bias causes a large capacitance value and an under-resonant series circuit.

As the input signal is increased in magnitude, the circuit resonant frequency value approaches that of the input and a regenerative effect of increasing bias causes a switching action at the output voltage  $V_{out}^{*}$ . Thus,  $V_{out}$  reaches a maximum value and a large reverse bias voltage is established across diode  $C_r$ . Since the magnitude of the bias voltage is large compared with the magnitude of the a-c voltage component across the  $C_r$ , variation in the actual capacitance  $C_r$  will be so small it can be considered constant.

Rectification of this small a-c component will compensate the d-c losses of C discharging through R and a constant d-c voltage will exist across the tank RC.

If the bias voltage can be changed in magnitude (decreasing the input amplitude so that there is not sufficient compensation for d-c losses of the tank), then  $V_{evt}$ will decrease in magnitude and  $C_r$ will increase its value.

Continuing decrease of the input signal magnitude, a second critical value of  $C_r$  is reached at which a negative regenerative action starts and the output voltage is switched to a low-voltage level. Therefore, the circuit has two stable states.

It is possible to set input amplitude E so that there is no actual

OUTP	UT SIGNAL LEV	ELS
	State 1	State 2
$V_{in}$	0.95 v rms	1.10 v rms
$V_{1}$	0.14 v d-c	16.50 v d-c
$V_2$	16.50 v d-c	0.14 v d-c

compensation for the d-c losses of the tank circuit and there is an internal triggering down to the low level. This corresponds to the quasistable operation.

If fast changes of bias voltage can be produced across the diode, then the output level can be made to jump from one to the other output level of voltage, and oscillations will occur across the tank.

The series circuit can be tuned to a given input frequency by varying inductance L. The higher the Q of the circuit, the larger the output voltage jumps will be. For Q's below a certain value no sudden level changes will occur.

Two series-resonant circuits can be connected in parallel across the output of an r-f generator with a common matching impedance Z(see Fig. 1B). The two circuits are identical in that the nominal values of the circuit components are the same. It is possible to tune both circuits for resonance at the common input frequency value.

As the input voltage is increased across impedance Z, the d-c output voltages across tanks  $R_1 \ C_1$  and  $R_2 \ C_2$  will increase until the component values of one of the series circuits will be such that regenerative action will occur and the voltage across that branch (for example  $V_1$  across  $R_1 \ C_1$ ) will jump to its upper level, while  $V_2$  will remain at its low level<sup>4</sup>.

If a perturbation can be produced in  $V_1$ , the effective value of  $C_{n1}$  will change. Thus, this series circuit will no longer be at resonance, its impedance will increase and the current through the other branch will increase varying the value of  $C_{n2}$  and forcing the second series circuit into resonance. The output voltage values will be inter-

## Make a Relaxation Oscillator



FIG. 1—Single series-resonant circuit (A) can be modified to a doublebranch circuit (B) capable of acting as a relaxation oscillator



FIG. 2—Waveshape of relaxation oscillator corresponding to output voltage  $V_2$ 



FIG. 3—Waveshape:  $V_1 = 3.6 v$ d-c, f = 71 cps,  $C_8 = 0.3 \mu f$  and  $R_8 = 150,000 \text{ ohms}$ 

changed with  $V_2$  at the upper level and  $V_1$  at the lower level. The circuit then has two stable states and can be triggered from one to the other.

With input frequency of 4 Mc, Z of 600 ohms,  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  adjustable high Q coils of 42 to 100  $\mu$ h inductance,  $C_{r1}$  and  $C_{e2}$  of 22 pf at -4 v d-c (PC-113-22),  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ of 300 pf mica capacitors and  $R_1$ and  $R_2$  of 1 megohm, and setting inductors  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  at 80  $\mu$ h, the input amplitude was varied until the largest possible difference was obtained between the two output levels. The table shows the results.

Variation in input amplitude is

due to slight differences between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . The two series circuits should not be identical for optimum operation in this mode.

Relaxation oscillations are characterized by a sudden change, or relaxation, from one state of operation to another. When both states of operation are states of equilibrium the operation is known as a bistable mode. If one of the states is a stable equilibrium for only a certain period of time determined by coupling time-constants and bias so that the circuit switches itself back to the initial state, the operation is known as a quasistable mode. In an RLC circuit, with a small L or a large C, especially if one of the elements is nonlinear or even discontinuous, nonlinear oscillations are possible<sup>5</sup>.

If the two series resonant branches of Fig. 1B are interconnected with the parallel combination of  $R_{a}$   $C_{a}$ , the circuit forms a relaxation oscillator when operated under the proper conditions,

Assume that branch 1  $(L_1 C_{r1} R_1 C_1)$  is tuned to resonance at the input frequency of the rf generator and that branch 2  $(L_2 C_{r2} R_1 C_2)$  is slightly unbalanced or untuned with respect to the input frequency. Under these conditions the circuit will tend to switch back to the situation where  $V_1$  is at its high output level once a perturbation has taken place and a momentary change of states has occurred.

When interconnection tank  $R_{a} C_{a}$ is introduced into the quasistable trigger-pair circuit, the two output voltages tend to balance.

A potential difference will appear across  $C_a$  and  $C_a$ , with a larger voltage on  $C_2$  since  $C_a$  has a larger capacitance (within a range of 1  $\mu$ f to 0.01  $\mu$ f). The larger potential across  $C_2$  becomes a reverse bias for  $C_{ra}$ . When  $V_2$  has reached a threshold value, a disturbance occurs that switches branch 2 into resonance. As a consequence,  $V_2$  reaches a high output level with the interconnection of  $R_a$   $C_a$ .

At the same time, high level  $V_2$ is proportionally divided between  $C_{3}$  and  $C_{1}$ , increasing  $V_{1}$  and if the input amplitude is sufficiently large, output  $V_1$  will also reach a high level. Branch 1 is tuned to resonance for the input frequency while branch 2 is untuned. The high output level of  $V_1$  will be larger than the high output level of  $V_{z}$  and a new potential difference will exist across  $C_3$ . Figure 2 shows output voltage  $V_{2}$ . High level of branch 2  $(a_2)$  is an unstable state as it corresponds to the quasistable situation. Therefore, branch 2 will try to move out of it as  $C_2$  discharges. This is delayed by discharge of  $C_3$  across the parallel combination of  $R_s$  and  $R_1$   $R_2$  in series.

At a certain value of  $V_{2}$ , point b. in Fig. 2, the output voltage of branch 2 is switched to its low level output  $c_2$ . Since  $C_8$  cannot discharge instantaneously and the voltage at point  $A_{z}$  of the circuit (Fig. 1B) has decreased instantaneously, it is necessary for the voltage at point A, to decrease by the same amount. Consequently  $V_1$  is practically switched to its low level at the same time that  $V_2$  drops. Now branch 1 is in a quasistable state.

The discharge of  $C_3$  continues during the low-level period and the voltage across  $C_{e}$  increases. At the same time, since the input amplitude has not been varied and is large, branch currents flow thus increasing the reverse bias of the diodes exponentially from  $c_{e}$  to  $d_{e}$ .

At  $d_{2}$ , the critical bias voltage is reached for  $C_{r^2}$  and  $V_{z}$  is switched to its high level. Thus  $V_1$  is also switched to its high output level and a complete cycle of relaxation is obtained. Since the changes of state must occur at the same time for both output voltages, due to the location of  $C_{*}$  in the circuit, both oscillations are in phase.

