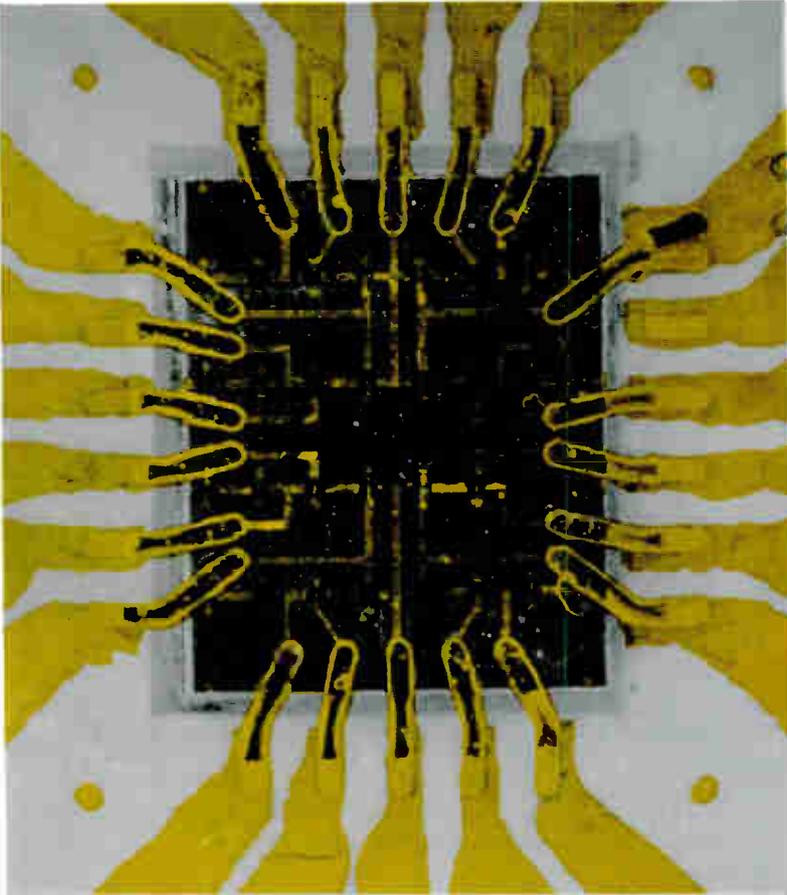


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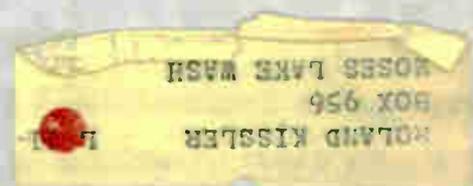
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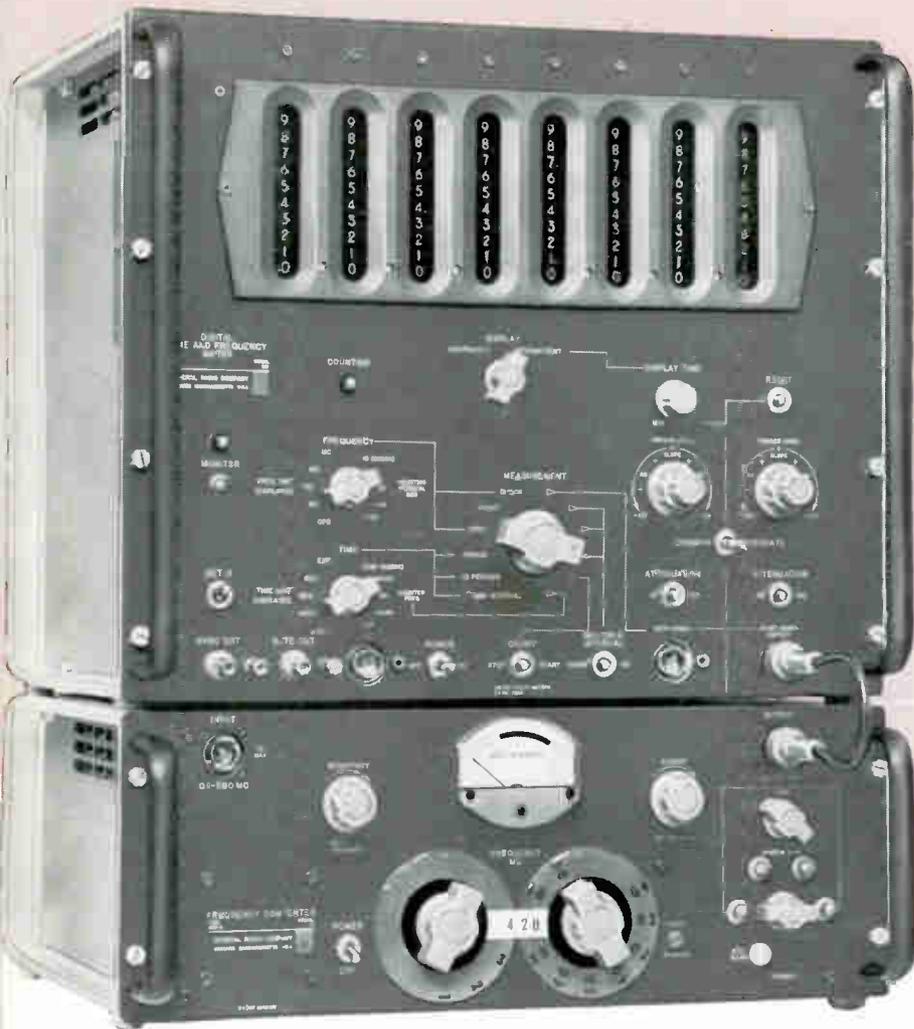
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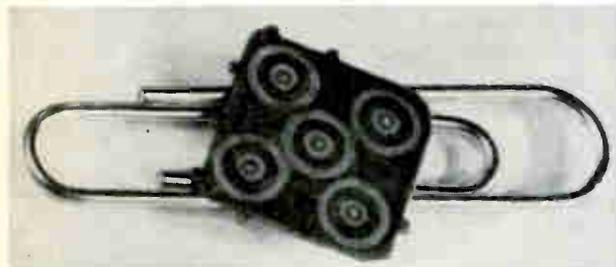
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Microminiaturization Coming of Age



PERENNIAL OPTIMISTS and perennial pessimists can be equally detrimental to progress. This thought was brought home to us while gathering material for the special feature on microminiaturization beginning on p 45.

Recent progress in the design and application of integrated circuits, for example, is little short of amazing. Such circuits are now being incorporated into special-purpose digital computers and major military weapons systems (see p 26) despite early reactions resulting from too much ballyhoo on the one hand and too much cold water on the other.

As Harrell Noble, of the Electronics Technology Laboratory at Wright-Patterson AFB, said in our May 11, 1962, issue, when an Air Force team began a search for some new method of simply performing electronic functions back in 1953 they found two people in one laboratory who appeared to know what they wanted. And even these two said technology had not advanced far enough to permit solution of the problem. Others, at the same time, were painting glowing pictures for the future but offering little help.

Who is responsible for the solutions now rapidly being brought to bear? In our opinion just a few solid citizens in the military and industry who refused to be frightened off either by the early ballyhoo or by the imposing technical problems. They said, in effect, "this is what is needed, we have some keys to it, let's find more as fast as we intelligently can and then build it." And they did.

The over-optimistic and the over-pessimistic initially frightened off many good men in the middle who could have contributed greatly to

microminiaturization. This has happened before, and will happen again, in the exponentially-growing electronics industry.

We need more of these men in the middle, men who look ahead, but with good timing and good judgment.

SPACE WORKHORSE. A space vehicle to be launched this summer may turn out to be the DC 47 of orbital flight. Designated OGO (Orbiting Geophysical Observatory) for its initial flight, it is the first general purpose vehicle for space exploration. The basic design may remain frozen for several years.

The purpose of the vehicle (see p 61) is to provide a couple of cubic yards of orbiting laboratory. Instead of the satellite being wrapped around the experiments to be carried aloft, the experiment will be tailored to an off-the-shelf vehicle. The airborne laboratory comes with all modern conveniences including solar cells to supply power, attitude stabilizers and space-to-ground links.

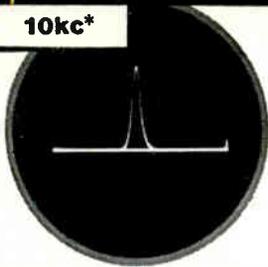
NEW OLD WORLD. India is a country more famous for its metaphysical investigations than its physical research. Yet India has vigorous programs of scientific research on many fronts. Besides the industrial and university laboratories, there are government supported research establishments that investigate the same natural phenomena that scientists in the Western world have been probing.

Quite recently too, several American and European firms have set up subsidiaries there, and will build laboratories for fundamental research. Many Indian engineers and scientists obtain their graduate training in America and Europe, frequently returning to industrial posts in India with a broader technological background than many a home-grown American Ph.D.

As proof of the pudding this week, we are publishing an article (p 71) by staffers of the Indian National Physical Laboratory, in New Delhi—a laboratory that closely parallels our own National Bureau of Standards. The report is on a new method of speeding up a binary counter, using feedback.

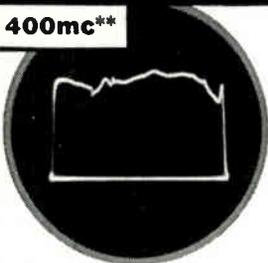
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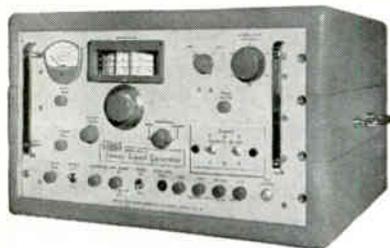


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COMMENT

Women Engineers

In response to the letter from Mrs. Coleman (Comment, p 4, Dec. 12, 1962):

Mrs. Coleman is perhaps not aware of the widespread efforts of the Society of Women Engineers to seek out engineering talent among women, and to encourage their development both as engineering professionals and as happy, fulfilled individuals.

I do not agree with Mrs. Coleman. There are women engineers. They earn excellent salaries. They are happy in their work—and they are lucky enough to be living the lives they chose to lead. There will be more and more of them as the years roll on. But in our highly-valued home- and family-oriented culture, women alone will never solve the engineering shortage. We must look to better utilization of all our trained engineering manpower—including both men and women—to do that.

But I will say this: If you know a girl with technical talent who really wants to be an engineer—by all means encourage her in her aspirations. For by so doing you will help her to do in life what she really wants to do—and that, after all, is the only sure road to her happiness and your freedom! What kind of an engineer she becomes is up to her; but whether she becomes one at all may well be up to you.

AILEEN CAVANAUGH

Society of Women Engineers
New York, New York

Flat-Plane vs End-Fire Antennas

Concerning your article entitled New Telemetry Antenna Adds Flexibility (p 48, Feb. 1), certain fundamental properties of end-fire arrays in general, and more recent work in particular, require further consideration. We have found the following:

Mechanical: A four-element array of about 8 ft square and 6 ft deep has the same gain as an approximately 12 ft square \times 2 ft deep conventional dipole mattress array. The end-fire array has a quasicubical shape with the center

of pedestal axes intersection at the center of gravity and close to the center of wind pressure from all aspects. This results in lower inertia, no overhung mass, much smaller swept volume and more flexibility since counterweights and wind sails are not required. Safe antenna stowage is thus achieved at any orientation.

Electrical: Boresight errors due to polarization and frequency are mainly caused by unbalance of the antenna radiators. A four-element end-fire array constitutes only a two-element interferometer; its element number n (advantage \sqrt{n}) has resulted in total combined measured boresight errors due to polarization and frequency of less than 0.05 deg, an order of magnitude less than figures quoted.

In addition, end-fires permit simultaneous multiple frequency band operation while mattress arrays are often considerably less flexible. In such other areas as polarization diversity, method of track, etc., both techniques can be equal.

Reliability: Since an end-fire antenna employs few active elements and makes up its gain by the parasitically excited end-fire directors, fewer transmission losses, radiator matching structures, and power divider components will be required. This reduces the number of failures that may occur at various interconnecting points and critical local areas.

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Variable-Width Pulses

In reference to my article, How to Produce Variable Width Pulses (p 48, Dec. 21, 1962):

In Fig. 1, resistor R_3 should not be connected to the collector of transistor Q_2 , but to -24 volts. And diode D_2 should be a PS005.

In Fig. 2, resistor R_2 should go to $+18$ v.

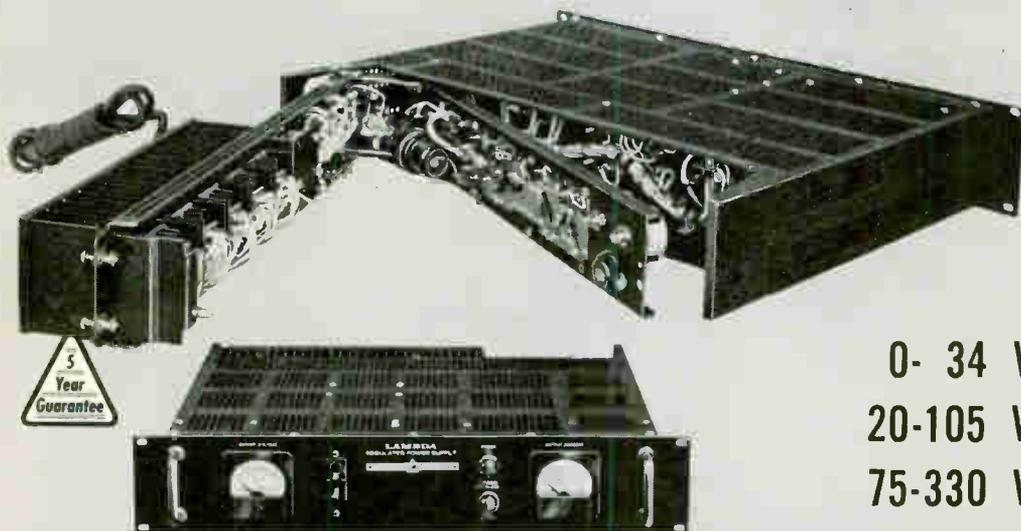
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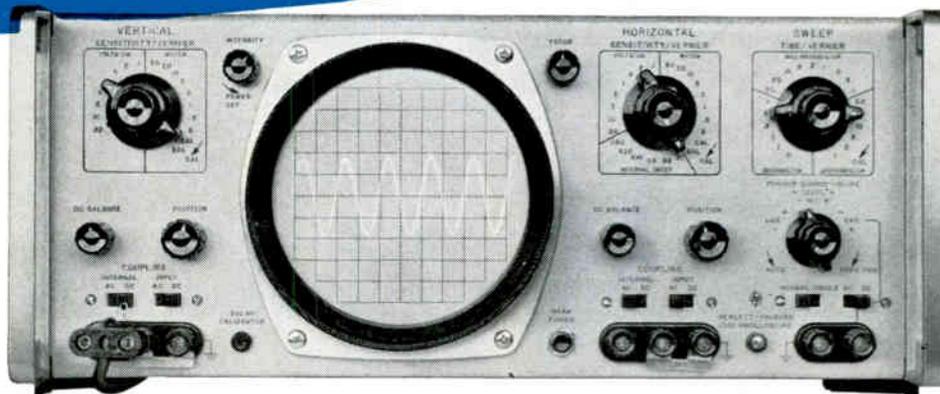
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Soviets Latching Onto Echo II Satellite

U.S. AND SOVIET plans for cooperative experiments with the Echo II passive communications satellite balloon (p 7, Dec. 14, 1962) are firming up. Technical arrangements are expected to be ironed out when Hugh L. Dryden, NASA's deputy administrator, meets with his Soviet counterpart in Rome next month.

Facsimile, teletypewriter, telephone and radio signals may be bounced for about 15 minutes a week between the ground station at Andover, Me., and one in western Russia.

Construction of an American ground station in Alaska is reportedly being considered for communication with a Soviet station in Siberia. This could increase communications time considerably. The two stations would be in sight of Echo for much longer periods.

Meanwhile, the U.S. plans to use Echo II for tests of transmission medium characteristics, to study modulation and demodulation, and to analyze acquisition, tracking and orbital data. USAF will use a communications terminal at Floyd, N.Y., transmitter at Trinidad, and transportable station near Buffalo, N.Y.

Instead of inflating Echo with low-pressure gas, NASA may try dividing it into sections and filling each with high-pressure gas to eliminate the danger of rupture from sudden total inflation. Should NASA make the change, the launch date would be rescheduled. Launch is now planned for spring.

Duobinary Coding Speeds Up Data Flow

DUOBINARY CODING will speed up radio and telephone-line data transmission to 2,400 bits a second, or 3,200 words a minute, according to General Telephone & Electronics. System developed by Lenkurt should result in broader and more economical use of communications facilities, GT&E claims. The coding

technique is to convert binary 1's to either plus or minus pulses with a multivibrator according to the pattern of intervening binary 0's. The 0's remain unchanged. System can be used with any linear modulation method but f-m is most suitable.

Coherent Green-Light Source Is Achieved

INTENSE, coherent light in the green spectrum has been generated by Lear Siegler using an infrared laser and harmonic generating material. The company thinks it could pave the way for underwater laser communication and surveillance techniques. However, a true green laser, one generating coherent green light directly, has yet to be achieved. Many researchers are attempting to perfect a green laser.

So far, the device has put out

over 10 Kw of coherent radiation with a bandwidth of 2 angstroms centered on 5,300 angstroms. Peak powers of several megawatts may be obtained soon. An output beam from a neodymium-doped glass laser is projected into a nonlinear crystal (KDP or ADP) that generates a second harmonic with a wavelength of 0.53 microns. Beam width of the emitted green light is approximately 1 milliradian. The multiplier has a conversion efficiency of 1 to 3 percent. It was developed at LSI's Laser Systems Center, formerly Trion Instruments.

New Optical Diode and Transistor Are Planned

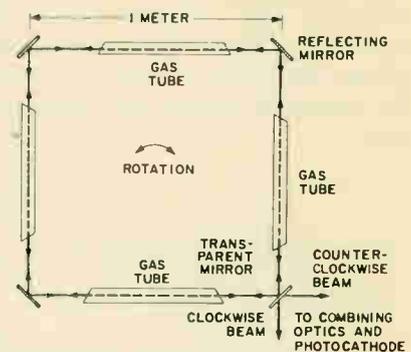
BOSTON—Solid-State device group at MIT Lincoln Laboratory is preparing experimental techniques for fabrication of high-speed photodiode and beam-of-light transistor,

Ring of Lasers Acts as Gyroscope

GYROSCOPE without moving parts may result from Sperry laser system (p 7, Feb. 8) that measures rate of rotation.

Four helium-neon lasers in series along a closed optical path emit identical coherent light beams, one clockwise and one counterclockwise. When the entire device is rotated, optical light path length in each direction effectively changes, since the speed of light is constant, and the frequencies of the two beams are altered in opposite directions. Beat note picked up in one corner is used for direct digital indication of rate of rotation and, when integrated, for total amount turned.

In a demonstration last week, laser beams of 2.61×10^{14} cps produced beat frequencies in the audio range, achieving a resolution of 2 degrees per minute. Resolution, said Sperry scientists, is limited



only by ability of detecting instruments to pick up and measure extremely low beat frequencies.

Sperry expects to develop a practical device under an Air Force contract. Ring laser devices will be insensitive to linear accelerations, gravity forces and vibrations, Sperry indicated. Absence of intricate mechanical parts machining would make production costs low

both device structures based on gallium-arsenide heterojunctions. Proposed diode would be high-speed photodetector for radiation emitted from either coherent or incoherent gallium arsenide diode infrared source. The new transistor would have infrared-emitting gallium-arsenide *p-n* junction as emitter and an *n*-gallium arsenide, *p*-germanium heterojunction as collector.

Among advantages of beam-of-light transistor predicted by Lincoln Lab design group is use of very low lifetime material, thus possibly opening transistor field to variety of low-lifetime semiconductor materials.

Ask Australia to Join British Satellite Plan

MELBOURNE — Australian government will be presented this week with a plan to join a \$450-million Commonwealth communications satellite scheme. Basil de Ferranti of Britain's Ferranti Ltd., partner in British Space Development Corp., says Australian share would be about one tenth of total cost and would provide 1,000 telephone channels to Britain and one tv channel. Australia now has 10 telephone channels to Britain. Project would reduce cost of telephone calls between the two countries by half, de Ferranti said. System would use twelve satellites orbiting 7,000 miles above the equator and could be operative within five years, he said.

New Satellite Series to Get Atomic Power Supply

WASHINGTON—AEC is negotiating a \$180,000 contract with Martin Marietta to develop a 20-watt Snap for NASA's satellite Imp (Interplanetary Monitoring Probe). The new Snap will probably be a scaled-down Snap 9-a, the 25-watt, plutonium-fueled device being developed by Martin for Navy's Transit navigation satellite.

Imp is designed to collect radiation and magnetic field data from around 110 miles to 150,000 miles from earth. Seven or more Imps

are now in the program. Part of their mission is to provide solar flare predictions for Apollo.

NASA wants to fly an Imp satellite powered by two Snaps in about 20 months. Weight limit for both Snaps is 45 lb. Meanwhile, at least two other Imps with solar power will be flown, starting this fall. The 130-lb satellite is being developed by Goddard Space Flight Center.

Two Computer Makers Will Exchange Patents

DETROIT—Burroughs and IBM have entered into a licensing agreement under which each makes its patent rights covering information handling systems available to the other. The agreement is retroactive, covering all existing patents, plus any that may be developed in the five years beginning February 7.

A Burroughs source stated that Burroughs does not feel it gained any immediate advantage, that the object was freedom to pursue research without worrying whether the two companies might be traveling a parallel path. There will be no exchange of prepatent information. Similar agreements have been made between IBM and RCA and Sperry Rand.

Radar Antenna Tilts Beam Electronically

LONDON—Radar height-finding antenna developed by Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. tilts the beam by frequency-sweeping, using a delay line. Full performance details are still classified but antenna sidelobes are 32 db down on the main beam and the vertical scanning arc exceeds 70 degrees. Data acquisition is faster due to the inertialess tilting and the integration of the height finding and surveillance radars. An experimental 10-cm swept-frequency antenna has been successfully tested up to 3-Mw peak power.

Frequency sweeping technique uses a 12½-foot-long, helically wound waveguide as a delay line to illuminate a duraluminum cylindrical parabolic reflector. Another approach is to stack zigzag coaxial delay lines rectangular matrix.

In Brief . . .

AIR FORCE estimates each of the 1,000 Phantom aircraft it is buying (see p 12) will carry about \$250,000 in airborne electronics.

ARMY will buy \$20.2-million worth of AN/PRC-25 man-packed transistor radio sets in the year starting July 1.

ELECTRICAL wiring problems in the Atlas 130-D will delay Astronaut Leroy Cooper's Mercury orbital flight, which had been scheduled for April.

MAJOR JAPANESE set makers will bring out 16-inch color-tv sets with 90-degree-deflection picture tubes this spring. New size is being introduced in an attempt to make set acceptable to both domestic and export markets.

FAIRCHILD STRATOS will build a two-ton meteoroid detection satellite costing up to \$10 million, for NASA. Aluminum-Mylar skins of 96-foot-wide wings will act as huge capacitors, discharged upon each penetration by a meteoroid, providing signal pulse.

RCA OFFICIALLY announced this week its development of an insulated-gate field-effect transistor (see p 45).

ON FEBRUARY 25, small business firms will be sent invitations to bid, by Air Force Electronic Systems Division, Bedford, Mass., for programmed instruction techniques to train personnel in troubleshooting at Sage sites.

MAGNAVOX has a \$4.8-million contract from Air Force for airborne uhf communications equipment. Gear will be shipped to Germany under NATO agreements.

ILS LOCALIZER antenna installed at London Airport by Standard Telephones and Cable, an ITT associate, is 160 feet wide, twice standard size. Beam is only 4 degrees wide. With its aid, the first completely automatic landing in fog has been made at the airport, ITT says.

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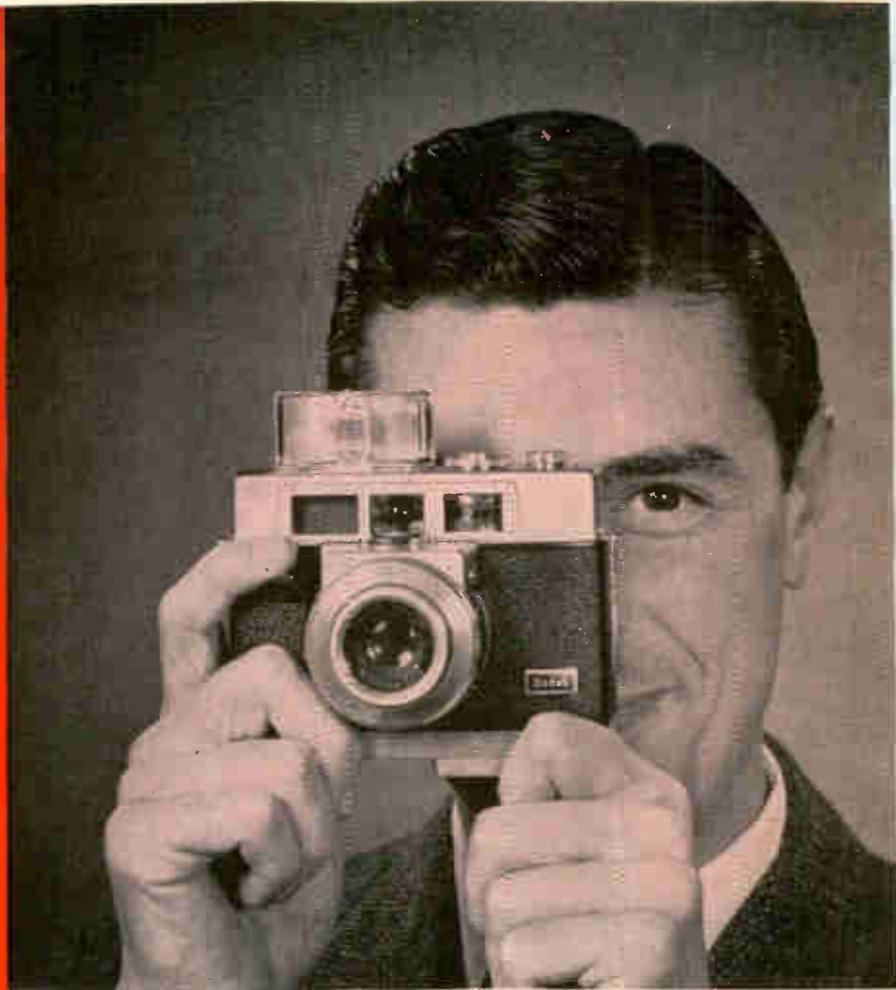
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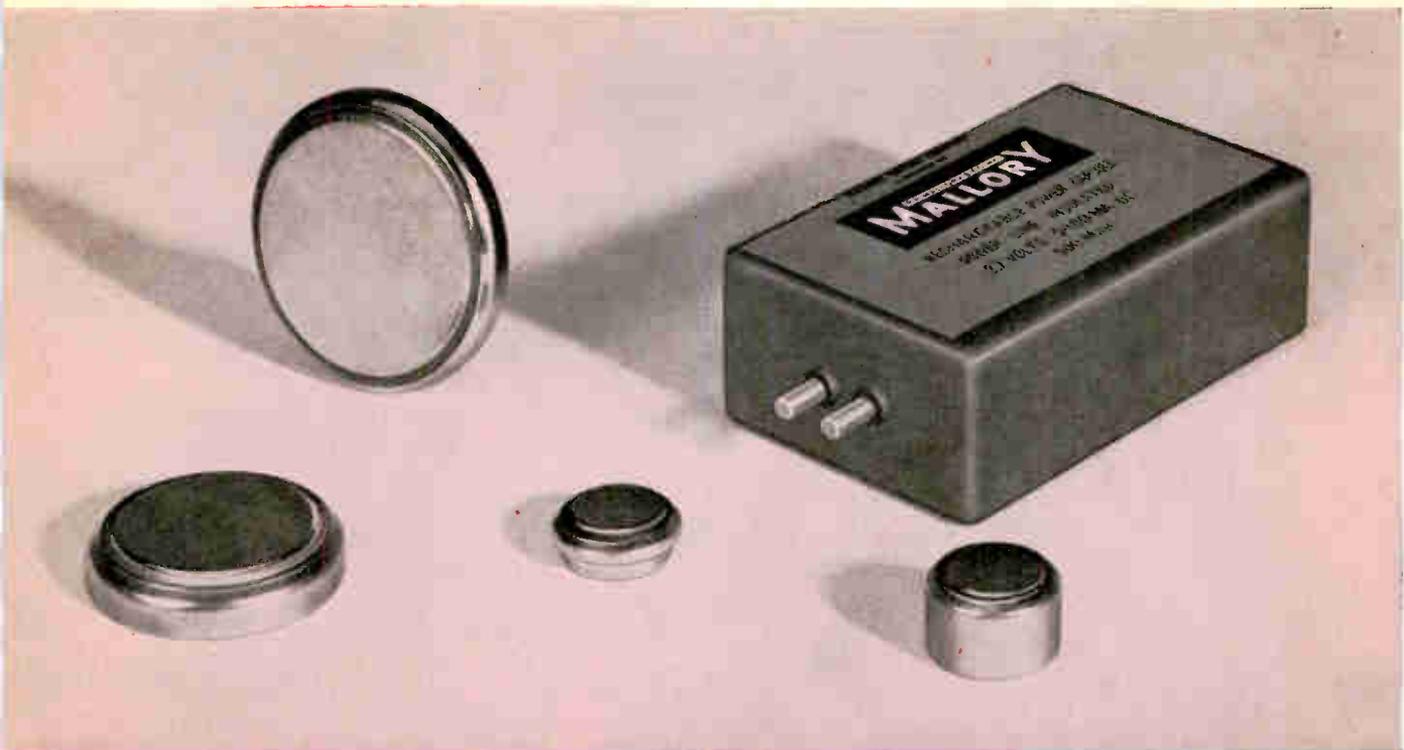


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WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

PENTAGON IS STUDYING ITS CONTRACTORS' WELL-BEING

PENTAGON is preparing a "comprehensive white paper" on the impact of government procurement policies on the defense and space industries. It will define fundamental issues to be ironed out by the Defense Department and industry over the next decade.

Among the key questions: How to preserve maximum private enterprise for companies essentially in a "captive" industry with one customer? What earnings level will sustain a healthy industrial base? How to absorb major changes in development and production programs resulting from technology, global politics, even disarmament?

Assistant Defense Secretary Thomas Morris, in charge of DOD logistics policy, plans to use the paper as a long-range agenda for Defense Industry Advisory Council meetings.

ASW DESTROYER MAJOR R&D TASK FOR NAVY

ANTISUBMARINE-WARFARE destroyer escort proposed by Navy would be designed from the keel up for ASW service—the first Navy ship so designed and the first new class of Navy vessels in many years. It would be crammed with electronic equipment. Navy plans to devote a significant part of its fiscal 1964 R&D effort to the ship. First prototype and the program are to be called *Sea Hawk*.

FCC ORGANIZES UHF BROADCAST ADVISORY PANEL

INDUSTRY ADVISORY GROUP will help FCC deal with problems in developing uhf broadcasting. To be organized at the National Association of Broadcasters' convention in Chicago next month, the group signifies FCC eagerness to avoid in uhf the painful experiences of early f-m broadcasting. The group, headed by Commissioner Robert E. Lee, will provide a "continuing forum," allowing FCC to take timely action on uhf problems. An early objective will be to encourage industry and the public to think of an "all-channel" tv system, instead of uhf and vhf.

Industry cooperation—led by EIA—on all-channel tv set questions pleased FCC. EIA is expected to play a key role again, but the new group will be broadly based, including NAB, the Association for Competitive Broadcasting, educational broadcasting associations, tv networks and "others who believe they could contribute." The organization has Justice Department approval on antitrust grounds, but must stick to general problems.

AIR FORCE BUYS 1,000 NAVY PLANES

AIR FORCE'S buy of McDonnell Aircraft's F4H Phantom II tactical fighter (F-110) will total more than 1,000 planes over a five-year period and cost some \$2 billion. Navy is also buying several hundred more.

Fire control equipment on the Air Force and Navy versions is expected to differ. One important mission, in the Air Force, will be supporting ground troops, putting stress on air-to-surface capabilities. Navy has "optimized" air-to-air fire control for interceptor missions.

Air Force selected the Navy-developed plane last year and has just received first deliveries. Electronic subcontractors include Texas Instruments, Bendix, Litton Industries, General Electric, Hydon Manufacturing and Electronic Specialty.

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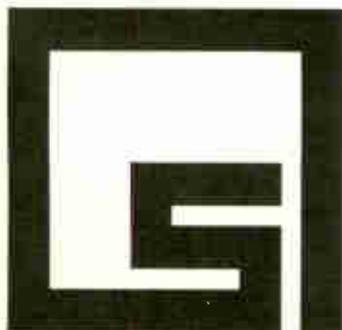
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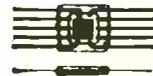
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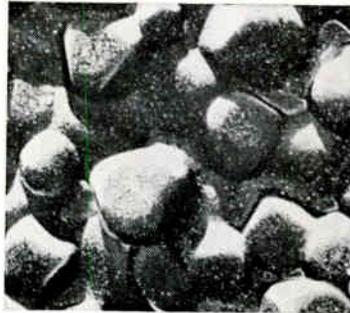
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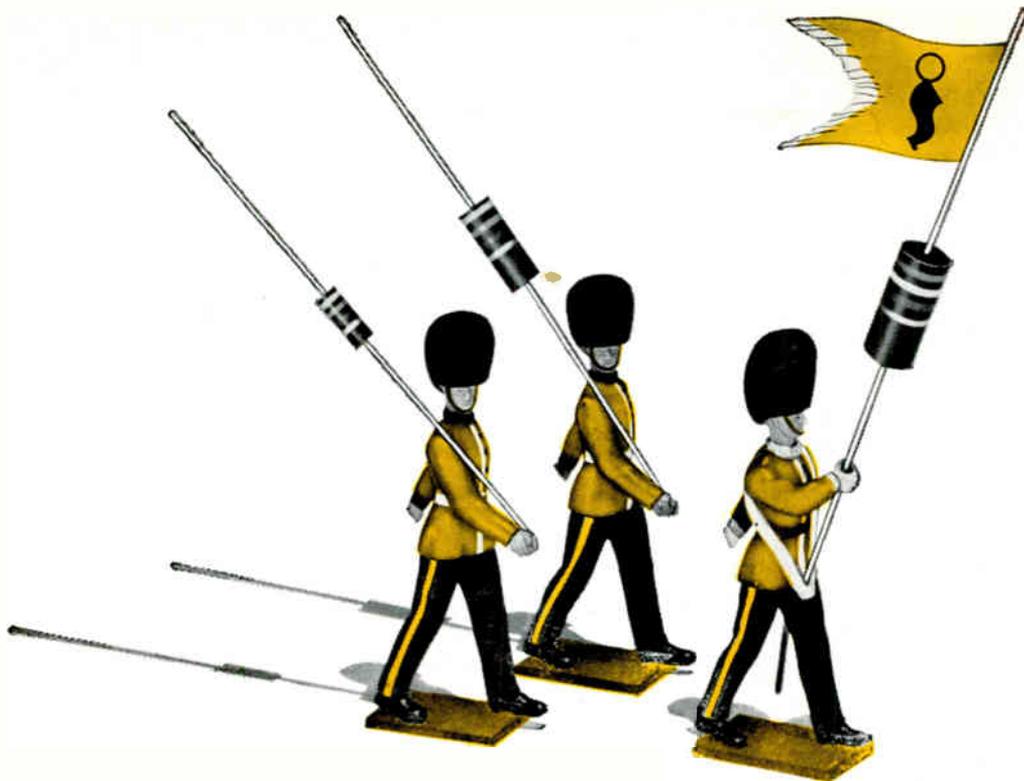
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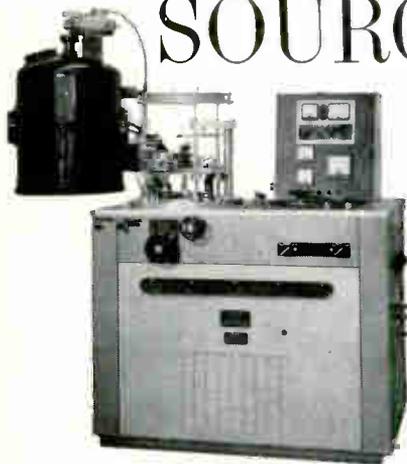


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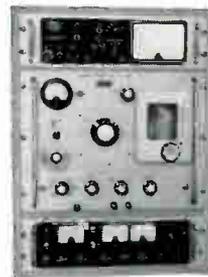
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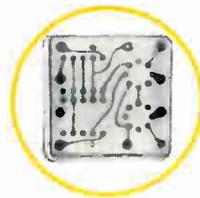
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UNDERSEA TRANSMITTERS TO LOCATE MISSILE IMPACTS

Sound signals will link hydrophones to ship instrumentation

By JOHN W. WASIK
McGraw-Hill World News

CAPE CANAVERAL—A new self-contained missile-impact-location system, remotely controlled by an attending range vessel, will be tried on the Atlantic Missile Range.

Impact-sensing arrays, anchored to the sea floor, are to receive and transmit data acoustically, eliminating cable links to land stations.

Bendix-Pacific is developing the system, known as Star (for Ship Tended Acoustic Relay) under a \$1-million Air Force contract. Estimated operational date if the system works as expected is March 1964. Systems are being tested off the island of Eleuthera.

Once the Star system arrays are in position, AMR will be capable of covering vast expanses of ocean area, such as the South Atlantic and Indian Oceans, never covered before. Array locations will be determined by navigation methods.

Later, navigational satellites like Transit can give more precise locations.

NETWORKS—Two networks are planned for the Star system.

The Broad Ocean Area (BOA) net for large-area location of missile impacts will work with sound fixing and ranging (sofar) bombs carried aboard reentering nose cones or instrument packages. Ejected on impact, the bombs will explode about 3,000 feet deep.

The smaller array, known as a "splash net," can detect the splash and resulting sound propagation of an impact and does not need a sofar bomb. It will pinpoint impacts in preselected target areas.

Both nets will consist of about five units in arrays several miles in diameter. Units will have ship-positioning transponders as well as impact locaters. When interrogated by a range vessel, the transponders will emit an acoustic signal so the ship can orient itself to the array.

The range vessel will be able to turn each individual unit on and off, interrogate the ship positioning transponders and command a unit to surface by actuating an explo-

sive cutters that severs the cable.

BROAD AREA NET—Components of each BOA Net unit will be on a vertical cable, as illustrated.

The transponder, about 100 feet above bottom, will receive an acoustic signal from the vessel and respond acoustically on a different frequency. Time delay will indicate distance between ship and transponder. Interrogation of all units, each on a different frequency, will give ship position relative to the array, within an error of 500 feet at a range of 15 nautical miles.

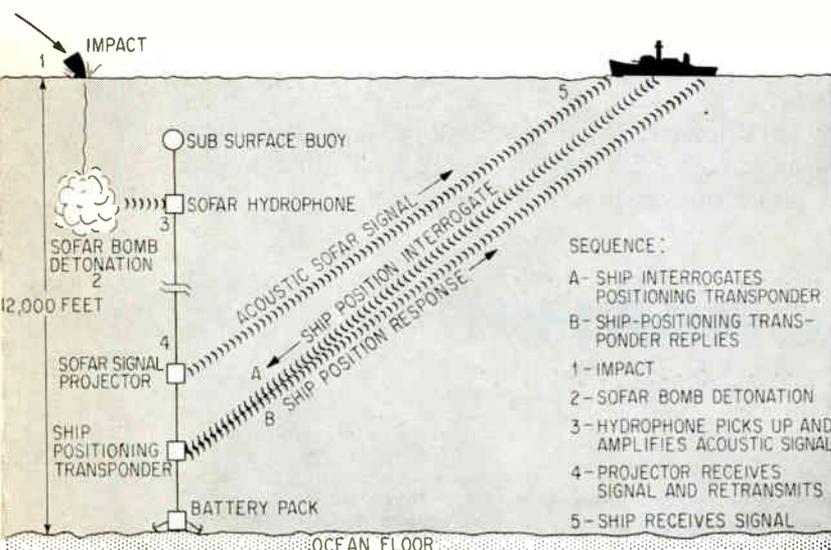
SOFAR TRANSDUCER—The sofar transducer (hydrophone and amplifying equipment) will be positioned in the sound-channel axis of the ocean (an approximately horizontal plane usually at an average depth of 3,000 feet) permitting detection of a sofar bomb detonation several hundred miles away.

The acoustic signal received by the hydrophones is converted into an electrical signal by a piezoelectric device, amplified and sent about 9,000 feet down the cable to a projector. The projector reconverts the signal and emits it on a different acoustic frequency.

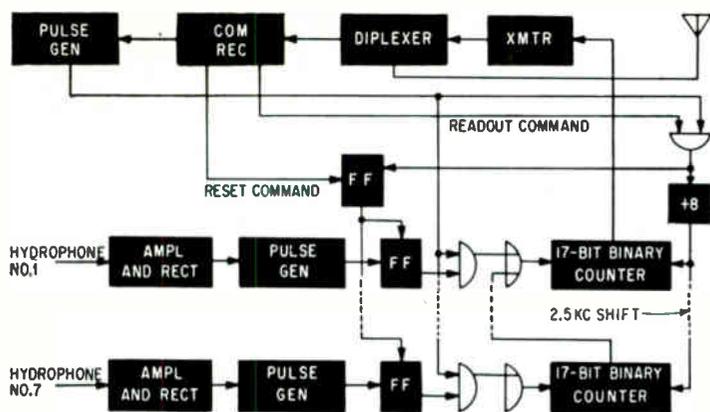
These signals and those from the ship-positioning transponders (also on different frequencies), are recorded with time signals aboard ship. Measurement of signal time delays and triangulation give impact location within miles.