Slight changes in the amplitude and frequency of the input voltage varies the amplitude of output voltage  $V_{*}$  without affecting the relaxation oscillations. An optimum value of  $V_{a}$  can be found where the voltages of branch 1 are precisely those nceded for no overdriven operation, and  $V_1$  is close in shape to a square wave. For Fig. 1B, Z is 630 ohms,  $f_{in}$  is 2.9 Mc,  $V_{in}$  is 1.35 v rms,  $L_1$  is 141  $\mu$ h,  $L_2$  is 131  $\mu$ h,  $C_{v1}$ and  $C_{r_2}$  are both 22 pf diodes,  $C_1$ and  $C_z$  are 240 pf,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are 750,000 ohms,  $C_s$  is a capacitor decade between 0.01 and 1  $\mu$ f and  $R_s$ is a variable resistance between 15,000 ohms and 10 megohms. The square wave is shown in Fig. 3.

The d-c levels of both outputs were measured with a vtvm and were found to be 13.25 v for  $V_1$  and 12.25 v for  $V_2$ . Graphical measurements lead to the approximate values of 15.5 v d-c and 11.90 v d-c for  $V_1$  high and low values respectively and 14.75 to 14.25 v d-c and 10.65 to 11.15 v d-c for  $V_2$  high and low values respectively.

Current was difficult to measure directly since insertion of a microammeter tends to stop oscillation. However, 40  $\mu$ a is a good approximation. If both branches of Fig. 1B are operated separately as series-resonant circuits for the same input frequency and the d-c output voltage is plotted against the rms input amplitude, jumps of 7 v d-c and 5.5 v d-c will be obtained for  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively.

The jumps of relaxation oscillations are only 3.6 d-c volts in amplitude. The jumps of branch 2 are smaller than the jumps of branch 1 because branch 2 is untuned for the input frequency, a forced condition to operate the whole circuit as a quasistable oscillator. Less change in bias is needed to trigger the circuit of branch 2 and hence it is this circuit that first moves out of one of the end states. The amplitude of the jump in the oscillator circuit is the same for both branches; however, since branch 2 jumps first or starts the jump first, the relaxation oscillations can be considered to be driven by the operation of branch 2. The amplitude of the oscillations will not be larger than the amplitude of the jump given by the static curve of branch 2 when operated as a single series resonant circuit.

In all cases, the jump from low to high level is a clean line indicating that the switching is obtained without any ringing and at a speed of approximately 300 µsec. A thicker switching line indicates





FIG. 4-With V1 and V2 at 6 v d-c, top shows f = 130 cps and  $C_s =$ 0.1  $\mu f$ . Bottom shows f = 140 cps with  $C_8 = 0.08 \ \mu f$ 

the presence of ringing. This ringing limits the range of the relaxation oscillations as the values of the  $R_{a}$   $C_{a}$  tank are varied. For the experimental values given for the circuit of Fig. 1B, the range of the wave oscillations were square found to be 50 cps to 1 Kc.

The series combination of  $R_1$  and  $R_{a}$  in parallel with  $C_{a}$  could constitute the interconnection tank  $R_{3}$   $C_{3}$ . Therefore,  $R_{3}$  is not essential for oscillations and may be removed from the circuit of Fig. 1B. If branch 2 is detuned to a greater degree, the output waveforms can be changed in shape. When the detuning is too large, branch 2 will not have sudden jumps. Nevertheless, if a voltage variable-capacitance diode with a steeper capacitance-versus-bias slope is used in branch 2, it is possible to obtain a considerable change in current, although not a sudden one because this branch is never at resonance. The circuit is operated with branch 1 as a quasistable circuit and branch 2 with a ramp output.

For the circuit of Fig. 1B, with  $R_{\rm a}$  removed and  $f_{\rm in} = 3 \pm 0.02$  Mc,  $V_{10} = 1.6$  v rms,  $L_1 = 139 \ \mu$ h,  $L_2 =$ 36.5  $\mu$ h and  $C_{r2} = 47$  pf at -4 v d-c, the waveforms shown in Fig. 4 are generated at  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .

From the values of  $C_3$  shown in Fig. 4, note that the output frequency is inversely proportional to the time constant of tank  $C_3 - (R_1)$  $+ R_{s}$ ). Varying  $C_{s}$  causes the output frequency to range from 15 cps to 1.5 Kc. The measured d-c levels are 14 v and 7 v for  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively. Circuit current is approximately 22  $\mu a$ .

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FIG. 1—Constant voltage transformer feeds rectifiers and shunt regulator. Sensing circuit feeds back correcting signal, causing transformer to collapse to hold desired output

# Transformer and Shunt Transistors Regulate D-C Power Supply

Constant voltage transformer and shunt-transistor regulator control a d-c power supply. Feedback-sensitive circuit uses Zener diode as reference

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CONSTANT VOLTAGE ferroresonant transformers can be used in d-c power supplies to provide a high degree of regulation. When used with silicon rectifiers and high capacitance, etched foil, telephonegrade electrolytics, a circuit is available suitable for many applications. Transformers are designed to deliver only about 150 percent of rated current, thus protecting the rectifiers against initial charging surges and the load from short circuit.

However, the series impedance of the power supply, while low, causes a regulation problem when load current is high, as it can be in circuits using many transistors. A shunt regulating circuit, which is a-c in principle and depends on the leakage reactance of the constant voltage transformer, has been developed to produce well-regulated d-c at high efficiency. Operation of the constant voltage ferroresonant transformer is explained in the edi-

The photograph shows a typical shunt-regulated supply



torial box; the feedback controlled, shunt regulating circuit is shown in Fig. 1.

Figure 1 shows a ferroresonant supply using full wave centertapped rectifier, choke-input pisection filter, shunt transistors and sensing circuit. The power supply without shunt regulator is adjusted to a nominal output voltage that is always above rated voltage under the worst conditions of line, load, ripple and temperature.

The shunt transistors produce regulation by increasing the voltage drop through the leakage reactance of the constant voltage transformer (CV). Current through the shunt circuit adds to the load current so that the total keeps the output of the CV (after filtering) at rated output voltage. Resistor  $R_1$ , in series with each power transistor, dissipates the additional watts beyond the capability of the transistor. If the watts to be dissipated exceeds the rating of one transistor—resistor, parallel elements are added.

Transistor  $Q_1$  is controlled by  $Q_2$ and  $Q_3$ , which are driven by the voltage sensing circuit. A temperature-compensated Zener diode circuit, adjusted to give rated output from the supply, is used in the voltage sensor. When output is too high, the voltage difference is amplified and applied to the base of  $Q_{s_2}$  turning on  $Q_z$  and in turn,  $Q_1$ .

Current flow through  $Q_1$  continues until the output voltage has dropped to the reference level, at which point all transistors turn off. Since there always tends to be a voltage difference, the action repeats continuously at a high rate (approximately 1 Kc) and is more analogous to a switching circuit than to an amplifier. Because the transistor circuit responds almost instantly, 120-cps ripple is also attenuated and is lower than in the basic supply.

The shunt regulated circuit gives high performance at relatively low cost and minimum complexity. Regulation obtained from the CV costs less than a transistor circuit that would give the same results. However, as the power rating of the supply decreases, the CV eventually will not pay its way, and it is better to use an all-transistor supply. The cutoff point is probably between 20 and 30 watts. The circuit has other advantages besides simplicity. It is inherently short-circuit proof due to the collapsing action of the CV transformer. In addition, no load current flows through the regulating transistors, thus they are unaffected by overloads or short circuits.

The regulating circuit is relatively fail-safe. For an open, the transistors would draw only leakage current but the CV transformer would still be effective. For a short, the output would collapse,



FIG. 2—Shunt regulator (A) and typical series regulator (B)

as with an external short. In no event would the load be subjected to a sudden substantial increase in voltage due to failure in the regulating circuit.

Figure 2A shows the shunt system of fixed series element and variable shunt element. Current through the variable element is adjusted so that the voltage drop across the series element varies enough to keep the output constant. In an a-c circuit, the elements can be impedances or resistances; in a d-c circuit, they can only be resistances.