The sofar transponders will also serve for ship-positioning.

The smaller Target Array net will have essentially the same equipment as the BOA net. However, the impact-location hydrophone will be only 300 feet from the projector. The hydrophones will detect the splash of impacts close to the net. Location accuracy will be within an error of 600 feet within 10 nautical miles of the array center.



TWO ACOUSTIC SIGNAL paths are used.
One gives ship's position relative to array and the other gives impact-location signals



BUOY ELECTRONIC system operates on digital commands from the shipboard system. Binary counters (one for each hydrophone) provide a precise timing signal.

Hydrophones Will Track Subs

Experimental system will transmit to ship 10,000 yards away

LOS ANGELES—An experimental, deep-water, submarine detection and tracking system has been installed in an undersea canyon off the Atlantic Coast.

Called Taut Array, the system was built by Martin for the Navy to evaluate an underwater tracking system being considered for Project Autec, the Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center (ELECTRONICS, p 7, Jan. 4)

A report on the system, called Taut Array, was given here two weeks ago at the IRE military electronics conference, by I. G. Raudsep and W. C. Silbert, of Martin.

ARRAY STRUCTURE—The system consists of three vertical strings of hydrophones 2 to 5 miles apart, linked by electronic systems in surface buoys to a data-processing system aboard ship.

Each hydrophone is an anchored submarine cable into which six hydrophones are integrated at depths of about 225, 500, 1,000, 3,900, 4,200 and 4,650 feet. A main subsurface buoy 150 feet deep holds the array taut while an auxiliary buoy 50 feet down carries a seventh hydrophone.

The 7 hydrophones, each a transducer and a transistor preamplifier, have individual transmission lines to the surface.

DATA PROCESSING—The location of the ship is determined by measuring the travel time of an acoustic signal between a ship's projector and each hydrophone in vertical arrays. Maximum range from any array is 10,000 yards.

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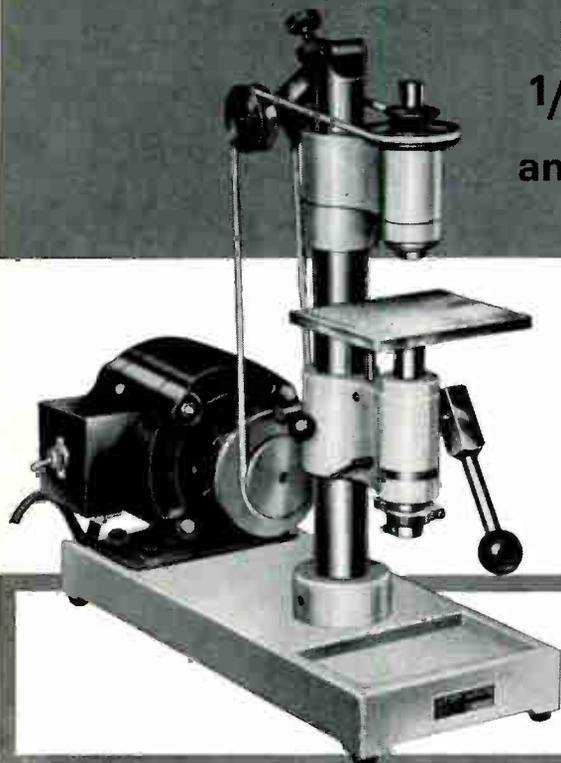
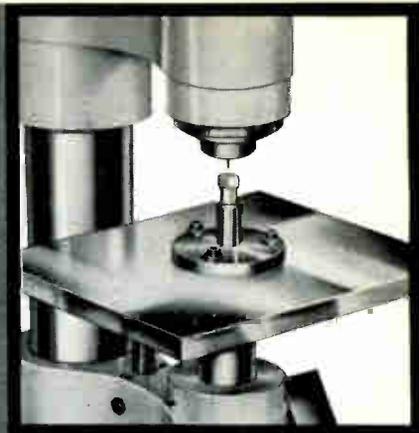
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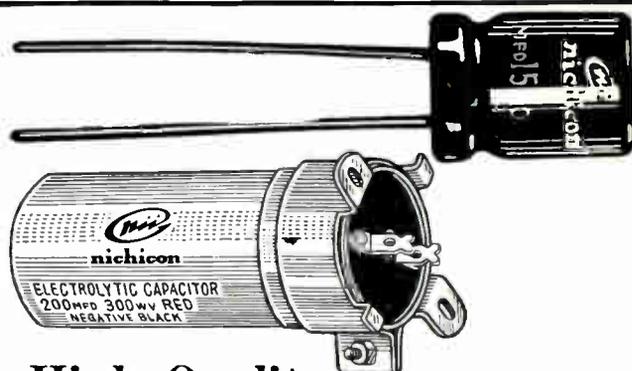
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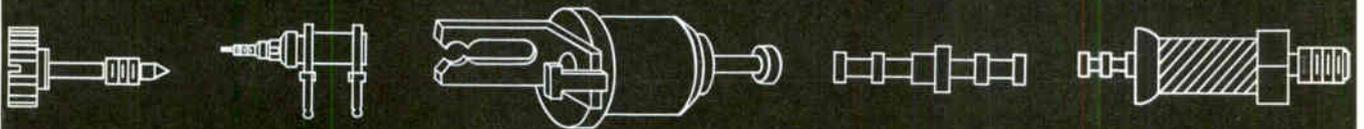
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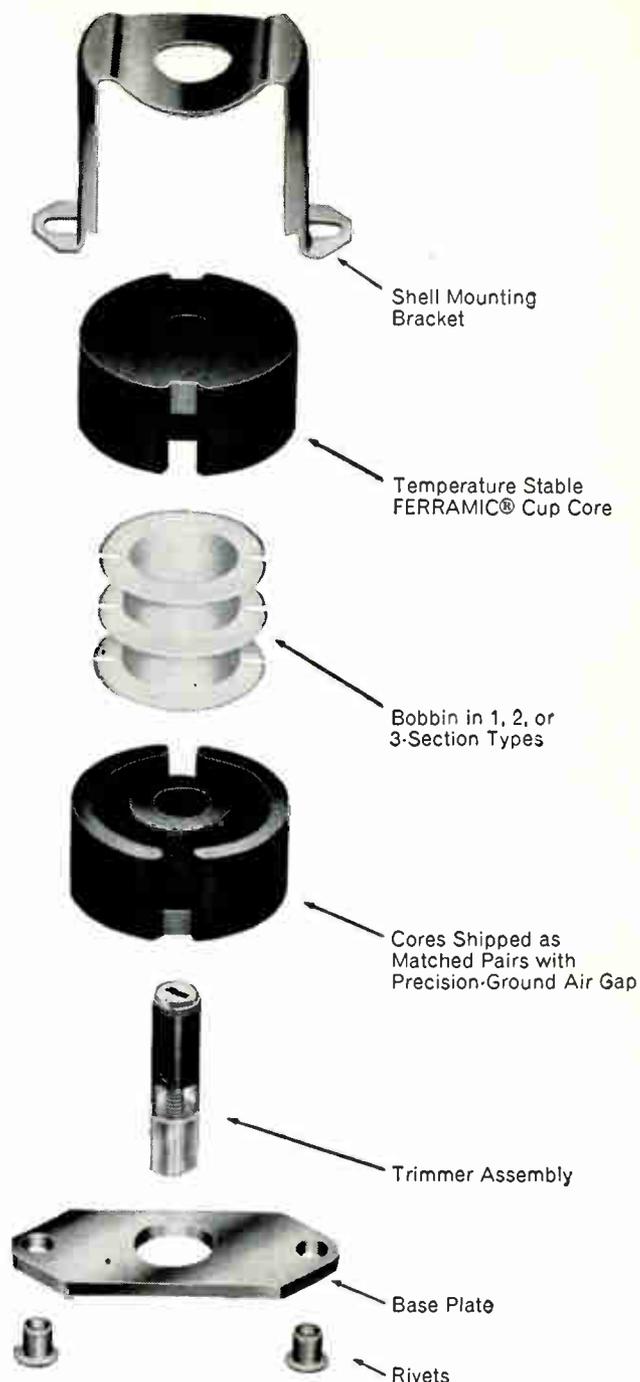
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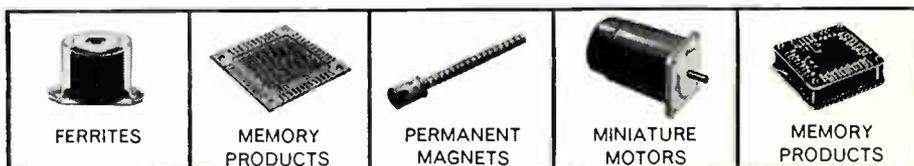
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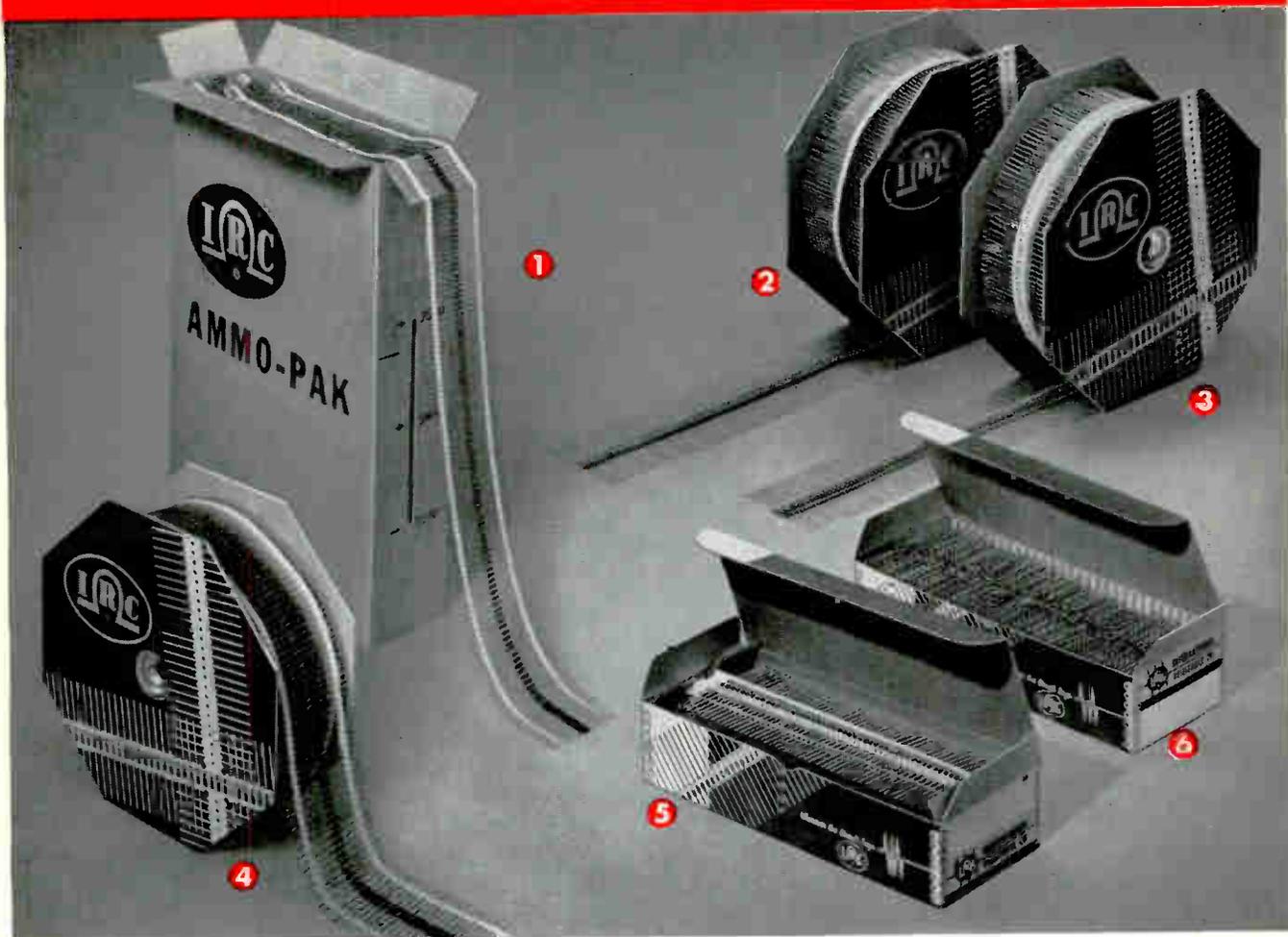
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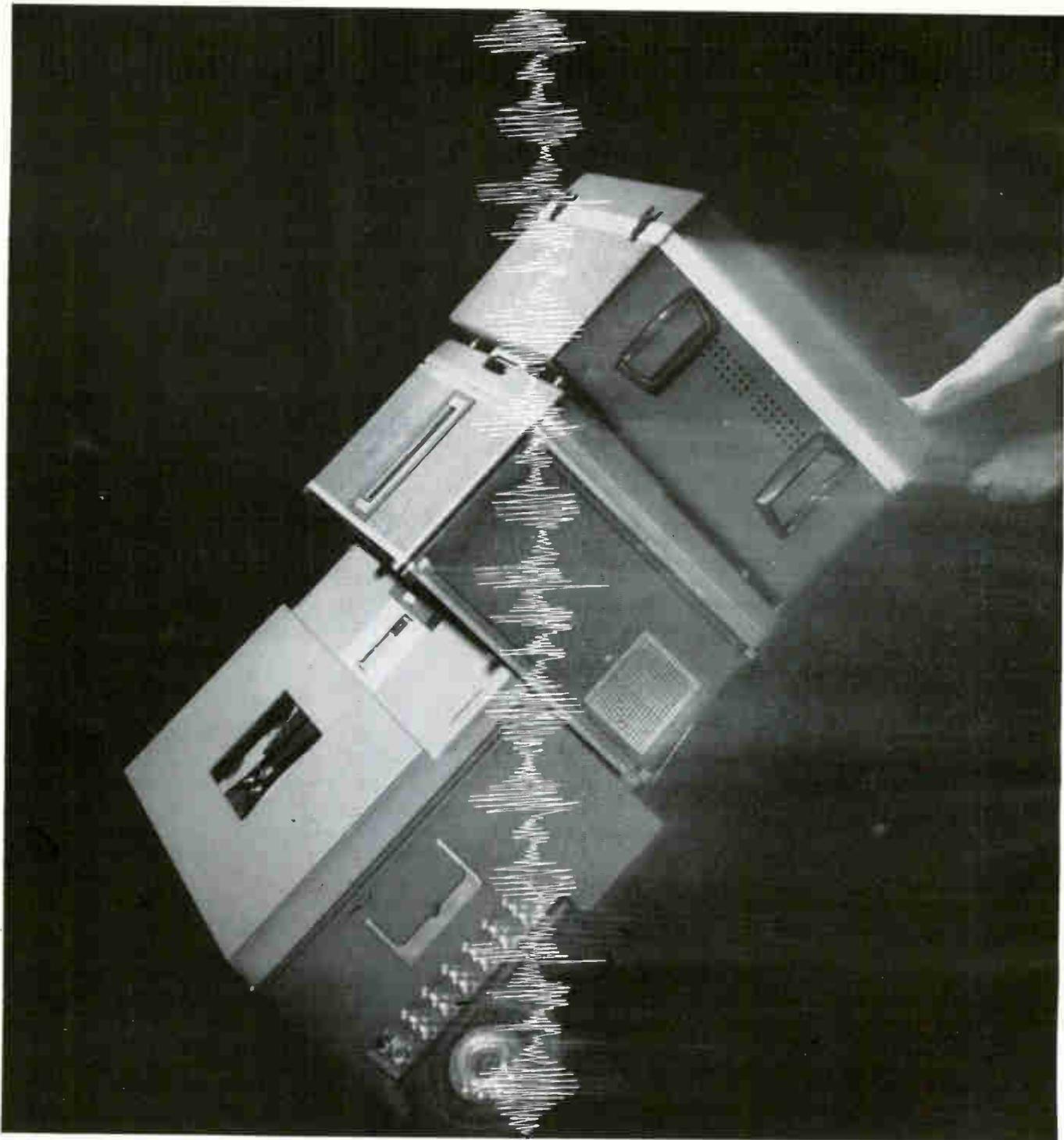
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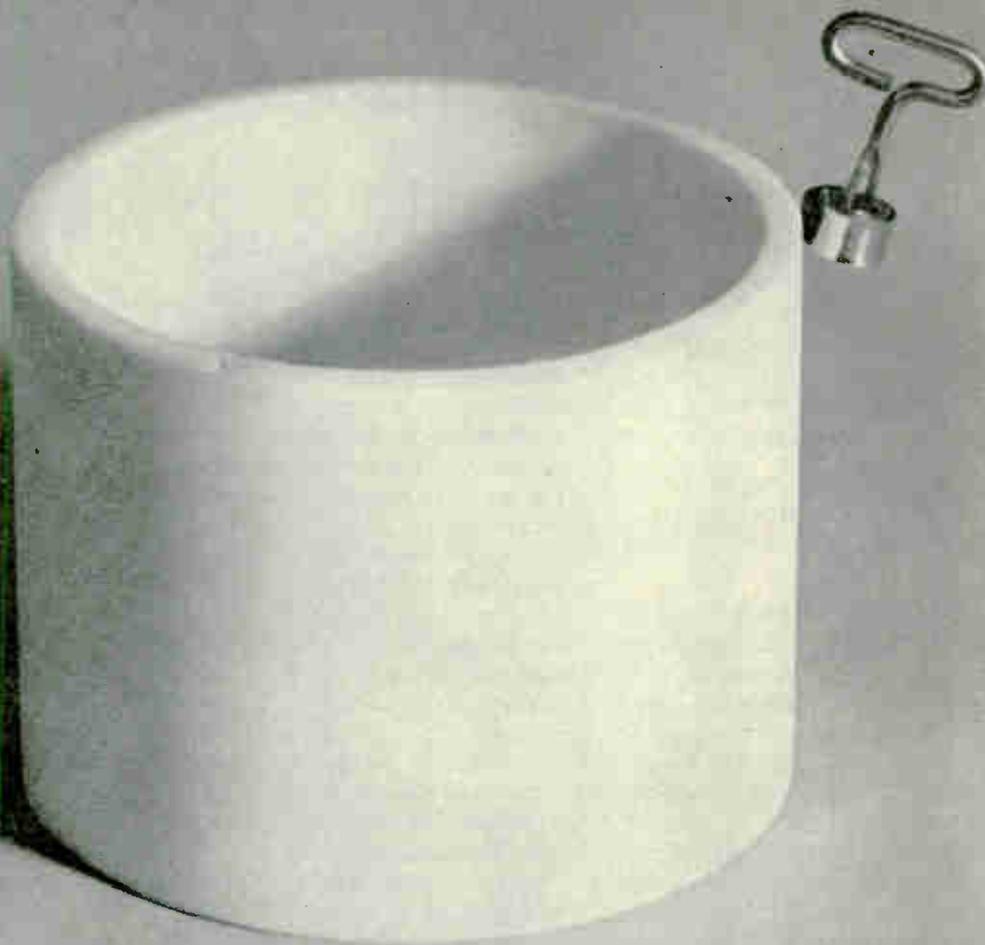
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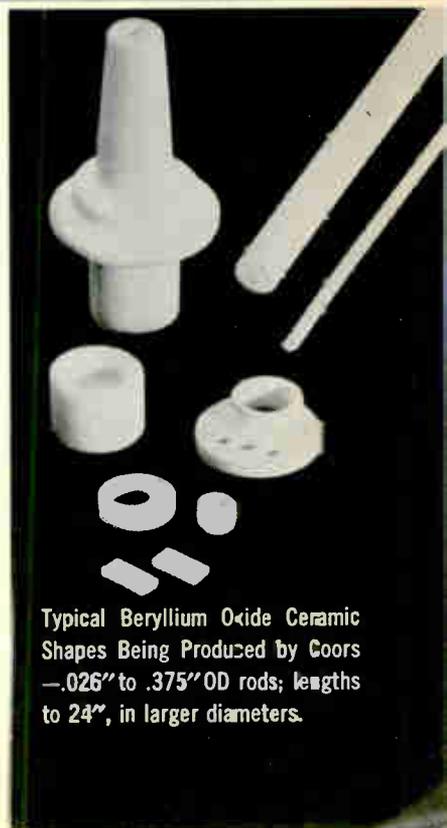
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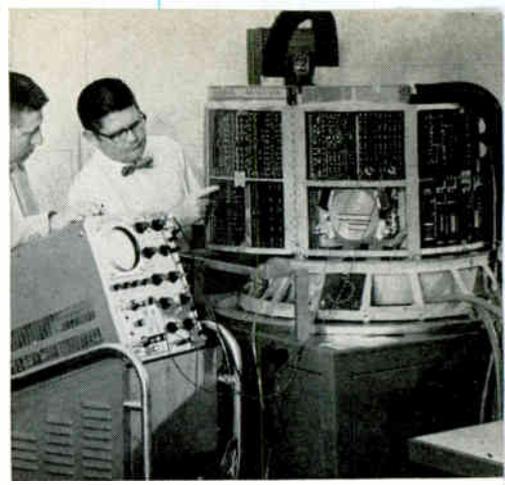
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Integrated Circuits Go Operational

Wholesale use in ICBM will put them on the shelf for other uses

By **HAROLD C. HOOD**
Pacific Coast Editor

LOS ANGELES — Long-heralded swingover by important segments of the electronics industry to integrated circuits use (see p 45) seems assured with the commitment of major portions of the Air Force's improved Minuteman B missile to the new technology.

All electronics packages on the new missile, including guidance computer, flight control, and inertia measuring systems will be micro-miniature.

Benefits to the missile include a considerable increase in range over the 6,300 miles reported for the operational A model, larger warhead capability, vastly improved reliability and a tripling of target-hitting accuracy.

And, wholesale use of the latest semiconductor microcircuits in the program, long noted for its emphasis on reliability, should provide a powerful catalyst for designers on other projects to call out integrated circuits.

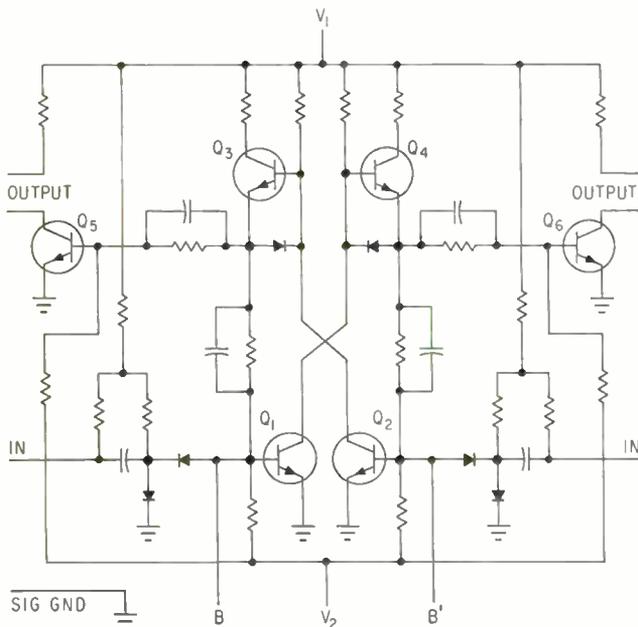
Production contracts for 140,000 integrated circuits have been let by Autonetics division of North American Aviation, associate prime contractor. Initial funding includes \$1.2 million to Texas Instruments, \$300,000 to Westinghouse, and \$300,000 to RCA. These, plus fol-

low-on contracts being drawn up, represent more dollars than all previous production orders combined.

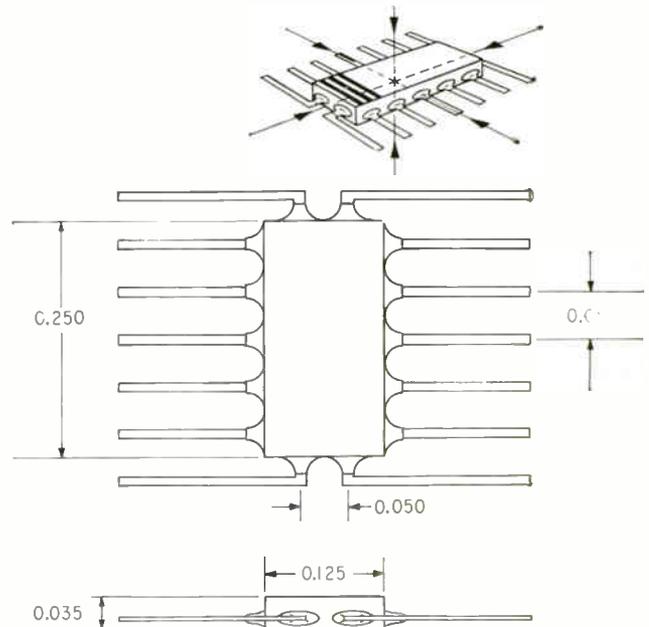
Initial deliveries were last month. Systems are to be tested this year and first launch of a completed bird is expected during 1965.

CIRCUITS ORDERED — Approximately 20 different circuit types, mostly digital for the missile's guidance computer, are being made.

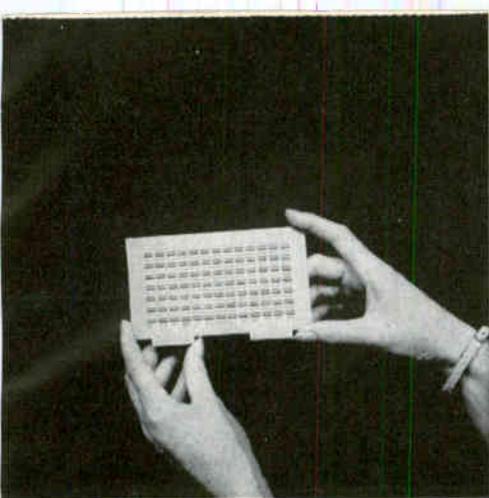
Texas Instruments will produce about 80,000 semiconductor networks including flip-flops, high-gain NAND gates, output drivers, gated write switches and demodulator choppers. Westinghouse will be a second source for many of these. Among RCA circuits will be a new power switch. Eventually, each supplier can supply the entire line.



TYPICAL CIRCUIT for Minuteman computer is this flip-flop. Elements are formed in silicon by the passivated planar process. True state of the flip-flop is defined as Q_3 not conducting and Q_6 conducting



OUTSIDE DIMENSIONS of most of the integrated circuits are $\frac{1}{8}$ by $\frac{1}{8}$ inch. This may represent a size reduction as high as 20 to 30, compared to present Minuteman circuits composed of discrete components



SOME THIN FILMS—Circuits not suited to integrated circuit techniques, primarily the more precise analog circuits and power supplies, will be ceramic-wafer printed circuits (CPC's) carrying thin-film passive elements, micropackaged active elements, or integrated circuit elements.

In some cases an integrated-circuit amplifier is mounted on a CPC with external discrete components and serves as an oscillator or trigger as well. Circuits requiring matched transistors are generally CPC.

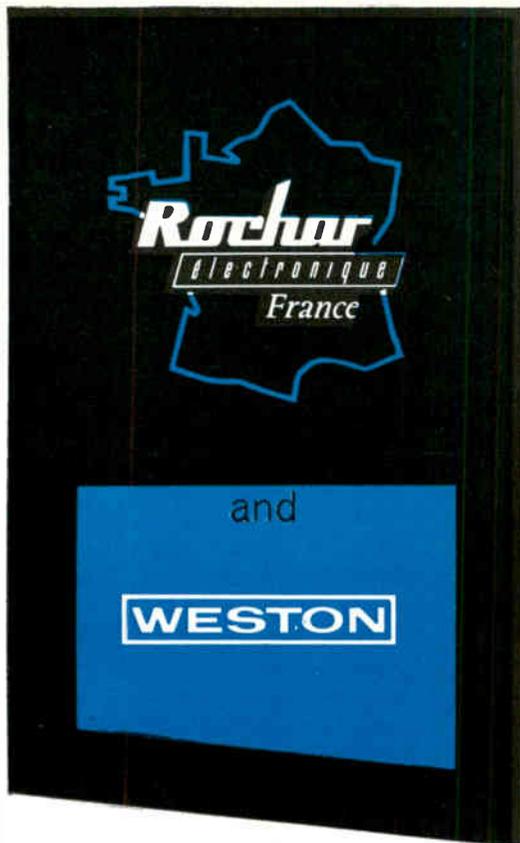
C. P. Ballard, chief engineer of Autonetics' Minuteman division, says half as many integrated circuit elements as discrete components are used throughout the missile, and the average integrated circuit has the equivalent of 10 to 20 discrete components.

Guidance computer for the new bird weighs considerably less than its predecessor. Memory capacity is doubled to handle check-out chores previously relegated to ground support equipment and to upgrade operational capability.

About a tenth of the integrated circuits ordered will wind up in ground support equipment.

COST WILL DROP—One Autonetics official indicates that first circuit ordered will cost about twice that of its discrete component counterpart. Cost of the two should be about equal in follow-on contracts and should cost far less next year, he says.

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BROOKS AFB, TEXAS—Man will be needed in a number of military space missions, Maj. Gen. O. J. Ritland told industry representatives, scientists and physicians at the Aerospace Medical meeting here last week. Ritland is Deputy to the Commander, Air Force Systems Command, for Manned Space Flight.

Highest priority for a manned system, Ritland said, is Satellite Inspector (Saint), a vehicle that will rendezvous with hostile satellites, identify, inspect and, if necessary, destroy them. The unmanned version of this project was recently cut back by the Department of Defense (ELECTRONICS, p 18, Dec. 21, 1962) due to lack of funds, plus the decision to update

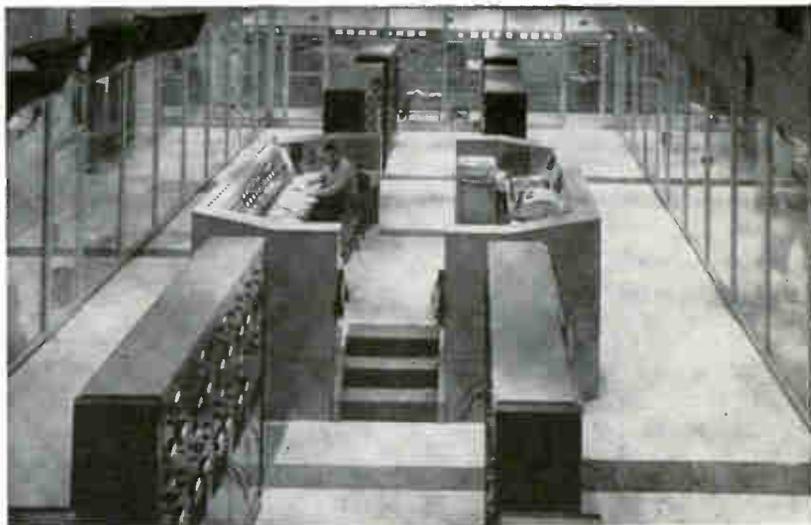
the system with new improved sensors.

Three other weapon systems in which man would be a valuable contributor, Ritland said, are: service capsules to repair complex unmanned satellites and to rescue stranded astronauts, a command and control and communications center located in space, and a system to control and defend sectors of space vital to national security.

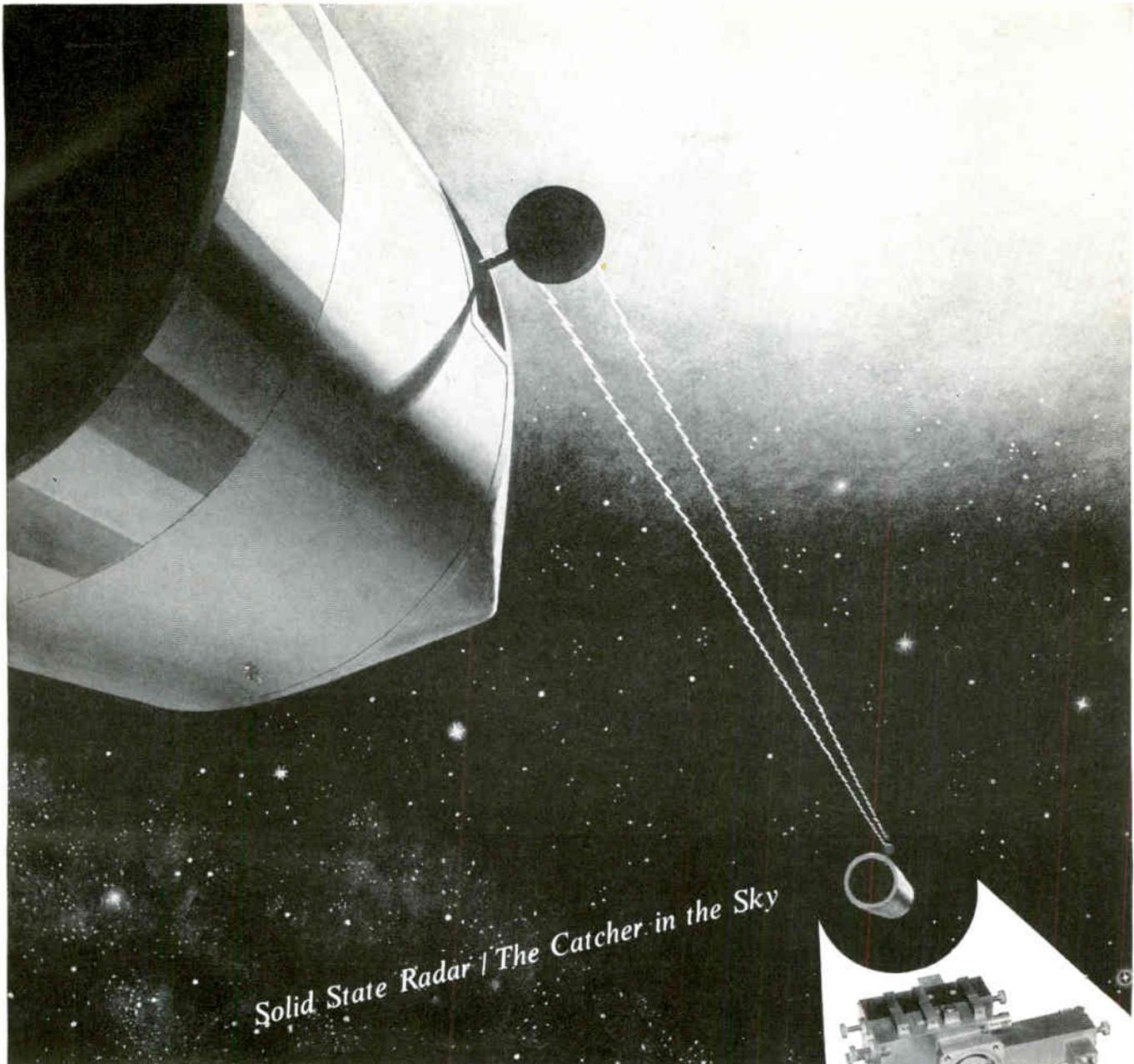
Only practical step, to date, toward realizing these objectives is the recent NASA-DOD agreement to collaborate on the two-man Gemini program. Within a few days, the Air Force will submit plans for its participation to a board consisting of representatives from the DOD, NASA and USAF.

A space station, housing from two to four men, would be the basic vehicle needed for the command and control and communications center, and for the defense center. Ritland said such a space station is within the state of the art. All that's needed is DOD approval.

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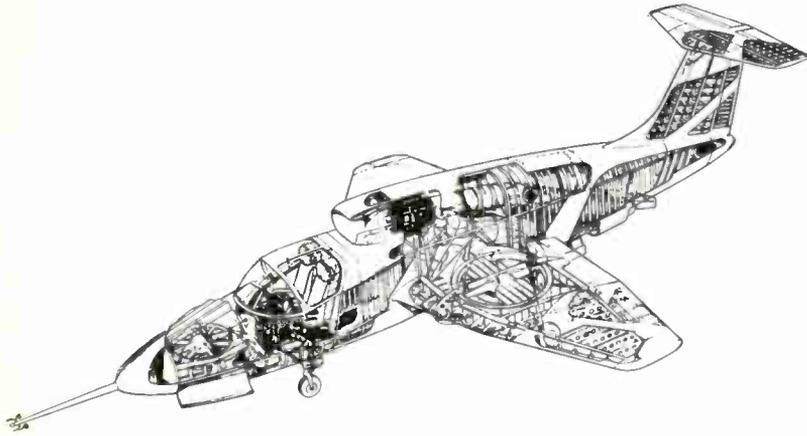


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Limited-War Needs Spur VTOL

Vertical take-off planes require special radar and stabilization gear

By LEON H. DULBERGER
Associate Editor



ARMY RESEARCH VTOL aircraft uses GE jet engines in Ryan-built airplane. Jet streams are diverted to turbine edges of lift fans in wings and nose for vertical take-off and landing

THE DREAM of aeronautical designers—an aircraft with the vertical-flight ability of the helicopter and the high forward speeds of conventional craft—is near realization. Maximum usefulness of VTOL aircraft will be achieved through application of special electronics.

Development programs are now underway at a host of firms, under several military contracts, aimed at evolving operational vertical-take-off-and-landing (VTOL) aircraft.

The military is expected to inventory VTOL aircraft by 1967.

The need for VTOL airplanes has grown out of the tactical demands of modern warfare. Prime among these are counter-insurgency operations, where the ability to operate in rough terrain is mandatory and the relatively low speeds of the helicopter are prohibitive. VTOL aircraft tasks include reconnaissance, intelligence and supply. Higher-speed designs may be used to maintain air superiority.

ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS—VTOL aircraft will require extensive electronics, including conventional gear such as vhf and uhf communications, standard navigation equipment and iff equipment for identification.

Various military missions will demand specialized gear, including such surveillance equipment as side-looking radar, low-light-level television, infrared detection systems and electronically operated cameras.

The side-looking radar may employ synthetic aperture antennas, and computer signal processing techniques, for all weather mapping capability.

To assure all-weather operation of VTOL aircraft, and operation over rugged terrain, special obstacle avoidance radar display systems,



AUGMENTED JET aircraft, designed for VTOL operation is shown in conventional take-off. Lockheed Aircraft Corp. research vehicle is undergoing vertical-take-off tests this year

TILTING PROPELLER system is used in Curtiss-Wright VTOL aircraft. Full scale mock up shows two of the four props. Speed range planned is zero at hover, 460 mph in regular flight



VTOL TRANSPORT uses ducted propellers in artist's illustration of research aircraft built by Bell Aerosystems Co. Speeds to 350 mph in conventional flight are expected in this military craft

Development

high accuracy radar altimeters, and corner-reflector radar for landing may be required. In the latter system, reflectors tuned to the aircraft's radar frequency—thus providing a strong signal return—are laid out in a square to outline the landing area.

Direction-finding equipment is also a must for all-weather operation.

VTOL aircraft for search and recovery operations would employ doppler radar for target acquisition, and would also require specialized direction finding gear.

FLIGHT CONTROLS—Autopilot systems will be used in VTOL craft, as in most tactical aircraft. For certain missions, however, special stabilization systems may be used to provide extremely stable vertical flight. Manual override for the pilot would be provided. Such a stabilizer system might be designed along the lines of those used by helicopters for maintaining stable vertical flight in ASW hydrophone dunk operations.

Control of the transition from vertical to normal flight will be accomplished using hydraulic or electromechanical systems. However, electronic amplifiers may form part of the feedback control or indicator portion of such systems.

PROPULSION—Various methods of propulsion are under development. These include: fan-in-wing, ducted fan, augmented jet, tilt wing, and tilt propeller.

In addition to the U. S. military development contracts, and NASA research, there is international interest in developing a NATO aircraft through international manufacturing arrangements.

All VTOL aircraft now under study by the services are developmental in nature, and seek to prove the proper approaches for aircraft designed for different flight missions. When tactical conditions permit, most vertical-take-off designs may be used as short take-off aircraft, allowing larger payloads to be carried.

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Syncom to Have Cousin

NASA is now planning a synchronous weather satellite system, too

SYNCOM I, the communications satellite slated for launch this week (*ELECTRONICS*, p 7, Feb. 8), is the forerunner of synchronous-orbiting communications and weather satellites. Appearing stationary in a 24-hour orbit at an altitude of 22,300 miles, each of the satellites will provide continuous coverage of one-third the earth.

By summer, NASA expects to settle on design requirements for follow-on Syncoms with communications channel capabilities similar to Telstar and Relay. Syncom I, built by Hughes, will not be truly stationary—it will move in a figure-8 over the Atlantic—and can handle only one two-way telephone call or teletypewriter message.

By 1964, NASA hopes to orbit the first synchronous weather satellite. The agency has just given Republic Aviation a \$136,640 contract to determine the system's technical requirements.