The shunt principle is little used in d-c regulators because the fixed series element represents a continuous watts loss. In the d-c series regulator (Fig. 2B), the series resistance also dissipates some wattage but, since it varies only enough to provide regulation, the over-all power dissipation is less and the series system is more efficient.

In the design presented in this article, the parallel element is in effect a variable resistor but the series element is the leakage reactance of the CV transformer. Thus, effective regulation is obtained without incurring excessive dissipation.

The circuit shown in Fig. 1 uses three transistors in shunt and has rated output of 6 v d-c at 20 a. The primary of the CV typically is triple rated for 115/208/230 v a-c,



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FIG. 3—Sensing circuit uses Zener diode as reference, develops error signal to control output of supply

 $\pm 13$  percent. The 0.1-ohm resistors in the emitters of the power transistors balance the current; the 47-ohm resistor paralleling  $Q_z$  modifies the effect of leakage current.

The voltage sensor and preamplifier, Fig. 3, is connected normally to the power supply output terminals. However, it can be connected at the point of load. This is desirable in high current supplies since the voltage drop in distribution lines is then controlled.

conducts continuously and holds - the supply voltage of  $Q_5$  constant. - However, the base-emitter voltage to  $Q_5$  will vary with the output voltage. As the deviation (error) between output voltage and the Zener - reference increases, the base-emitter voltage on  $Q_5$  will decrease. . turning  $Q_5$  and  $Q_4$  towards off. This

In the sensor, Fig. 3, a voltage pro-

portional to output voltage is de-

veloped across  $R_1$ ,  $R_4$ , temperature

compensating diodes 1N91 and the

potentiometer. The Zener diode



FIG. 4—Waveform from constant voltage transformer

causes the base current of  $Q_a$  (Fig. 1) to increase, turning  $Q_a$ ,  $Q_a$  and  $Q_i$  towards on. Thus the shunt current through  $Q_a$  increases, causing output voltage to decrease. This decreases the error voltage and causes the base voltage on  $Q_a$  to increase. Transistors  $Q_a$  and  $Q_4$ now turn towards on and  $Q_{ai}$ ,  $Q_a$  and  $Q_i$  towards off, reducing the shunt current. Thus the system maintains voltage equilibrium at the value determined by, but not equal to, the Zener diode voltage.

In a conventional transformer (A), primary voltage  $E_p$  sets up magnetizing current  $I_s$ . The flux set up by  $I_p$ , shown by arrows, is constant as long as  $E_p$  is constant.

A magnetization curve for typical transformer grade steel is shown at (B). In the area to the left at the knee of the flux changes in direct proportion to the magnetizing force. To the right of the knee, increase in magnetizing force has little effect on increasing flux.

In conventional transformers, rated input voltage occurs at a point such as  $E_{\mu\nu}$ . If the voltage is then increased to  $E_{\mu\nu}$ , the magnetizing force and flux increase, inducing  $E_{\mu\nu}$  proportionally. Hence, for operation below the knee, output voltage is input voltage multiplied by the turns ratio, or  $E_{\mu\nu}$ .

With a magnetic shunt and a capacitor, shown in (C), current I, flows in the capacitor and the secondary winding. Part of the flux produced by I, flows in the shunt and does not link the primary. Thus, total flux under the secondary winding is higher than primary flux and is above the knee, corresponding to  $E_{p'}$ . As a result, variation in  $E_{p'}$  produces negligible change in the total secondary flux.

Since secondary flux is now relatively independent of primary voltage, secondary voltage is relatively constant. A compensating winding on the primary leg, connected in series opposition to the secondary, reduces variations further, as shown at (D). By proportioning, net output voltage is made nearly constant. Action of the compensating voltage for varying load and fixed input voltage, at (E), indicates the secondary voltage phase shift with incerasing resistive load. The phase of the compensating voltage is unaffected and hence E. progressively subtracts less, tending to compensate for load regulation effect. At fixed load and varying input voltage the change in magnitude of  $E_c$  provides the major compensating action although some phase shift still results. Vector relationships are shown at (F) for a 30-percent change in input voltage.

Capacitor current I, has been shown to keep secondary flux relatively fixed for varying inputs. With a load, current in secondary is the sum of the load and capacitor current. If load current is resistive (unity power factor (pf)) there is a decreased secondary flux density and consequent lowering of output voltage. The poor load regulation can be partly corrected for by the compensating winding.

If load current is partly inductive (lagging pf), the effect of the capacitor is directly attenuated and outputvoltage will change with pf. This effect can often be compensated for on a-c applications.

If load current becomes too great, the effect of the capacitor is lost. Secondary flux now opposes primary flux, demagnetizing the secondary core leg. The output voltage collapses abruptly and limits the short-circuit current to 150 to 200 percent of full load.

Because the flux under the secondary winding is above the knee of the magnetization curve, output voltage. as shown in the oscillogram, Fig. 4. is not a true sine wave. This is an advantage in power supply applications, since it reduces the peak inverse voltage that the rectifying element must withstand

### Vibrating Wire Probe Maps

Small single-loop probe vibrating at 14 Kc measures magnetic flux in small fields with 1-percent short-term accuracy



FIG. 1—Sketch shows original fluxmeter arrangement with 14-Kc magnetostrictive drive



FIG. 2—Detail of modified pickup shows how pickup wires are attached to coupling glass rod, (A); laboratory setup used to check fidelity is shown in (B)

USES OF MAGNETIC MATERIALS in control and detection devices have greatly increased the need for micromeasurement of magnetic fields. Magnetic field plotting and microuniformity measurements have been conducted with rotating coil instruments, Hall generator devices and quartz crystal magnetometers.

The usefulness of each type of fluxmeter is determined by the thickness of the probe and its effective area. The thickness determines the minimum area for which accurate measurements can be made. Since the probe responds to the average of the flux densities within the sampling area, valid data can be obtained only when the flux density is uniform or when the gradient is known. The latter case does not occur frequently and will be ignored.

Let the sample magnetic field be nonuniform. The variation in flux density between any two points on a contour of this configuration is a function of the distance and the gradient between the points. When the distance between the points is decreased, the variation in flux density is decreased. The difference in flux density is decreased and becomes zero when the points share a location on the contour.

Useful data for field plotting or uniformity studies may be obtained for any external magnetic field if the sampling area is small enough. This assumes that the sensitivity of the measuring equipment is consistent with the magnitude of the magnetic field.

The equipment to be described has a sensitivity of 0.004 mv per gauss, a sampling area of  $6.25 \times 10^{-3}$  square inch, and an equivalent noise level of 10 gauss. The sampling area is generated by  $\frac{1}{10}$  inch length wire as it is vibrated  $\pm 0.0005$  inch in a direction perpendicular to its length.

The vibration originates in a magnetostrictive transducer that operates at approximately 14 Kc. This 14-Kc vibration is transmitted to the pickup wire through a coupling bar. The pickup wire is cemented to a glass probe, cemented, in turn, to a bar of nonmagnetic stainless steel. The coupling bar is brazed to a magnetostrictive transducer. A sketch of this assembly is shown in Fig. 1.

The probe is designed to minimize extraneous pickup voltages. The vibration, which is necessary for producing the pickup voltage, is effectively isolated from all parts of the electrical circuit except the pickup turn. The isolation is accomplished by short, flexible electrical connection between the vibrating wire and the stationary brush wires. A sketch of the pickoff technique is shown in Fig. 2A. The base is a glass rod.

The pickup wire must be fastened to the probe base at a location that experiences maximum longitudinal motion. The effective length of the pickup turn is determined by the distance between the brush wire contacts. Contact between the pickup turn and the brush wire is made with an alloy of gallium and indium; this technique

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provides good electrical contact with a frictionless mechanical coupling. The elimination of the transfer of mechanical energy from the pickup wire to the brush keeps vibration out of the brush wires.

The voltage induced in the pickup wire is sinusoidal, at the same frequency as the vibration. An oscilloscope trace of the output voltage is shown. The top trace is at 5,000 gauss, the center at 2,500 gauss and the bottom at zero.

Proper adjustment of the galliumindium contact will use a minimum quantity of the alloy. The distance between the pickup and brush wires should be kept to a minimum but they should not touch.

Several methods for checking the fidelity were tried. The more definitive data were obtained from a laboratory setup of the type shown in Fig. 2B. The core for this electromagnet was a single ring lamination with i.d. = 8 in., o.d. = 10in. and 0.025 in. thick. The gap is in. long and the pole faces are pointed as shown. A plot of the output voltage against relative position of the pickup wire is shown in Fig. 3B. The symmetry about the peak ordinate indicates that only minor, if any, voltages are produced by the brush wires. There was no perceptible change in either the sinusoidal waveshape or phase during this test.

A more positive check of the fidelity using this ring sample will result if more precision is used in alignment between the pickup wire and the magnetic contour lines generated by the pole tips of the ring sample. The pole tips should trace parallel lines, lines that are parallel with the direction of vibration of the pickup wire.

A nominal accuracy for the equipment is  $\pm 3$  percent. This includes variations in supply voltage and frequency, the nonlinearity of the step-up transformer and the accuracy of the indicating instrument. A Tektronix oscilloscope type 535 with a type-D preamp measured peak values of the output voltage. The rms value of the output voltage was measured with a Ballantine 320 electronic voltmeter. A plot of these two measurements against the excitation mmf of an electromagnet, Fig. 3A, shows that both outputs are linearly related to the flux density in the air gap of the electromagnet. This assumes that the air gap flux is a linear function of the excitation mmf. Since curves that are linearly related to some reference are also linearly related to each other, the form factor of the wave



Fluxmeter probe in a field of 5,000 gauss (top), 2,500 gauss (center) and zero gauss (bottom)

is constant. Hence, the shape of the wave may be assumed constant and the indicating instrument can be calibrated to read peak, average or rms values.

Additional sources of error include variations in signal-to-noise ratio, variations in wave shape, and variations in effective length of pickup turn that result from changes in the geometry of the gallium-indium contacts. The measuring accuracy for general application is expected to be within  $\pm 3$ percent, and for short-term measurements within  $\pm 1$  percent.



FIG. 3—Output of the vibrating wire fluxmeter is plotted against flux density (A); results of fidelity measurement using a setup of Fig. 2B are plotted as contour of flux density in (B)



Coupling capacitor circuit (A) places input waveform so that positive-voltage area equals negative-voltage area, whether wave is symmetrical (B) or asymmetrical (C); circuit shunted by diode (D) clamps input wave (E); reversing the diode has a negative-clamp effect (F). Adjustable clamp circuit (G) can be used to position any waveform between two extremes (H). It also serves as proportional rectifier, if output is taken from point A or B (I)

# Adjustable Clamp Circuit

#### SHIFTS A-C SIGNAL LEVEL

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IF AN A-C SIGNAL is applied to a coupling capacitor loaded by a resistor (A), charge current flows from the second plate of the capacitor during positive excursions of the signal, and into the second plate during the negative excursions. The d-c level of the second plate of the capacitor must be such that the net change in charge is zero for a cycle. If the signal waveform is symmetrical, it must have equal positive and negative voltages (B); and if the signal is asymmetrical, it is shifted by an amount which makes areas under positive and negative parts of the signal equal (C).

In a conventional clamping circuit, the load resistor is shunted by a diode (D). This allows a heavy charging current to flow into the capacitor during the negative excursions of the signal, but becomes a high resistance during the positive excursions, so that discharge current can flow only through the resistor. The capacitor then takes on a net charge, and the d-c level of the signal is shifted positive (E).

If the diode is connected with the opposite polarity, the positive peaks of the signal are clamped to ground (F).

This description includes several assumptions, such as that the r-c time constant of the capacitor and resistor is much greater than the period of the signal<sup>1</sup>.

The d-c level of a signal may be shifted anywhere between the two limits of the full clamping circuits by a circuit with an adjustable ratio of the resistive loads for the positive and negative parts of the signal. A circuit is shown in (G). When the potentiometer is in its full clockwise position, the circuit is a full negative clamp (F). When the potentiometer is fully clockwise, the circuit is a full positive clamp (E). At midpoint, the loads for the positive and negative parts are equal, and the circuit is equivalent to (A).

For an intermediate setting, the signal takes up the corresponding intermediate level relative to ground. A symmetrical signal may be shifted by any desired ratio (H). An asymmetrical signal may be shifted to make the positive and negative peaks equal.

At points A and B of the adjustable clamp circuit (G) appear the rectified fractions of the signal that are negative and positive from ground (I). The circuit can also be considered as a proportional rectifier. For a constant-amplitude signal, it resembles a conventional clipping circuit,<sup>2</sup> however, the rectified fractions of the signal remain in constant proportion to the input signal.

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### Broad-Based Research Produces Space Items

VARIABLE-BANDWITH communications system, plasma devices and thin-film elements are examples of development projects at a new research complex. The electronics laboratory, one of seven widely diversified facilities of the Paul Moore Research & Development Center, is responsible for the communications equipment. This flexible system is important for the Courier satellite program and for communications with moon bases.

The space-associated laboratory facilities also permit research in guidance and control systems, reentry simulation, material development, nuclear radiation, fluid systems, and space environment and life sciences. These Republic Aviation facilities including the electronics laboratory are supported by separately located transonic, supersonic and hypersonic wind tunnels. Efforts in any or all of the self-sustaining laboratories can be integrated into major space-related systems development.

The variable-bandwith communications system in Fig. 1 modifies performance in accordance with current propagation conditions. A design objective of the equipment is to maintain communications during fades. However when reception is good, the high signal-to-noise ratio is unnecessary. By trading receiver gain for bandwidth at these times, more information can be transmitted. In addition to the



FIG. 1—Communications system selects optimum bandwidth in accordance with propagation conditions



other applications, this principle is valuable for radar and electronic countermeasures systems.

Plasmas, which normally have an adverse effect on propagation, can also aid signal transmission under certain conditions. In one experiment at the new installation, r-f was fed into d-c ionized fluorescent tubes. The tubes, with an electrically rather than a thermally created plasma, radiated the r-f signal like an antenna. This phenomenum could be significant if the re-entry plasma sheath from missiles could be made to act as an antenna.

Frequencies lower than plasma frequency that will propagate through the ionized sheath are being sought in other experiments. These windows have been created previously using magnetic fields.

Experiments at frequencies from 5.4 to 11 Gc were performed with the equipment in Fig. 2. Reflections in the system were tuned to minimum with the fluorescent light extinguished. With power switched on, the load was again matched. The difference in attenuation of the transmitted energy at different frequencies is shown in the figure. For future studies, a tube for generating an air plasma is planned having a size and shape more suitable for microwave experiments.



FIG. 3—Test arrangement uses microwaves to determine velocity history of shock tube piston

FIG. 2—Microwave frequencies propagated through fluorescent light with setup at top were attenuated as shown in plot

Microwave reflection techniques are being used for instrumentation of shock tube diagnositics. Microwaves reflected from the piston face in Fig. 3 can be used to determine complete velocity history of the piston. In preliminary experiments with a 14-mm shock tube, c-w microwave energy was used.

Output from a reflex klystron was directed through a rectangular-tocircular waveguide transition and a small circular hole plugged with teflon into the terminal end of the shock tube. The shock tube acted as a lossy waveguide and the piston as a movable short. Amplitude and relative phase is determined by comparing transmitted and reflected energy using a detector. This data was used to calculate piston position and velocity.