Syncom I carries dual communications transponders. Either receiver may be used with either of the two twt transmitters. There are also two identical command receivers. Antennas include a slotted

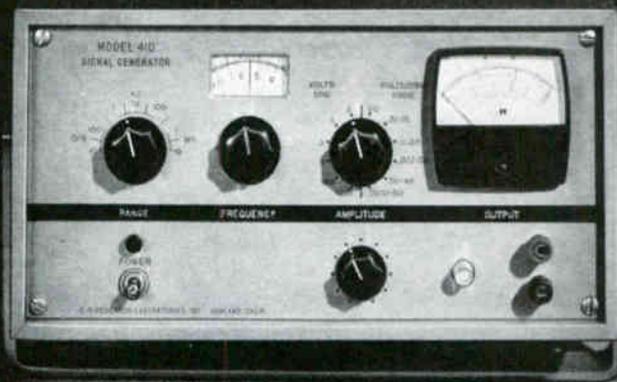
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Also, there's the question of terminating rack and panel connectors. Often, confined quarters or complex wired harnesses can tax the dexterity of even the most skilled worker

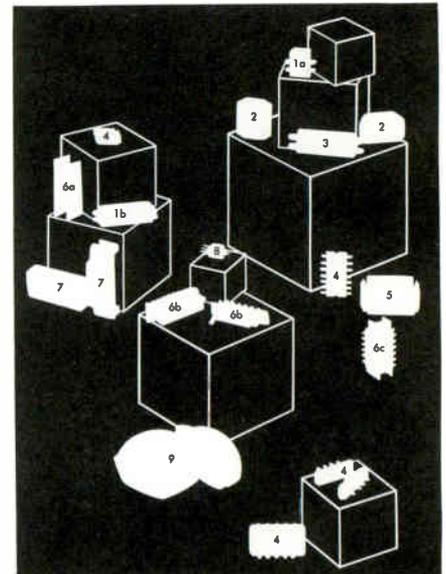
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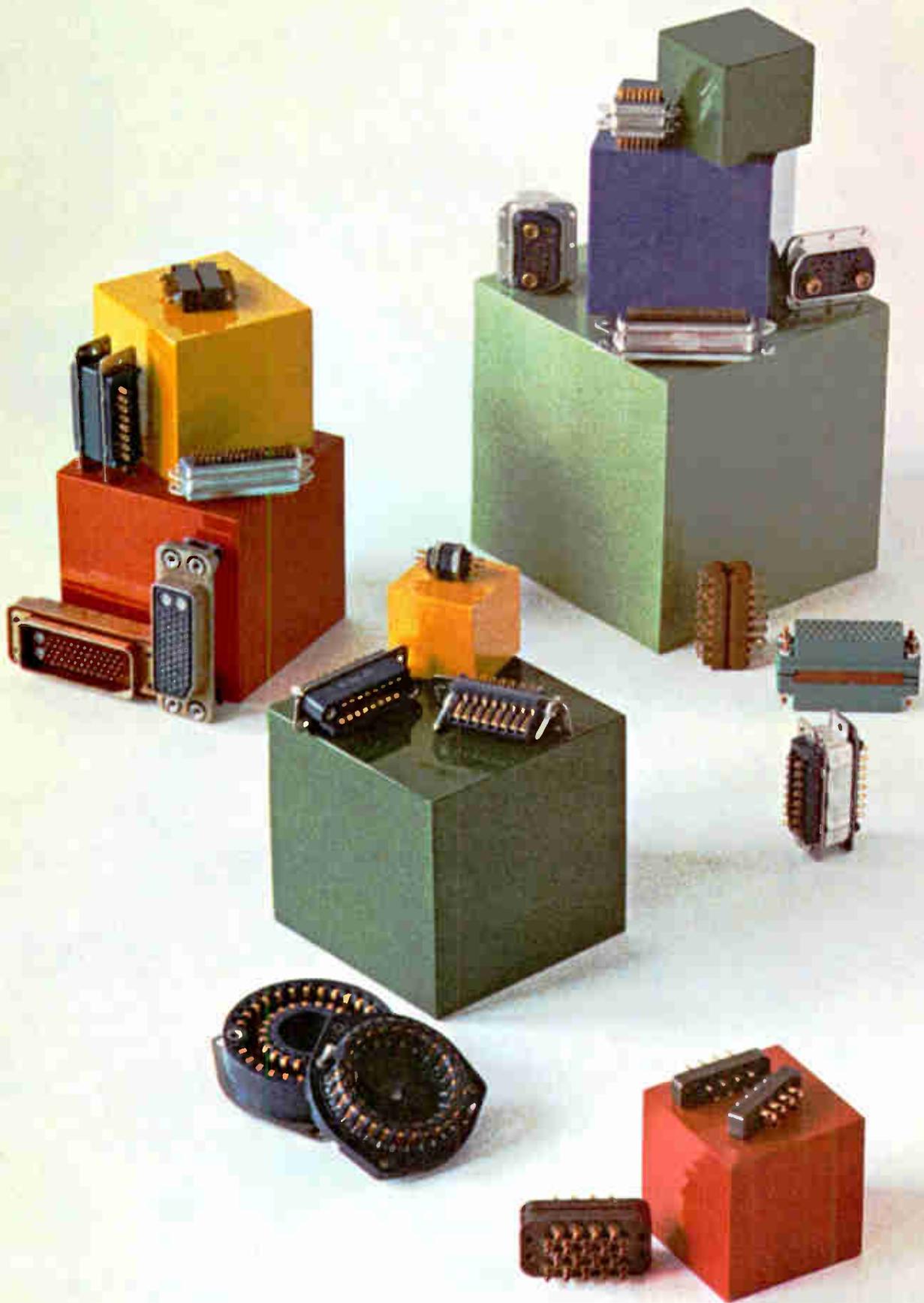
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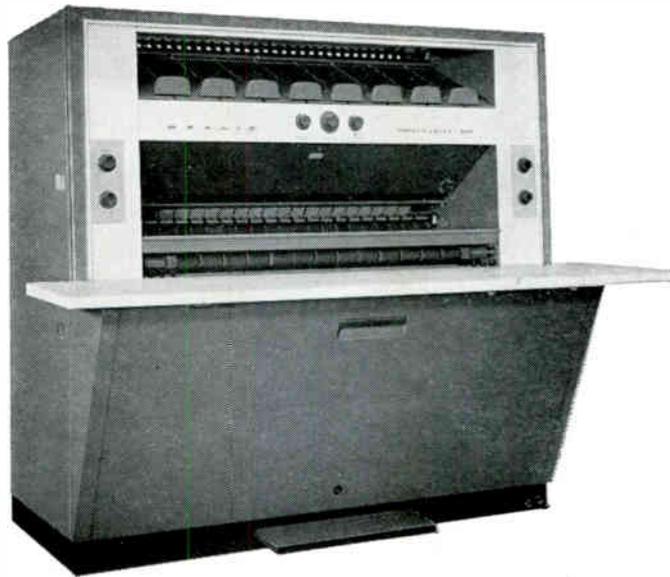


Amphenol connectors shown on the opposite page are: 1—Min-Rac 17 with (a) crimp-type contacts and (b) solder-type contacts 2—94 Series 3—Micro-Ribbon 4—126 Series Rectangular 5—93 Series 6—Blue Ribbon with (a) barrier polarization, (b) pin polarization and (c) keyed shell and barrier polarization 7—126 Series "CNI" 8—126 Series Hexagonal 9—Circular Blue Ribbon



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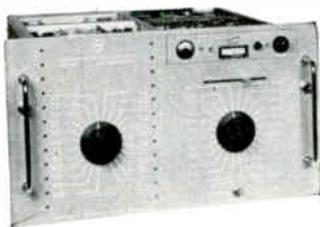


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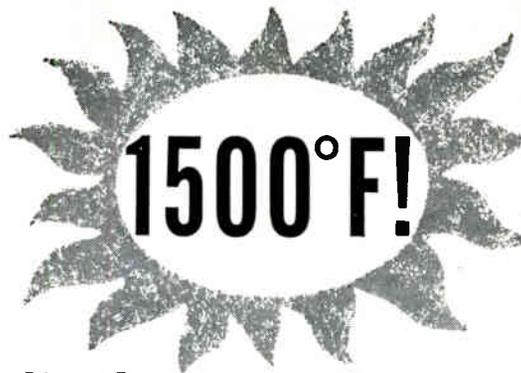


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ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT EXHIBIT, ERA, FRC; Denver Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colo., Feb. 18-19.

ELECTRICAL-ELECTRONIC TRADE SHOW, Electrical Representatives Club and Electronic Representatives Assn.; Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colo., Feb. 18-19.

SOLID STATE CIRCUITS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, IRE-PGCT, AIEE, University of Pennsylvania; Sheraton Hotel and U. of P., Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 20-22.

RESIDUAL GASES IN ELECTRON TUBES INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM, Italian Society of Physics, et al; March 12-15.

PACIFIC COMPUTER CONFERENCE, AIEE; California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif., March 15-16.

BIONICS SYMPOSIUM, United States Air Force; Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio, March 18-21.

IEEE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers; Coliseum and Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, N. Y. March 25-28.

ENGINEERING ASPECTS OF MAGNETO-HYDRODYNAMICS SYMPOSIUM, IRE-PGNS, AIEE, IAS, University of California; UCLA, Beverly, Calif., April 10-11.

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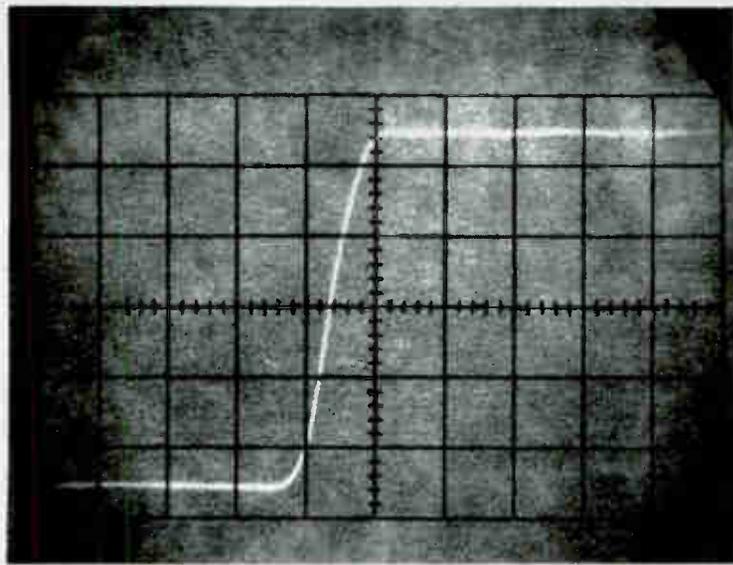
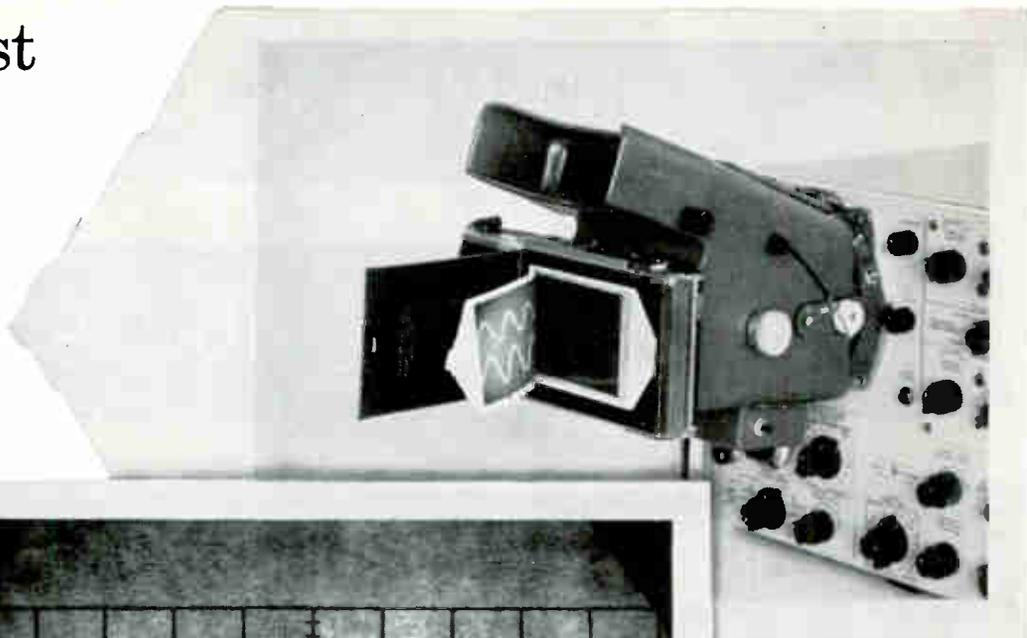
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ADVANCE REPORT

INTERNATIONAL TELEMETERING CONFERENCE, IEEE, IEE, ISA, et al; Savoy Place, London, England. March 1 is the deadline for submitting papers in triplicate and not exceeding 4,000 words and one page of diagrams to: Lawrence L. Rauch, Instrumentation Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Authors not living in North and South America and Japan should submit papers to: R. H. Barker, Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, London W. C. 2, England. Of interest are theory, systems design and hardware techniques in any of the following areas: characteristics of information to be measured; transducers; signal conditioning (pre-transmission); transmitting systems (including coding); receiving and recording systems; signal recovery (demodulation); data reduction presentation and evaluation (computer mention should only be incidental).

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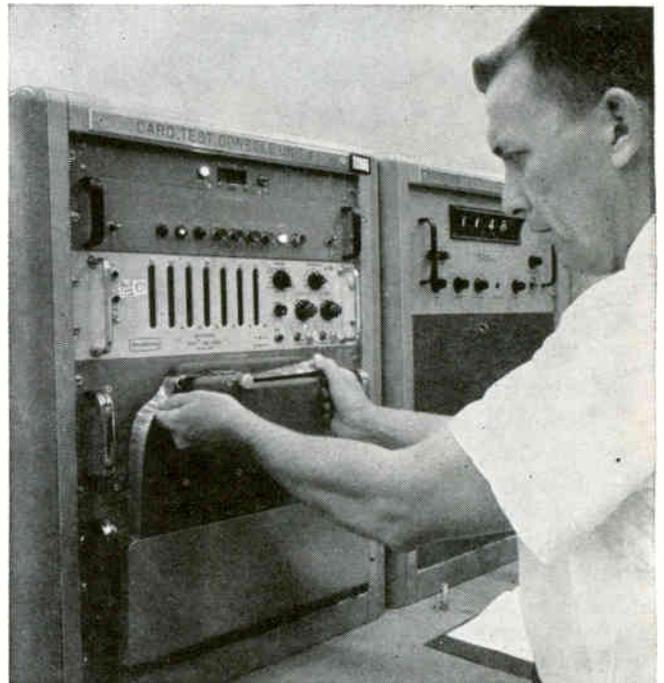
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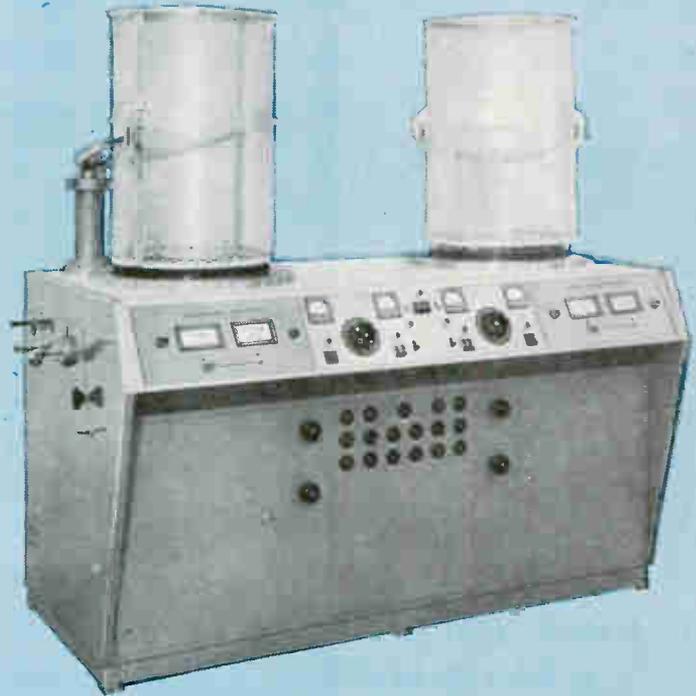
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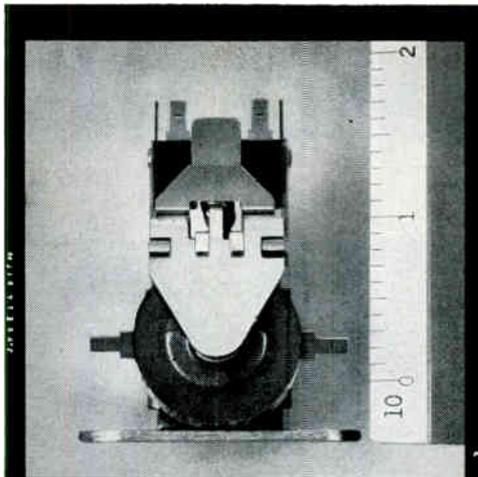
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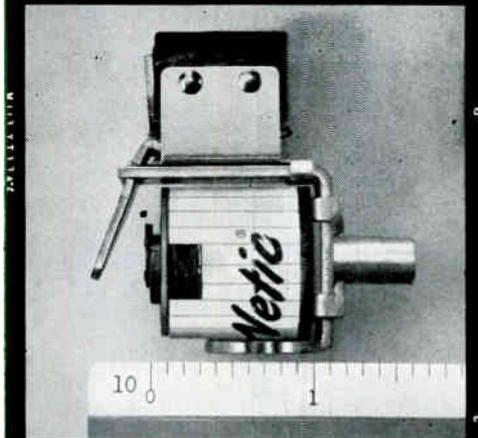
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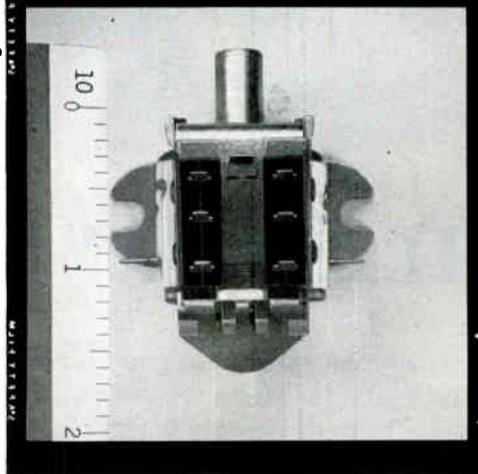
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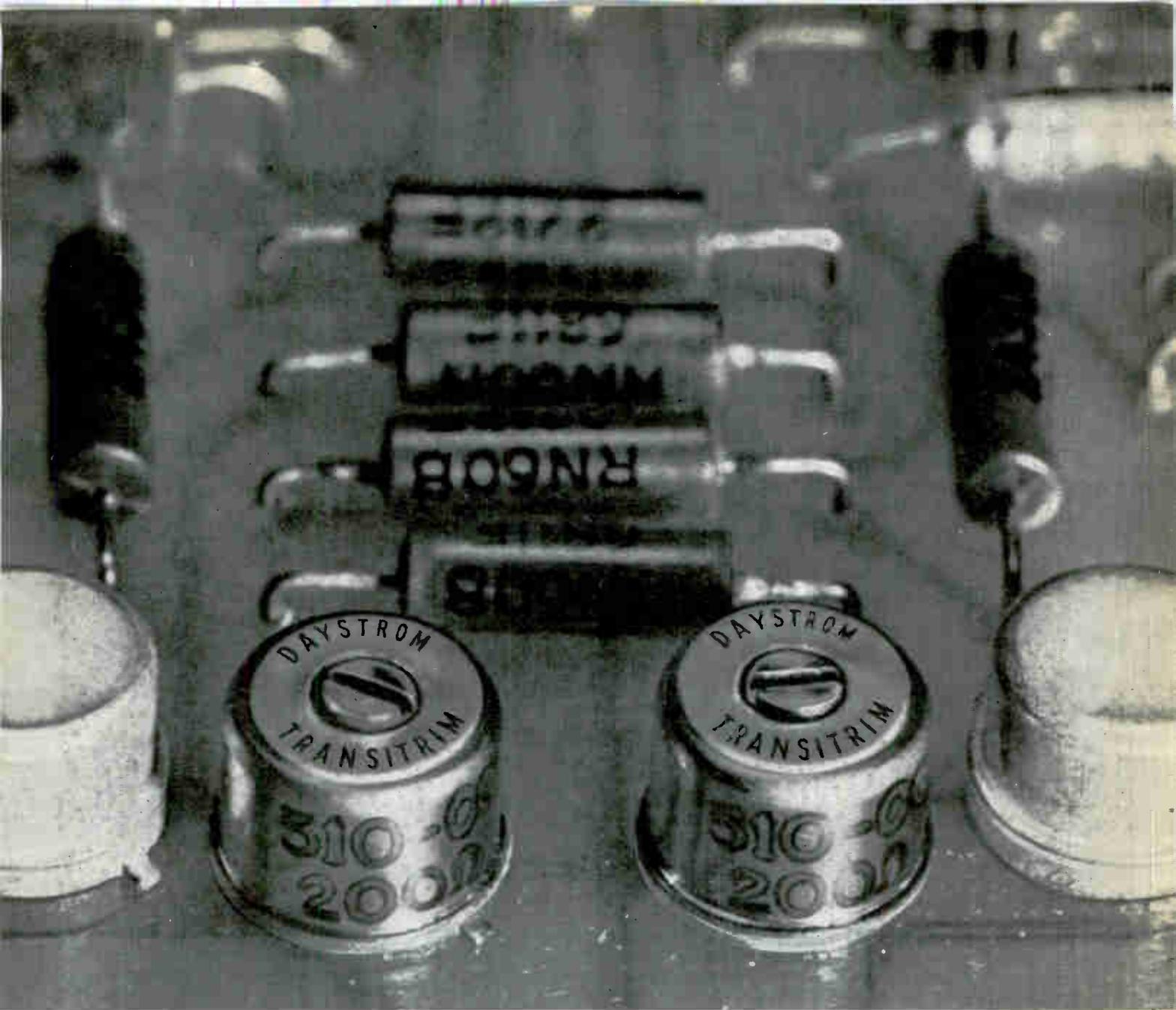
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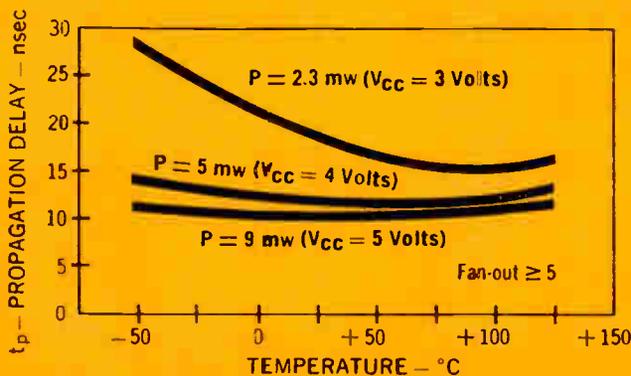
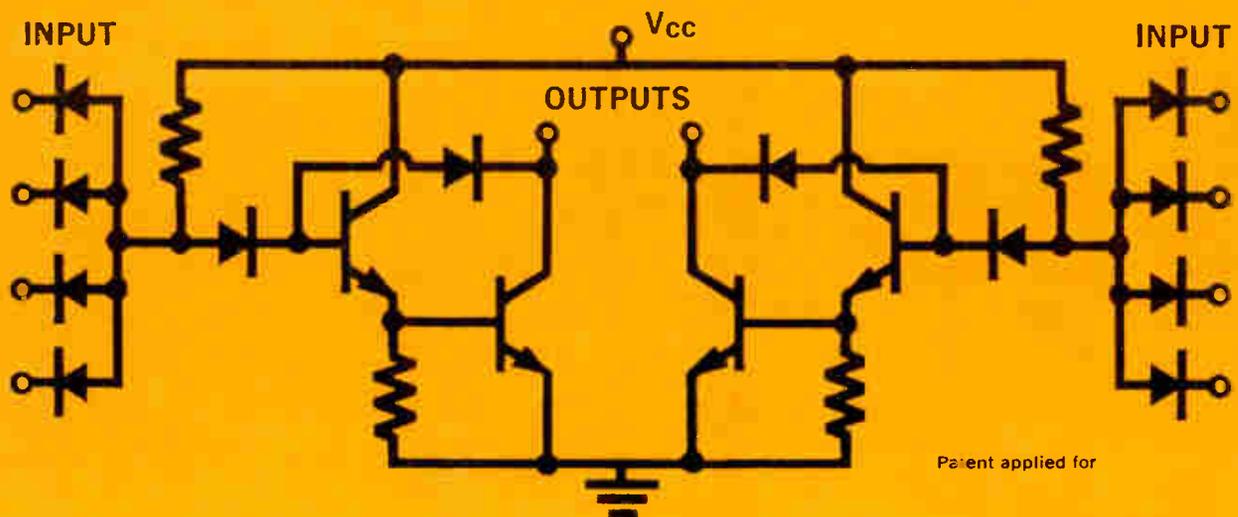
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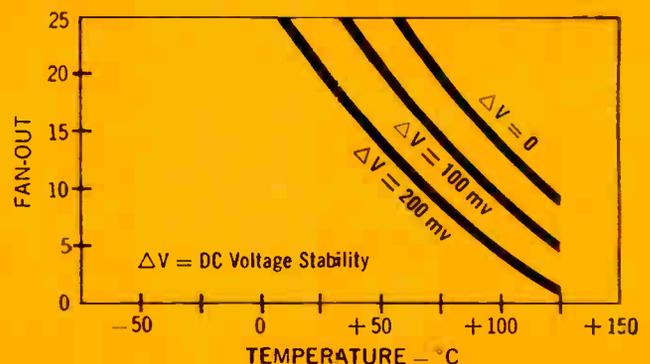
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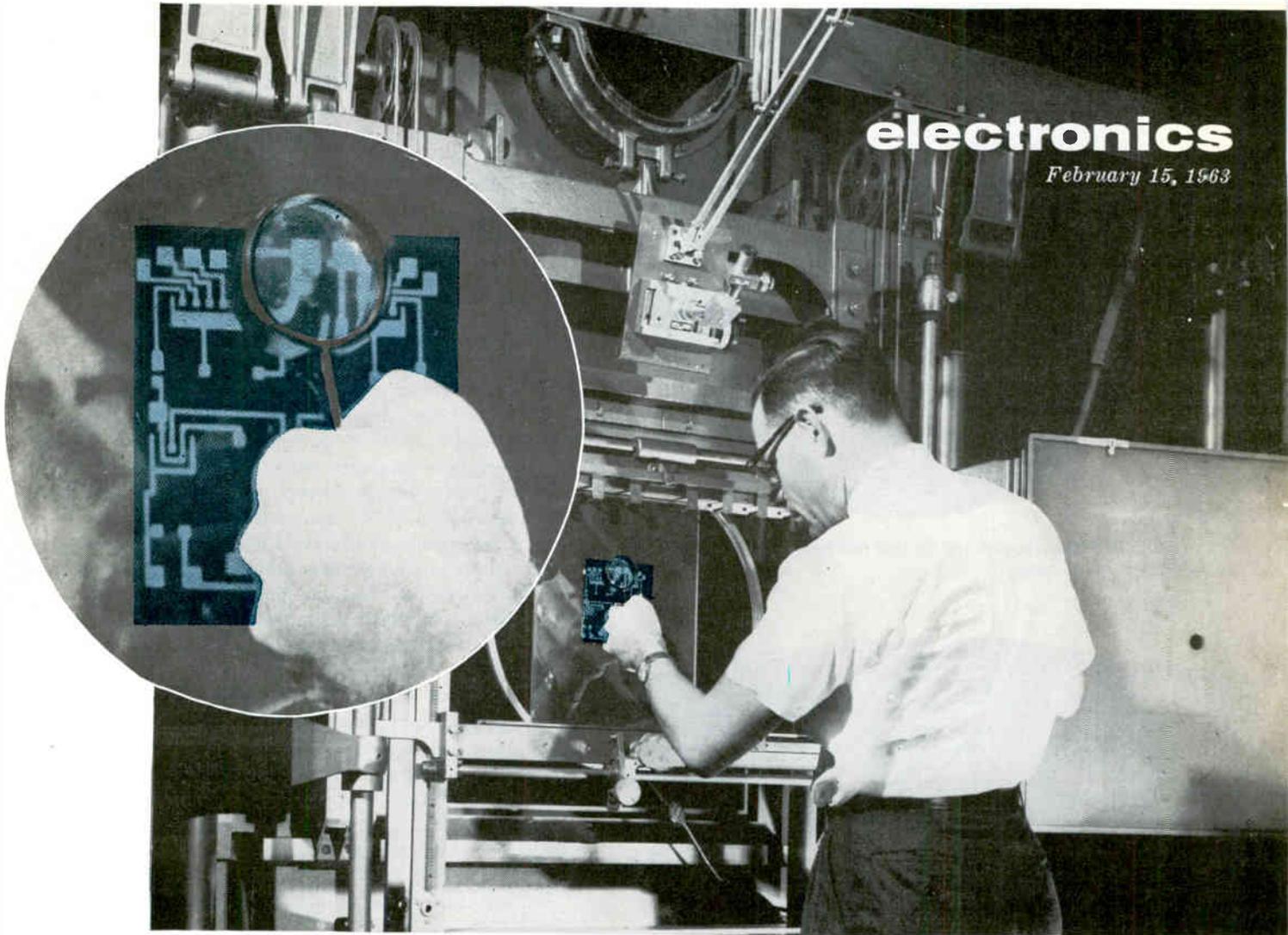
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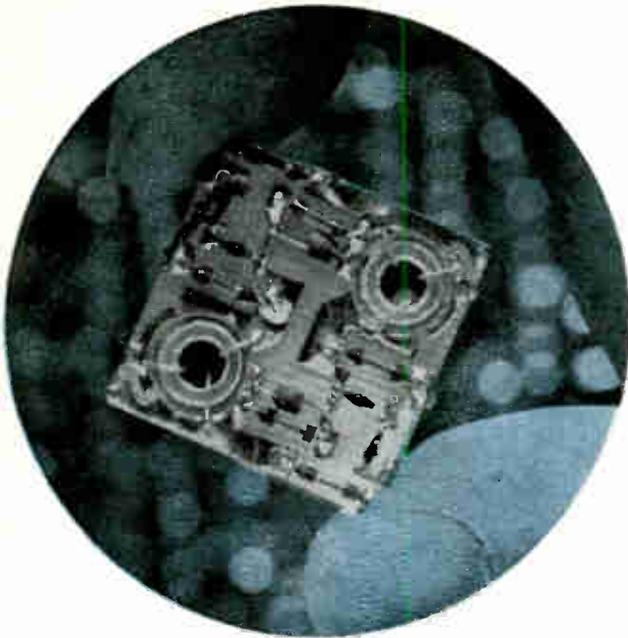
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"WE'RE GOING MICRO." These words are being echoed throughout the industry in 1963—what was scoffed at in some quarters four years ago is now a reality.

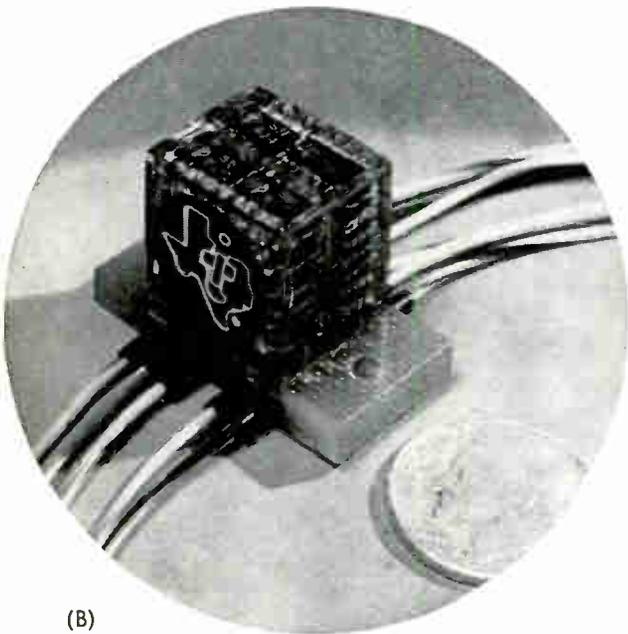
Today production of microminiature equipment is underway for important military and space missions. Speculative talk about ultimate wonders, playing "the numbers game"—these are largely gone. Engineers are grappling with engineering problems: how best to fabricate, design, test, specify and demonstrate reliability. They emphasize that in microminiaturization they are not interested in size reduction for its own sake—rather engineers see a whole new technology of microelectronics that will bring low cost and high reliability as its most im-



ONE OF FOUR standard wafers that comprise the logic in Arma's 20-lb space computer



(A)



(B)

DIGITAL DATA signal conditioner for State University of Iowa experiment in first Orbiting Geophysical Observatory (A) uses 102 Texas Instruments semiconductor networks for all logic functions. Counter-scanner-programmer (B) uses 36 such networks, is undergoing laboratory evaluation for NASA

portant benefits. Now, at the start of microelectronics' first real production year, the major concern is with the practical problems of how best to realize these potentials.

APPROACHES

APPROACHES—Three approaches to microminiaturization still claim the major effort: component, thin-film and semiconductor integrated circuits.

Discrete microcomponents are widely used in soldered or welded modules. These will continue to be important where moderate size reduction is needed along with proven reliability and the design flexibility of choosing from a wide range of commercially available parts.

Smaller size with discrete components is obtained by attaching parts to "2-D" passive substrates or inserting parts in cavities in printed circuit boards. Arma's 20-lb guidance computer is an example of what can be done with the former. This 1-Mc computer is a serial, binary stored program computer designed to handle a variety of space navigation problems. It occupies 0.42 cubic foot and requires 50 w.¹ Second technique is also in production, has been used in several linear and nonlinear systems such as proximity fuzes and timers built for Army Ordnance under the Micram program.²

Standard component form factors have been derived for the micromodule program and pellet, or dot, concept. Micromodule production capabilities will be demonstrated this year as applications in Army communications and computer equipment are stepped up. In contrast to many other techniques, micromodules have an impressive amount of reliability data: RCA reports 3,493,940 element hours of life testing on 96 10-element communications modules has given an mthbf of 381,000 hours at 60 percent confidence, 16,568,650 element hours on 176 digital modules has given an mthbf of 528,000 hours.

By next year RCA estimates micromodule costs will drop below \$8 a logic circuit in quantities of 300,000. In some cases costs will be less this year than those of equivalent circuits with military-type components.

During the next few years new microelectronic techniques will also be incorporated in the micromodule package as they become feasible and are required. Experimental packages incorporating integrated circuits have been built. A new package is under development to give, in the same size, the additional interconnections these higher density techniques will need. Package would use electron-beam-welded ribbons on 25-mil centers.

Pellet approach is scheduled to be introduced into General Dynamics' manufacturing program this year. It is an interconnecting process that can use either discrete components or integrated circuits if they are packaged as pellets. Design survey indicates that 78 to 96 percent of the electronic circuits produced at General Dynamics' Astronautics can either be directly pelletized or pelletized with approximately 5 percent redesign, compared with 60 percent for thin films. Plans for a computer controlled automatic assembly system are underway.³

Thermionic integrated micromodules (TIMM's) could play an important role in high temperature and radiation environments. GE claims long-term, stable operation is possible from -65 to 500 deg C under total integrated flux of 10¹⁸ fast neutrons. Typical NOR circuit draws 3½ mw at 12-16 v. Nuclear power supplies in space, nuclear rockets and long-life (5 years or more) space communica-

nications systems are seen as possible applications.

INTEGRATED CIRCUITS—While component-oriented approaches will be around a long time, momentum seems to be toward thin-film and semiconductor integrated circuits where "circuit elements are inseparably associated on or within a continuous body to perform the function of a circuit." Feeling within the military and NASA is that these techniques will bring the reliability, maintainability and performance per dollar they consider necessary to perform their missions. Some spokesmen show little interest in discrete component approaches.

Feeling now is that semiconductor integrated circuits are satisfactory for most digital data processing functions, especially those requiring large volumes of standard circuits. Major limitation has been speed. Maximum clock rates are now generally limited to about 6 Mc but these will improve as design techniques to minimize parasitic coupling are applied and faster logic schemes introduced; 10 to 20 Mc is considered feasible on a production basis this year.

COST AND RELIABILITY—Cost has come down an order of magnitude in the last two years but yield is still considered too low. This will improve with better inspection and process control, packaging and interconnection techniques. Some observers say that yields and uniformity are good enough now that the cost of an individual transistor in a silicon integrated circuit is close to the cost of a discrete transistor. And while overall circuit costs are greater than those of comparable printed circuit boards with discrete components, the crossover point could come in the next year or two. Meanwhile introduction into commercially competitive systems will be slower than for military and space applications.

Practical limit in the complexity of a single integrated circuit that can be economically achieved is presently set by materials processing technology at around the shift-register level (about 15 transistors and 21 resistors) in the opinion of R. B. Seeds of Fairchild Semiconductor.

Increased understanding of the underlying silicon technology has led to widespread confidence in eventual high reliability of these circuits. Evidence coming in indicates this confidence may not be misplaced. Texas Instruments reported failure rate of 0.13 percent per 1,000 hours at 85 C in April 1962, estimates 0.04 percent for third quarter 1962 and predicts less than 0.01 percent by the end of this year.

Bureau of Naval Weapons feels semiconductor integrated circuits on the whole have demonstrated they are more reliable than average discrete components and expects 1-Mc devices to be available shortly with certified parameters and reasonable cost. In linear applications they feel 10 to 20 percent of present circuits can be realized with silicon integrated circuits but that here proof of reliability is not yet available.

APPLICATIONS—Semiconductor integrated circuits are already being introduced into several aerospace digital computers, but the significant boost to their application has come from the selection of Texas Instruments' semiconductor networks for the guidance and control electronics in the improved Minuteman. Observers say this program could run to ten's of millions of dollars, may eliminate the need to sell people on microelectronics.

MICROMINIATURIZATION 1963

Discrete components will always be important, but the tide is toward the circuit and function-oriented approaches. This means:

- Designers of systems, circuits and devices, will have to work closer together to generate the new circuit design and fabrication techniques that are needed. Each must know more about the other's problems than he does now
- Manufacturers will find the thin-film and semiconductor techniques complementary in their application—not competitive. But the key to the profits inherent in these technologies is careful attention to process control
- Users will find greater performance per dollar rather than small size and weight the rationale for microsystems. Eventually microminiaturization will allow attaining new levels of performance, such as duplicating biological systems

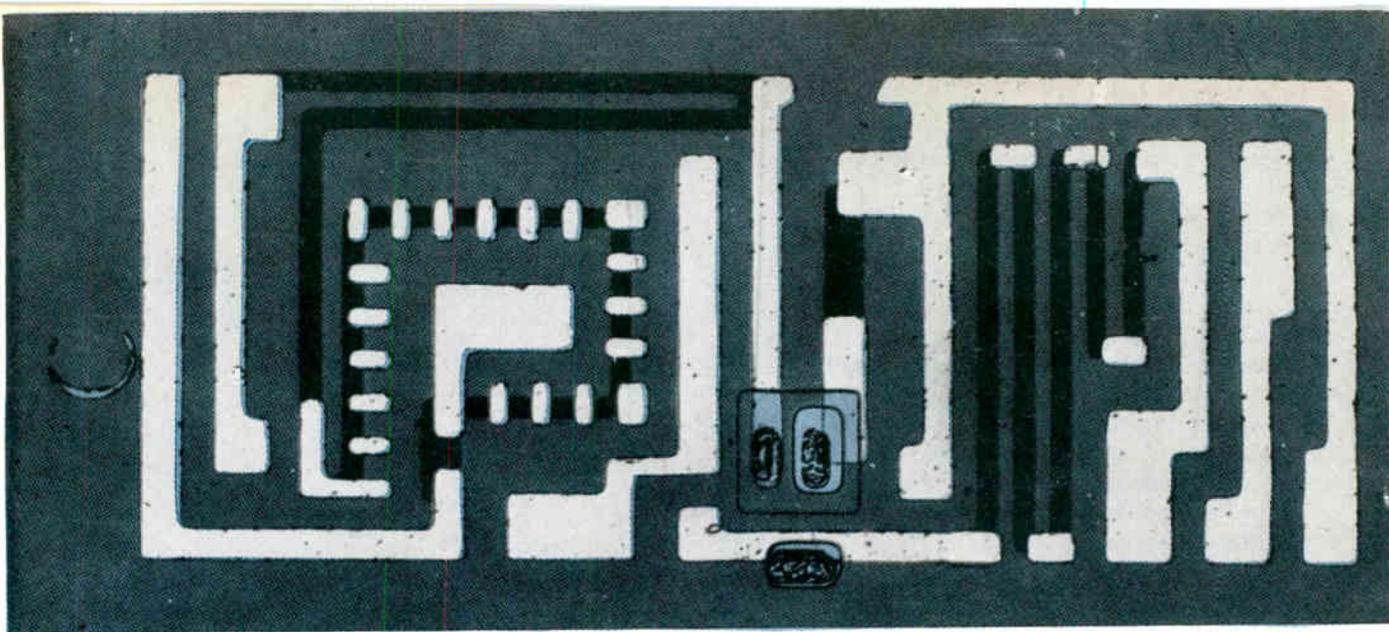
To realize fully the promise of microminiaturization, however, solving such problems as manufacturer-user cooperation, specification, testing and standardization will be just as important as solving the purely technical ones

Autonetics, associate prime contractor for Minuteman, also plans integrated circuits for inertial navigation systems under design and is evaluating them for a spacecraft radar with a 10,000-hour mtbf. Other programs planning semiconductor integrated circuits include: Apollo guidance computer, EGO and POGO satellite digital-data signal conditioners, an all-weather Naval avionics system for helicopters and VTOL aircraft, radar computer indicator for Navy's W2F-1 early-warning aircraft, and some Air Force pcm telemetry systems.

THIN FILMS—Considerable progress is being made in linear silicon circuits; however, at this time thin films appear more promising for complex and small-volume-production linear applications where high performance and relatively close tolerance components are needed. Diffused silicon resistors are generally limited to around 50,000 ohms and 20-percent tolerances, while thin-film resistors can be individually adjusted to less than 5 percent and go as high as 1 megohm. Practical-size silicon-dioxide capacitors are considered limited to around 1,000 pf, while 0.1 μ f is readily obtainable in metal films, especially tantalum where 1 μ f can be obtained at 5 v. Common film characteristics are tabulated on p 48.

Research group at Bendix Radio feels applications requiring reproducibility and rigidity will employ the early thin-film techniques. Examples are phased-array radar (because of the great number of identical receivers) and complex filter networks. Bendix wants stable circuits at uhf and above, is presently fabricating a 400-Mc i-f strip with a gain of 80 db and 100-Mc bandwidth. All resistors, capacitors and inductors will be thin film.

ITT Federal Laboratories expects to go into pilot production on tantalum film communications circuits this year. One application they are considering is a 70-Mc i-f



(A)

10 MILS

MICROCIRCUIT for a meteorological satellite differential amplifier (A) and NOR gate (B) built by CBS Labs. Hybrid construction employs

amplifier for parametric receivers, feeling tantalum film components can be used to about 100 Mc.

Kearfott is going into pilot production of a ¼-cubic-inch 5-watt servo amplifier that has a gain adjustable to around 1,000 at 400 cps. Some hearing aids now use films.

Battery-operated 15-Mc pulsed f-m receiver is under development at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory for use by the National Institute of Mental Health in experiments on brain stimulation of animals. The thin-film receiver is on three 1 × 1-inch substrates, would be mounted on a monkey's head.

Thin films are also being used in specialized digital systems by those who claim the following advantages over semiconductors: design flexibility, faster fabrication of prototype systems, and higher speeds and pulse risetimes. GE is fabricating a 1,500-component digital decoder for a Navy missile; a 200-module digital computer built by Lear Siegler has been tested in a satellite. An 18-

lb airborne computer is scheduled for delivery by IBM this year under a Naval Avionics Facility contract.

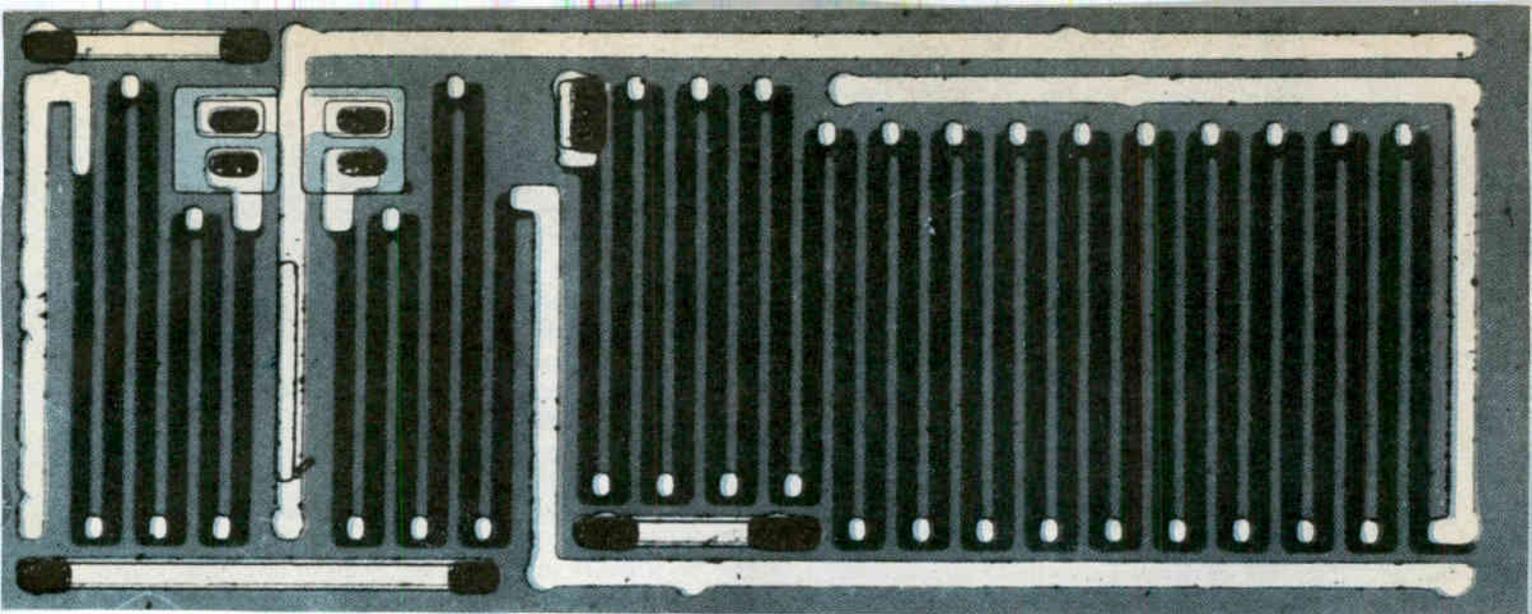
Titanium metal technology is being pursued at Lockheed to meet space environmental requirements, particularly radiation. They report less than 5 percent change of resistor characteristics under 2×10^{10} neutrons per sq cm², have used titanium components in a sequencer subsystem for a space telemetry multiplexing system. The 0.894-cubic-inch unit draws 450 mw.

HYBRID APPROACHES—Major problem with thin-film circuits is the lack of compatible active components. At present, semiconductor diodes and transistors must be attached in what is considered a transitional hybrid that is generally larger, more expensive and less reliable than its equivalent in semiconductor integrated circuits. Real promise of the thin-film approach lies in its automation potential, but until deposited-film active components make this feasible, the trend is to use thin-film passive

TABLE—THIN-FILM RESISTORS AND CAPACITORS^a

RESISTORS	Ohms per sq	TCR (ppm/deg C)	Dissipation (w/in. ² of film @ rating)	Tolerance (%)	Stability (% @ 1,000 hr)	
Chromium ^b	500 — 30,000	50	25	±0.1	0.5	
Nickel-Chromium ^c	to 200	±50	12	±0.1	<0.1	
Tantalum ^c	to 100	±200	20	±0.01	1	
Tantalum Nitride ^c	to 200	-75 ±25	20	±0.01	<0.1	
Titanium ^d	500 — 2,000	+120 to -110	12.5 — 25	±1	0.8 — 1.5	
Tin Oxide ^e	Approx 500	±300	15 — 25	±2	1	
Cermets ^f	to 20,000	±250	to 20	±1	2	
Carbon Resin Ink ^g	10,000	500 — 1,000	1	±10	5 — 10	
Capacitors	Leakage Current (@ working voltage)	Working Voltage	TCC (ppm/deg C)	Dissipation Factor (%)	Tolerance (%)	Stability (% @ 1,000 hr)
Tantalum Oxide ^c	10 ⁻⁷ amp/μf	100V max	250	0.1 @ 50V	1	±3 ^h Approx 1 @ 85C
Titanium Dioxide ^d	2.5 x 10 ⁻⁷ amp/μf	50V	800	0.01	<1	±2 0.5
Silicon Monoxide ⁱ	<10 μ amp	6V	j	0.5	1	±10 j
Silicon Dioxide ^k	—	50V	<100	0.004	0.2	±10 j

(a) Representative manufacturable values variable with specific fabrication process (b) Xerox, on ceramic (c) Bell Labs (d) Lockheed (e) Corning Glass Works (f) International Resistance (g) Harry Diamond Labs (h) Without adjustment (i) IBM (j) Not available (k) General Instrument



(B) 10 MILS

silicon transistors, nickel-chromium resistors on silicon oxide, and gold interconnections—Fig. 1

components with semiconductor integrated circuits in such a way as to get the most from both approaches.

Most aerospace companies are maintaining a balanced research effort. Some want an in-house thin-film assembly capability with purchased semiconductor integrated circuits for standard functions because they feel the complexity of the semiconductor technology and its inherent application to volume production preclude it as an in-house technology for the military and space electronic system assemblers.⁹

In addition to complementary usage of the two technologies there will be the actual hybrid integrated circuit consisting of semiconductor and thin film components. A promising hybrid technique is to deposit metal-film passive elements on a silicon-dioxide insulating region of a semiconductor block containing the active elements. Leads from passive to active components are then evaporated. This will be widely used wherever film passive components are required to perform a function that cannot be obtained in a silicon integrated circuit. It is seen especially attractive for 0-to-20-Kc servo control applications because there would be little problem with stray capacitance from the thin-film elements.

Figure 1A shows one of two identical patterns that make up a differential amplifier built this way for a 10-track digital tape recorder to be used in an advanced meteorological satellite. Circuit has three resistors adjustable to one percent and a transistor; amplifier can be placed inside the recorder next to the record-playback head for increased noise immunity.

Desire for greater flexibility with semiconductor integrated circuits is also leading to hybrid approaches here. These involve putting passive or active semiconductor components or both on top of an insulating substrate and interconnecting by metalization, wire bonding or both. Entire circuit is encapsulated in a single package.

While slightly more expensive than the single-block approach, this technique overcomes the problem of the inherent incompatibility of silicon transistors and resistors in the same block. Also, it minimizes capacitive coupling, permits easier testing, and is considered especially useful for small quantities of custom-made circuits where quick changes and modifications may be required. Some people

are going to this in any amplifier with more than three transistors where they need maximum speed. General Instrument is working on a technique to modify the mask so that resistors on a passive component chip can be selectively changed on the production line.

Bell Labs finds this hybrid approach reduces the number of leads made on the external circuit board by a factor of three in computer-type circuits. They are also using it in exploratory pcm circuits. In such circuits getting stable gain at 200-Mc bandwidths requires feedback. At these frequencies this feedback can best be accomplished in microelectronic circuits because otherwise the propagation time around the loop would be too great. (This points up an inherent functional advantage that many feel will give microelectronics an important role in nano-second circuits.)

Figure 2 shows an operational amplifier built this way, which because of parasitics could not have been built satisfactorily in a single silicon block. Comparison with the cordwood equivalent showed that in addition to getting much more stable closed-loop gain, open-loop performance began to degrade at 130 Mc compared to 50 Mc for the conventional. All components in the signal path are integrated except the precision feedback resistor.

DESIGN PROBLEMS

DESIGN PROBLEMS—Microelectronics will require changes in the designer's thinking. Circuit, equipment and systems engineers will have to work much more closely if an optimum microelectronic design is to result.

On the system level, decision to go micro will require a new look at solving the system transfer function. For example, digital integrated circuits might make it practical to switch to a digital command link and airborne data reduction.

Then there's the problem of devices that can't be miniaturized. In a typical airborne system mechanical components and electronic components with moving parts occupy half the volume and have a greater failure rate than pure electronic components. Arinc Research Corp. estimates that if only the latter are microminiaturized and their reliability assumed to be unity for the life of the

system, the system failure rate would only decrease by approximately 17 percent. They recommend microelectronics be used only in equipments that can be built almost entirely this way. Thus, designers will need to be alert to new ways of performing electromechanical functions more compatibly with microelectronics, such as solid-state relays, transducers and inertial components.

Active thin-film devices will not be replacements for transistors in thin-film circuits—they will have different characteristics and therefore require different approaches to circuit design. Similarly silicon integrated circuits differ from ordinary circuits in that transistors and diodes are cheaper than the passive components, and some components such as inductors are not even available. Also there will be advantages in linear circuits because of the ability to match components formed during the same diffusion and to have thermal tracking of parameters.

LOGIC—Integrated circuit logic is one of the most controversial subjects. With no microelectronic logic scheme yet applied extensively on a system basis, the user is often hard put to select the best for his needs.

Each logic scheme has advantages and disadvantages for both producer and user. From the user's standpoint no specific type is presently clearly superior to all others; in each case he should select to fit total system requirements, taking into account such factors as operating environment, cost, size, weight and power consumption. Moreover tradeoffs between power dissipation, switching speed, fan-in and fan-out, and component tolerance must be considered.

Several military and industrial groups are presently evaluating the different types of logic, indicated in Fig. 3. U.S. Naval Air Development Center has evaluated DTL, RCTL, DCTL, and ECTL. Of these they find DCTL the simplest for semiconductor integrated circuits. It is relatively easy to fabricate and can handle 1-Mc clock rates. Major disadvantage is current hogging where varying base to emitter characteristics of the load elements prevent even current distribution among the loads. Adding a resistor to the base of each transistor minimizes current hogging, but at the expense of operating speed.

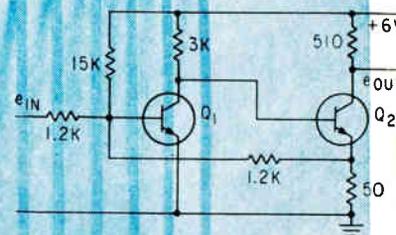
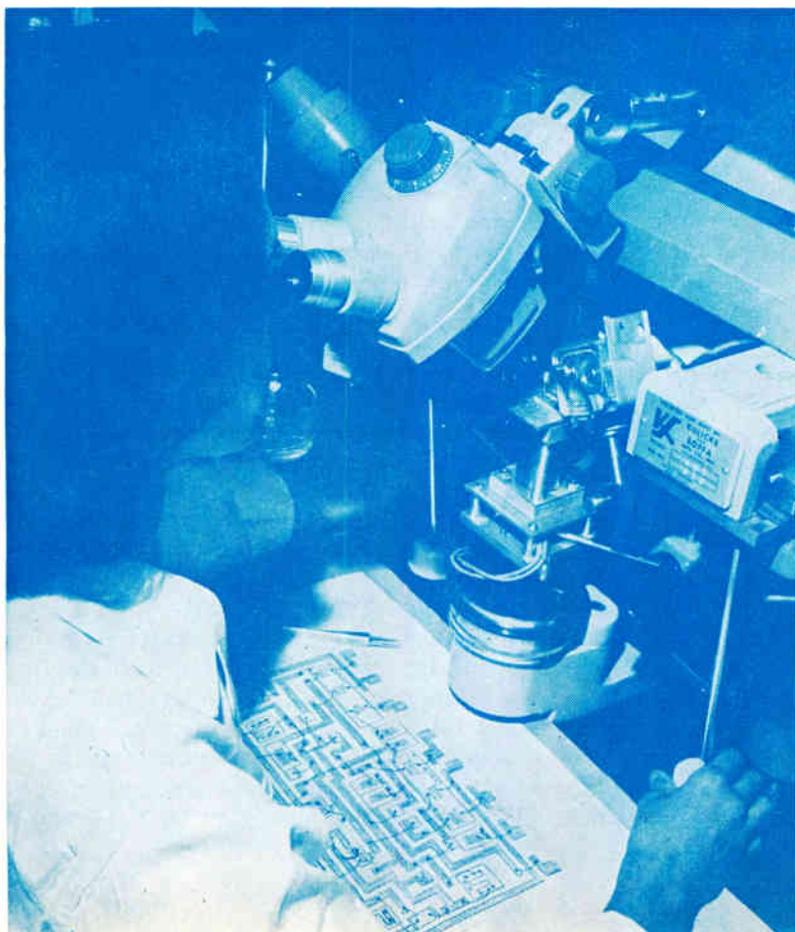
DCTL is also sensitive to input noise which is injected directly into the base of the transistors. This is not the only noise mode that may affect microelectronic logic however, and the Center plans to investigate others.

Desire to eliminate current hogging and still maintain a relatively simple system led to ECTL (emitter-coupled transistor logic). This is a form of current-mode logic, which is presently gaining a lot of attention.

Present ECTL assemblies may use a few more parts than their DCTL equivalents but still contain only transistors and resistors. In ECTL the input base-to-emitter resistance is a function of the transistor β . Thus, the base current varies inversely with β , permitting higher fan-out. This advantage together with improved noise immunity is obtained with two power supplies compared to one in DCTL. GE claims a 2-Mc shift rate for shift registers.

Flip-flop clock rates of 20 Mc are claimed by Motorola for their current-mode logic. For a fan-out of 1, stage propagation delay, rise time and fall time are 4 nsec with a 20-pf shunt capacitance. Maximum fan-out is 26, noise

VIDEO AMPLIFIER consisting of six silicon planar resistors and two epitaxial transistors on ceramic substrate is fabricated at General Instrument, has been used in prototype navigational aids equipment. Typical values for a representative amplifier are on schematic



INPUT IMPEDANCE $\geq 1.2K$
 OUTPUT IMPEDANCE $\leq 500\Omega$
 VOLTAGE GAIN $\approx 200B$
 CURRENT GAIN $\approx 250B$
 BANDWIDTH: 0-30MC
 OUTPUT SWING: 4.5V PEAK TO PEAK 25°C
 2V PEAK TO PEAK -55 - +125°C
 Q₁, Q₂ SIMILAR TO ZN744
 ALL RESISTORS TRIMMED TO $\pm 10\%$

voltage at the input can be half the input voltage before confusing the logic.

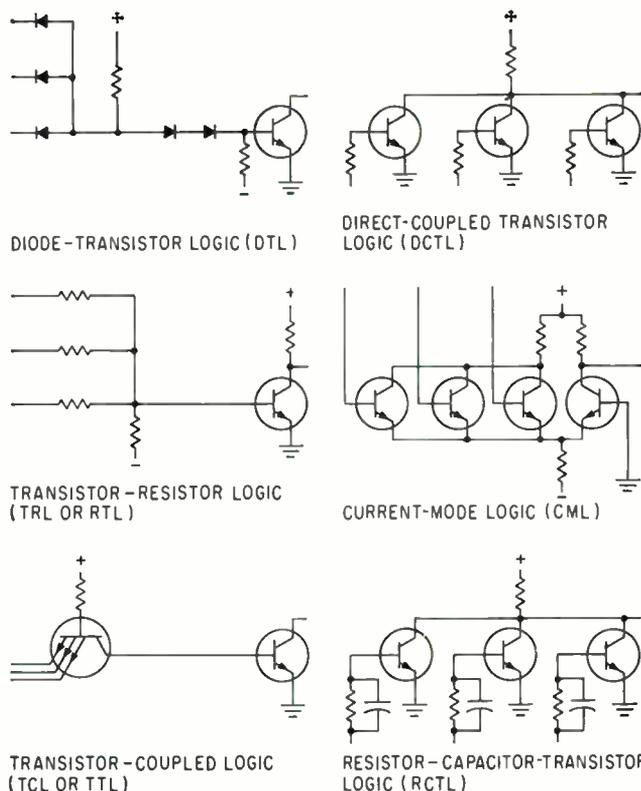
DTL is another relatively simple system to fabricate, is being used in many new semiconductor integrated circuits. It operates on relatively low voltage swings (4v) and is fast (3-6 Mc clock rates). Furthermore, immunity to noise can be 50 percent.

Most complex system now used is RCTL. The capacitors increase base current for fast collector current turn-on and minimize storage time by supplying a charge equal to the stored base charge. RCTL units have been quite insensitive to input noise and supply voltage variation but relatively slow (about 500 Kc), the Center finds.

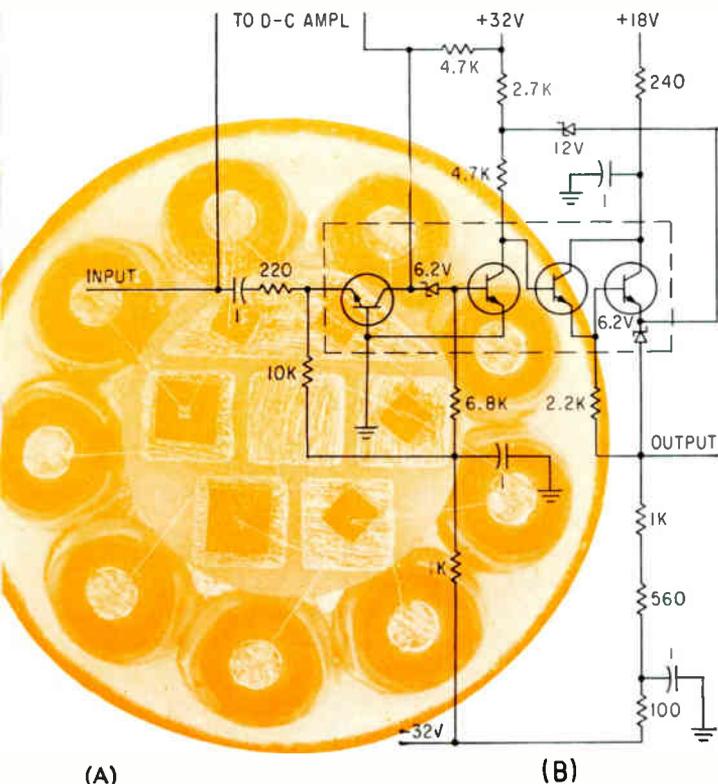
Another type of logic becoming increasingly popular is TCL. This is similar to DTL and may be used with common bases and collectors (multiple emitter coupling). Claim is that TCL does not have the DCTL current hogging problem, has better noise rejection, and for constant power dissipation has about the same speed.⁷

Simplest logic is probably RTL. Because it needs resistors with ± 5 percent overall tolerance, however, it may be more suited to thin films. Also the resistors make it less efficient in terms of power dissipation.

LOGIC NETS—New concept of integrated logic nets is considered by RCA to offer the most economical way of meeting most digital requirements. Here arrays of 2,000 insulated-gate field-effect transistors (see Fig. 4) are fabricated on a 1-inch-square silicon substrate. These transistors are majority-carrier devices fabricated by diffusing heavily doped source and drain contacts into the silicon



SIX FORMS of integrated circuit logic are illustrated for a fan-in of three—Fig. 3



INTEGRATED CIRCUIT package (A) for Bell Labs high-frequency operational amplifier module (B) contains two experimental 2-Gc planar epitaxial transistors and two silicon zener diodes. External d-c stabilizing circuits and feedback loops are not shown—Fig. 2

SOME STRAIGHT TALK ON DESIGNING

Our rate of progress will be determined by the rate engineers can invent circuits that utilize the unexploited unique features of silicon rather than by simply avoiding the fundamental limitations of the silicon substrate says C. D. Simmons, director of Philco's microelectronics laboratory. For example, while the tolerance of individual diffused resistors is poor, new avenues of design are offered by the fact that differential tolerance can be reduced to 1 or 2 percent.

R. E. Lee, executive vice president of Siliconix, points out that some companies new to integrated circuits have been using the almost brute force method of trying to realize a circuit in a silicon block by part-for-part translation from what was a good optimum circuit in the discrete component domain. "This is not the ideal way to design an integrated circuit," he says, adding "integrated circuit design requires the combined experience of circuit-oriented people who can range over the entire scope of alternate designs to accomplish a given circuit function, joined with solid-state physics and device people who know what can and can't be done in a semiconductor block as far as device structures are concerned"

EXPERIMENTAL crystal controllable oscillator uses Sprague's thin-film ceramic-based microcircuits. Conventional two-electrode capacitor C_1 uses full ceramic substrate thickness as dielectric, C_2 and C_3 are multiple internal electrode capacitors, C_4 and C_5 are solid tantalum inlaid within cavities in the substrate

and then thermally growing a silicon dioxide layer between them. The contacts are then metalized and a metal gate put on top of the insulator.

Electrons flow between source and drain parallel to the surface only when the gate is biased positively. This allows direct coupling between successive stages in what can be regarded as voltage controlled relay logic. Equivalent of the DCTL load resistor can be obtained in a similar element by forming an n -type channel under the oxide between the source and drain. In addition the source is connected to the gate, giving a two-terminal nonlinear resistor that simulates a constant-current source with more rapid charging and better noise immunity than a linear resistor. Supply voltage is coupled through the nonlinear resistor to the drain, which is then connected to the next transistor gate.

Result is the ability to have series—parallel logic with unlimited fan-out and without shifting voltage levels between stages. With a 10,000-ohm load resistor, typical gate switching time is estimated at roughly 40 to 50 nsec and power dissipation at 40 mw. Computer clock rates of 10 Mc are seen with present devices. Scaling laws apply and clock rates of 20-200 Mc are predicted as device size comes down.

RCA claims laboratory yields exceed 90 percent, that the devices are highly uniform. They expect this technique to lead to an order of magnitude price reduction over other integrated circuit techniques. The transistor chains, nonlinear resistors, fingers and crossover insulation are made on a general array basis so that almost always only one layer of evaporated gold wiring is needed to complete the desired circuit.

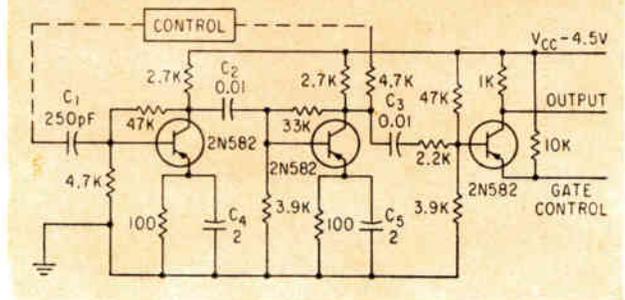
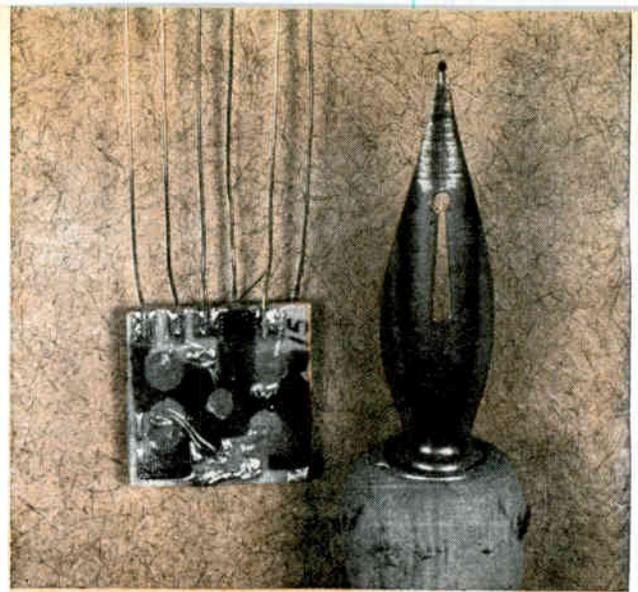
Major failure mode reported so far is short-circuited gates. Major problem to be resolved is the long-term stability; however, researchers believe they will be able after a few months to show characteristics won't drift.

Technique may also lead to nanowatt computer memories. Here the transistors would be used with their hole-conduction equivalents in a flip-flop type memory (see Fig. 4D). Hole conduction occurs with n -type silicon and a $p+$ source and drain. (Logic circuits using similar complementary devices have been reported by Fairchild Semiconductor to consume less than 10 nw standby power per node and switch in less than 20 nsec.)

Presently two applications are under development (see the front cover). One is an eight-neighbor NOR gate for a 2-D data processing panel being built at Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories. Panel will use a checkerboard array of the gates. Each nodal unit input is tied to eight neighbors; by changing the gate voltage it is possible to select which of the neighboring logic signals is to be OR-gated into the output.

Possibility of replacing the eight control leads with optical coupling is also being studied. This would be done by energizing the gate from a deposited photovoltaic cell, might eventually lead to adjustable computers that could change their logic functions by optical command.

Second application is a series of resettable decade ring counters that will divide by any of 28,000 integers in a 2-to-30-Mc ssb equipment under construction. There will



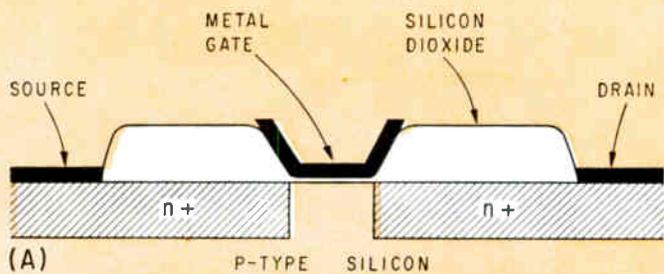
be five decks in a package expected to occupy 1 cubic inch and draw 2½ watts. Total number of interconnections is estimated at 105 compared with the 1,136 that would be required if the comparable circuit was fabricated with integrated circuits in 8-lead cans.

INDUCTORS—Fabrication of inductors still remains a major problem in designing integrated circuits. For within a limited volume, inductance can be raised only by increasing the number of turns and their cross-sectional area or improving the magnetic permeability of the surrounding medium.

Problem is to find the best compromise between inductance and Q for each application. Example of this is the diode-switched tuner shown in Fig. 5. Here the isolated resistors and capacitors are on the same substrate so that glass is used instead of ferrite. Since low permeability of glass requires more turns enclosing a larger area of pancake spiral coil, the conductor length of the larger coils is approximately 400 times the width. It was therefore necessary to make the film resistivity much lower than the usual thin-film conductor. By using thick high-conductivity silver films, the larger coils of this circuit have Q's near 100 and inductance of about 0.25 μ h.

The spiral inductors require a crossover to the center; a transformer can be made by interleaving two spirals or placing one on top of the other with an insulating layer between them.

Limitations of thin-film inductors prevent using them at audio frequencies. Above a few tenths of a microhenry or below 100 Mc you must replace deposited film inductors with discrete inductors or design around them by (1) attaching piezoelectric resonators, (2) using the simulated inductance in a forward-biased p - n junction together with negative resistance devices like tunnel diodes, or (3) designing notch filters and distributed R-C net-

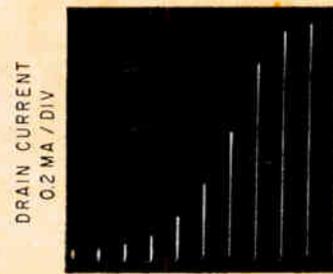


TYPICAL DEVICE SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS

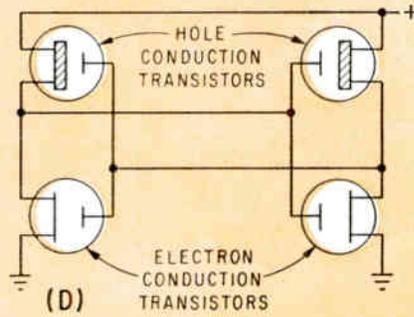
CAPACITANCE: 1 pF PER ELECTRODE
 "ON" RESISTANCE: 2 K
 CONTROL VOLTAGE: OFF $< 6 \pm 1/2$ V, ON > 14 V
 INTERNAL SWITCHING DELAY: 0.1 - 0.2 n SEC
 (SHORT CIRCUIT CONDITION)
 IMPEDANCE AT GATE: $10^{14} - 10^{15}$ OHMS
 CURRENT DRAWN: 1 MA AT 2 V
 TEMP RANGE: -80 TO +190 C



(B) DRAIN VOLTAGE 2V/DIV



(C) GATE VOLTAGE 2V/DIV



INSULATED-GATE field-effect transistor (A) has output characteristics of (B) and transfer characteristics of (C) when gate bias is varied in 2-v steps from 0 to 20 v. Load is 10,000 ohms and supply is 20 v. Complementary pairs of transistors could be used in the memory cell designed by P. K. Weimer of RCA Labs (D) whose two stable states would have essentially no dissipation—Fig. 4

works. Latter have been used in thin-film form to make band-pass amplifiers and phase shift oscillators; a frequency discriminator with a Q of 0.22 and an output linear over ± 17 percent has been designed.⁹

Obtaining selective frequency response without inductors is generally difficult, however, because it leads to instability. The higher the Q the more sensitive it is to element variations. For a standard twin-T null circuit components must maintain tolerances of about ± 0.1

percent over the entire range of operating conditions in order to attain a Q of 50 within ± 10 percent.¹⁰

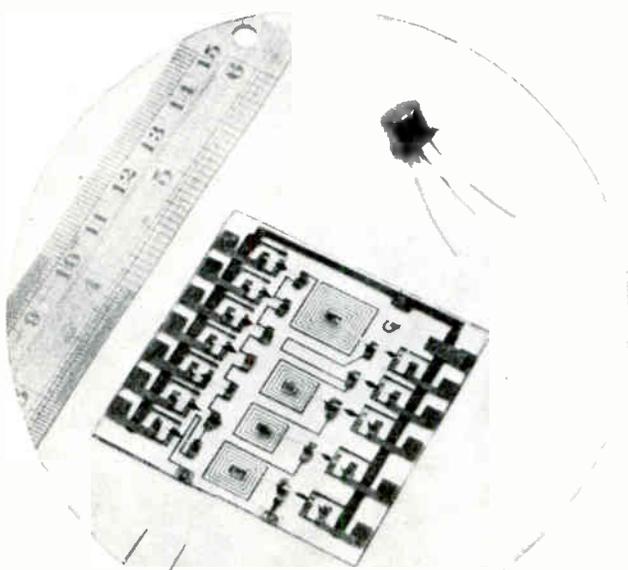
DISCRETE INDUCTORS—Wound toroids are satisfactory up to 200 Mc; Q's of 50 to 100 can be obtained and the magnetic field is contained so there is little interaction with other circuits.

Shielded 1-mh solenoids 0.1 inch in diameter and 1/4 inch long with a Q of about 40 are being developed by Nytronics. Shielding is provided by a new magnetic powder molding process. Values to 100 mh in a year are projected. They are also working toward modular power transformers to fit micromodule wafers.

Equivalent performance of a resonant circuit in much smaller volumes and at lower cost is expected from materials such as lead-titanate-zirconate now being studied for use with metal members as thin-film piezoelectric filters.

Deposited resonators are needed in the 500-Mc region, where the required Q's of 1,000 are presently unobtainable except with various forms of lines. Engineers at Harry Diamond Laboratories feel the helical cavity resonator is best from the volume standpoint. They have built 0.01-cubic-inch units with unloaded Q's of approximately 230 at 500 Mc for the preselector of a command receiver. The receiver has screen-printed wafer circuits, occupies 0.75 cubic inch, and when completed is expected to have 60-db image rejection, approximately 3-db bandwidth at 5-6 Mc and 3-db insertion loss.

One possible solution to the inductance problem is to fabricate an integrated circuit out of piezoelectric material such as gallium arsenide. Junctions in gallium arsenide have high resistivity and theoretically could be used as resonators—but so far no one claims to know how. Furthermore, much more work is needed in alloying and diffusing so that other components could be made in gal-



DIODE-SWITCHED tuner developed at General Instrument applied research laboratory covers range of 50 to 200 Mc—Fig. 5

lium arsenide, which is expected to allow higher frequency operation than silicon. However, it might be possible to grow a gallium arsenide junction heteroepitaxially in a certain spot on a silicon substrate.

FIELD-EFFECT DEVICES—Need to design around large resistors and capacitors is leading to field-effect transistors for raising impedance, thereby allowing smaller coupling and bypass capacitors.

Where large R-C time constants are required for coupling in low-frequency linear circuits, a field-effect transistor in series with a bipolar transistor can give high input impedance as well as high current gain. These devices can be diffused simultaneously into a silicon block to give input resistances over 1 megohm and, by cascading, g_m 's on the order of 1 mho.

Westinghouse Electric has fabricated an audio amplifier this way that uses a matched pair of unipolar transistors as a high-impedance input and nonlinear bias resistor for three Darlington-connected bipolar transistors. Typical amplifier gives 3 w out for $\frac{1}{2}$ v rms in at $2\frac{1}{2}$ percent distortion; frequency response is flat to nearly 1 Mc.¹¹

TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION—Semiconductor integrated circuits need built-in temperature compensation because diffused silicon resistors are not as stable as ordinary resistors. Negative feedback is widely used for this. Operating point is stabilized in a typical two-stage common-emitter amplifier because the ratio of emitter resistance to feedback resistance is maintained in spite of temperature variations since both resistors are made from the same piece of silicon and have the same TCR (temperature coefficient of resistance). Westinghouse engineers feel this technique allows designing practical linear circuits with good frequency response, low distortion, and stability comparable to that of ordinary circuits.

ISOLATION—Parasitic capacitance arising from use of reverse biased *p-n* junctions to isolate transistors and other regions in integrated circuits has been another important problem, particularly at high frequencies. Recent progress in alternately applying epitaxial growth and selective diffusion points to improved isolation, however. One technique considered useful up to 100 Mc is to diffuse *p*-type impurities through an *n*-type layer epitaxially grown on a lightly doped *p*-type substrate.¹²

NONELECTRICAL EFFECTS—Phenomena other than electrical should also be watched for in designing semiconductor integrated circuits. Figure 6 shows how thermal feedback can reduce the temperature variation of a Zener diode voltage reference. Resistors R_1 and R_2 establish a constant potential of approximately 0.4 v on the base of transistor Q_1 ; this is insufficient for conduction at room temperature. When the supply voltage is turned on, current through R_3 flows into the base of Q_2 , resulting in Q_2 dissipating enough power to raise the substrate temperature. As the temperature of Q_1 increases, the base-to-emitter voltage required for conduction decreases until Q_1 starts conducting. Current flowing into Q_1 then reduces the current at the base of Q_2 and the dissipation decreases until an equilibrium temperature is reached.¹³

There is also the possibility of exploiting the relation between frequency characteristics and distance for such devices as filters and oscillators. If a sinusoidally varying

heat source is attached to a uniform silicon bar, the propagation velocity of the resulting temperature wave is frequency dependent. Mathematical analysis indicates that varying the bar length and, hence, the transit time of the wave, will vary the oscillating frequency of a closed-loop system. Aeronautical Systems Division of Air Force Systems Command (ASD) is presently investigating thermal characteristics of silicon to see if this effect can be exploited for oscillators and band-pass filters.

MICROPOWER—You can expect increased emphasis on microwatt electronics, for progress in power reduction has not kept pace with other areas of microelectronics.

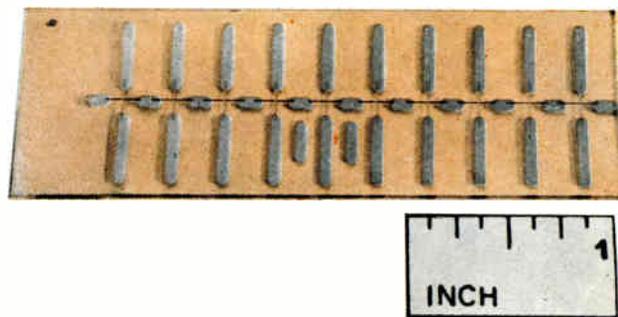
NASA ranks requirement for low power in space directly after reliability, has found silicon integrated circuits consume three times the power of standard circuits in applications like flip-flop memories and counters. This results largely from lack of large resistors and single-block complementary circuits. However, possibility of complementary insulated-gate field-effect transistors as well as recent demonstration that *pnp* and *nnp* transistors can be fabricated in the same block (see Fig. 7) now makes zero-watt logic look more realizable.

Several circuits that operate at microwatt supply power levels have been built at CBS Labs with the hybrid approach, which they feel offers the greatest versatility, least temperature sensitivity and highest speed for a given power level. These techniques are considered promising at 50-Kc clock rates, adequate for many satellite applications. The NOR gate in Fig. 1B consumes about 50 microwatts in a satellite 7-bit analog-to-digital converter.

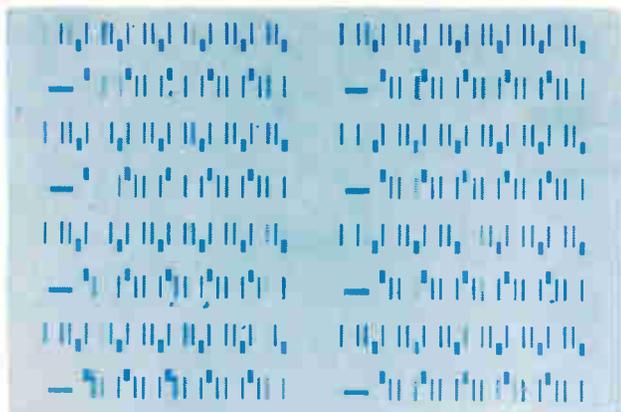
For still lower power levels, researchers want nanowatt devices. Sperry Semiconductor has made transistors with common-emitter current gain of 20 at 1 namp and noise figures of about 1 db, feels they can be incorporated in a 1,000-transistor computer that would dissipate 5 mw.