In the guidance and control systems laboratory, new techniques are being explored for possible use in detection, guidance and control of space vehicles. Active thin-film elements have been developed that operate at room temperature. Fabrication techniques are being investigated for microminiaturizing of such switching and storage devices as digital-to-binary converters and magnetic memory elements. In a laser project, the laboratory hopes to develop a compact high-intensity


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#### Low-Energy Technique Can Produce Neutrons

NEUTRONS are being produced in an energy range previously unobtainable with low-energy accelerators. The technique provides a laboratory source of neutrons that formerly were produced only with more costly high-energy accelerators. The process is also of interest in furthering knowledge of theoretical nuclear physics.

The method was described to the American Physical Society in a paper by William Imhof of the Missile and Space division of Lockheed. While performing studies for the Atomic Energy Commission, Lockheed physicists discovered how to produce neutrons in the range of 8 to 11 Mev using conventional lowenergy generators.

The technique involves bombarding a radioactive target (carbon<sup>14</sup>) with deutrons. These heavy hydrogen particles are accelerated with a conventional 3-Mev Van de Graaff generator. When a deutron collides with the target, the proton is stripped from the deutron leaving only the neutron. In this reaction, the neutron receives nearly 8 million volts of energy more than that of the incoming deutron.

Usefulness of the reaction as a source of neutrons was evaluated by measuring that rate at which neutrons were produced when the deutrons were accelerated at different energies. The neutrons were monitored with a plastic scintillator, and the light emitted when a neutron was detected was recorded with a multiplier phototube.

The reaction also produces lower energy neutrons in the target. It was therefore necessary to determine speed of each neutron counted to determine its energy. Time-offlight for the neutrons to travel a known distance was measured. This approach permitted separate measurement of the yield of neutrons produced in the radioactive carbon target having different energies.

The C<sup>14</sup> stripping reaction also provides clues about the internal forces of the nucleus. The distance from the C<sup>14</sup> nucleus at which proton stripping occurs is related to the angle at which the neutron is likely to recoil. Thus measuring neutron intensity at different angles to the deutron beam provided data about the position at which stripping occurs.

These measurements revealed how often the final nucleus is left in an excited state, providing evidence of the nature of the forces inside the nucleus.

#### Remote Input-Output Device for Computers

DEVELOPMENT of an interrogator will enable direct communication with a remotely located computer. Detailed information can be sent and received by a device that looks like an electric typewriter with a small viewing screen.

The unit, called the 2502 Interrogator, was developed by Information Products Corp. Data can be sent and received over direct wires or, with the firm's communications switching centers, over ordinary telephone lines.

The system designed for operation by clerical personnel is expected to increase efficiency of routine operations such as credit checking, insurance investigation, banking, production and inventory control. Data appears on the crt a few seconds after interrogation.

The keyboard contains 40 standard alpha-numeric keys with special keys for transmit, clear and reset. Any 6- or 7-bit code can be used, with a bit rate of 1 Mc. Characters are transmitted at a rate of 15,800 per second.

The crt display is 3 by 8 inches. It is positioned at an angle of 30 degrees from the plane of the base so that it can be viewed from either a sitting or standing position. It accommodates 10 lines of data with up to 72 characters per line.

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#### COMPONENTS AND MATERIALS



Polarized electrolytic construction (left) obtains capacitors with volumetric efficiencies up to 20,000 microfarad volts per cu in. Same line is planned to offer efficiencies up to 120,000 microfarad volts per cu in. Flat, uniform shapes with paralled leads consolidate space on circuit board (center) where flat capacitors are compared to same number of larger cquivalents. Technician (right) checks new units still seated in epoxy mold

### Packing Microfarads in Limited Space

UNTIL RECENTLY, capacitor size has not kept pace with the pico developments of associated semiconductor components like the diode, and the small resistors and transistors. The problem involved in shrinking capacitors is how to pack a reliable unit of the highest volumetric efficiency into the least area. And circuit designers concerned with saving space are now asking how many microfarad volts can be packed into a specified size.

In the past, miniature-circuit designers have found it necessary to include large cylindrical capacitors in an otherwise tiny circuit. And the capacitor has loomed in size in comparison with its associated components. Consequently the capacitor has been a limiting factor in the over-all Lilliputian design of complete systems.

Research on this problem at RCA



Volumetric efficiencies of RCA's new line of solid tantalum capacitors (cases A, B, C, D) compared to tantalum units having similar electrical characteristics. Highest rating given in each case size. Comparative units have insulating sleeves. The A cases, type CTA-2, are now available

has resulted in the development of a new line of solid tantalum capacitors, now scheduled for commercial production'.

Featuring flat, rectangular cases with parallel leads (see diagram), twenty-four of these capacitors can be mounted and stacked on a printed circuit board in an area the size of a postage stamp. These small units mark RCA's entry into the semiconductor passive component field, and are expected to find wide use in space vehicles, computers, data processing systems, communications and airborne equipment.

Computer designers, in particular, are showing interest in the hexahedral units for printed modules, since many thousands of these units, used in an average computer, can save a lot of space.

The accompanying graph gives the volumetric efficiencies of the new capacitors compared to conventional units having the same electrical characteristics. The flat capacitors have been planned in four case sizes, differing only in their electrical characteristics and thickness.

Case A is now commercially available. The B case will be ready this summer. Capacitors in the A case pack 94 microfarad volts, and the B cases obtain efficiencies of 470 microfarad volts. In laying out the circuit, it will be easy to stack





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The anode is immersed in an electrolytic or conductive bath and is made anodic in a d-c circuit, and d-c potential is applied. The d-c voltage determines the thickness of the tantalum oxide film formed on the surface of the tantalum anode by oxidation. The oxide films formed are from 200 to 2,000 Angstrom units thick. This thin-film anode holds the key to obtaining high capacitance.

A semiconductive solid electrolyte, manganese dioxide, is then deposited as a protective oxidizing layer over the entire surface of the formed dielectric. This material is completely free of moisture and is the prime reason for these capacitors being called solid types.

A layer of finely divided carbon is deposited on the surface of the electrolyte to provide a low resistance contact, and a metallic cathode envelope is added to allow attachment of the final cathode lead.

As seen in the diagram, the final external leads are connected to the capacitor terminals, and the structure is encased in its rigid, thermosetting encapsulant.

Life tests of over 2,000 hours have been made on the A and B units. These units, now in produc-

tion, meet the d-c leakage, dissipation, and life tests of MIL-C-26655/2. Operating temperature range is from 55 C to 125 C. The d-c leakage current is a maximum of 0.02 microampere per microfarad volt or 1  $\mu$ a, whichever is greater at 25 C, measured in accordance with the spec. Dissipation factor is 6 percent maximum at 25 C measured at a frequency of 120 cps by a polarized bridge.

Starting this month, RCA is setting up an integrated system of tooling for the manufacture of the capacitors which will reduce the number of hand operations required to a minimum. This production technique will give higher vield, increase reliability and bring the cost down.

It is interesting to note that the transistor, formerly one of the smallest electronic components in microcircuit design, is now getting to be one of the largest components in miniature circuits.

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#### Firm Meets Demand For High-Purity Metals

PRODUCTION of nine high purity metals-antimony, arsenic, bismuth, cadmium, gold, indium, selenium, silver and tellurium-has been increased and put on a commercial scale, American Smelting and Refining Company (Asarco) announced last week. This means that these metals, refined by a complex series of processes to more than 99.999 percent of purity, will now be available as off-the-shelf items to meet increasing industry needs. Until now they have been available only in laboratory quantities.

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access holes for adjusting screws. Modules with a more intricate shape were made with the mold at right. The plaster pattern, center, can be made with the mold

## Versatile Molds Encapsulate with Foam

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MODULES ENCAPSULATED in resinous foams are widely used in airborne and space electronics. They come in many shapes, from simple cubes to intricate, unsymmetrical forms. The spaces into which they must fit precisely are becoming smaller and smaller as missiles become more sophisticated.