While power gain has been obtained in nanowatt circuits, it is felt an order of magnitude size reduction is needed for significant speed through, perhaps, a filamentary transistor to cope with lead capacitance.¹⁴

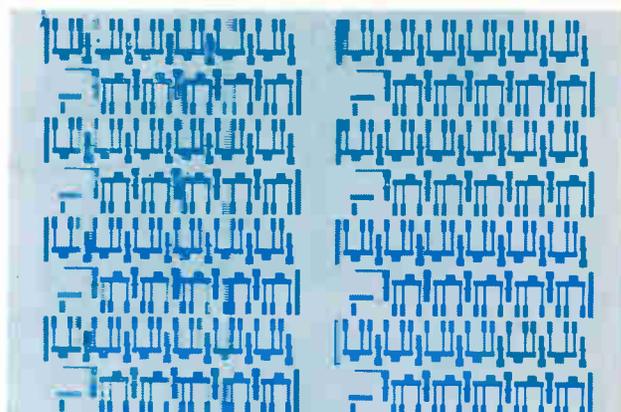
Present logic schemes are being investigated at U.S. Army Electronics R & D Laboratory (USAERDL) to determine the tradeoffs that would occur at microwatt levels. James Meindl points out we can't assume relative merits and limitations at present milliwatt levels will be the same at microwatt. However, he cites the follow-



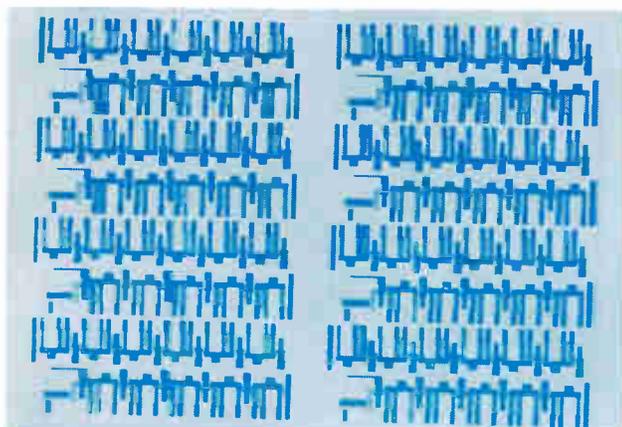
TUNNEL-EMISSION device fabrication program at Burroughs Laboratories has produced these diodes with 30-40-angstrom-thick oxide layers. Current density of 175 amp/cm² can be maintained and devices have worked with 35 ma d-c



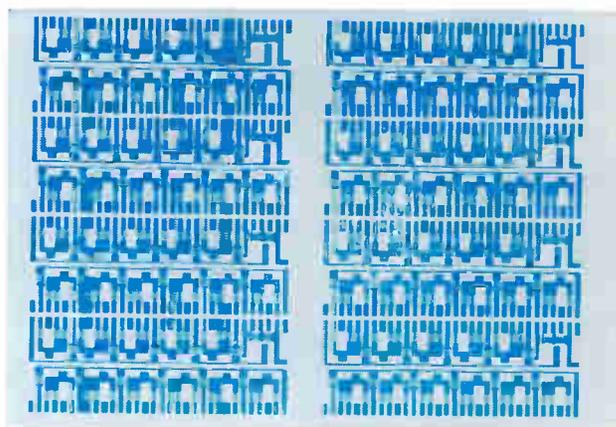
(1) Resistor Matrix of Cr-SiO



(2) Resistor Lands, Some Cu Interconnections

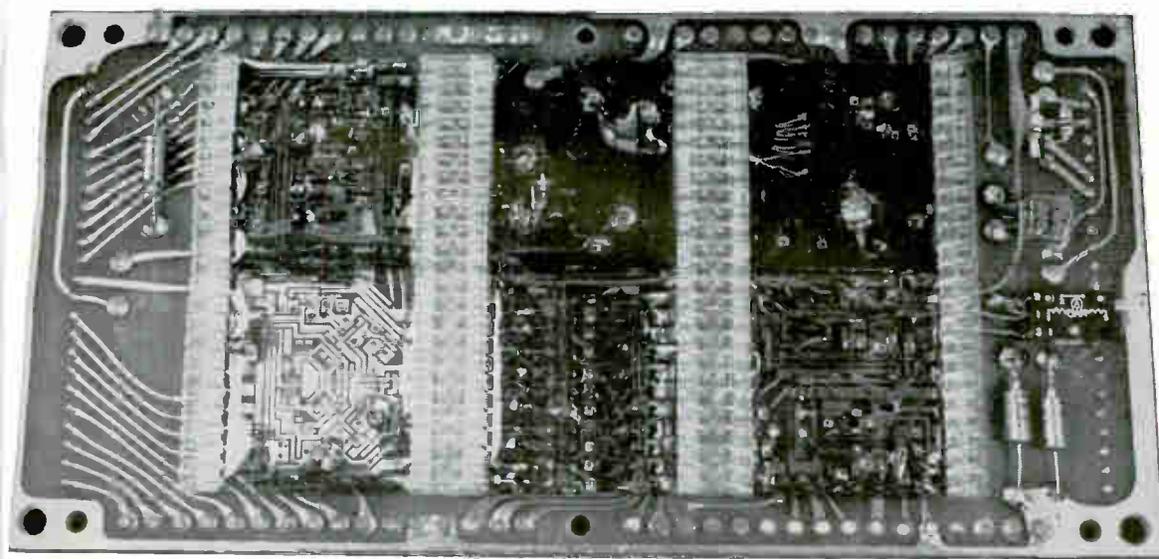


(3) SiO Capacitor Dielectric



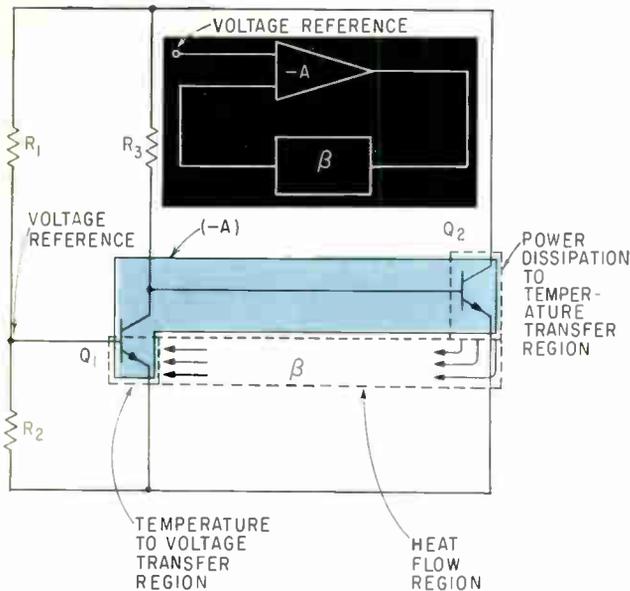
(4) Interconnections, Upper Capacitor Cu Plate

THIN-FILM PILOT production system built by IBM for Naval Avionics Facility at Indianapolis fabricates passive networks on SiO-coated $3\frac{3}{4} \times 5\text{-}3/16$ -inch substrates continuously in a four-stage deposition process. Equipment is first step toward what Navy hopes will eventually be a pilot production capability for complete thin-film circuits

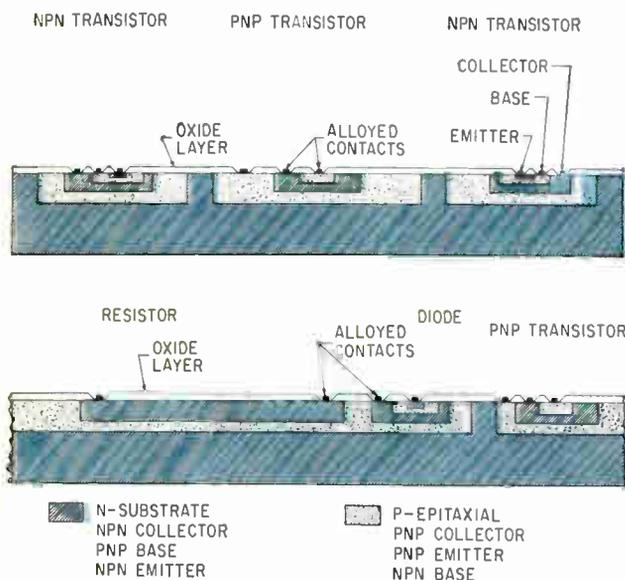


THIN-FILM COUNTER assembly occupies 9 cubic inches, was delivered to Army Ordnance, Frankford Arsenal, by Martin-Orlando in 16 weeks. Counter has maintained frequency stability in system of 0.05 percent over an operating temperature range of -45 to $+55$ C





HOW THERMAL FEEDBACK reduces temperature variation of a voltage reference for analog-to-digital conversion in the telemetry encoder Texas Instruments is building for ASD—Fig. 6



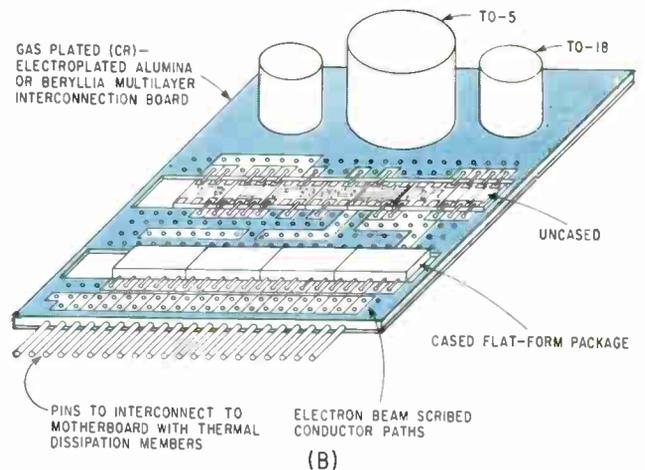
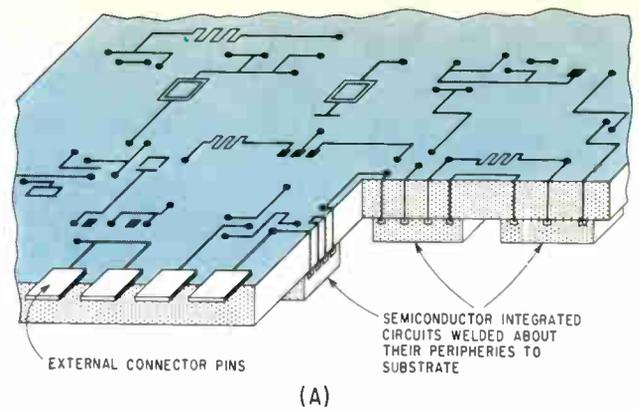
CROSS-SECTION of Texas Instruments' recently-announced series 52 linear amplifier illustrates how npn and pnp transistors can now be diffused into a single block of silicon—Fig. 7

ing problems microwatt logic designers will face regardless of the logic they select.

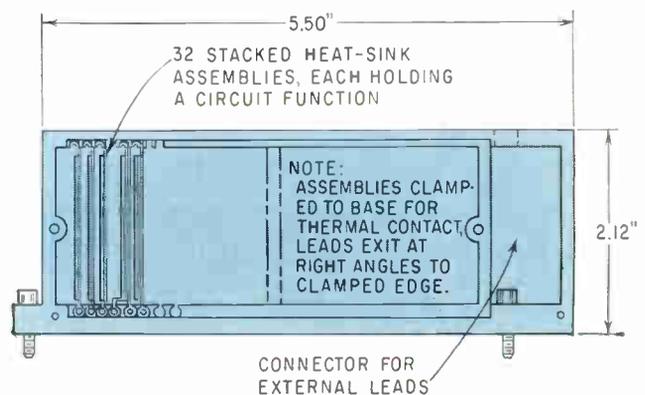
- Leakage currents with silicon transistors can be significant compared with operating current, I_{CBO} of 0.1 to 1 microampere is possible depending upon how high a temperature circuit is designed for. But germanium transistors will not be feasible.

- Current gain of ordinary micropower transistor will be more temperature sensitive than that of milliwatt transistors.

- Because microampere currents are obtained at essentially the same junction voltages as milliamper current



CONCEPTUAL illustration of unencapsulated hermetic header for intra-interconnection of semiconductor integrated circuits (A) and interconnection—packaging system for joining cased and uncased circuits and assembling systems (B) under study at Hamilton Standard div. of United Aircraft for ASD—Fig. 8



MODULE HOLDS 32 chips and occupies 13 cubic inches in this packaging technique by Autonetics—Fig. 9

rents, a high impedance circuit will result. This circuit will be slower in almost direct proportion to the current drop—if a 1-mw circuit operates at 1 Mc, then the 1-microwatt version will operate at approximately 1 Kc.

- In designing microwatt logic circuits it will be absolutely necessary to minimize stray and parasitic device capacitance. Also, maximum speed in the 1-100 microwatt range will require minimizing voltage swing to roughly 0.1 v to 0.4 v by tightening tolerances and controlling temperature.

INTERCONNECTION AND PACKAGING — Most

often cited as problem number one, size and power drain of interconnections still thwarts the goal of microelectronics and could be the determining factor in the practical success of a particular technique. However, thin-film technology may provide the answer.

Electron beam welding of semiconductor integrated circuits to a ceramic substrate is being studied by Hamilton Standard for ASD Electronic Technology Laboratory. Direct welds as well as bonds with intermediate materials such as chromium and titanium thin films will be used to hermetically seal all active surfaces while at the same time dissipating heat and providing for interconnections with minimum parasitic coupling (Fig. 8A).

Production processes are also being developed and an unbalanced production line set up for the ASD Manufacturing Technology Laboratory to interconnect present semiconductor integrated circuit systems. As shown in Fig. 8B, cased (or future uncased) circuits are attached to a grooved ceramic wafer of high thermal conductivity. A conductive matrix for interconnecting the packages, thin-film passive elements, and external circuits is fabricated by electron beam etching. Plated-through vertical feedthroughs permit crossovers, matrix design allows additional horizontal-vertical layers to be added to yield a multilayer matrix of horizontal networks.

Hughes feels its electroless copper plating process developed for pellet circuits will provide a mass interconnection technique as reliable as printed circuit wiring. No high temperatures are involved.

Near term will see greater use of flexible conductors, and also flat packets and stacked thin-film wafers. Packaging technique for semiconductor networks (which have flat form factor and leads) used by the Apparatus division of Texas Instruments on several equipment contracts is built around 1.5-inch-wide printed circuit boards with welded connections. On one contract, a computer unit has been delivered on which 49 boards are mounted in a package that weighs about 1½ lb, occupies about 22 cubic inches and meets environmental specifications for airborne operation per MIL-E-5400.

Figure 9 shows a packaging concept under study for Autonetics armament control circuits and systems.

Optical soldering techniques have been used to fabricate modules for flat packages as shown in Fig. 10.¹⁵ A system has been conceived and partially realized using this concept that will contain 35 circuits, dissipate 100 mw at 3.3 v, occupy 0.45 cubic inch, weigh 0.02 oz.

There is also considerable effort to eliminate thermo-compression bonds, particularly in high vibration environments like space. One technique under study is a ceramic sandwich where evaporated wiring on one wafer would be fused to circuit contacts on the other.

TESTING—Whole area of specification and testing faces change as we head toward microelectronics. With component junctions largely inaccessible, users want new measurements they can perform to check temperature stability and major device parameters. Failure rates which have largely been gathered on the component level are now needed on a circuit level. Manufacturers expect that if the circuit environment and application are known then worst case tests on terminal pins can be specified that will satisfy users. Some feel meaningful acceptance tests can be performed externally by evaluating characteristics that are the sum of internal parameters, rather than

evaluating the parameters themselves.¹⁶

A major problem for users according to Harry Knowles, general manager of Westinghouse Electric's molecular electronics division, is how to demonstrate reliability that may approach one failure per billion circuit hours in a few years. He sees the answer in giving users visibility into the process control and providing an analytical capability for overstressing devices. Then by determining the predominate failure modes in a run the user can extrapolate for his mission.

Advanced linear circuit design will also call for cooperation between device manufacturers and systems people in writing specs for such things as high-frequency properties, which can be measured only on the completed circuit. Inability to measure within the wafer may require more designing statistically for a class of devices.

Biggest day-to-day problem for designers could come from the high-frequency circuits that work only in the final encapsulation. Conventional breadboarding techniques fall down here and there is no possibility of trouble-shooting economically. Bell Labs engineers say designers will therefore have to operate more precisely than they have, possibly do more computer simulation or low-frequency analog work to be certain of their design.

THE FUTURE

THE FUTURE—By 1970 new forms of integrated circuits will undoubtedly arise that bear little resemblance to those presently under development. Key research areas to watch include: optoelectronics, new materials phenomena, active thin-film device research, homogeneous semiconductors, bionics, and advanced fabrication techniques like selective epitaxial growth.

Semiconductor integrated circuits are limited by present diffusion and epitaxial techniques to three or four layers. One approach that might lead to the next generation is in the early research stages at ASD. They envision fabricating a "three-dimensional" circuit by selective epitaxial growth, diffusion and vacuum deposition of both active and passive components. This would allow growing complex circuits of many layers and then depositing the metallic interconnections on the surface as the final step. Connections within the block could be by low-resistivity semiconducting material.

One way to fabricate a 3-D circuit might be to grow a number of epitaxial layers and isolate the active elements by high-resolution selective machining with molecular beams. Because the beam melts as it cuts, however, this would probably require later etching to remove shorts across junctions formed by subsequent refreezing.

Long-range goal at Norden division of United Aircraft is automatic synthesis and manufacture of optimized circuits or systems within a crystal. According to M. W. Aarons, chief of the applied physics branch at Norden, it is conceivable that in the future a description of the desired output in terms of the data supplied to the circuit will be typed into a computer. From this point on, manufacturing as well as business decisions would be computer-controlled.

One technical approach might be a laser beam servo-positioned over a substrate for controlled local heat. Various organometallic gases could then be synchronously valved to the growth chamber so as to epitaxially produce

devices with maximized characteristics, at their proper position upon the substrate. The substrate would have large anisotropic thermoconductivity so that heat could flow only normal to its plane. Such a technique would allow the selective growth of many presently incompatible devices of different materials and frequency characteristics over a broad conductivity range, Aarons says.

Optical techniques and devices will become increasingly important in microelectronics.

If a 3-D circuit could be fabricated out of a material with photoconductive properties, such as gallium arsenide, then connection within the block could be done optically. Such a scheme is shown in Fig. 11. Here the intrinsic and *n*-type material is transparent to the coupling light frequency and the *p*-type material is opaque. Thus, light conducting paths can be made by varying the doping.

At infrared wavelengths semiconductors such as indium antimonide, lead selenide, lead sulfide and silicon exhibit photoelectric, photovoltaic and photoconductive properties when exposed to the proper wavelength of light energy. Several of the photoconductive semiconductors can be fabricated into resistive areas that are variable when light is incident on the surface. Diffused resistors are also possible with these same materials and can be fabricated to a precision of ± 20 percent.

ACTIVE THIN-FILM DEVICES—Desire for a compatible technology that permits fabricating complete thin-film circuits with their interconnections in large volume and low cost is spurring widespread research on majority-carrier amplifiers and other active thin-film devices shown in Fig. 12.^{17, 18} Where there is to be competition between thin-film and semiconductor integrated circuits, it will come when these devices can be fabricated reproducibly—but few expect this before 1965. Here's a rundown of their status:

- Tunnel triodes—Absence of semiconductors has brought research support for this hot-electron tunneling device from such groups as Harry Diamond Labs, USAERDL and NASA who hope for high radiation resistance. Problems are formidable, however, and nobody has yet reported power gain. One must fabricate 20-to-50 angstrom oxide films to handle 10^7 volts per cm, and find

a collector material with the right barrier height and mobility that electrons can be collected with useful efficiency. Philco is trying to control barrier height by varying the ratio of cadmium to zinc in a layer of cadmium-zinc sulfide evaporated between base and collector.

Sylvania has formed contact rectifiers using titanium oxide as a semiconductor with current rectification ratios to 100 at 1 v.

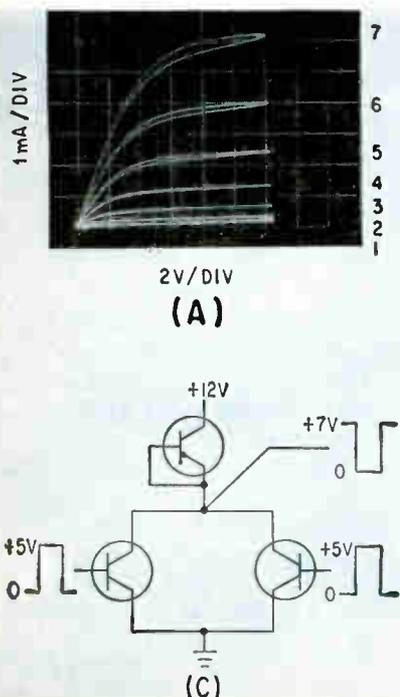
- Metal base triode—Because of high input capacitance, presently conceived tunnel triodes are not expected to exceed the performance of a good high-frequency transistor. The metal base triode might, however. For a given emitter charging time it can operate at current densities two orders of magnitude lower than the tunnel triode, and its characteristically low base resistance gives the metal base triode a power gain-bandwidth product about two orders of magnitude better. With 10-micron layers, it should oscillate in the 100-Gc range.¹⁹

Although present structures use single-crystal semiconductors, the device may be evaporable. Even if it is not, however, it could be important in high-frequency hybrid circuits if a base metal is found that injected carriers can traverse without losing too much energy.

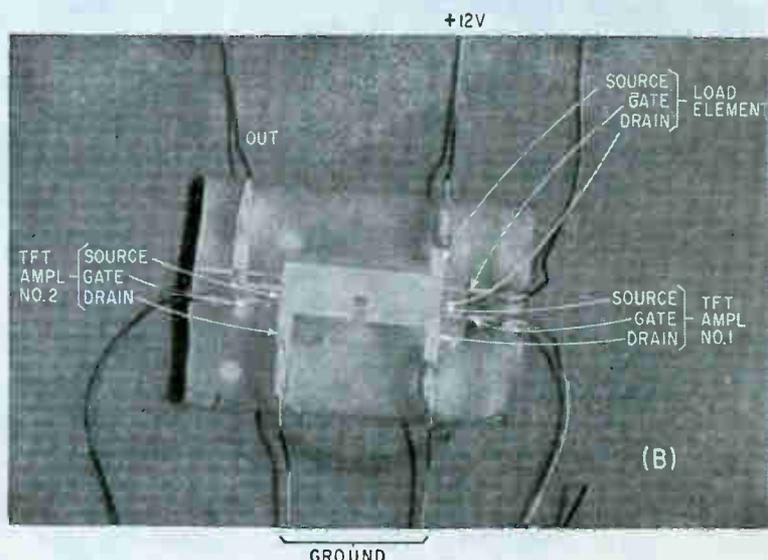
- Space-charge-limited triode—Although power gain or current transfer have yet to be reported, there is the possibility of 900-Mc operation. Difficult fabrication problems at the micron dimensions include properly placing the overlays to obtain isolated grid-base and grid-collector structures. GE Electronics Lab is studying evaporated cadmium sulfide devices containing an oxide-encased gold grid. In future experiments the cadmium sulfide may be replaced by zinc oxide to allow better control of trap density, which must be made very small.

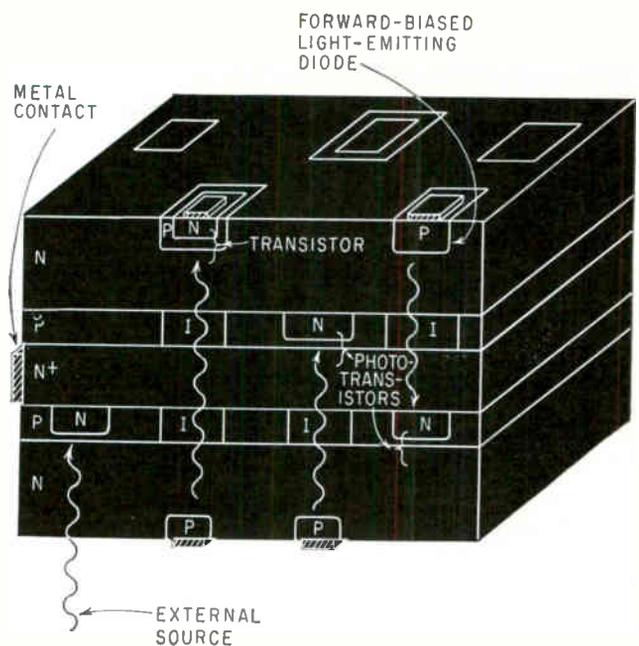
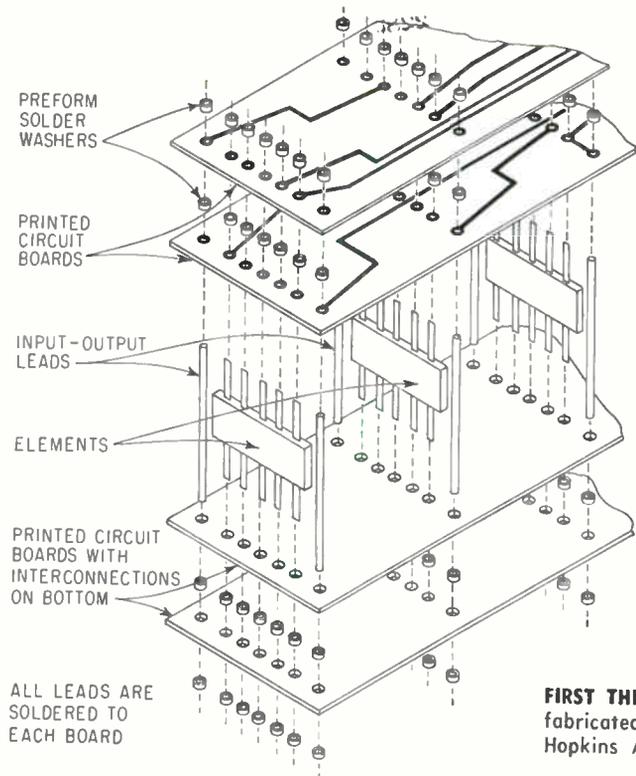
- Field-effect triode—Most successful performance to date has been obtained with the cadmium sulfide thin-film transistor (TFT). This insulated-gate field-effect transistor operates in enhancement and depletion modes similarly to the silicon insulated-gate device. If performance can be improved and repeatable stable devices made, then the TFT would have the same potential for voltage controlled relay-type logic.

In the enhancement mode TFT's have had g_m 's greater than 10,000 micromhos and 12-Mc gain-bandwidth



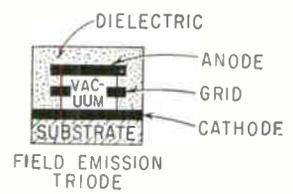
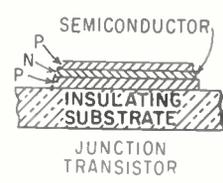
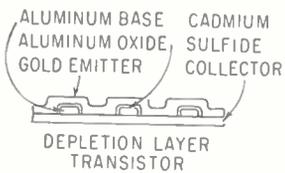
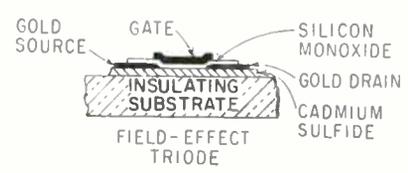
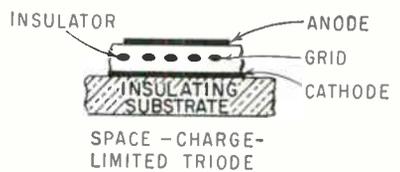
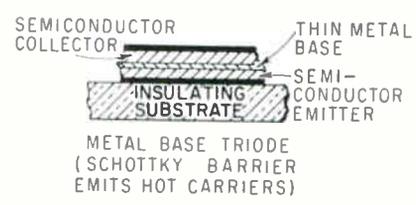
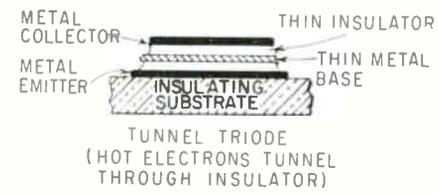
TWO RCA TFT's with typical characteristics as shown in (A) are used with a common load resistor in NOR gate (B); a 5-v pulse applied to input of either TFT gate (C) causes output to drop by 3 v (D). Two-stage audio amplifier (E) has circuit (F) which is not yet fully operative but has first stage waveform shown for 10-Kc input in (G)—Fig. 13



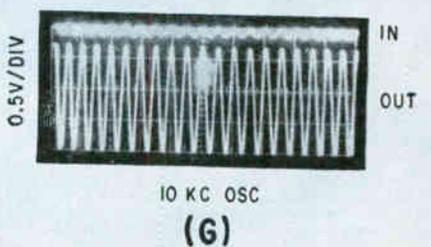
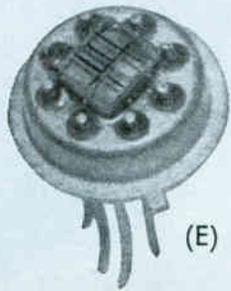
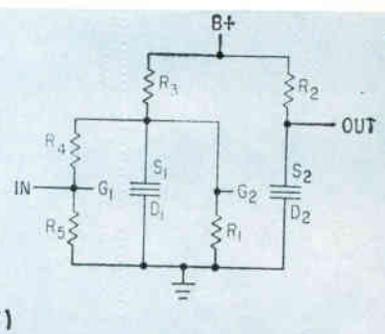
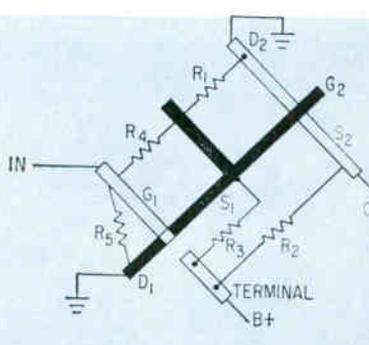
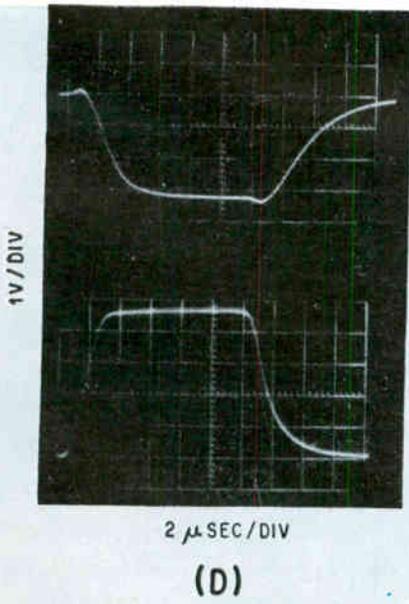


CONCEPT of 3-D integrated circuit under study at ASD—Fig. 11

FIRST THREE elements of a basic module for flat packages fabricated by optical soldering method developed at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory—Fig. 10



TRUE INTEGRATED thin-film circuits could result if research on these active thin-film devices is successful—Fig. 12



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products.²⁰ Materials other than cadmium sulfide have been used, higher mobility of some 3-5 compounds may make these more promising. Typical TFT's (see Fig. 13A) have $g_m \approx 3,000$ micromhos/v, source resistance $\approx 15,000$ ohms and amplification factors of 30. They have recently been used under an ONR contract to fabricate complete circuits such as a NOR gate (Fig. 13B) and an audio amplifier with a gain of 20 db up to 70 Kc.

- Depletion layer transistor—Raytheon is studying a field-effect device analogous to the depletion layer transistor. Carriers are injected directly into the space charge region at the collector surface; by adjusting base potential it is believed feedback can be prevented and high frequency operation result.²¹

Philco has a similar device with single-crystal n -type germanium as the collector. Power gain of 10 db has been measured at 10 Mc and oscillation has been observed above 40 Mc.²²

- Some feel growing single-crystal semiconductors onto single-crystal or amorphous substrates will be more fruitful than trying to build majority-carrier amplifiers.

Sylvania is attempting to form thin-film silicon p - n junction devices on ceramic substrates by rheotaxial growth. They have deposited laboratory diodes and transistors, latter giving alphas of approximately 0.985 and betas of about 60 at $V_{cc} = 5$ v and $I_b = 0.1$ ma.²³

General Dynamics/Astronautics is researching deposition of single-crystal semiconductor films on amorphous substrates. They fabricate 500-angstrom-thick seed crystal films on a soluble substrate by direct epitaxy, then float the crystal onto an amorphous substrate and thicken by pyrolytic decomposition.

Melpar has deposited tunnel diodes pyrolytically on fused silica substrates. Martin is studying depositing germanium heteroepitaxially on sodium chloride and then separating the germanium film by sublimation.

- Vacuum thin-films—Most ambitious and original approach may well be the four-year-old program at Stanford Research Institute to build micron-size field-emission triodes and tetrodes.²⁴ Sponsored by USAERDL and ONR, aim is a one-cubic-inch data processing machine with 10^{11} amplifying, switching, storage and transducer elements. Devices would be fabricated from refractory metals by electron-beam-activated machining, are ex-

pected to withstand 900 C temperature, operate at less than 100 v and support (at micron size only) 10^7 to 10^8 w per square inch. While no devices have been built yet, simulation studies indicate the idea is feasible. Resolution of 300 angstroms has been obtained in the machining process, and a vacuum system built to reach 10^{-12} mm of mercury in two hours.

HOMOGENEOUS DEVICES—This class of junctionless devices may someday yield the true function-oriented approach to microelectronics, where discrete circuit elements are absent and the electronic function is performed by some bulk property of the material.

One that has attracted considerable attention is the cadmium sulfide ultrasonic amplifier, which uses the piezoelectric effect for electric-to-sonic coupling. Bell Labs is presently studying ways to suppress spontaneous oscillations so it can operate c-w, possibly at 100's of Mc.

Immediate plan is to use it as a booster in a broadband delay line. However, if better transducers can be devised it might be a high-frequency transistor substitute. This would require transducers with large conversion efficiencies at losses below 6-10 db. Diffusion-layer transducers, where copper forms a high resistivity layer in conductive cadmium sulfide, might be the answer here.

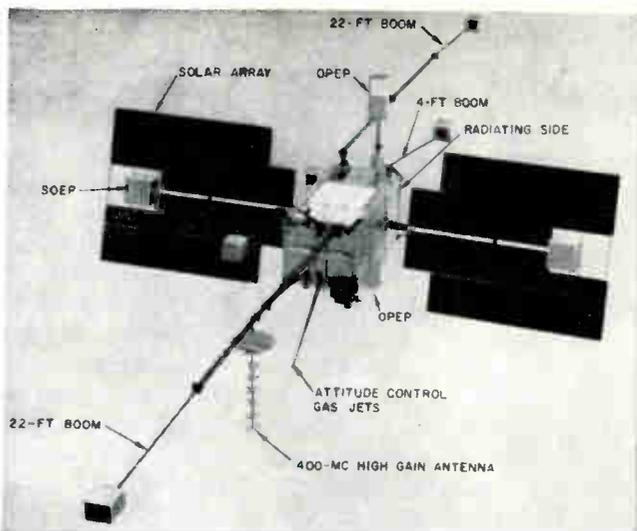
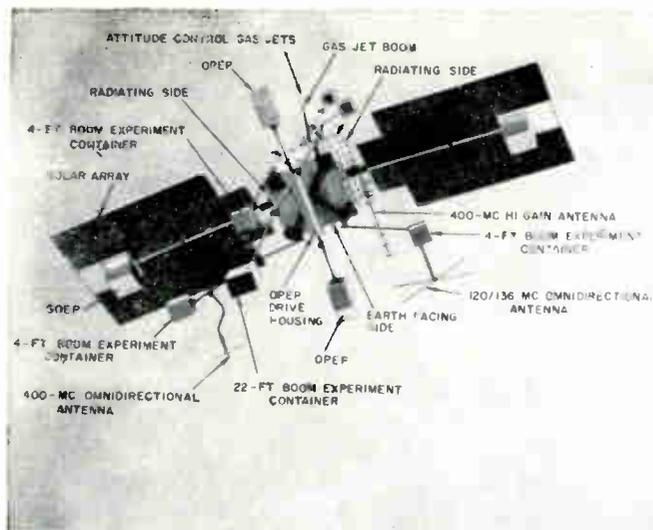
Other homogeneous devices include the cryosar, oscillator and helicon. Latter is under study at Ecole Normale Superieure in Paris, works by a traveling-wave interaction in a semiconductor plasma. It is considered promising as a low frequency isolator, has operated at 50 Mc. Active geometries are also being sought.

Combinations of materials phenomena may also lead to new types of function-oriented devices. One presently under preliminary investigation by ASD is photoferroelectricity—the varying of ferroelectric characteristics of materials by incident light. Devices utilizing photopiczoelectricity are also anticipated.

Navy and others feel not enough work is being done in bioelectronics and self-organizing systems. Stepped-up effort in these areas could have an important influence on microelectronics, lead to capability for high component redundancy, self-diagnosis and healing through exploitation of such areas as electrochemical phenomena, organic semiconductors and artificial neurons.

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OGO can carry as many as 50 experiments in a variety of orbits. Gas jets keep vehicle in correct earth attitude

Inside the ORBITING GEOPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY

The orbital geophysical observatory (OGO), due for launch this summer will carry 50 diversified experiments in a wide variety of orbits and may become the space workhorse of the future

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FIRST PLANNED ORBIT of OGO (orbiting geophysical observatory) will be an inclined, highly elliptical one having an inclination of 31 degrees, a perigee of 150 nautical miles, and an apogee of 60,000 nautical miles. The name EGO (eccentric orbiting geophysical observatory) has been given to this specific mission to be launched in 1963. The second orbit, with an inclination of 90 degrees, is to have an apogee of 500 and a perigee of 140 nautical miles. This mission has been named POGO (polar orbiting geophysical observatory). The basic spacecraft for either mission will be the same, but the experiments will differ.

A model of OGO, unfolded as in orbit, is shown in the photographs.

The basic body is a parallelepiped approximately $6 \times 3 \times 3$ feet. Two doors on opposite sides of the length of the body contain those experiments that will face the earth

or precisely away from the earth. The remaining two long sides and one small side of the body contain thermal-radiating surfaces that are automatically exposed or covered

OGO, EGO, POGO

The tailworn craftsman that with earth-made implements laboriously conquers the earth—Carlyle, "Sartar Resartus"

OGO (orbiting geophysical observatory) is the basic spacecraft of EGO (eccentric orbit geophysical observatory) and POGO (polar orbiting geophysical observatory). It is extremely flexible and can carry a large number of experiments. Because of an internal patch panel, last-minute experiments can be included with minimum vehicle changes. EGO will probably be launched this summer followed by POGO next winter

by thermal louvers actuated by individual bimetal elements on each louver. In orbit, these three sides never see the sun and are used to radiate the heat away from the body of the spacecraft. The body, except for radiating areas, is completely insulated to contain internal heat and reject external heat.

Two long booms, designed for experiments such as magnetometers that require separation from masking effects of the rest of the spacecraft, are each 22 feet long. Four short booms four-feet long, contain experiments less sensitive to, but still undesirably affected by, proximity of other equipment. Antennas are also mounted on the short booms to take advantage of the improved antenna pattern possible by removal from the main spacecraft body. Two packages are mounted at the aft of the spacecraft for those experiments that require that they face either forward or backward in the orbital plane. These packages have been labeled orbit plane experiment packages (OPEP). The attitude control jet nozzles are also placed on booms on the forward end to increase the lever arm and thus reduce gas system weight. Two solar cell paddles are mounted on a shaft running through the spacecraft and can be rotated to allow the cells to remain normal to sunlight despite the constantly changing orientation of the body as one surface continuously faces the earth. Two solar oriented experi-

ment packages (SOEP), one on each array, are provided for experiments which must face directly toward, or away from the sun at all times.

Three features of OGO permit spacecraft flexibility basic to conception. Automatic charge regulation has been incorporated since the spacecraft must be capable of efficient operation in a relatively large spectrum of thermal and solar-power environments. The need for OGO to communicate effectively from a wide variety of orbits without redesign for each mission has required new features in this system. Since the requirement for the data-handling circuits to accommodate the needs of changing experiments is unique in spacecraft, these systems, for both digital and analog data, are unique.

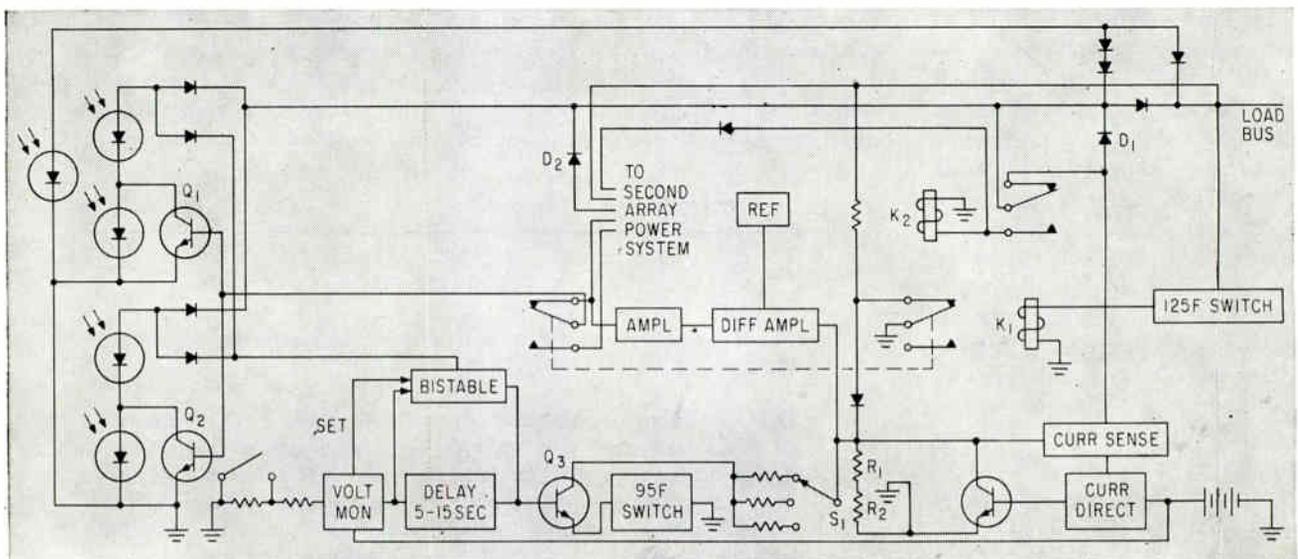
CHARGE CONTROL — Battery charge control consists of two current regulators, each maintaining a preselected charge current to the battery pack connected to its output. A functional block diagram of the OGO power system, which includes the elements of the charge controller is shown in Fig. 1. Each regulator has two output power transistors with each transistor controlling one-third of the array. Thus, two-thirds of the solar array is controlled by each regulator.

The solar array is controlled by shunting current of one-half of the series solar cell modules associated

with each transistor. Turning power transistor Q_1 , or Q_2 full on effectively shorts one-half of the series cells being controlled, reducing the output voltage by one-half and the output current to zero. Except immediately after eclipse when the solar array is cold, this method controls solar array output from full on to off with less power dissipation than a series-type regulator. When the array is cold, control is lost and the battery voltage and load and battery currents set the array operating point. An advantage of this method of regulation is that power is required only when power is available. When the solar array is incapable of maintaining both the load and selected charge currents, the transistors are switched off.

During normal charging, after eclipse and before the batteries reach a preselected voltage or temperature level, charge current is regulated at a selected level adjusted by charge level set command switch S_1 . Four charge current levels can be selected by command ranging from trickle charge to full array capability. Resistors R_1 and R_2 define the trickle charge level and any shunt resistance causes this charge level to increase.

When the battery voltage increases to a preselected level as a result of charging, the voltage monitor switches the charge current from the selected level to the trickle charge level by shutting off



BATTERY charging system consists of two circuits like that shown above, one for each solar array. Battery charge is determined by temperature—Fig. 1

transistor Q_3 . The bistable flip-flop, with associated time delay, allows the trickle charge to occur for only 5 to 15 seconds, at which time the rate is reset to the selected rate. The cycle is continued each time the battery exceeds the preselected voltage level.

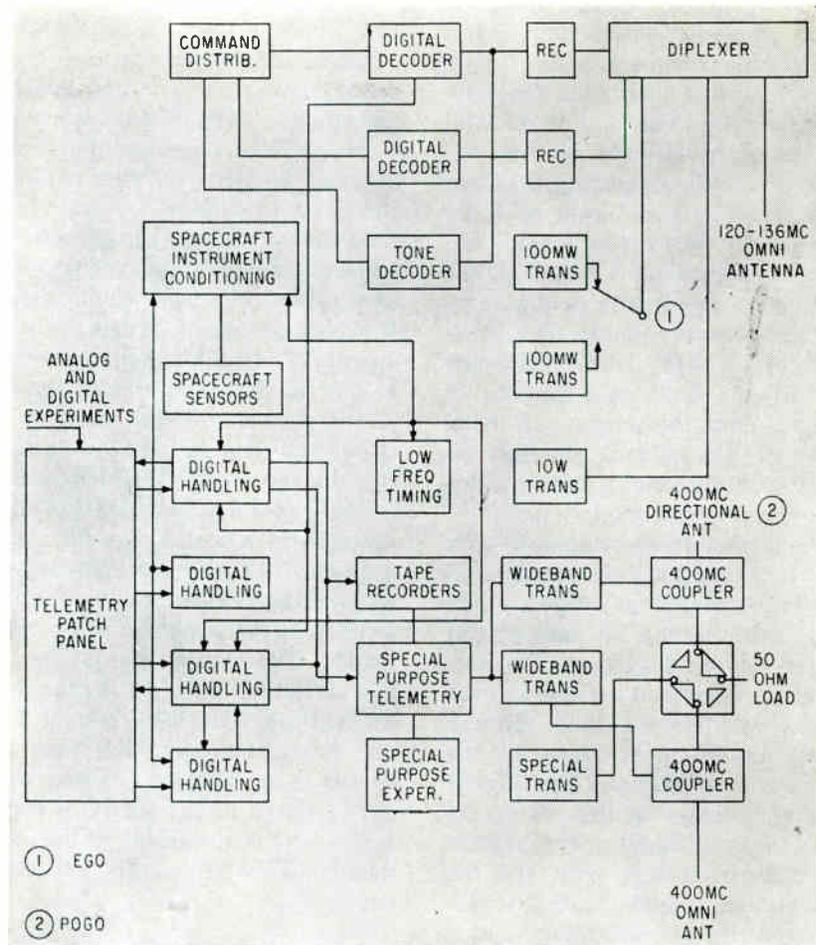
Should the battery reach a temperature greater than 95 F but less than 125 F, the 95 F normally closed switch opens, causing the array to drop to a trickle charge of the battery. This continues until the temperature of the battery is reduced to below 95 F.

A battery failure is indicated by a temperature greater than 125 F. When this temperature occurs, the 125 F normally-open switch closes and operates failure transfer relay K_1 . This relay opens the battery charging circuit (diode D_1 , reverse biased) and allows discharge of the malfunctioning battery only to the extent of its remaining capability during eclipse; connects the disconnected array buss and the array buss of the good battery by diode D_2 ; transfers control of the regulating transistors to the other regulator by relay K_2 ; and causes the charge rate of the remaining battery to be switched to full-on until overridden by a ground command.

Should both batteries fail, the regulating transistors are switched into saturation. The remaining unregulated two-thirds of the array will provide approximately 26 volts at nominal load current. Thus, even with both batteries failed, limited operation of the spacecraft when the solar array is illuminated is still possible.

COMMUNICATIONS—One of the major tasks in obtaining flexibility in the OGO design has been to provide a communications and data handling system to accommodate the separate missions while maximizing communication efficiency and minimizing weight.

The command and tracking functions of OGO use approximately 120 and 136 Mc respectively, making use of a single omnidirectional antenna with essentially 0-db gain. A combined diplexer-coupler allows transmission at 136 Mc and reception at 120 Mc simultaneously. The coupler allows two transmission ports and two receiver ports to be



COMMUNICATION system of OGO uses three tracking transmitters and three wide-band transmitters for telemetry—Fig. 2

made available in a single unit as shown in Fig. 2.

For EGO, three transmitters are carried to provide an unmodulated signal to the ground tracking interferometer. A 100-mw transmitter at 136 Mc operates continuously. The redundant unit can be switched in by command. The 10-w tracking transmitter, used only on those missions with an apogee at an altitude greater than 6,000 nautical miles, is controlled by a timer which turns the transmitter off 45 seconds after it is commanded on. During the time the 10-w unit is operating, the 100-mw unit that had been operating is automatically turned off. When the 10-w unit goes off, the 100-mw unit is then turned back on.

Three telemetry transmitters operating at 400 Mc, two redundant 4-w units for wideband telemetry transmission and a half-watt special purpose transmitter are also carried. Normally wideband telemetry will be transmitted by a directional antenna providing 12-db gain. For low-altitude passes of EGO and

POGO, an omnidirectional antenna will be used and either transmitter can be used for either antenna. The special-purpose telemetry transmitter is provided for experiments which are not compatible with the time-sharing feature of the wide-band system or whose analog measurements need to be transmitted in an unprocessed form. All transmitters are solid state with the wide-band units having a strip-line filter and biphase modulation, with a possible modulation frequency of 1 to 200,000 bits per second. The special-purpose transmitter can use up to five subcarriers and operate from any experiment whose output is an f-m signal within system bandwidth of 0.3 to 100 Kc.

Two redundant a-m command receivers operating in phase diversity are fed from single elements of a crossed-dipole omnidirectional antenna. Each receiver contains two age loops, a signal-present relay and a squelch circuit.

The outputs of the two command receivers feed, in a parallel-redun-

dant fashion, two digital decoders and a single-tone decoder. Three separate parallel-output amplifiers in each receiver supply the decoders independently. The squelch or failure detection circuits in the receiver allow the operating receiver to increase its audio gain by 6 db if the other receiver is not operating. The additional 6 db of signal level allows the inputs to the various decoders to remain at a constant level. If both receivers operate, the 6-db gain feature is removed and the outputs of both receivers are added, so that in either case the level to the decoders is essentially constant.

The digital decoders operate on a frequency-shift keying signal amplitude modulated by a 128-cps sine wave, defining the bit rate of the digital command system. The output of the command receivers to the digital decoders contains the fsk signal, amplitude-modulated by the bit rate sync signal. The digital decoder operates on this waveform using the sync signal to synchronize the decoder system with the fsk information signal. Each decoder can be addressed separately, and it is possible to obtain an output from a single digital decoder to operate the command distribution unit. This unit consists of operating relays in a 16×16 matrix, providing 254 commands.

The command word contains 24 bits with the first 4 bits of the information signal to the digital decoder containing sync and address information. The first bit is always 1 for sync and the remaining 3 bits are used for address. It is required that a 1 be available in these 3 bits, thus the system has the capacity to address 7 decoders independently of each other. The next 2 bits define the mode in which the decoder is to operate. These 2 bits define whether or not the decoder provides signals to the command distribution or to the digital-data handling units. The two unused mode signals available in the 2 bits are provided for later spacecraft when a special programmer will be incorporated to allow change in telemetry operating mode without ground-station commands. The next 8 bits define the 254 commands within the command distribution unit. The 2 mode bits and 8 command bits are then repeated in an inverted position, as a parity check in the digital decoder before any of the relays in the command distribution unit are activated.

DIGITAL DATA HANDLING —

The wideband telemetry consists of two redundant digital telemetry systems which either operate in real time or feed two redundant recorders for delayed readout.

The basic data telemetry format includes 128 nine-bit words in the main frame. Three subcommutators, each 128 words long, are also provided. It is possible on command to operate one of the spacecraft commutators at the main frame rate and therefore provide high-data rates for spacecraft instrumentation purposes if so required. A flexible format is also provided in the digital telemetry system so that a limited amount of experiments can be combined to give 32 combinations of any 32 experiment inputs allowing data to be transmitted at higher rates than the main frame rate when desired.

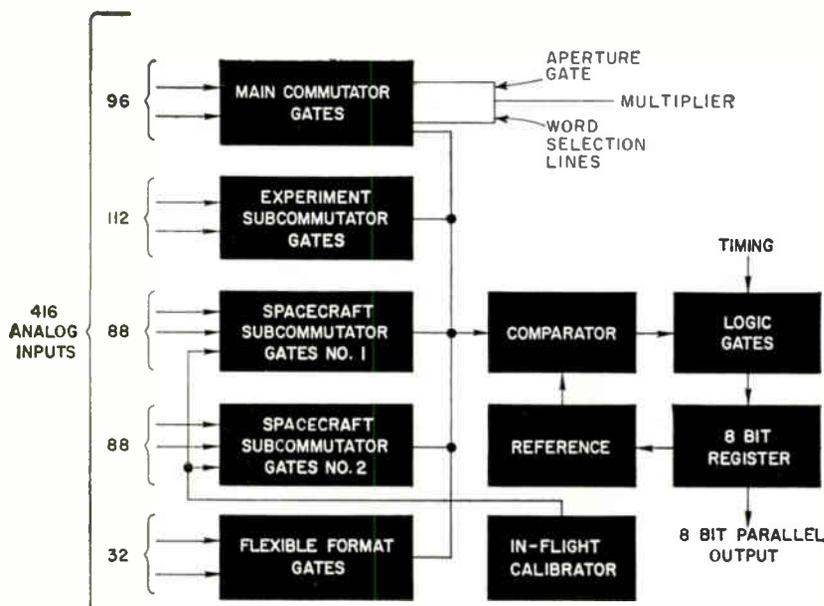
The basic format and timing are implemented in the digital data handling unit. In addition, this unit contains all the necessary gates for digital experiments and provides inhibit and shift pulses to digital experiment shift registers. The digital data handling unit also provides timing and sequence signals to the analog data handling unit.

All experiments, either digital or analog, are fed directly to the telemetry patch panel. This panel defines the amount of cross-strapping between analog and digital experiments, and is used to define the basic word setup in all of the commutators. The panel contains approximately 2,000 terminals and contains all the interconnect points for both equipment group digital inhibits, digital gates and analog gates. The use of such a patch panel allows last minute changes in the telemetry format or makeup of an original format without affecting the equipment already acceptance tested in the spacecraft.

ANALOG DATA HANDLING —

The analog data handling assembly is shown in Fig. 3. Within this assembly are the analog gates for the main commutator, the experiment subcommutator and two spacecraft commutators and the analog flexible format gates. Although 128 words are provided in the main commutator and all subcommutators, only 96 analog gates have been provided in the main commutator, 112 in the experiment subcommutator and 88 in each of the spacecraft subcommutators.

Figure 4 shows the matrix gating used in the analog data handling assembly. The first-level gate stick



ANALOG data handling assembly contains gates for the main commutator, experimental subcommutator, two spacecraft commutators and an analog flexible format gate—Fig. 3

includes eight analog gates paralleled so that when a signal is available at a first-level driver and second-level gate, an output to the third-level gate occurs. The third-level gate allows an output signal to be directed to the analog-to-digital converter. All identification signals, aperture-gating signals and matrix for first- and second-level gate-drive signals are provided from the digital-data handling assemblies.

The analog-to-digital converter logic and truth table are shown in Fig. 5. The converter uses a successive approximation technique to achieve analog-to-digital conversions. Since the lowest quantization level is 0.2 v, 250 levels between zero and five volts provide an accuracy of 0.4 percent. The converter uses a compressed half-split sampling technique and accomplishes the conversion at a rate two times the highest input rate or 128 bits per second.

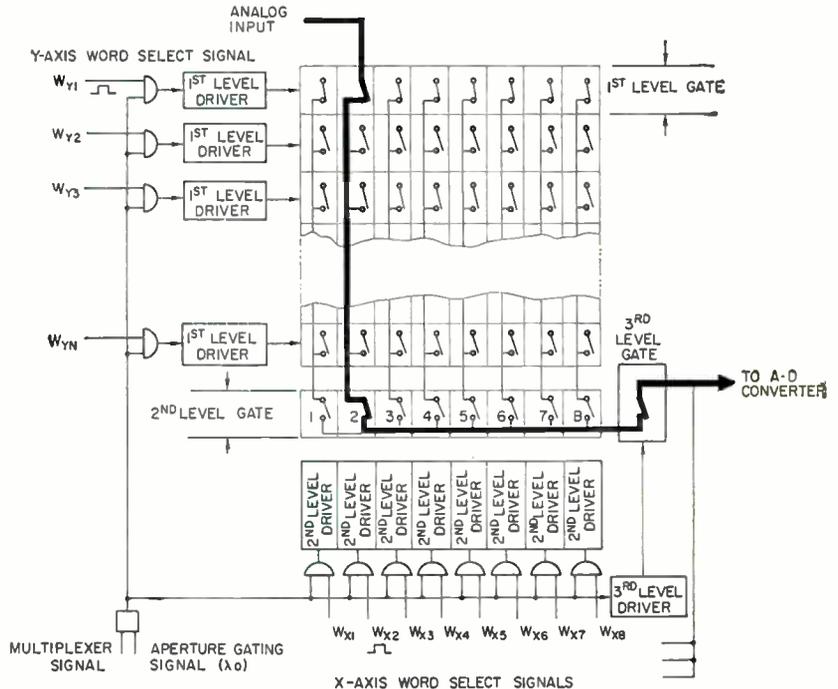
As shown in Fig. 5, the analog-to-digital converter contains a comparator, digital timing gate, a register (flip-flops a_1 through a_8) for storage, and a digital-to-analog converter (switches and ladder adder). The register flip-flops drive the a-d switches which in turn define accurate voltage levels by the ladder adder. The ladder adder is designed to apply binary weights to the register positions starting with a_1 as the most significant weight (2.5 v) through a_8 with the least significant weight (20 mv).

At time B_0 the register flip-flops are preset so that ladder-adder output is one-half of full scale (2.5 v) and this output, as reference, is applied to the a-d converter. As shown in the truth table, under logic timing B_0 the state of each flip-flop is shown as $a_1 = 1, a_2 = 0, \dots, a_8 = 0$. If the analog signal presented to the comparator is less than the reference voltage, a comparison is made. This condition allows timing pulse B_1 to reset the register flip-flop a_1 (B_1 AND gated with comparator output C). Pulse B_1 also sets a_2 . The binary weighted analog output of the d-a converter is then 1.25 v. Had the analog signal input to the comparator been greater than half of full scale (> 2.5 v), no comparison would have been made. Timing pulse B_1 would then have been blocked from resetting a_1 while setting a_2 . The

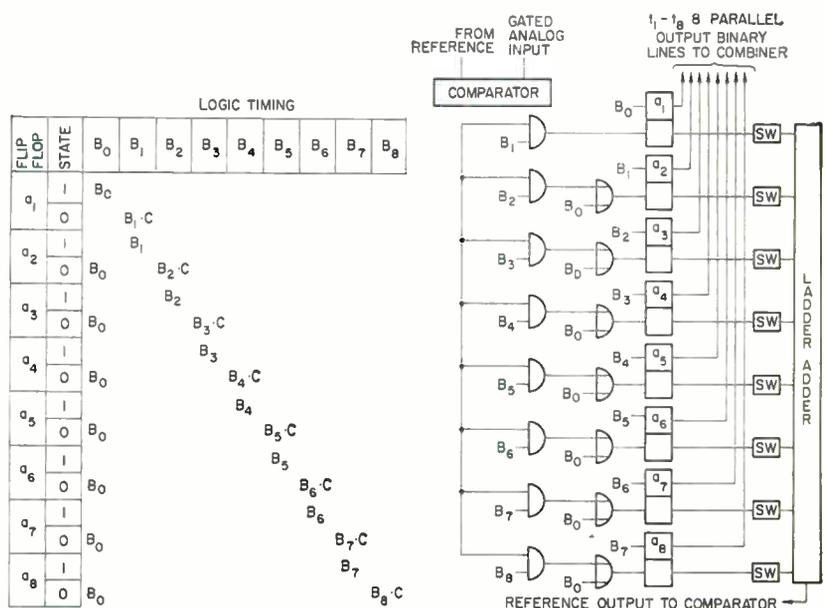
d-a converter reference output voltage would then be $2.5 + 1.25 = 3.75$ v.

Seven more successive comparisons are made on everdecreasing portions of full scale until the voltage of the input signal is known to within one quantization level. One quantization level is nominally 20 mv out of the full scale of 0 to 5 v. At the end of the sampling period (following time B_8) the register

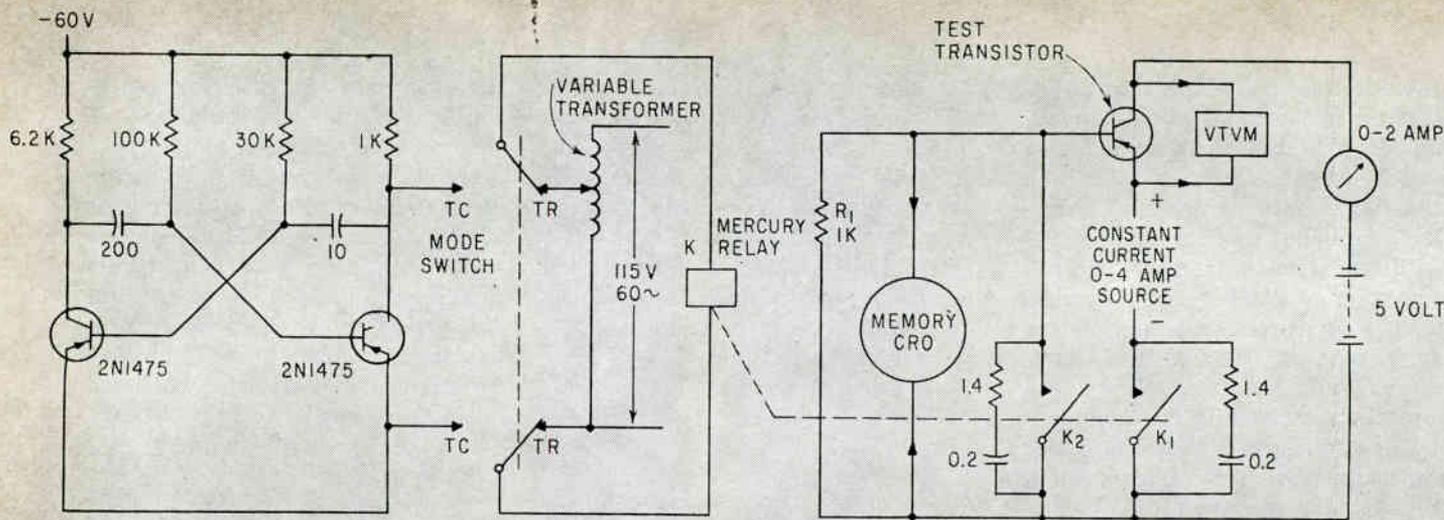
flip-flops are left in states representing the binary equivalent of the analog signal voltage. If these eight states are interrogated at the readout bit rate, a serial string of binary bits representing the analog signal voltage are obtained. This interrogation is done by the digital data handling assembly where analog words are combined with other information to form the wideband telemetry format.



MATRIX gating accepts the analog signal and feeds it to the analog-to-digital converter—Fig. 4



TRUTH TABLE (left) of analog-to-digital converter (right) uses successive approximation to achieve conversion—Fig. 5



MULTIVIBRATOR pulses relay *K* during time-constant determination; 60-cycle supply drives relay for thermal resistance testing—Fig. 1

Practical Way to Measure Transistor

Test yields thermal resistance and thermal-time-constant data for transistors.

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THE TWO transistor parameters most often specified in MIL specs. are thermal resistance and thermal time constant. However, the procedures outlined in such specifications are somewhat confusing and difficult to carry out. This article sets down a simple and logical set of procedures for thermal testing.

Initially, the transistor is mounted in the circuit shown in Fig. 1, with provision for adequate heat dissipation during all phases of operation.

In this analysis, the collector-to-base leakage current is the temperature-sensitive parameter. An astable multivibrator controls a collector-to-base pulse I_{co} , which is generated for 0.3 second every 3 seconds. This produces a pulse, which can be monitored on a memory oscilloscope, across the 1,000-ohm re-

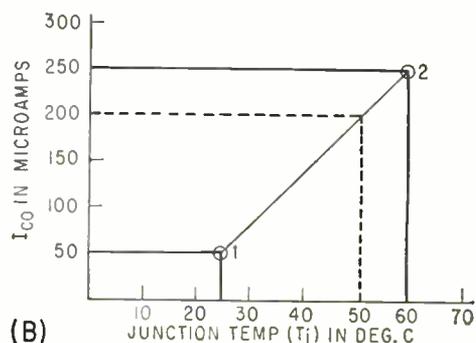
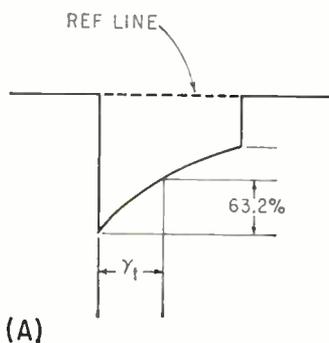
sistor R_1 . By varying the vertical control, the pulse pattern is shifted to a predetermined reference line. Constant power is then applied during the period between pulses, with power level near the transistor's normal operating steady-state value.

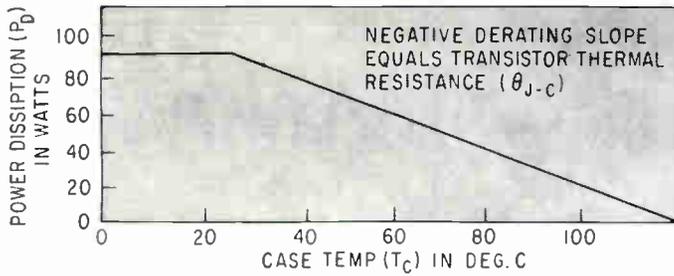
TIME CONSTANT—During the leakage pulse, I_{co} decreases exponentially to its value at room ambient conditions (Fig. 2A). The time taken by the trace to reach 63.2 percent of the leakage-decrease is the thermal time constant of the transistor. This technique also measures the thermal time constant of the temperature fall. Since the temperature rise is equal to unity minus the temperature fall ($1-\gamma_t$), it also measures the time constant

of temperature rise. The first step in performing the thermal resistance test is transistor calibration. Initially, an I_{co} reading (for example, 50 microamp) is taken at 25 C. The transistor is then placed in an oven and heated to, say, 60 C, at which temperature a second I_{co} reading, perhaps 250 microamp, is taken. These two points are then plotted as shown in Fig. 2B, enabling junction temperature T_j to be established for a given I_{co} .

The thermal resistance test is started by switching to the thermal resistance mode TR in the test circuit. Although the most reliable temperature-sensitive parameter in junction transistors is the forward drop (V_f) of the collector junction, the I_{co} parameter is used in this test since it is a required parameter

THERMAL TIME CONSTANT is measured by time taken for trace to reach 63.2 percent of the leakage decrease (A); calibration curve determines junction temperature for given I_{co} (B)—Fig. 2





USING THE DATA

Transistor power dissipation is related to the junction temperature by a coefficient called thermal resistance. Since maximum power and junction temperature are tied together by this value, they lend themselves to determination of either case temperature (T_c) or power dissipation (P_d) by using thermal resistance and one of these variables (T_c or P_d). This is shown in power temperature derating curve, where the transistor becomes useless beyond about 120 deg C

THERMAL RESISTANCE

Method satisfies military specifications

in qualification testing of transistors. Both the I_{co} and V_i methods are subject to an error caused by the thermal response time of the transistor. However, this error has little effect on the outcome of the tests. In silicon transistors where I_{co} is small, differential-amplifier techniques are used in the detector circuit for precise measurements of the junction temperature.

HEAT MEASUREMENT—A thermocouple embedded in the heat sink near the transistor provides readings of temperature (T_c) when power is applied to the transistor. Relay (K) driver voltage is adjusted to a convenient value to drive the mercury relay in its chopper action. Collector voltage is set to about 5 volts, the exact value de-

pending upon the power rating of the unit.

Slowly increasing I_c produces a pattern on the scope indicating an I_{co} somewhere between the two previous calibration points (Fig. 3A). Both the thermocouple and I_{co} readings are allowed to stabilize, after which T_c and I_{co} are recorded.

Since the duty cycle of the relay will not allow readings of I_{co} , relay driver voltage is raised to hold relay contacts closed, permitting readings to be made more easily. Current (I_c) and voltage (V_c) readings must then be taken quickly to prevent thermal drift.

The latest I_{co} readings are plotted on the calibration curves (Fig. 2B). Assuming a reading of 200 μ A (Fig. 3B), this gives a T_j reading of 50 C, thus determining junction

temperature for a particular case temperature.

USING THE DATA—By defining thermal resistance as the input power required to raise the junction temperature to some arbitrary higher temperature, thermal gradient can be calculated by

Thermal resistance (degrees C/Watt) =

$$\frac{\text{Case Temp } (T_c) - \text{Junction Temp } (T_j)}{\text{Collector Volts} \times \text{Collector Current } (I_c)}$$

Sample calculation

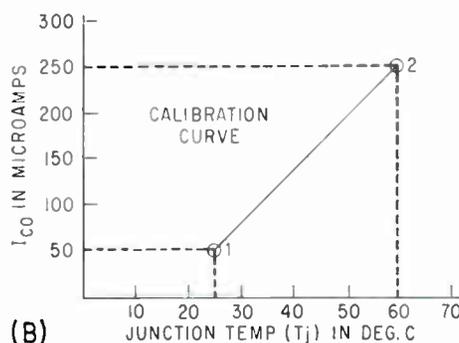
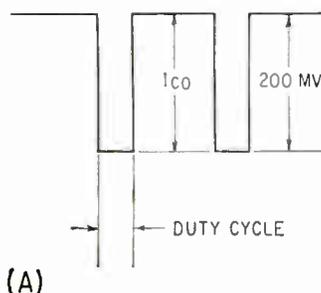
$T_c = 65\text{C}$ (taken directly after thermocouple stabilization)

$T_j = 50\text{ C}$ (taken from calibrated curve)

$V_c = 5.5$ volts and $I_c = 1.8$ amp (taken after the mercury relay was closed)

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thermal Resistance} &= \frac{65\text{ C} - 50\text{ C}}{5.5\text{ volts} \times 1.8\text{ amp}} \\ &= \frac{15\text{ C}}{9.8\text{ watts}} \\ &= 1.53\text{ C/watt} \end{aligned}$$



OSCILLOGRAM of relay controlled waveform across the test transistor's base resistor (A); I_{co} reading of 200 microamp corresponds to transistor junction temperature of 50 C (B)—Fig. 3

Improving Pulse Rise Time With

Tenfold improvement in pulse rise time is provided by cascading charge-storage diodes. Snap-off effect of the cascaded diodes is also used to generate ultrashort pulses that can be used for sampling oscilloscope

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CASCADED charge-storage diodes can improve rise time of a 30-volt pulse across 50 ohms from 5 to 0.5 nanosecond. Ultrashort pulses for oscilloscope sampling and other applications can also be provided by cascading these snap-off diodes. The recurrence rate of the snap-off action can be as high as several hundred megacycles.

Available pulse generators can supply pulses having a rise time of about 5 nanoseconds. These pulses of 500 milliamperes to 1 ampere can be supplied to a load of 50 to 100 ohms at recurrence rates of 1 Mc and higher. However, even with the best available components, such performance requires elaborate and careful circuit design, such as a negative power supply to enable d-c coupling. Several forward-biased charge-storage diodes in cascade across the output transmission line of the pulse generator can materially improve pulse rise time.

The extra loading on the generator output by the charge-storage diodes is more than compensated by the impressive improvement in rise

GETTING MORE OUT OF SNAP-OFF

If snap-off in one charge-storage diode can improve pulse rise time, two or three cascaded diodes should improve it even more. Here is how suitably biased charge-storage diodes provide a tenfold improvement in rise time and also enable generation of ultrashort pulses

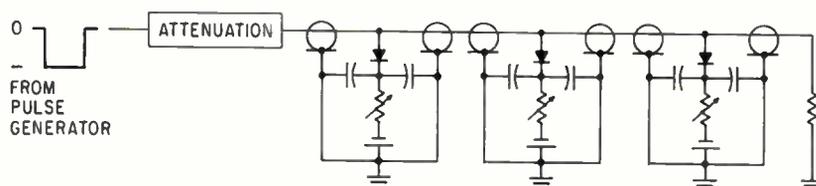
time. Rise time is about 0.5 nanosecond for a typical 30-volt pulse across 50 ohms, which is a tenfold improvement.

SNAP-OFF—When a reverse voltage is applied to the charge-storage or snap-off diode after it has been conducting in the forward direction, it conducts in the reverse direction because of the charges stored near the junction.¹ The reverse current decreases during a period called the transition phase

until the charges have been removed. The transition period is short and is related to structure of the semiconductor device. When the diode is driven from a source with low internal impedance, the sudden stoppage of reverse current (snap-off) causes a sharp step change in voltage across the diode. The snap-off action has been used during the past few years, but its usefulness can be considerably extended by cascading several charge-storage diodes.

Three charge-storage diodes have been cascaded in Fig. 1. If the generator pulse were positive instead of negative, the diodes and their associated biases would be reversed. A coaxial cable of matched characteristic impedance is generally necessary to transmit the fast-rising pulses from the generator to the load. The coaxial transmission line is also convenient for mounting the diodes. The mechanical construction of the mounting is shown in Fig. 2. The r-f path is made as short as possible while preserving the continuity of the transmission line.

The instant that snap-off occurs



BIASES for cascaded charge-storage diodes are adjusted separately to control instant that snap-off occurs—Fig. 1

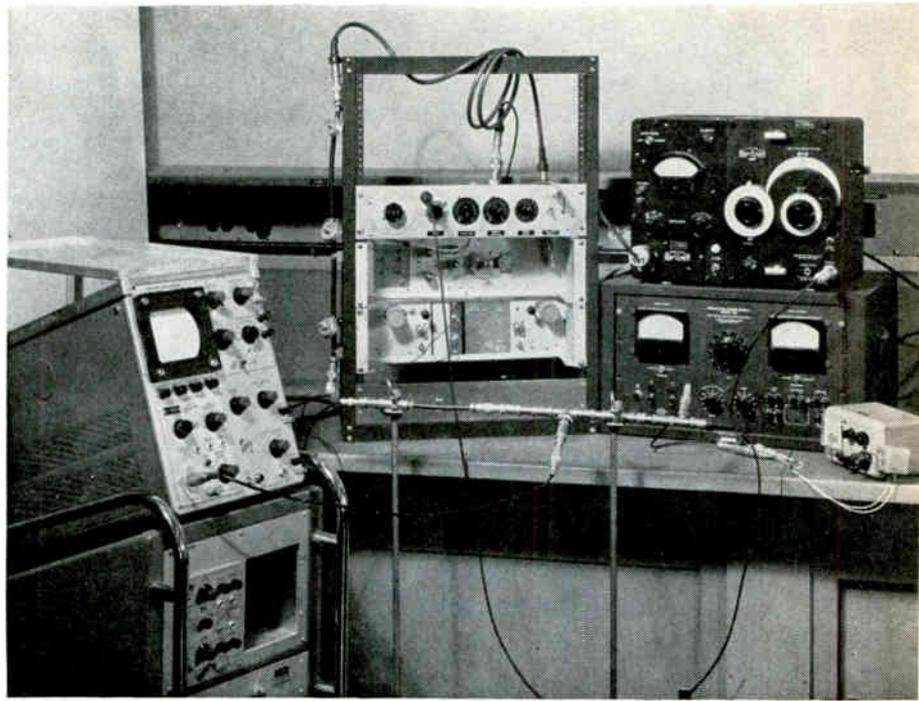
Snap-Off Diodes

for a given applied pulse depends on forward bias current. Therefore, forward bias current for each diode must be adjusted separately to increase steepness of the entire leading edge where this is desirable.

In some applications, only the step in a portion of the leading edge is of interest, such as when the diode is followed by a differentiator to generate short pulses. Although not yet fully investigated, the slope of the snap-off for a given diode depends on rise time of the applied reverse voltage. Thus, the resultant step is sharper if the snap-off step of a previous diode is used to drive the subsequent diode. The bias required is different from that needed for uniform steepness of the complete leading edge, and separate adjustment of the bias for each charge-storage diode is again necessary.

IMPROVING RISE TIME — A pulse is shown in Fig. 3A before and after the effects of three cascaded charge-storage diodes, and the leading edges of the pulse are shown in Fig. 3B. A Model 121 E-H Research Labs, Inc., pulse generator and three FD-100 charge-storage diodes were used in these experiments. A Tektronics type N sampling attachment and 543 oscilloscope were used to make these recordings. The sampling unit has a rise time limit of about 0.6 nanosecond.

The experimental results shown in Fig. 3C were obtained using a Lumatron 112A sampling oscilloscope adjusted for maximum bandwidth. The rise time limit of this oscilloscope is about 0.2 nsec. The biases used on the first, second and third charge-storage diodes were 100, 75 and 50 ma, respectively. In general, the first diode increases steepness of the last half of the



STROBOSCOPIC sampling oscilloscope was used to observe the effect of the three charge-storage diodes mounted on the coaxial cable at the left of the rack

leading edge; the third diode increases steepness of the initial portion of the leading edge; the second diode improves rise time of the remainder of the leading edge.

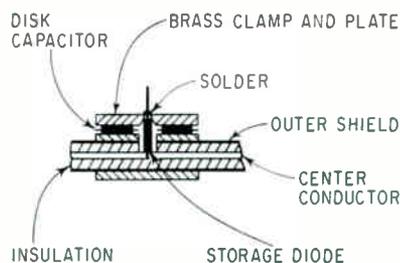
ULTRASHORT PULSES — Ultrashort pulses have been generated by differentiating the step voltage resulting from snap-off in charge-storage diodes. Differentiated pulses as short as 0.2 nsec have been measured at an amplitude of 0.5 volt across 50 ohms. Such pulses have been used in strobing sampling oscilloscopes by some instrument manufacturers.²

For a given voltage, the cascading of charge-storage diodes tends to generate pulses having shorter

rise times than those that have been reported using a single diode. The reason is again that a faster rising driving pulse is supplied to each successive diode by the snap-off action of the previous diode. Differentiation of the fast-rising waveform was achieved by placing an inductor (a piece of metal) between the center conductor and the shield of the transmission line at a position between the last diode and the load.

The pulses that resulted using one, two and three charge-storage diodes are shown in Fig. 4. Again, the Lumatron Model 112A sampling oscilloscope was used. Since the rise time limit of the oscilloscope is about 0.2 nsec, the difference between using two or three charge-storage diodes is not obvious. However, the difference can be seen when the resulting pulses are used for strobing in a specially built sampling oscilloscope. The waveform in Fig. 5 with the different strobe pulses shows the difference in signal rise time.

The oscilloscope was designed to display fast-rising waveforms having repetition rates up to several gigacycles. The signal in Fig. 4 was obtained from a tunnel diode monostable switching circuit with a 500-Mc sinusoidal input in addition to



MOUNTING of charge-storage diode is provided by generator coaxial cable—Fig. 2

a d-c bias. Strobming rate is phase modulated around a center frequency of about 5 Mc, which is syn-

chronized with the signal.³ A GaAs sampling diode was used as a mixing gate.

As with other sampling oscilloscopes, rise time of a displayed waveform indicates maximum width of the strobing pulse. Thus, in Fig. 5C, maximum width of the top portion of the strobing pulse that opens the gate is 0.1 nanosecond. It could be much narrower, since switching time of this circuit as determined from calculations and by other methods is nearly 0.1 nsec. If bandwidth of the sampling diode is not a limiting factor, the performance limit of this sampling system using strobing pulses obtained herewith has not yet been determined.

Biases were 85, 45 and 80 ma for the first, second and third diodes, respectively. The initial 5-Mc driving pulses had a rise time of about 8 nsec and a peak amplitude of 30 volts across a 50-ohm load.

The experimental results indicate that charge-storage diodes can be used more widely either in fast-rise pulse generation or in short pulse generation for sampling or similar purposes. Some of the advantages of using charge-storage diodes are the relatively low cost and circuit simplicity. Also, the recurrence rate of the snap-off action can be as high as several hundred megacycles, and so far no generator can

provide pulses at these repetition rates and these amplitudes.

Some precautions should be taken in using this technique, such as loading from forward-biased diodes. Also, slowly rising pulses cannot be improved by this method. The slower the reverse driving pulses rise, the higher the forward bias must be. When pulses rise too slowly, either the diode is unable to carry the forward current or the generator is loaded too heavily. In general, the original pulse rise time should not be more than 10 nsec.

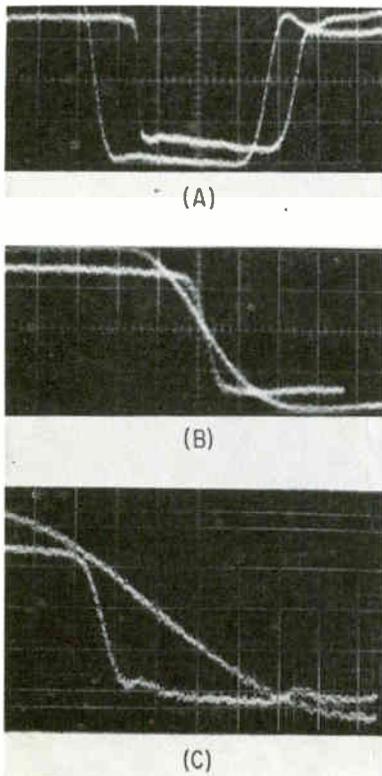
A minimum reverse driving voltage is also necessary to obtain proper snap-off action. For a 50-ohm load, about 10 volts is required.

When the diodes are conducting, the low impedance across the coaxial line causes reflections in the line between the diodes and the generator output. Attenuators must be properly placed between the generator output and the diodes to minimize the effects of the reflections.

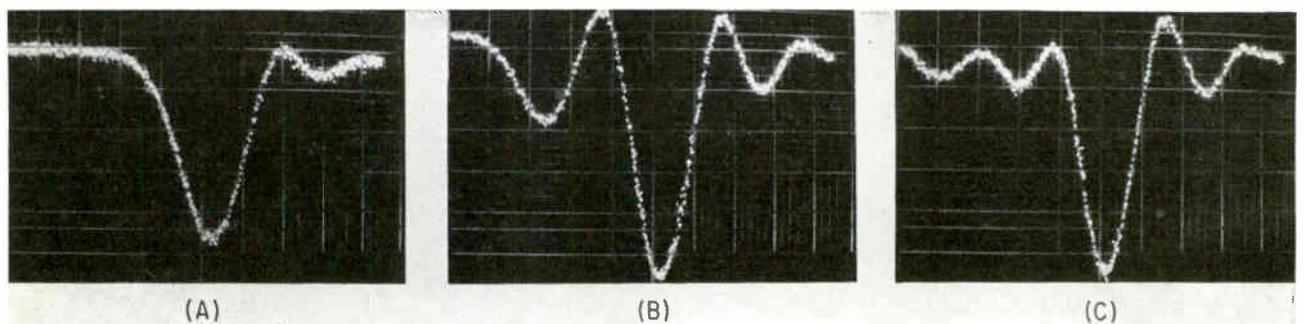
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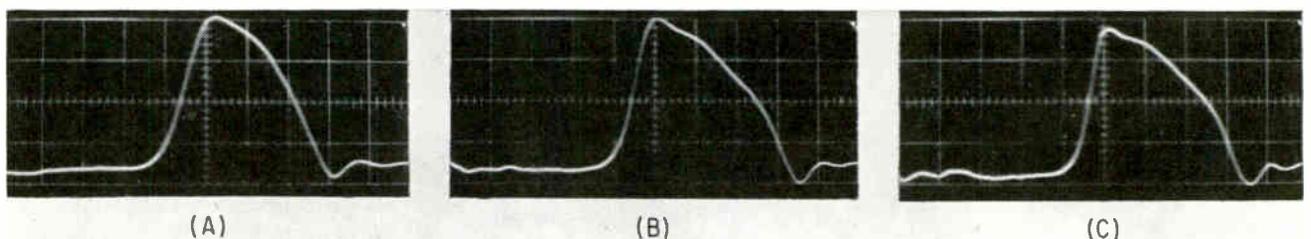
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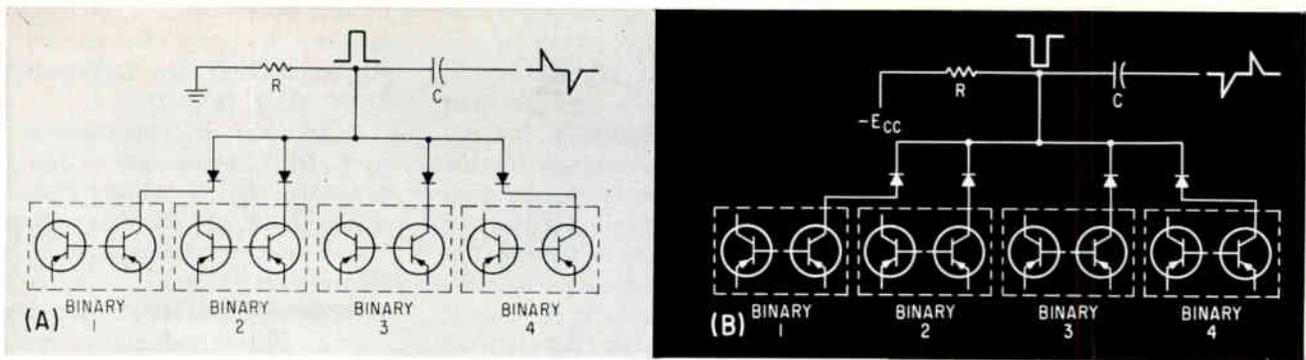
EFFECT of three charge-storage diodes on pulse leading edge is shown at 5 nsec (A), 1 nsec (B) and 0.5 nsec (C) per cm with vertical scale of 10 volts per cm—Fig. 3



SAMPLING pulses using one (A), two (B) and three (C) charge-storage diodes are shown at 0.2 nsec per division and 0.32 volt per vertical division—Fig. 4



STROBE pulses using one (A), two (B) and three (C) charge-storage diodes are shown at 0.2 nsec per division—Fig. 5



TWO EXPERIMENTAL ARRANGEMENTS (A and B) for coincidence technique in decade counter with pnp transistors—Fig. 1

NOVEL COINCIDENCE TECHNIQUE FOR TRANSISTOR DECADE COUNTER

This arrangement makes it possible to generate coincidence triggers for advancing count at any instant. The three decade schemes described are only a few of the many decade schemes made possible

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IN DECADE COUNTERS, that use four cascaded binary stages, forced triggering or feedback is employed during the application of ten input triggers for advancing the count by six units. A number of basic methods^{1, 2} have been developed to achieve decade counting by this advance of count.