Good design dictates that all edges and corners be rounded to prevent chipping of the edges or cuts in wire insulation and for appearance. To achieve odd configurations or radii by machining is timeconsuming and costly. It is much



FIG. 1—Molding fixture is adjustable



Basic mold for cube module. Threaded studs fit in the side grooves. One plate is aluminum and the other molded epoxy

quicker to incorporate the shape into a pattern and mold. The moldmaking technique described is very useful for making engineering prototypes and one-of-a-kind modules.

Aluminum-filled epoxy resins provide good patterns and easilymade, economical molds. The resins have high heat resistance (400 to 500 F), low shrinkage (0.001 inch per inch), are tough, have excellent heat transfer, high impact strength, are non-irritating, nonhygroscopic and can be easily machined. Changes or corrections in the pattern or mold can be made with aluminum-filled epoxy paste.

Molds of the type shown can be made with little investment in equipment. Only a drill press, band saw, lathe and oven are required. A five-gallon paint spray tank (for use as a pressure tank), a belt or disc sander, sheet metal shear and punches, and a vacuum chamber or oven are helpful but not indispensable.

If the pattern is intricate or has thin sections, it should be made of the same resin as the mold. If it has few contours or if only one mold is needed, molding plaster can be used. Since plaster is low in cost, it may be precast in blocks of various sizes ready to make into patterns. Flexible plastic trays or even cardboard boxes can be used for casting. A bubble-free, hard, dense block is obtained if the plaster is mixed to a thin, watery consistency, poured, placed in a pressure tank at 80 psi until the plaster has set and then dried thoroughly. Patterns may also be made from precast resin blocks, or cast as needed, using the same basic techniques.

Patterns are made approximately one-quarter inch higher, one-sixteenth inch wider and the same length as the specified finished dimensions. After the pattern is cut and finished, it is sprayed with a high-temperature mold release or with a thin film of RTV silicone rubber, available in aerosol cans.

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This acme of perfection, reliability and joy to the Management's heart is the Series 5, which is used in either AC or DC circuits to provide: release and operate points very close together; break delay; constant operate voltage despite wide temperature variation; dual coils for differential operation; or meter protection from DC voltage or current overloads. The "5" can operate on as little as 1 mw., contacts will switch up to 3 amps (depending on sensitivity), and available enclosures range from none to hermetically sealed.

The Series 5 relay is now widely used in burglar alarms, coin-operated arcade games, temperature monitoring controls with Sigma Magnetic Amplifier Relays, boiler water salinity controls, battery chargers and R/C models, as well as in G.I. equipment. The reasons are probably (1) its combination of high sensitivity and stability in hard-knock applications, (2) the "special" characteristics you can get, usually at non-special prices, and (3) the fact that the relay works the way the specs say it does.

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This has been No. 113 in an endless series of messages designed to focus public attention on Sigma's sincere desire to sell relays.

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fixtures should take care of all normal requirements. If the outside of the resin mold is held to standard lengths and widths, core pieces can be positioned and held to the walls with double-backed adhesive tape. These core pieces form slots or grooves for threaded rods whose wing nuts hold the mold and the top and bottom plates together.



Interchangeable Teflon inserts mold right or left-hand modules. The large knobs do not have to be screwed on. Held at a slight angle, they pass freely over the thread and are locked or unlocked with a short turn



This mold would be hard to machine, but was easily made from a pattern. Note the cored slots around the edges



Header boards made this module difficult to encapsulate. Correct positioning required lacing and tieing in the mold

Identification numbers are embossed on aluminum-backed adhesive tapes, with a reverse embossing wheel. The tape is stuck on the inner walls so numbers will be depressed into the mold and read correctly.

The pattern is placed in the fixture and preheated in an oven to 125 F (the oven used is cam-programmed for various temperatures and times and shuts off automatically, to facilitate curing). Surfaces are coated with a high-temperature mold release. The aluminum-filled



FIG. 2-Slitting returns mold to specified width

epoxy resin (preheated to 140 F) is mixed with the catalyst, and poured around the pattern to a height of one-sixteenth inch above the required dimension.

After the resin has cured and cooled, the mold is removed. Some 95 percent of the molds have been made with straight walls without draft, but have released from the fixtures without trouble. Holes are drilled to locate the dowels which align the mold halves. The mold is split with a one-sixteenth-inch splitting saw, as in Fig. 2. When the mold is joined together, the width is the specified dimension. The mold is assembled with the threaded rods and is machined to the correct thickness. Top and bottom plates or covers complete the molds.

This basically simple procedure can, with a little skill and ingenuity, produce many forms of encapsulation molds. A sampling of different molds made at General Electric LMED is given by the photographs.

#### Hardboard Blocks Cut **Crystal Dicing Costs**

HARDBOARD SQUARES are used as disposable semiconductor dicing blocks by Clevite Transistor Products, Waltham, Mass. The blocks are made of quarter-inch tempered Masonite sanded to a thickness of 0.23 inch  $\pm 0.005$ . Crystals are fixed to the blocks with hot wax. Cutting wheel wear and block cost are reported to be less than with ceramic blocks formerly used. Blocks are supplied by Masonite Fabricators, Elizabeth, N. J.



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#### Power Supply FOR OPTICAL MASERS

MODEL 275 optical maser power supply is designed for research. The 5,000-volt supply furnishes energy to 20,000 joules, from 1,000 to 5,000 v. Separate stabilized voltage supply triggers the flash-lamp source.

Ruby maser mounting accessories for various lengths and diameters



of crystals are available. Maximum peak light output can be obtained

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#### Power Transistors HIGH VOLTAGE

SERIES of four high-voltage intermediate-power transistors is announced by Transitron Electronic Corp., 168 Albion St., Wakefield, Mass.

The silicon diffused mesa transistors have 150 and 200-v max



rating, and sustaining voltages of 125 and 140 v. Maximum power dissipation at 25 C case temperature is 40 watts, 20 watts at 100 C. Operating current range is 50 ma to 2 amp. Delivery is three weeks, prices from \$52 to \$66.

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Pulse Modulator 64 MW PEAK POWER

PULSE modulator is designed to test super-power klystrons, microwave devices, continuous duty radar transmitters and similar equipment. Peak power is 64 Mw continuous. Continuous adjustable pulse range is 75 Kv to 250 Kv, with pulse current of 260 amp at 250 Kv. Pulse length, at 96 percent of peak voltage, is plus or minus 2.75  $\mu$ sec. Frequency is 30 to 360 pulses per

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RX33	26	3″	9/16"	1	1,500
RX35	55	4″	<sup>2</sup> %22″	1	3,600
RX36	78	4″	15/16"	1	5,100
RX37	113	6″	15/16"	1	8,200
RX38	159	8″	15/16"	1	11,000
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Desk-Size Computer 8,192 12-BIT WORDS

COMPUTER is packaged in an office desk, is priced at \$90,000 or leased at \$2,250 per month from Control Data Corp., 501 Park Ave., Minneapolis 15, Minn.

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#### Photoelectric Keyboard BINARY ENCODING

PHOTOELECTRIC binary-encoding keyboard has been announced by Invac Corp., 14 Huron Dr., Natick, Mass. Alphanumeric keyboard uses photoelectric encoding to generate 5, 6, 7 or 8 bit binary codes. Encoding matrices, contacts and switches are not used. The K-144 complete with amplifiers sells for \$550.

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#### Spectrum Analyzer WIDE BAND

POLARAD ELECTRONICS CORP., 43-20 34th St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. Model WSA spectrum analyzer has a display of up to 4,000 Mc. It covers the frequency range from 10 Mc to 40,000 Mc in 20 bands which are contained in one unit. The wide band display can be used to simplify field intensity measurements by displaying the entire range of each frequency band, for testing r-f transmitters and signal generators for "holes" throughout their tuning range, and other applications.