A new coincidence technique for achieving decade counting in transistor circuits has two main characteristics: count can be advanced in one step or more, at any stage in application of input triggers, and the decade counter can be as fast as the unmodified binary.

NEW TECHNIQUE—Figure 1 (a) depicts the experimental arrangement for this technique using pnp transistors in decade counters. One collector of each of the four binary stages of the counter is connected to an assembly connected as an AND circuit. The anodes of the diodes are returned through a com-

mon resistor to ground (the collector supply being $-E_{cc}$).

At a particular count, the transistors whose collectors belong to the coincidence diode assembly all become conducting. Consequently, the diodes become nonconducting and the voltage at the common anode point rises to a maximum. For any other count, one or more of the diodes conduct and the voltage is at the lower level.

Thus by differentiating the voltage output at the common anode, a positive trigger is obtained at the start of the particular count and a negative trigger at the end of this count (and at the start of the succeeding one). These are called the leading coincidence trigger and the trailing coincidence trigger.

In the arrangement of Fig. 1B the diodes are reversed and the common cathode point is returned through a resistor to the negative collector supply ($-E_{cc}$).

Here the coincidence pulse would be negative-going, obtained when all the transistors whose collectors are in the coincidence diode assembly become nonconducting. By differentiation of the voltage at the common cathode, leading negative and trailing positive triggers are obtained that can advance the count.

NPN TRANSISTORS—Adaptation of the circuits in Fig. 1A and 1B for npn transistors is straightforward. In Fig. 1A the common anode point is returned to a positive collector supply $+E_{cc}$ instead of to

A BETTER WAY TO COUNT

This new decade counting technique makes it possible to obtain a great many more decade schemes than by existing feedback techniques, because triggers can be generated for advance of count at any configuration of the counter. Also, this technique makes it possible to obtain any kind of interpolation and not to lose speed of counting over that of the unmodified binary



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Raman Scattering Explains Liquid Lasers

Stimulated scattering of photons by laser offers clues to material structure

APPLICATION of very-high-power pulsed lasers to the study of properties of matter has resulted in some new techniques for observing the effects of interaction of light with matter. Work on laser-stimulated Raman scattering of light, one of the directions of research in this area, has been conducted at the Hughes Research Laboratories, and has been reported on in a series of conference papers including one by R. W. Hellwarth at the Stanford Meeting of the American Physical Society in December, 1962.

The Hughes team has observed stimulated Raman scattering in a

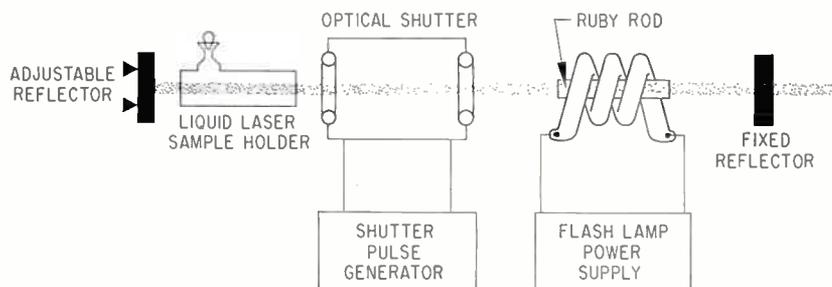
number of organic liquids, mostly ring compounds with five or more C-H or C-D bonds.

Q-SPOILING USED—The stimulated Raman scattering is analogous to laser action, and is brought about by releasing giant pulses from a solid-state laser in

the same enclosure as the liquid under study.

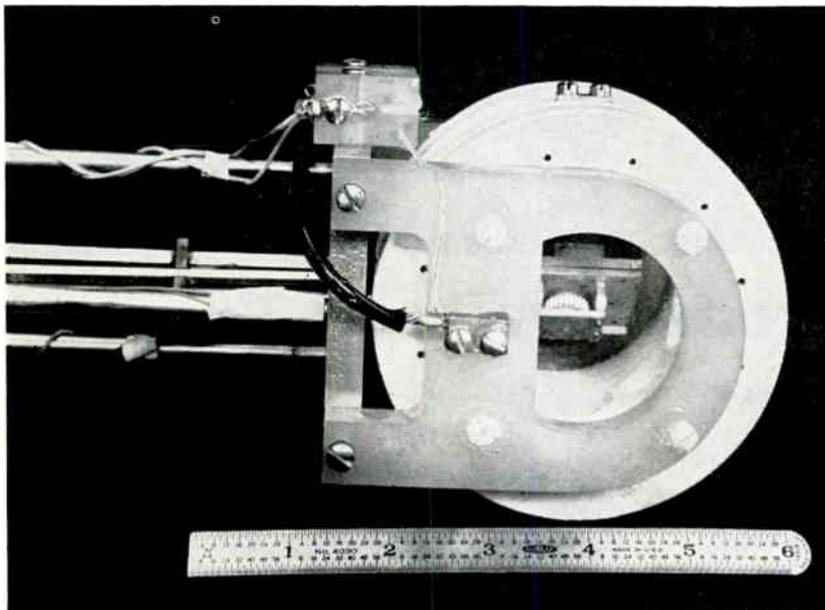
A giant pulse is produced by first pumping up a large population excess, while laser action is quenched by preventing regeneration (Q-spoiling), and then by suddenly applying high regeneration (Q-switching), so that the large material gain that accompanies high population excess causes a sudden conversion of the energy stored in the laser material into coherent light. The amount of energy that can be converted is $\frac{1}{2}nh\nu$ where n is the pumped population excess, h Planck's constant, and ν the laser frequency. Duration of the pulse is at least as long as the natural cavity decay time present during light emission. As an example, in a strong pumping operation with the R_1 transition in pink ruby crystal, the pulse energy is typically $\frac{1}{2}$ joule per c.c. of active ruby, and pulse duration of the order of 3 to 30 nanoseconds; resulting peak powers reach tens of megawatts per c.c. of active ruby.

Hellwarth said that although the gross details of giant pulses are understood fairly well, the specific nature of the spectrum and deviations from a regular pulse shape that occur under various conditions of pumping and Q-switching are not understood at all. It was reported by Hughes at the Electrochemical Society in spring 1962 that the pulse spectrum from ruby was as broad as several angstroms, and

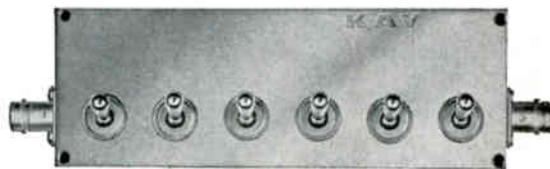


LIQUID LASER diagram shows physical arrangement of liquid sample holder, optical shutter, and ruby laser used for triggering the liquid lasing action

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RAMAN SCATTERING

This is a technique commonly used to identify and study different materials. It is based on the Raman spectrum of scattered light, produced when incoming photons not in resonance with a transition in the matter are deflected to a new angle and frequency, while the reflecting material undergoes a transition to a new state such that over-all energy is conserved. The scattered photons therefore appear only at or near frequencies shifted from the incoming photon frequency by amounts corresponding to the frequencies of Raman-active vibrations in the matter; these spectra serve to identify different materials. Even though the total Raman scattering cross-sections for a given line are very small (about 10^{-29} cm²) for a typical Raman active molecule, many materials exhibit a non-linear increase of the order of thousands or millions of the scattering cross-section when very high intensity light is scattered from matter in thermal equilibrium. This is because gain appears for the scattered light waves, just like the gain occurring in normal maser materials when the populations are inverted, and the scattered photons are amplified by inducing more scattering from the incoming beam

somewhat shifted from normal laser operation; this was apparently due mainly to stimulated Raman scattering from the nitrobenzene in the Kerr cell used in the switching apparatus. When a KDP Pockel's cell was substituted for the nitrobenzene Kerr cell, the spectrum observed was at least as narrow as that of the normal ruby laser output, and was centered at the same frequency. It is expected that a high-resolution study of the output from a KDP switched laser will show some deviation from the normal laser spectrum, reflecting cross-relaxation processes in the R_1 line, which are apparently much faster than was at first supposed. The apparently high rate of cross-relaxation makes the existence of after-pulses, or subsidiary light pulses which often follow the main pulse, more difficult to understand because they are delayed by times orders of magnitude longer than the giant pulse duration, Hellwarth said. However, despite these and other unsolved problems in light pulse emission from ruby, the now known spectral purity of the pulses, exceeding 0.3 angstroms, enhances their usefulness in studying the stimulated Raman scattering.

QUANTUM EXPLANATION — Stimulated Raman scattering can be easily explained on the basis of the quantum theory; given the mode and frequency of the oncoming pho-

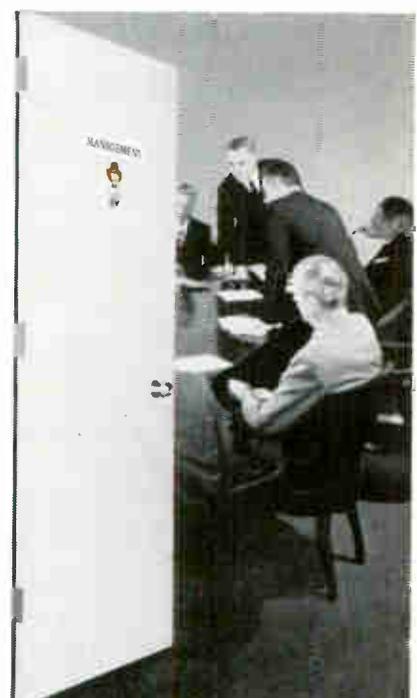
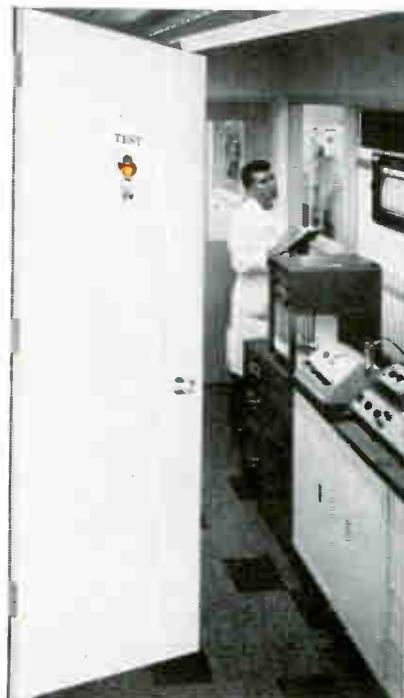
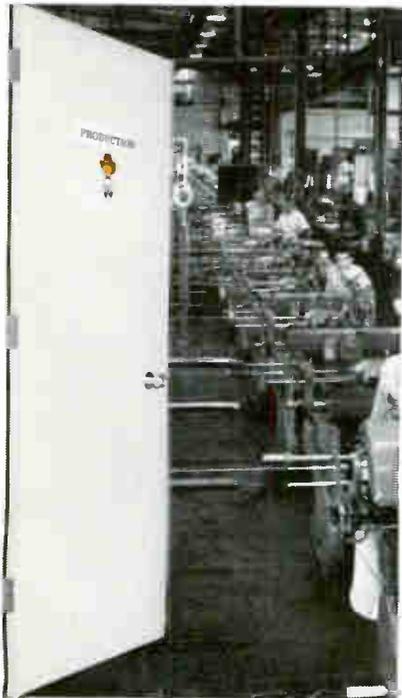
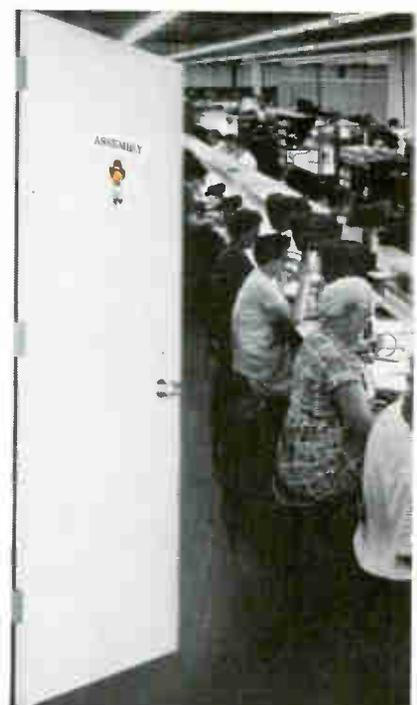
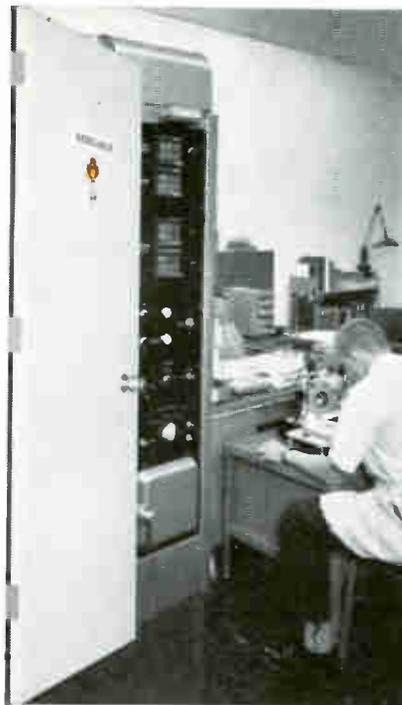
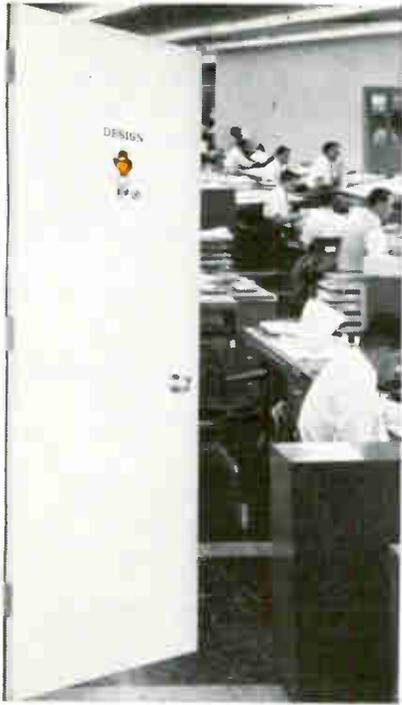
tons, the average rate of change of the number of photons in the scattered state can be easily calculated. If the number of incident photons exceeds a certain amount, as happens in stimulated scattering, a net gain results and there is an effect very similar to laser action.

These experiments have already brought about new knowledge about the structure of liquid nitrobenzene; new energy levels previously unobserved have been found in the material because of their effect on the spectrum of the output light frequency. The technique is expected to bring about a better understanding of the molecular structure of organic materials.

The strongest laser emitters have been C_2H_2 and C_2D_2 . On the other hand, two strongly Raman active liquids—carbon tetrachloride and sulphuric acid—have failed to produce laser action, as have water, acetone and o-dichlorobenzene. Photometric evidence for induced emission was found by the Hughes researchers in trichlorethylene, heptane and methyl alcohol.

Hughes scientists expect that a large number of liquids, and also solids, can be induced to lase by the stimulated Raman scattering technique. This opens up possibilities for laser applications.

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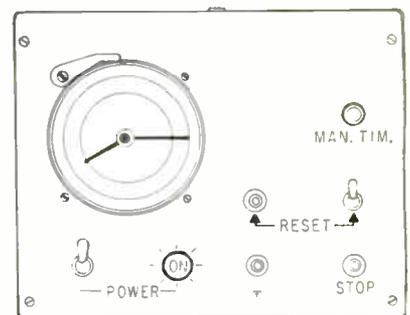


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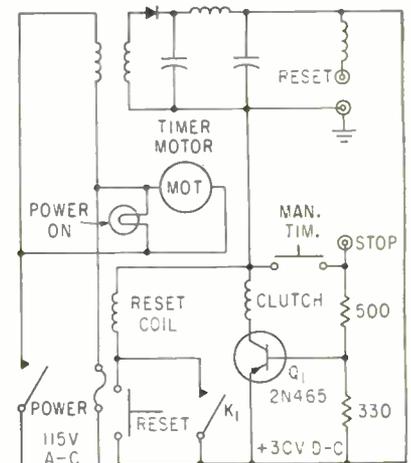
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Electromechanical Timer For Lab Applications

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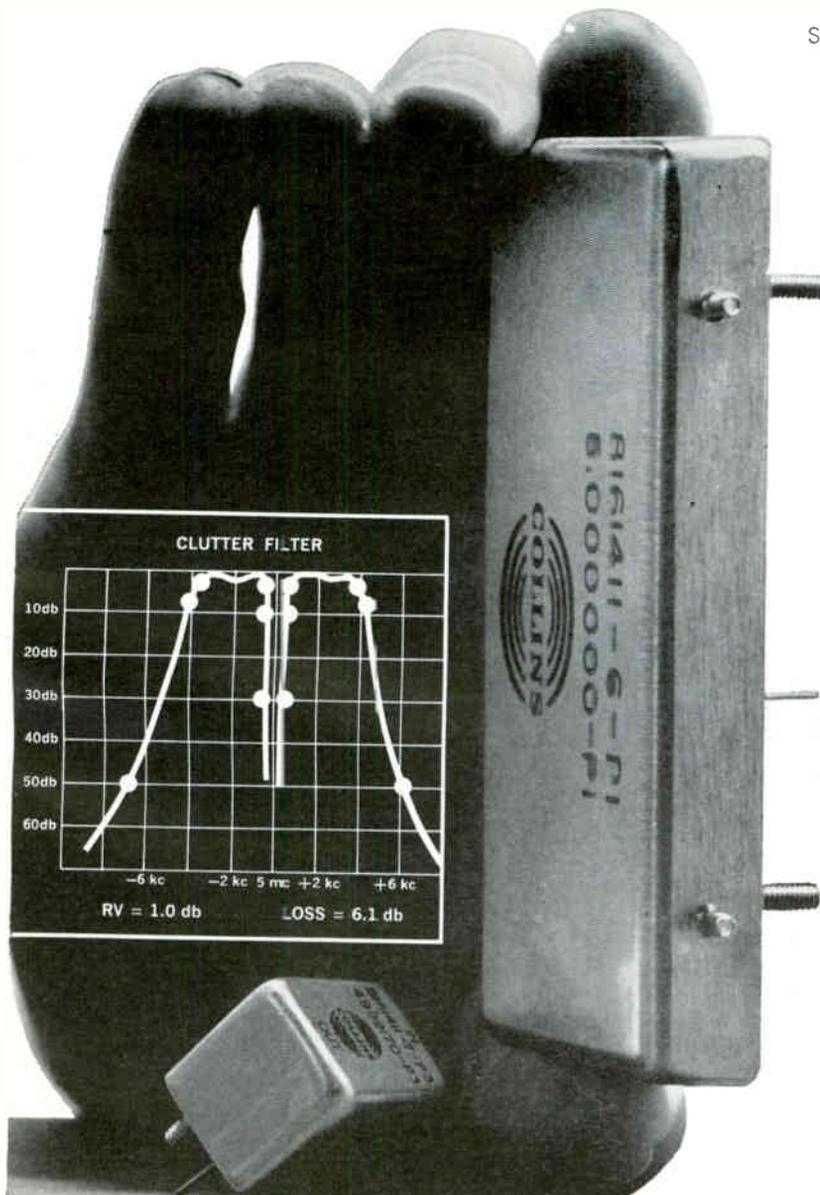
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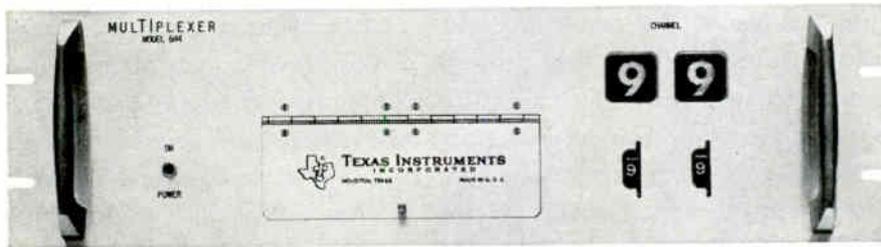
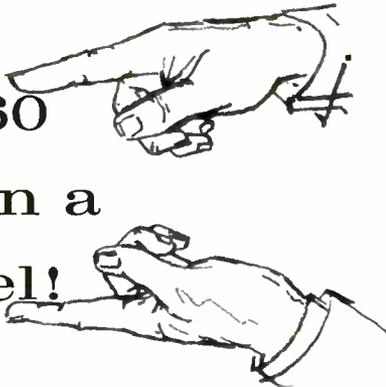
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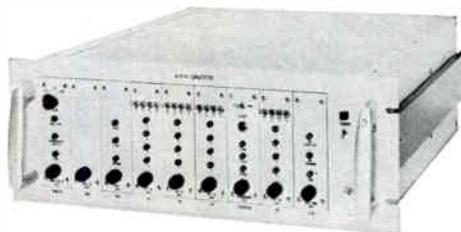
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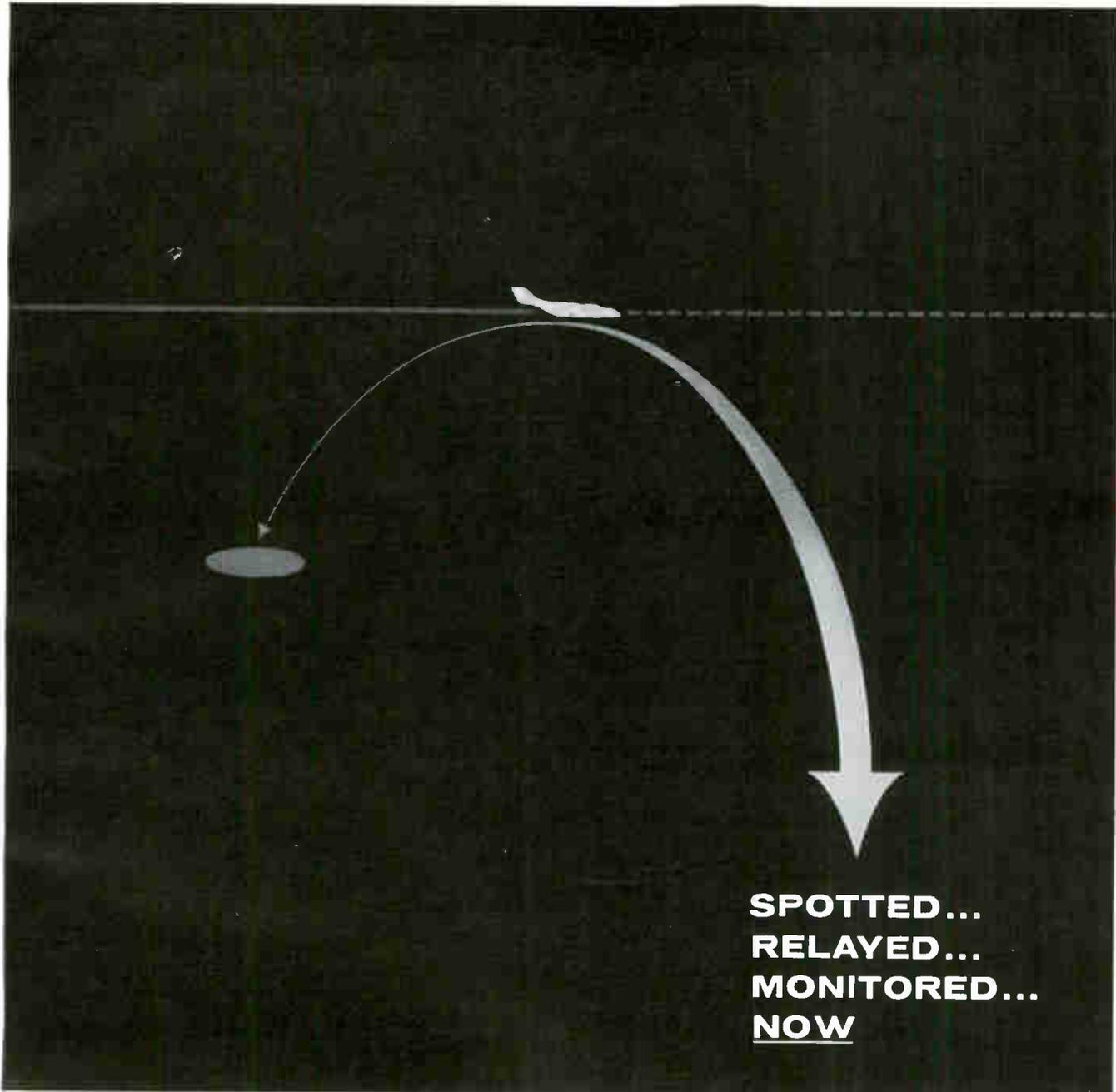
is suitable for a large number of timing applications. Figure 1 shows the front panel of the timer mounted in a small portable cabinet. A panel-mounting timer mechanism is used. A ground jack is provided for reference voltage to operate transistor circuits in the instrument. A jack is provided to insert a start and stop signal; another to reset the timer from an external signal source. A manual timing push button causes the timer to run as long as it is depressed; a reset switch will reset the timer when in the down position; a power switch and a power "on" pilot light complete the controls. The timer may also be reset by a lever at the upper left corner of the timer mechanism.

TIMER CIRCUIT—Figure 2 illustrates the timer circuit. It operates from a 115-v a-c source; the timer motor runs directly from the power source, controlled by the power switch. A conventional 30-v d-c power supply operates the reset coil and timer clutch. A binding post terminal at the negative side of the power supply provides ground reference for control signals.

The reset coil may be energized through the reset pushbutton, when automatic timing is not required, or through the contacts of relay *K*, when a ground pulse is supplied to the reset test jack. Most timers need about one ampere of current for reset.

With the timer motor running, the clutch must be energized for the hands to move and timing to begin. Transistor *Q*₁ energizes the clutch; very little current is drawn by the coil, so *Q*₁ need not have high heat dissipation. In automatic timing, the start and stop signal reaches the base of *Q*₁ through the stop jack. Normally, *Q*₁ is back biased through 330 ohms; a negative signal at the stop jack is required to forward-bias *Q*₁. The manual timing push button provides a zero volt signal at the stop jack for manually starting the timer. The manual timing stops when the push button is released, allowing the transistor to become back-biased.

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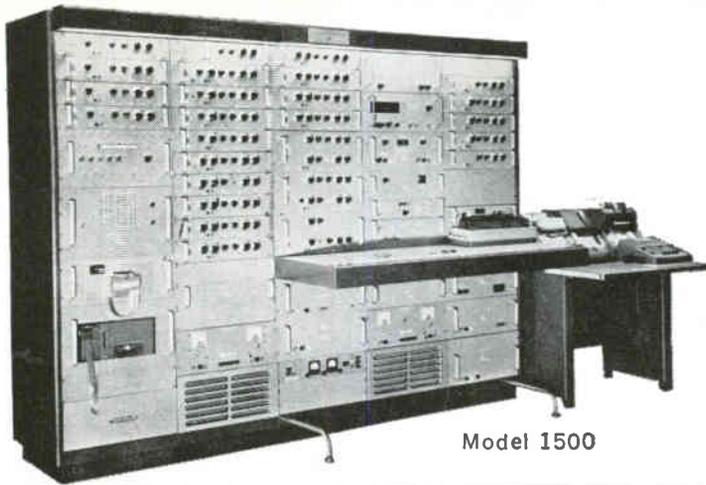
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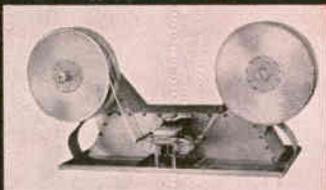
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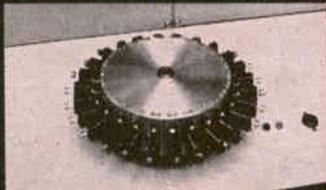
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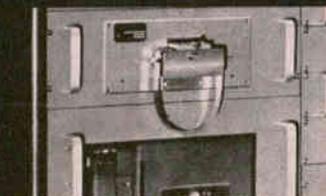
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Silicon Junction Is Laser Detector

LONDON—A silicon *p-n* junction developed by the Government Signals Research and Development Establishment is operating as a square law detector mixing light from adjacent axial standing-wave modes of a ruby laser.

Light from the laser is focused onto the junction which is reverse biased at 108 volts. Output from the diode located in the center conductor of the coaxial line is at 1,635 Mc, corresponding to the difference between neighboring axial modes of the two-inch ruby rod. Output at the higher harmonic, 3,270 Mc, of the next nearest adjacent modes is also detected.

Detection mechanism is through the generation of electron-holes at a rate proportional to the incident radiation intensity. Carriers generated in the depletion layer are swept out by the high field in a short time compared with the laser beat-frequency period.

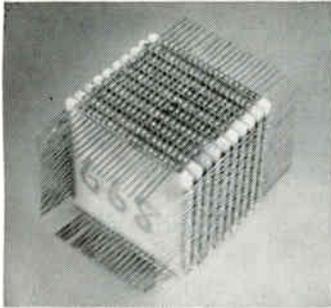
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Hungarian Instruments Measure Plasma Changes

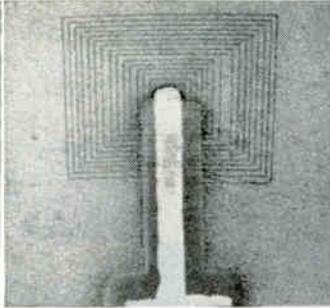
VIENNA—Instruments for plasma research and spectroscopy were developed by Prof. Bartocz at Precision-Optics Instruments of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Hungaropress, a state news agency, says the instruments will be brought to the U.S. later this year by their designer on a lecture tour.

The new instruments permit registration of changes occurring in plasma as a result of temperature

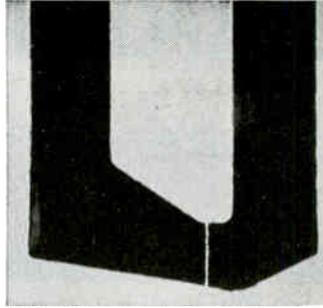
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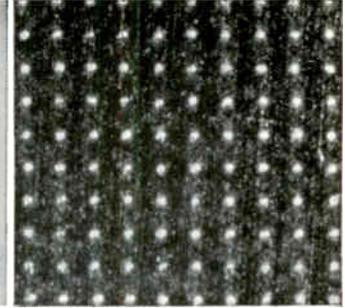
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Lasers May Check Out Speed of Light

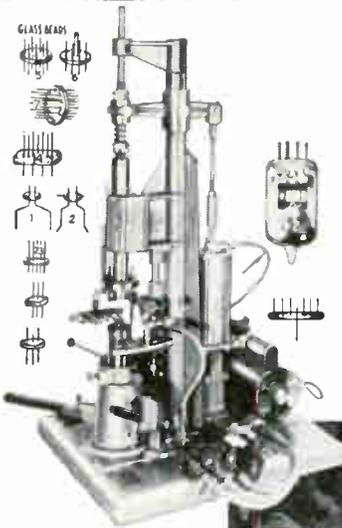
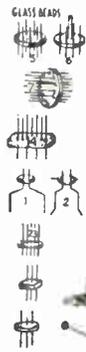
WASHINGTON—Lasers can be used for long-distance light measurements, it was established by metrologists at the National Bureau of Standards. Laser techniques will probably be used for calibration of highly accurate surveying tapes, and later as possible replacement for such tapes. Also foreseen is a more accurate measurement of the speed of light, which depends on highly accurate measurements of distance.

Scientists at NBS have achieved length-measuring interference fringes over a 100-meter optical path, using a helium-neon continuous gas laser, pumped by a r-f generator, and splitting the light beam with a Koester prism. Earlier distance measurements, using the recently adopted international standard of length—the krypton 86 wavelength—were limited by the krypton beam to an optical path of about $\frac{1}{4}$ meter.

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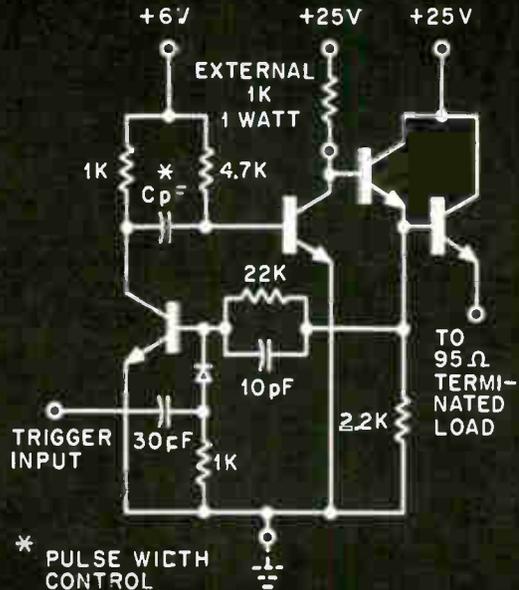
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Will Tunnel Cathode Bring New Tubes?

Emission principle holds promise for new family of improved vacuum tubes

NEW TYPE of vacuum tube which has no heater to light up, and could operate at room temperature, is under study at General Electric.

Involving use of what is called a tunnel cathode, such a tube would be likely to have higher tolerance to ionizing radiation than would thin film or other microminiature active devices based on semiconducting materials. Thus the tunnel cathode holds high significance in improving the reliability of space electronics.

New tube concept will be investigated under a proposal supported in part by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration by a contract granted to GE through the Harry Diamond Laboratories, Department of Defense, Washington, D. C.

TUNNELING—Conventional vacuum tubes employ a metal cathode which must be heated before electrons will flow through the vacuum under the influence of a different potential. Tunneling emission is basically a phenomena wherein electrons flow from a cool substrate metal layer through an insulator which may be only a few tens of atoms thick to a thin counter

electrode which is maintained at a few volts positive potential with respect to the substrate.

If this second layer is electronically thin enough, some of the tunneling electrons will pass through and away from it, having not lost energy by collisions with other electrons. Such electrons are emitted, and thus the device becomes a cathode.

This type of tube could give designers new freedom in tube construction. Tunnel cathode could yield smaller tubes, with lower capacitances. Absence of heater temperature may permit unusual electrode arrangements to yield new and different characteristics.

Such improvements in turn could give electronic circuit and equipment designers a new set of tools—amplifiers that are cooler, more reliable, and more tolerant to severe environments.

Tunnel cathode can feature high tunneling current density, said C. E. Horton, advanced development consulting engineer in charge of the project. He pointed out that tunnel diodes usually operate at 1,000 amperes per sq cm and frequently ten times this level.

In applying tunneling to vacuum tubes, it is hoped that emission current densities can reach from 10 to 100 amperes per sq cm. So far, the fraction of tunneling that has appeared as emission into the vacuum has been only about 2 percent. But he added that 10 percent or better is not an unreasonable figure to hope for, and that higher ratios cannot be called impossible.

MATERIALS—Of prime importance in the present tube study will be attaining information about suitable materials for the insulating layers and the substrates. Schedule initially calls for the optimizing of tunnel cathodes using anodized aluminum insulating layers. This will include refinement of related metal film techniques, test

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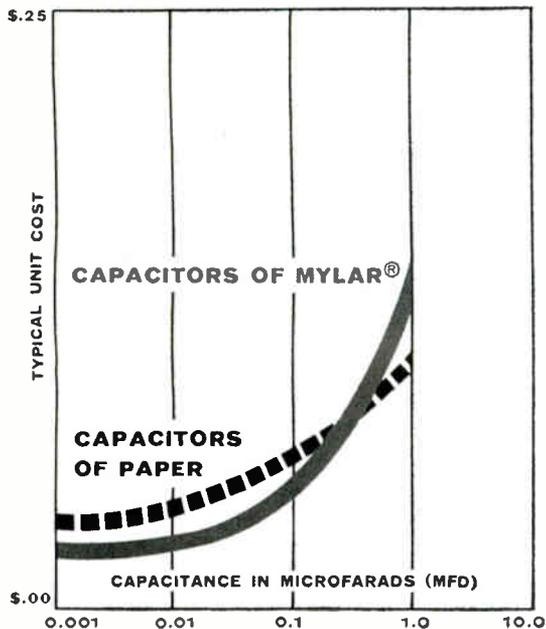
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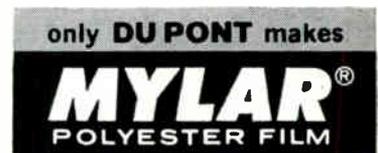
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methods, and handling procedures. A broad evaluation of a variety of materials will be made to find those most suitable for practical emitters.

Other materials under construction include tantalum, titanium, zirconium, and niobium, because all have been successfully anodized to produce suitable insulating layers. Oxide film experimentation will also encompass several other materials.

Compatibility of materials, effects of film structure, and substrate materials all will be considered before a concentrated effort is made to refine the specific materials and configurations that appear most promising as tunnel cathodes.

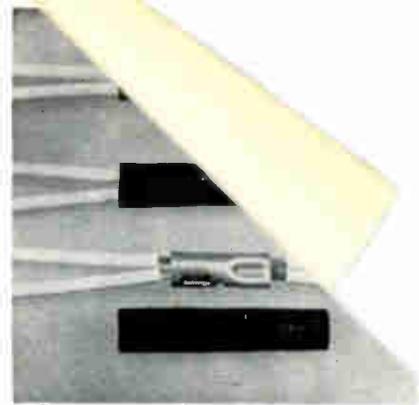
Irradiation Forms Heat-Shrinkable Sleeve

FIBERGLASS fabric, sandwiched between two layers of modified polyolefins, is subjected to high-voltage electron bombardment. Irradiation process, developed by Raychem, results in a molecular cross-linking that has been described as comparable to tying tough elastic bands between the fibers of a rope. The elastic bands stretch at a given temperature, allowing the fibers to be stretched or twisted.

When the material is cooled, the structure will "freeze" in this position. When the material is reheated, the "elastic bands" immediately snap back into their original or remembered position. Because the cross-linking is accomplished by a high-voltage electron bombardment, there is no residual radioactivity in the end product.

Irradiation technique is used in the manufacture of harnesses and cables, and for encapsulating components and subsystems. A line of heat-shrinkable tubings will be marketed by Bentley-Harris Manufacturing Co., a subsidiary of Raychem.

The use of the sleeving is as simple as slipping it over the component to be encased, and applying 275 F heat until shrinking has been completed. Time varies from three seconds to a maximum of one minute for sleeving of two-inch ir-



IRRADIATED sleeving slips over cable and connector. Sleeving shrinks under exposure to heat, offering a snug fit of fiberglass-reinforced insulation

radiated diameter. Sleeving size selection is not critical. Sleeving is presently being manufactured in sizes ranging from $\frac{1}{8}$ in. to 2 inches.

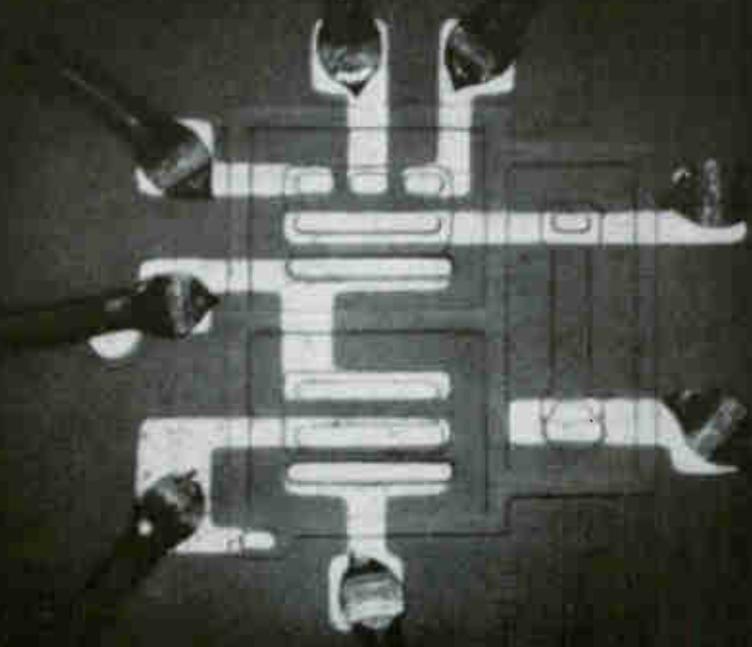
Sleeving may be used at temperatures up to 130 C continuously. It also withstands corrosive and difficult chemical environments. Minimum individual short time dielectric breakdown value of 12 Kv has been established with typical averages values found at 22 Kv. Low temperature flexibility extends to below -80 C. Low loss values recommend investigation for electronic circuits.

W. H. Bentley, president of Bentley-Harris, says that Fiberfit will command a slightly higher cost to the manufacturer than most presently impregnated fabric sleeveings, and more than most heat-shrinkable single film sleeveings, except those that employ fluorocarbon compounds.

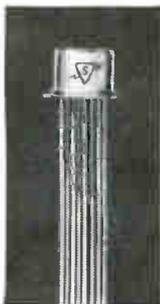
Exploring Phenomena Basic to Materials

MATERIALS scientists working in three areas: metallurgy, ceramics and plastics, compared notes last week and found that their fundamental understanding of materials was the same, even though their terminology was different.

Purpose of the meeting, according to L. J. Bonis, president of Ilikon Corp., of Natick, Mass., sponsor to the symposium, "was not just to familiarize scientists with



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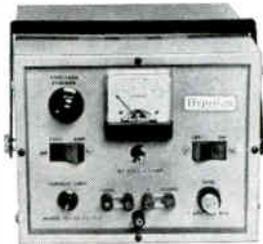


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one another's fields, but to gain information from one field that is applicable to another."

At the conference two phenomena, basic to the materials sciences were discussed. These were sintering—the formation of a solid from powders, and plastic deformation—the changes in shape that solids undergo. F. V. Lenel, of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, discussed the basics of sintering from the metallurgists point of view, while R. Coble of MIT discussed the same subject from standpoint of the ceramicist. Then J. F. Lontz of DuPont spoke on forming polymers, the complex molecular chains that make up plastics.

STRUCTURE—The common denominator was found to be that each was concerned with the same problems, such as atomic structure and surface effects. Although the materials were different in their applications, the polymer chemist, metallurgist and ceramicist agreed they were using the same tools to understand the behavior of materials.