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#### Miniature Chopper LOW-NOISE

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#### Reflex Klystron ELECTRICALLY TUNABLE

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microseconds). Three versions of Model RS305A offer, respectively, modular construction in package 5 x  $4\frac{1}{6}$  x  $6\frac{1}{2}$  inches; rack-mounting; and rack-mounted models with  $3\frac{1}{4}$ -inch meters, in case with  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch panel height. Input is 105-125 volts AC.

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### Analogue Computation By STANLEY FIFER

McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, 1961, 1331 p, \$39.50 (4 vol)

ALTHOUGH certainly of value to anyone in any way connected with the analog computing field, this set will be invaluable as a reference book and guide to those working in computer laboratories. It consolidates much information formerly available only in various papers and reports, as well as putting together in one well-indexed set information which previously could be gathered only from many different volumes.

These volumes present every aspect of analog computation: programming and check-out procedures, components and component design, error analysis, techniques for generating functions of two variables, methods of handling many types of mathematical configurations such as systems of linear algebraic equations, noise generation and the adjoint method of noise analysis, and solutions of partial differential equations. Although these volumes are oriented toward the use of a general purpose d-c computer, all other types of analog computers are discussed and, where possible, the merit of the application of the different types of computers to each problem is presented.

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### Dictionary of Automation, Computers, Control and Measuring

By W.E. CLASON

Elsevier Publishing Co., Amsterdam, The Netherlands (D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., Princeton, N. J., Distributors), 1961, 856 p, \$27.50.

THIS latest in the Elsevier series of multilingual dictionaries gives 3,390 words and phrases in English and the equivalents in French, Spanish, Italian, Dutch and German. When the British term differs from the American, both are given. Each term is defined in English and classified in one of a dozen categories, including machine translation and information theory. For each language other than English, there is an alphabetic list of terms, referring to the corresponding numbers in the basic table.

A valuable tool for the technical translator and for those who read foreign journals, this dictionary would be of even more interest if Russian were one of the six languages presented. However, Russian supplements have been published for several other Elsevier dictionaries, so it may be only a matter of time until it is done for this volume.

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Princeton, N. J., 356 p, \$9. A practical introduction to transistor circuit design which is aimed at junior- and senior-level engineering students, this book deals in detail with the customary transistor physics and the basic equivalent circuits: the current-generator tee, the hybrid, and the hybrid-pi. Subsequent chapters stress actual design of different types of transistor amplifiers, receiver and transmitter circuits, and pulse circuits.

- Professional Engineers Examination Questions and Answers. By W. S. LaLonde, Jr., McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, N. Y., 589 p, \$7.50. This volume offers a complete review course dealing with basic fundamentals and business economics as well as the major engineering subjects covered by state licensing examinations. The question and answer approach, dealing separately with each particular subject, allows the reader a method of educating through self checking. An excellent book for engineers wishing to brush up on little used areas.
- Ceramics. By P. William Lee, Reinhold Publishing Corp., New York, 1961, 210 p, \$5.95. This book surveys the basic materials used in all forms of ceramics, glass and cermets, and reviews ceramics chemistry, production methods, applications and developments. While it may satisfy persons seeking a general understanding of ceramics technology, its information on insulations, dielectrics, ferrites and transducer materials is sketchy and would be of little value to specialists in these fields.
- Stereo 1881. By John Sunier, Gernsback Library, New York, N. Y. 160 p, \$2.95. Relatively non-technical, this book is designed to acquaint audiophiles with the history and development of stereophonic sound from its earliest beginnings to the present day. Discusses stereo sound, old and new developments of stereo tapes and disks, and the various techniques used for experimental broadcasting.

NOTE: Our review of Welsby's THE THEORY AND DESIGN OF INDUCTANCE COLLS (p 164, Apr. 28, 1961) gave the publisher as MacDonald of London and the price as \$4.20. While this information is correct for editions distributed in England, the sole U.S. publisher is John Wiley & Sons, Inc., who are distributing the book at a price of \$6.



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### Literature of the Week

WIRE DISPENSERS Products for Industry, Inc., 1704 Summer St., Stamford, Conn. Data sheet describes plastic dispensers for handling pre-cut wire used in harnesses, control panels and assemblies.

CIRCLE 363 ON READER SERVICE CARD

POTENTIOMETER Reon Resistor Corp., 155 Saw Mill River Rd., Yonkers, N. Y. Bulletin covers a composition variable resistor that is rated at 3 w for standard applications and 2 w for military specifications.

CIRCLE 364 ON READER SERVICE CARD

CROSSBAR James Cunningham, Son & Co., Inc., 33 Litchfield St., Rochester 8, N. Y. "High Performance Crossbars" reviews six basic crossbar types, performance data, actuation and control, and applications.

CIRCLE 365 ON READER SERVICE CARD

FACILITIES BROCHURE Loral Electronics Corp., 825 Bronx River Ave., New York 72, N. Y. Sixteen page brochure outlines the company's capabilities for defense electronics.

CIRCLE 366 ON READER SERVICE CARD

SIZE 5 COMPONENTS General Precision, Kearfott Div., Little Falls, N. J. Miniature servo system components are covered in a 4-page catalog.

CIRCLE 367 ON READER SERVICE CARD

SOLDER FOIL Accurate Specialties Co., Inc., 345 Lodi St., Hackensack, N. J. Data sheet gives solder foil specifications and lists standard alloys available as foil.

CIRCLE 368 ON READER SERVICE CARD

THERMOSTATS Stevens Manufacturing Co., Inc., P.O. Box 1007, Mansfield, Ohio. Brochure on thermostats covers both hermetically sealed and semienclosed styles.

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Paterson 1, N. J. Specifications and applications are given for two precision transistor relays and a transistor isolation amplifier in a 4-page brochure.

CIRCLE 370 ON READER SERVICE CARD

POWER SUPPLIES Valor Instruments, Inc., 13214 Crenshaw Blvd., Gardena, Calif. A 16-page catalog describes a line of compact, highly regulated d-c power supplies with 80 percent efficiency.

CIRCLE 371 ON READER SERVICE CARD

CAPACITORS General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. Bulletin gives specifications on fixed plasticdielectric tubular capacitors designed for filter bypass or blocking purposes in missiles, computers, etc.

CIRCLE 372 ON READER SERVICE CARD

TRANSFORMERS PCA Electronics Inc., 16799 Schoenborn St., Sepulveda, Calif. Eight-page catalog features the company's line of datapulse transformers.

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CALIBRATION SERVICE Endevco Corp., Customer Service Dept., 161 East California Blvd., Pasadena, Calif. Brochure describes a calibration service which offers shock calibration to 15,000 g. CIRCLE 374 ON READER SERVICE CARD

PLASTICS Synthane Corp., Oaks, Pa. Brochure covers copperclad laminated plastics conforming to MIL-P-13949B.

CIRCLE 375 ON READER SERVICE CARD

RECEIVER MIXER Hewlett-Packard Co., 1501 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, Calif. Application note tells how to adapt an X-band or H-band crystal detection mount for use as a mixer for a laboratory receiver.

CIRCLE 230 ON READER SERVICE CARD

TAPE PREPARATION McDonnell Electronic Equipment Div., Box 516, St. Louis 66, Mo. Bulletin describes punched tape preparation equipment for automatic checkout and machine control requirements. CIRCLE 231 ON READER SERVICE CARD

ELECTRON TUBES Machlett Laboratories Inc., Springdale,

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Conn. Catalog provides a reference guide to types and condensed data on the company's tubes, including vapor-cooled triodes, hard-pulse tube modulators and the uhf planar group.

### CIRCLE 232 ON READER SERVICE CARD

POWER SUPPLIES Technipower Inc., 18 Marshall St., South Norwalk, Conn. Bulletin covers miniature solid state d-c power supplies, including rack mounted versions with optional meters.

CIRCLE 233 ON READER SERVICE CARD

DELAY LINES Ad-Yu Electronics Lab., 249 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N. J. Two data sheets describe High-Z miniature delay lines with linear phase response and models which feature a rise time less than 3.5 percent of total possible delay. CIRCLE 234 ON READER SERVICE CARD

MICROWAVE EQUIPMENT Weinschel Engineering, 10503 Metropolitan Ave., Kensington, Md. Catalog reviews the company's products, featuring their line of coaxial attenuators and terminations. CIRCLE 235 ON READER SERVICE CARD

PRINTED CIRCUIT CLEANER National Ultrasonic Corp., Nutley, N.J. Data sheet covers a cleaning system which combines Freon agents with ultrasonic energy.

CIRCLE 236 ON READER SERVICE CARD

TV TRANSLATORS Electronics, Missiles & Communications, Inc., 262 E. Third St., Mt. Vernon, N. Y., has available a planning package for vhf tv rebroadcast translators.

CIRCLE 237 ON READER SERVICE CARD

ELECTRON TUBES Raytheon Co., Industrial Components Div., Newton, Mass. Twelve-page booklet covers industrial and military filamentary subminiature electron tube characteristics.

CIRCLE 238 ON READER SERVICE CARD

RECORDERS Curtiss Wright Corp., Princeton, N.J. Data sheet describes rectilinear recorders featuring 2 to 6 channels.

CIRCLE 239 ON READER SERVICE CARD

MICRO MANIPULATORS Brinkmann Instruments, Inc., 115 Cutter Mill Rd., Great Neck, L. I., N. Y. Brochure covers manipulators with three dimensional movements for the positioning of micro tools.

CIRCLE 240 ON READER SERVICE CARD

ALLOYS Semi-Alloys Inc., 550 S. Fulton Ave., Mt. Vernon, N.Y. Four data sheets deal with the melting points of four basic alloys, aluminum, gold, indium and silver, for use in the semiconductor industry. **CIRCLE 241 ON READER SERVICE CARD** 

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COOLING UNITS Wakefield Engineering, Inc., Wakefield, Mass. Booklet describes several models of Delta natural convection cooling units.

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READOUT CELLS Hoffman Electronics Corp., 1001 N. Arden Dr., El Monte, Calif. Data sheet supplies engineering information on silicon solar readout cells which are basically light-to-electricity converters.

CIRCLE 243 ON READER SERVICE CARD

INDUCTIVE DEVICES Vanguard Electronics Co., 3384 Motor Ave., Los Angeles 34, Calif., has published a catalog presenting specifications and dimensional diagrams for inductive devices.

CIRCLE 244 ON READER SERVICE CARD

SERVOMOTOR GENERATOR Beckman Instruments Inc., Helipot Div., 2500 Fullerton Rd., Fullerton, Calif. A servomotor generator, wound for 115 v, 400 cycle excitation is described in a single data sheet.

#### CIRCLE 245 ON READER SERVICE CARD

COMPUTER RESOLVERS Theta Instrument Corp., 520 Victor St., Saddle Brook, N. J., "Primer for Computing Resolvers" covers properties such as function and axis error and techniques of measurement.

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MOTORS Bodine Electric Co., 2500 W. Bradley Place, Chicago 18, Ill. The construction and operation of several instrument motor models is discussed in a 28-page brochure. Please request copies on company letterheads.



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Fairchild Adds to Mt. View Plant

FAIRCHILD SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. has begun construction on a new 40,000 sq ft addition (wing at right in sketch) to its transistor manufacturing and headquarters facility in Mountain View, Calif. Robert N. Noyce, vice president and general manager, said the addition would cost more than \$500,000.

Scheduled for completion this fall, the new structure will bring Fairchild's total office and manufacturing space at 454 Whisman Road to 108,000 sq ft.

Julius Blank, Fairchild's manager of facilities, said the original building was completed in August 1959 and cost approximately \$1 million. The company also has 56,000 sq ft of other plant space in the Mountain View-Palo Alto area and

### Infrared Industries To Double Capacity

INFRARED INDUSTRIES, INC., has started construction of a 15,000 sq ft addition to its plant on Route 128, Waltham, Mass., which will double present plant capacity.

The new building, representing an investment of approximately \$250,000, will provide additional laboratory facilities for expanded production and engineering programs in the company's Photoconductor Division, according to William E. Standring, general manager.

Approximately 50 new positions will be created following completion of the new facility on June 15, Standring said. a 55,000 sq ft diode plant in San Rafael.

Noyce said the expansion was necessary because the firm had doubled its share of the semiconductor market last year and plans to double its product line this year.

In addition to manufacturing high-performance silicon transistors and diodes, the company has recently introduced a line of electronic building blocks called Micrologic elements for computers. It has also entered the industrial transistor market and the transistor test equipment market and now has a work force of 1,550.

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G-D/Electronics Promotes Jacque

APPOINTMENT of Raymond F. Jacque as manager of quality assurance in the military products division of General Dynamics/Electronics, Rochester, N. Y., is announced. Prior to this assignment he was assistant manager of quality control in the division for seven years.

### Giannini Tabs Two For Promotion

**PROMOTION** of two men to positions of division management was recently announced by Neil Curry, manager of Giannini Controls Corp.'s servo component division.

Russell Reid, former contracts administrator, becomes operations manager. Neil Saldinger, former project engineer, moves up to assistant chief engineer.



### Copolymer Corporation Elects Carpenter

COPOLYMER CORP., Los Angeles, Calif., reinforced plastics firm, recently elected Carey Carpenter executive vice president.

Active in reinforced plastics since 1953, Copolymer will broaden its research and development effort under the former Swedlow Inc. technical manager to bid for an increased part in the field of ablative and structural missile and space components.

### Adler Electronics Fills New Posts

GORDON S. JONES has been appointed manufacturing engineering supervisor in the operations division of Adler Electronics, New Rochelle, N. Y. He was formerly with Du-Mont Laboratories, Clifton, N. J.

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### El-Tronics Appoints Melvin Salveson

EL-TRONICS, INC., Warren, Pa., has named Melvin E. Salveson as president of its Alwac Division, at Hawthorne, Calif. This division manufactures digital computers for scientific calculations.

Salveson was systems research manager and consultant in operations research for the General Electric Co. for several years, and has headed up his own consultant firm since 1957.



### Burnell Names Lurie Chief Engineer

WILLIAM B. LURIE, former senior project engineer and program director of General Precision Laboratories, Inc., has joined Burnell & Co., Inc., Pelham, N. Y., manufacturer of electronic filters and delay lines, as chief engineer. He will be in charge of design and engineering administration, and will also coordinate engineering and re-



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Hennessey previously was associated with Lockheed Missile Systems Division as a research scientist on antennas for space vehicle applications.



Philco Names D. G. Fink V-P for Research

DONALD G. FINK has been appointed vice president for research of Philco Corp., Philadelphia, Pa. He was formerly director of research and general manager of the research division.

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As chief scientist, Sheingold will have responsibility for providing technical advice on Air Force plans, programs and requirements. Appointment of a chief scientist is made for a one-year period.



### Daystrom-Pacific Names V-P & G-M

KENNETH M. MILLER, formerly vice president of Motorola Aviation Electronics, has been named vice president and general manager of Daystrom-Pacific, Los Angeles, Calif., a division of Daystrom, Inc.

Miller previously served as general manager and earlier as chief engineer of the Lear Cal Division of Lear, Inc.



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had spent nine years with the E. W. Bliss Co. of Canton, O., as a senior electronic specialist and assistant chief engineer.

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