The second session on plastic deformation included discussions by Rensselaer's G. S. Ansell on metals, Brown University's J. Gilman on ceramics, and Rensselaer's S. S. Sternstein on polymers. Speakers demonstrated that materials can change shape only within the framework of their atomic arrangements. Through the understanding of atomic structures, it is possible to predict how materials deform under stress.

Sternstein pointed out that workers in diverse fields were already wiping out many of the linguistic and semantic differences among the various sciences. "Because of the complexity of materials applications, at one time or another a chemist is bound to deal with many types of materials. He must, therefore, know what characteristics these have in common so as to create successful combinations," Sternstein said.

Widespread feeling among scientists that a broader exchange of information among various disciplines is desirable and necessary for increased development in basic sciences created wide interest in this interdisciplinary materials meeting. A similar meeting was

planned for next year to delve deeper into materials phenomena.

Panel guests included such well known scientists as N. J. Grant of MIT, H. H. Hausner of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, and R. Davis of the Arthur D. Little Company.

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New Photoresist Coat Extends Applications

ORGANIC materials that harden upon exposure to light to form an acid-resistant coating that controls plating or etching is claimed to work faster than compounds previously available, according to Eastman Kodak spokesmen. The new Kodak Ortho Resist, KOR, is said to be 8 to 16 times faster than regular Kodak photoresist for arc-light exposures, and 20 to 40 times faster for tungsten illumination.

One application of the new resist material might be in the assembly-line manufacture of printed circuits, according to Kodak's D. R. Spear. The resist-coated circuit board could be moved along the line

and exposed to light projected through the circuit negative. In some cases a slide projector provides enough light for contact printing small areas. Previously, the negative had to be brought into contact with the coated board and exposed to arc lights.

High viscosity and solids content of the new resist permits its use full strength or diluted for various coating thicknesses.

Use of resists is rapidly increasing in the manufacture of miniature electronic components used in satellites and computers, as well as in commercial radio and television equipment.

Since the new photoresist is sensitive to tungsten light, it can be exposed through glass lens systems. This makes possible many resist applications previously considered impractical.

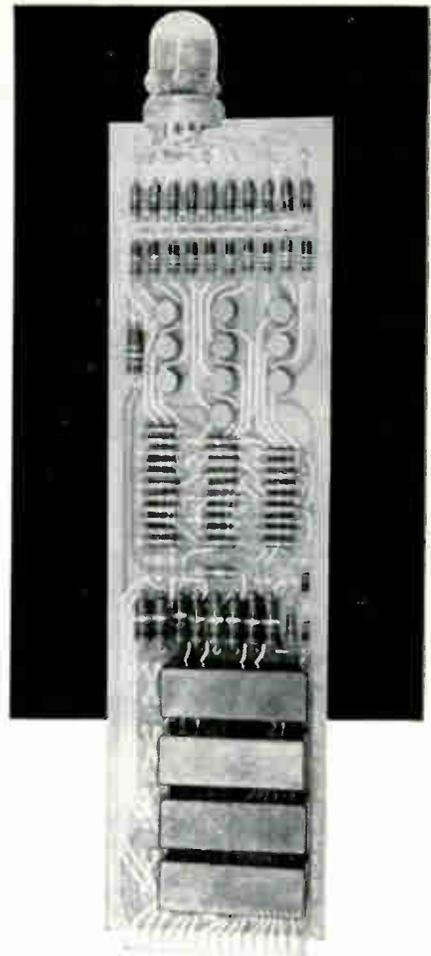
How to Apply Pellet Resistors

By CLINTON W. HARTMAN
CTS of Berne, Inc.
Elkhart, Indiana

RESISTORS in pellet form can be produced in any size and shape, although attempts have been made to standardize. Main area of interest for these units are in miniaturized circuits. Hard pellet resistors are stable at temperatures up to 500 C. Pellets are not affected by moisture exposure or other environmental conditions normally encountered in resistor military specifications.

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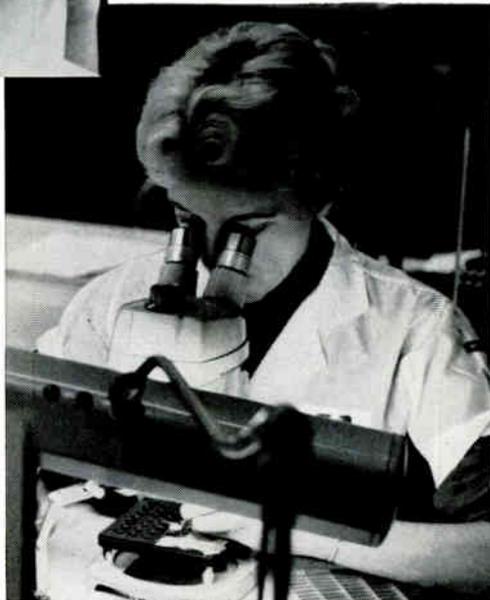


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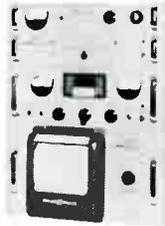
Solder-Joints Unreliable?

TYPICAL missile guidance system has 50,000 solder joints, according to Autonetics' George V. Browning. "A reliability goal permitting not more than one failed solder joint out of several million for every 1,000 hours of operation is not uncommon," he said. "Considering such reliability needs, it became apparent to Autonetics that extensive test work was required to select a combination of soldering process parameters to meet this requirement."

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ALUMINUM cell material in honeycomb matrix is flexible enough to permit insertion of various sized components

Honeycomb Enhances Cordwood Packaging

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By PAUL HELLER

Airborne Instruments Laboratory
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ALUMINUM HONEYCOMB matrices commercially available in all widths, cell sizes and weights, provides the basis for a new and more practical cordwood packaging tech-

nique. Components are placed in the honeycomb channels that can be easily distorted to take various sized parts. The aluminum honeycomb material provides adequate heat removal to a lightweight supporting frame of formed or extruded metal that could contain fins for additional external cooling. This eliminates the need for potting with heat-conducting epoxies.

Other advantages include:

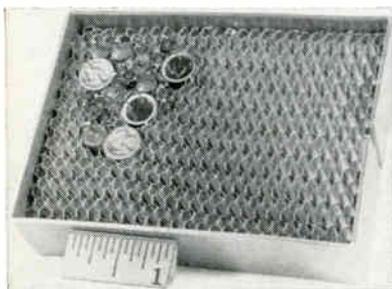
- High packaging density
- Superior electrical isolation properties

- Inexpensive to develop and fabricate
- Easier and more practical assembling
- Easy drafting layout of prototype assemblies
- Practical breadboard
- Flexible design
- Lends itself to standardization or commercial product use.

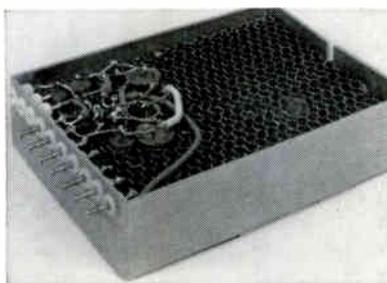
ASSEMBLY—The aluminum honeycomb matrix is cemented or dip-brazed to the metal frame.

In assembling a module, the parts are simply pushed into individual honeycomb cells. The cells hold them sufficiently tight for additional assembly operation. Cell size is normally selected so as to provide a push fit for a $\frac{1}{8}$ -watt resistor. In inserting larger components, cells are distorted (with a pencil or proper-size mandrel). The honeycomb material easily accepts all sizes of components. Very small parts such as diodes are tacked in place with cement.

WIRING—After all components are inserted a clear punched plastic



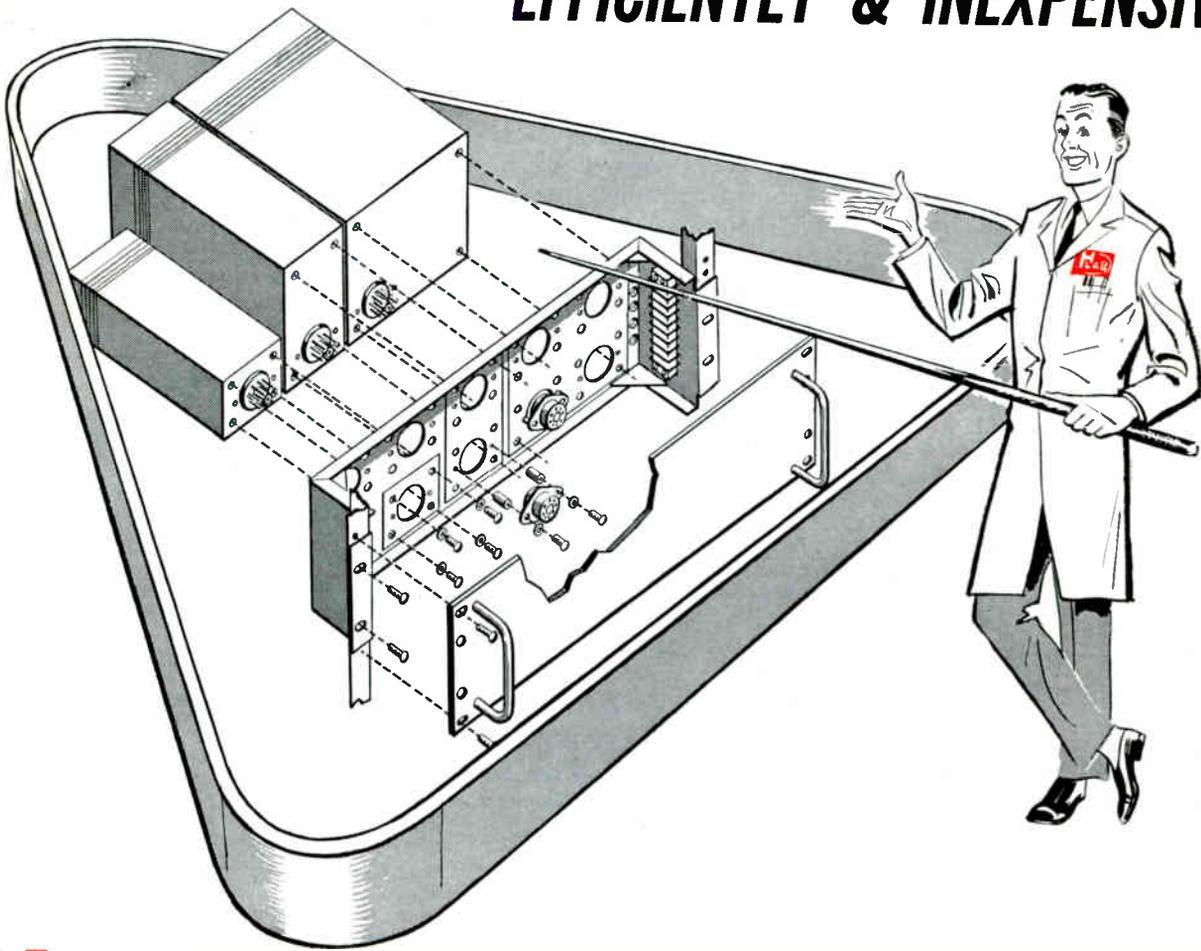
CLOSE-UP shows aluminum honeycomb matrix enclosed within lightweight metal frame that could include fins for additional cooling



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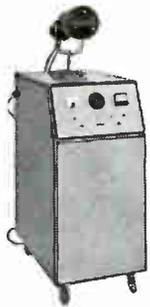


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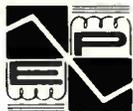
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film is placed over their leads. This film is marked with required interconnections to simplify wiring of the components. Either welding ribbon or bus wire for hand soldering can be used. End connection terminals and test points are brought out of the wired module. These terminals can be adapted for standard soldering, wire wrap or welding.

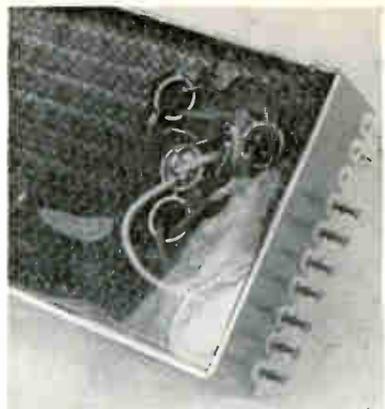
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CLEAR-GEL POTTING — After testing, the assembly is potted with a semirigid clear gel (for example, Dow 182 Sylgard). This gel protects the assembly, and permits easy inspection and repair. This makes large modules a practicality without danger that a single failure after potting would necessitate scrapping of entire assembly. After encapsulation, metal covers are mounted to provide protection for the gel and complete the heat sink around the unit.

POSSIBILITIES—With standard off-the-shelf modules, a breadboard prototype can be fabricated directly from the schematic by a technician. Since the honeycomb is manufactured in a regular geometric grid pattern, the drafting layout problem is substantially simplified.

Completed modules may be joined in any number of ways depending on the overall package design. For example, individual units may be stacked flush side by side in "buckets" and interconnected. Alternately, long bolts may pass through successive modules anchoring them to a heat conductive structural wall, etc. All connections are made to the exposed terminals by soldered wires, welded matrices or printed flexible wiring.

PRECAUTIONS—While the parts are stacked almost as close as in conventional cordwood techniques, the aluminum cell surrounding each component adequately removes heat to the frame. Since the cells are electrically grounded, each part is substantially better isolated from its neighbor than in simple cordwood design. However, as in conventional cordwood design, atten-



CLEAR semi-rigid gel encapsulating module permits easy inspection and repair



HEAT SINK for module is completed with mounting of metal covers, which also protect encapsulating gel

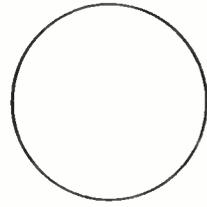
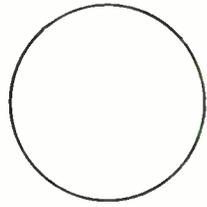
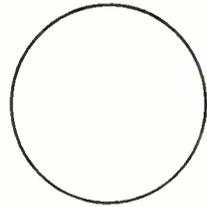
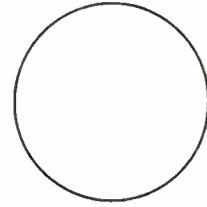
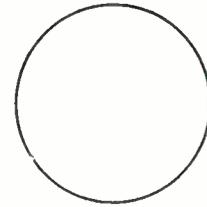
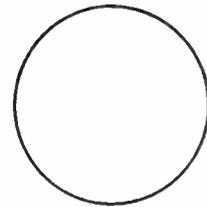
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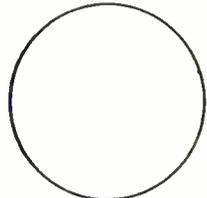
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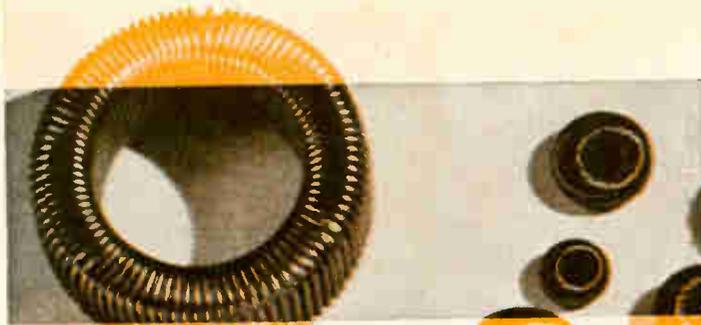


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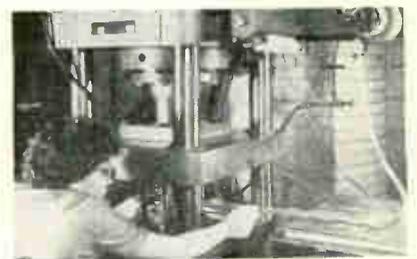
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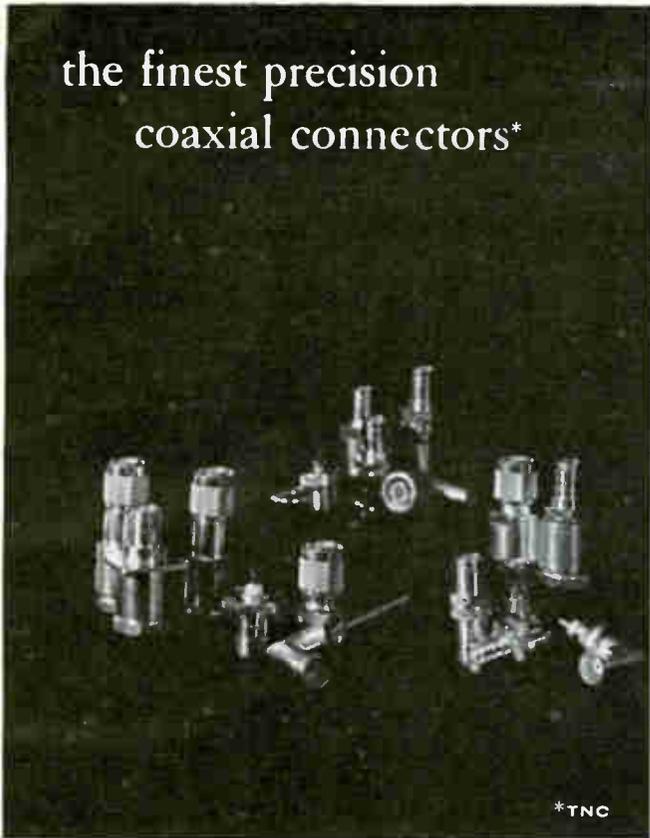
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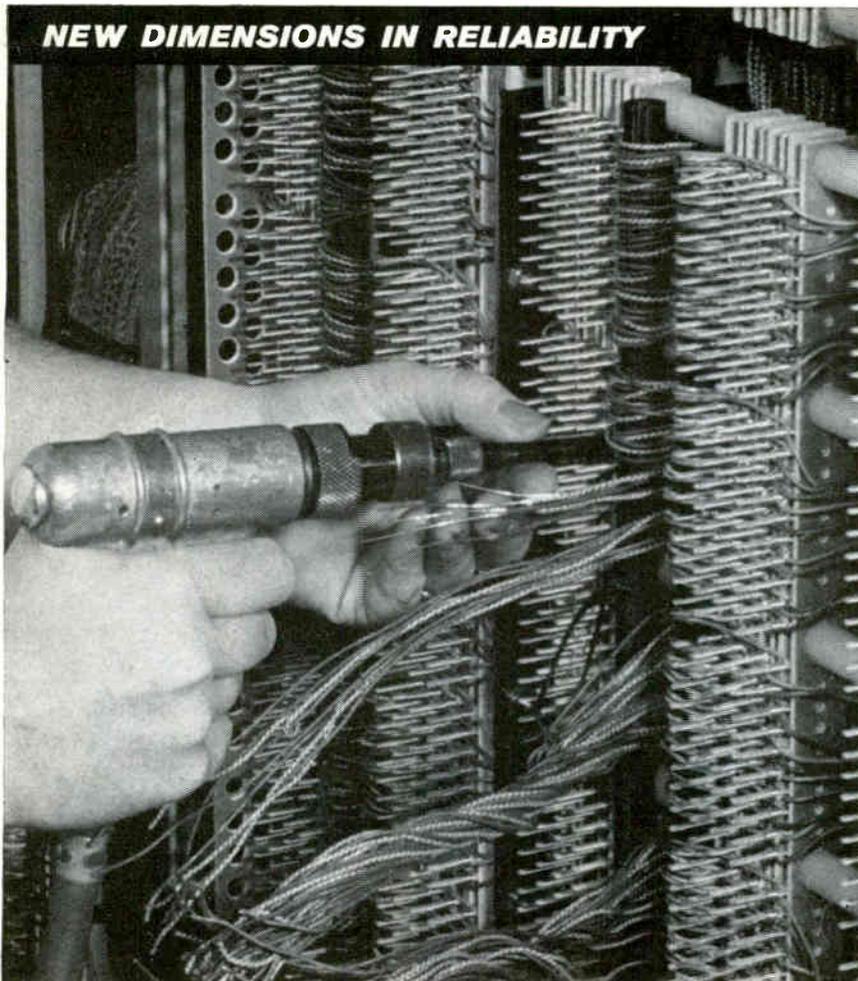
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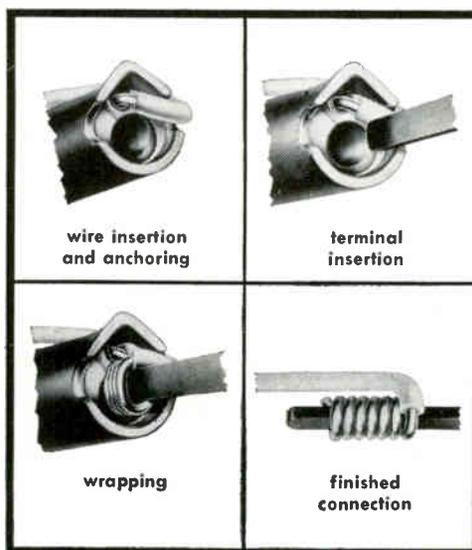
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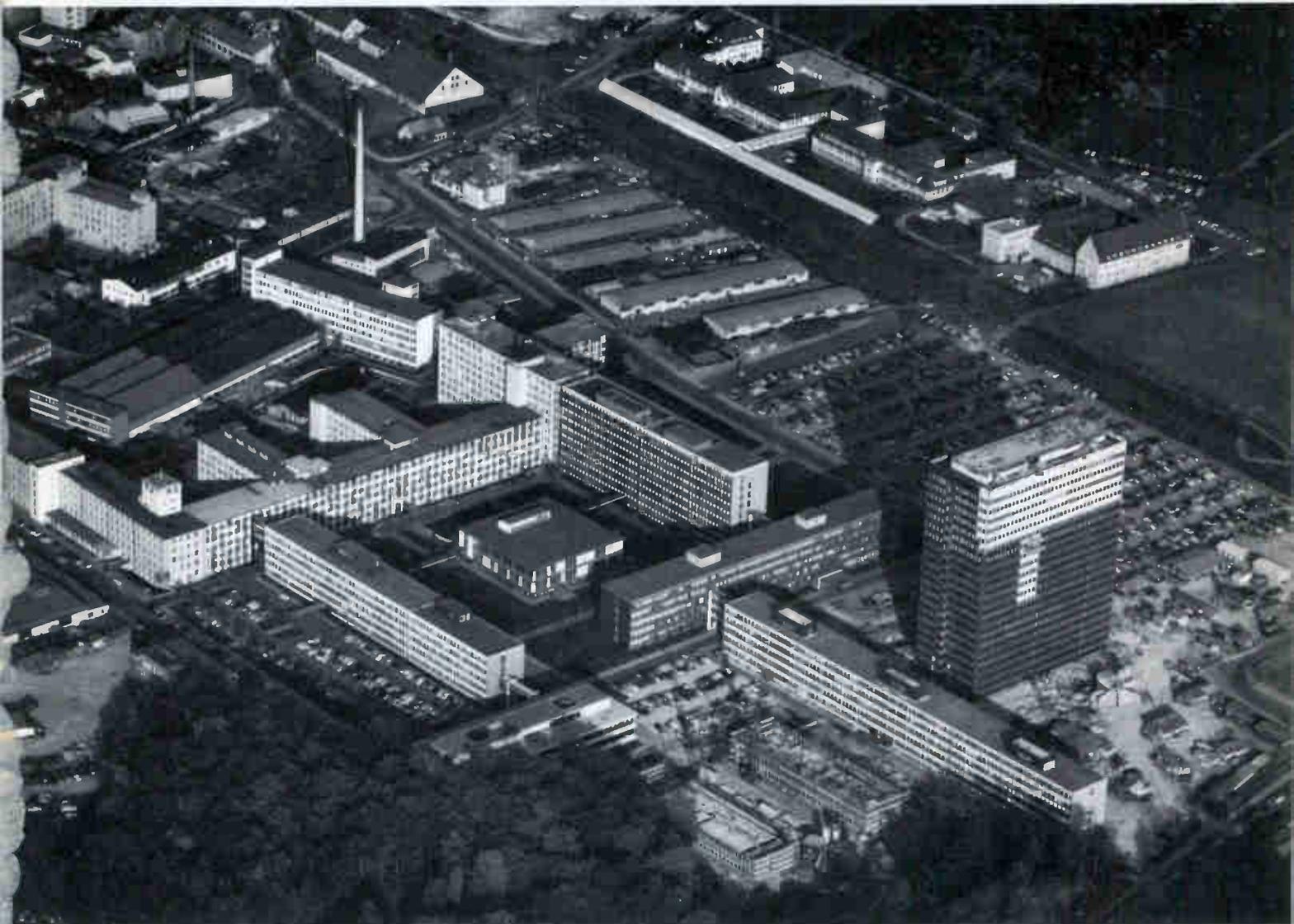


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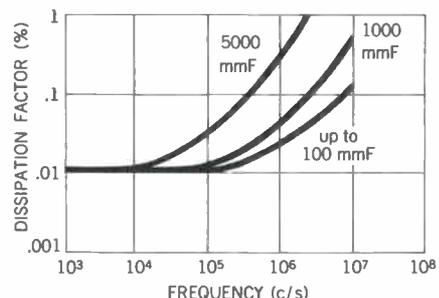
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305-1000	0.40 ⁽²⁾	0.22	0.80	0.27
1,050-2,000	0.60	0.25	0.80	0.34
2,050-5,000	0.80	0.32	0.80	0.50
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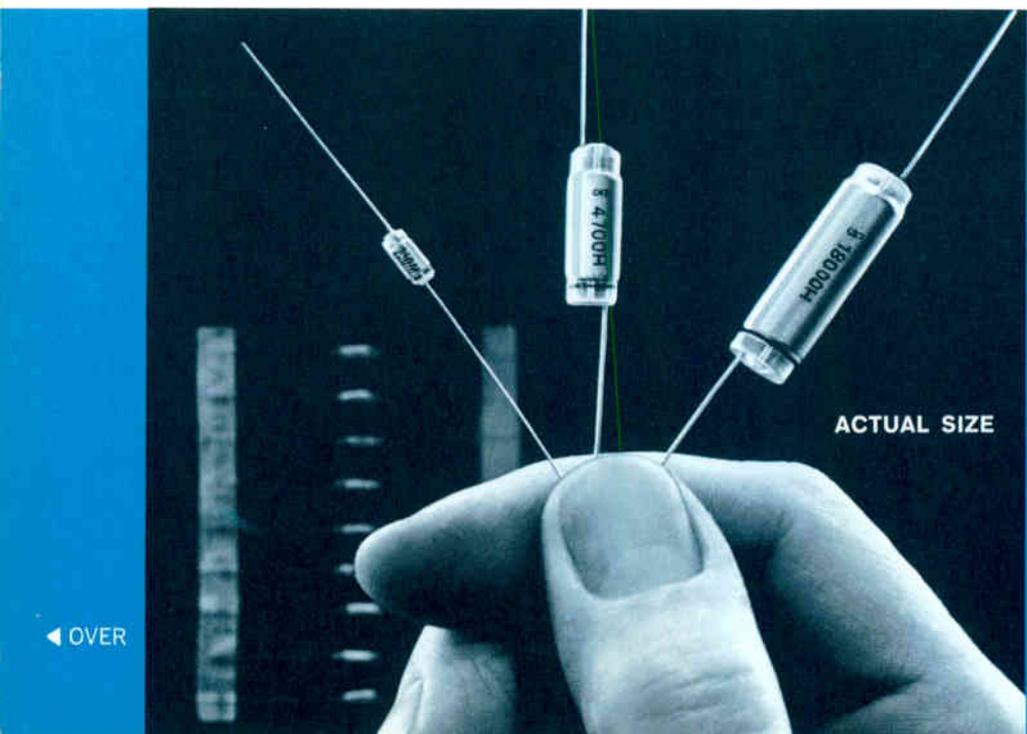
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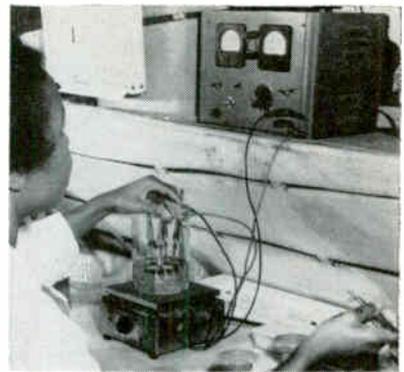
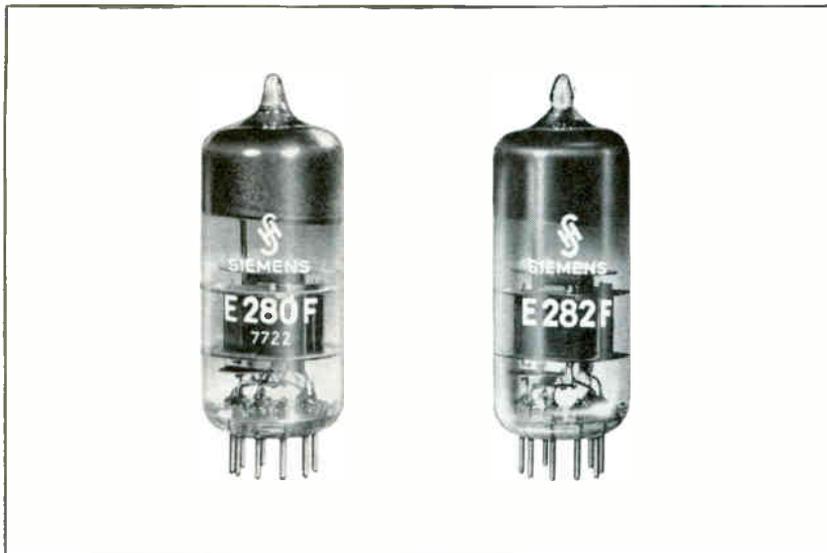
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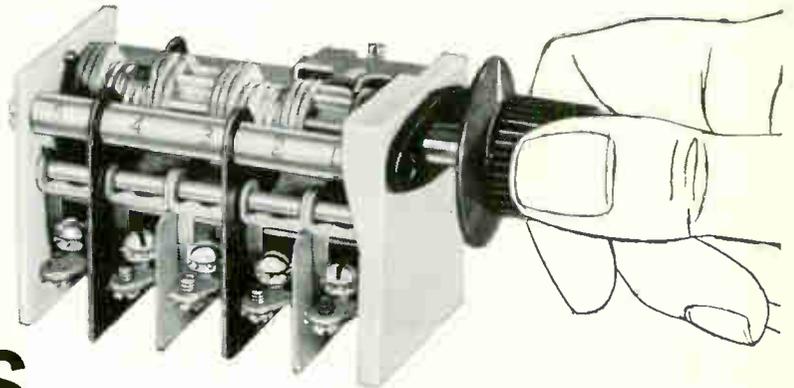


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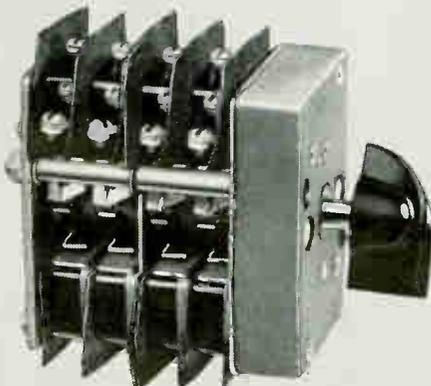
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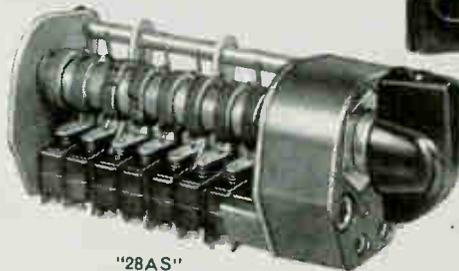
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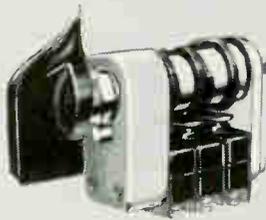
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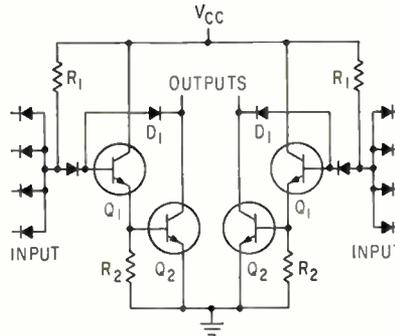


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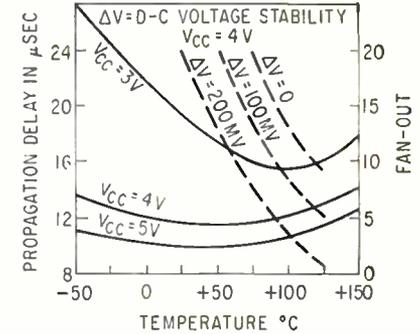
Integrated Circuit is Modified DTL

Contained in one silicon chip, the device has a low power-speed product

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bility is 100 mv at +125 C and fan out of 5 with V_{cc} of 4 v. Dotted portion of above graph shows fan out versus temperature for this voltage. Propagation delay at various temperatures and voltages are shown as solid lines. These were made using a five-stage ring oscillator. At +125 C, 4-v supply, threshold input for 40 μ a output is 0.77 v, maximum input current is 1.5 ma, maximum output voltage at 7.5 ma output and -200 μ a input is 0.67 v, maximum diode leakage is 2.5 μ a and maximum output current in off condition is 40 μ a. The gate is a modified form of DTL logic as shown in the sketch. The circuit is load compensated by emitter-follower Q_2 , so when

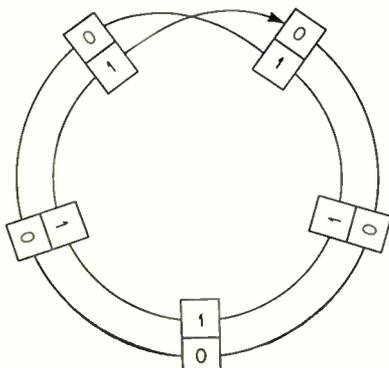


each input is turned off, inverter Q_2 is kept ON over a wide range of collector currents. Fan out is then principally limited by stability requirements. The additional gain allows selecting R_2 to optimize power-speed product without concern for gain requirements, and need for a second power supply is eliminated. Clamping diode D_1 restricts voltage swings and reduces effect of line capacitance on switching speed and allows excess drive current from R_1 to bypass the amplifiers preventing overdrive at low fan out. The dual gate is packaged in a 12-lead TO-5 header and a single-gate version comes in an 8-lead TO-5 package.

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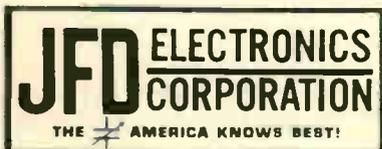


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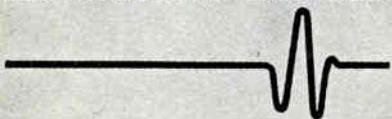
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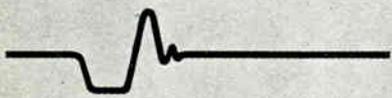
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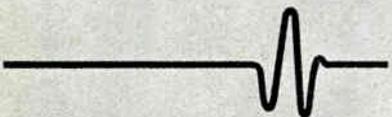
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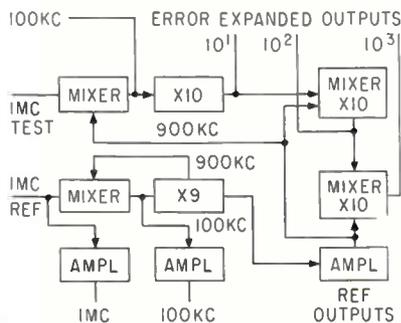
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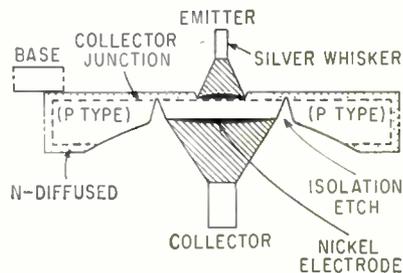
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Rapidly Comparing Two Frequency Standards

INTRODUCED by Motorola Communications and Electronics Inc., 4501 Augusta Blvd., Chicago 51, Illinois, the frequency error expander multiplies an input frequency by 10^1 , 10^2 or 10^3 to reduce time required to make accurate frequency comparisons. For example: on a 1-second count, measuring resolution is parts in 10^9 while on a 10-second count, resolution is parts in 10^{10} . Reference input signal is 1 Mc, 0.3 to 2-v rms with input impedance of 3,000 ohms, while test signal input is 1 Mc or 100 Kc, 0.3 to 2-v rms with input impedance of 3,000 ohms for the 1 Mc and 1,000 ohms for the 100 Kc. Jitter is less than $\pm 1 \times 10^{-9}$ for a 1-second count and less than $\pm 2 \times 10^{-10}$ for a 10-second count. Outputs are 1 Mc expanded 10, 100 and 1,000 times, 1 Mc and 100 Kc reference for a counter. Output level is 1 v for expanded and 1.5 v for reference. As shown in the sketch, the 1 Mc test signal is mixed with 900 Kc synthesized from the 1-Mc reference to provide 100-Kc output. The 100 Kc is multiplied up to give a 10 times error

expanded signal at 1 Mc. The same process is repeated giving error expanded outputs up to 1,000 times always at 1 Mc. If the test signal is 100 Kc, input bypasses the first mixer and goes directly to $\times 10$ multiplier. (303)



New Transistor Uses Micro-Alloy Diffused Electrode

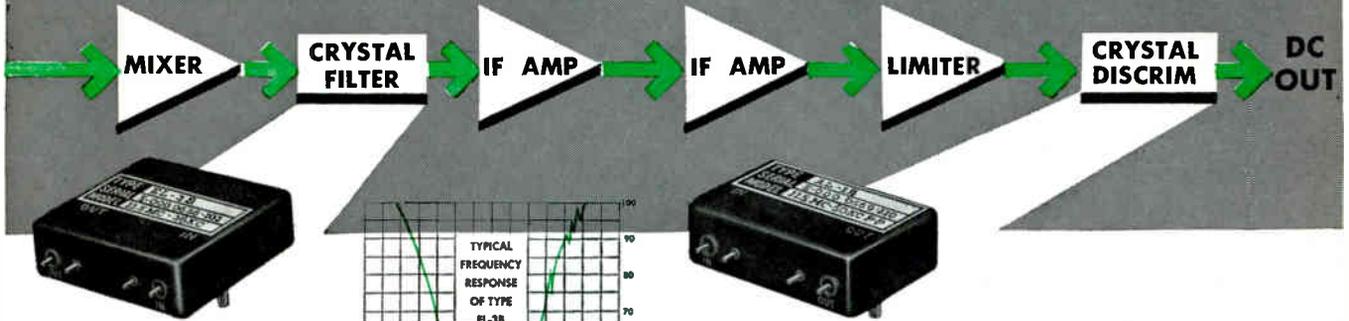
ANNOUNCED by Philco Corporation, Tioga and C Streets, Philadelphia 34, Pennsylvania, the 2N2699 MADE (micro-alloy diffused electrode) transistor combines the micro-alloy emitter junction of the MADT type with the diffused collector junction of the MESA type. Used for ultra-high speed, low-level logic, the device is an avalanche-resistant transistor with 4-v emitter breakdown and 8-v open base collector-to-emitter breakdown rating. It also features collector output capacitance of 3.5 pF maximum at 10 v collector voltage and a specified base input voltage spread of 150 mv at 10 ma collector current and 1 ma base current. The unit uses a diffused collector junction (electrode) formed by an n-dopant into p-type germanium. This forms a pn junction within the dice whose junction area is restricted by an isolation etch. This results in an isolating moat around the nickel collector electrode extending into the n-type base region. The result is a thick mechanical basewidth providing high-power dissipation and narrow electrical basewidth allowing high-speed performance. (304)

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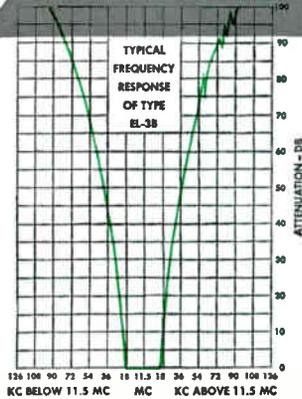
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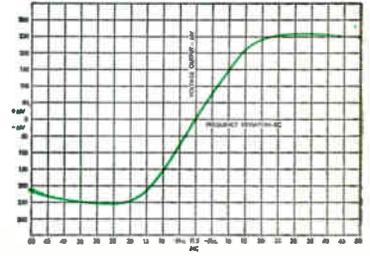
SPECIFICATIONS EL-3B

CENTER FREQUENCY: 11.5 MC \pm 1 KC
 3DB BANDWIDTH: 36 KC \pm 1 KC Min.
 60DB BANDWIDTH: 100 KC Max.
 ULT. REJ.: 90 db — 8 MC to 14 MC
 INSERTION LOSS: Less than 3 db
 INBAND RIPPLE: 0.5 db nom./1.0 db Max.
 OPERATING TEMPERATURE: -55°C to $+90^{\circ}\text{C}$
 Z_{in}/Z_{out} REQ.: 50 ohms \pm 5% resistive
 MAX. INPUT LEVEL: \pm 10 dbm
 SHOCK: 200 g's
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SPECIFICATIONS AL-1B

CENTER FREQUENCY: 11.5 MC \pm 2 KC
 BANDWIDTH PEAK/PEAK: \pm 25 KC Min.
 HARMONIC DIST.: Less than 2% @ \pm 6 KC dev.
 ZERO ADJUST.: \pm 1 KC
 INPUT LEVEL: 400 mv to 6 volts RMS
 OPERATING TEMPERATURE: -55°C to $+90^{\circ}\text{C}$
 Z INPUT: 300 ohms \pm 5% resistive
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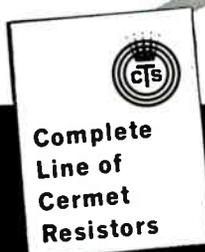
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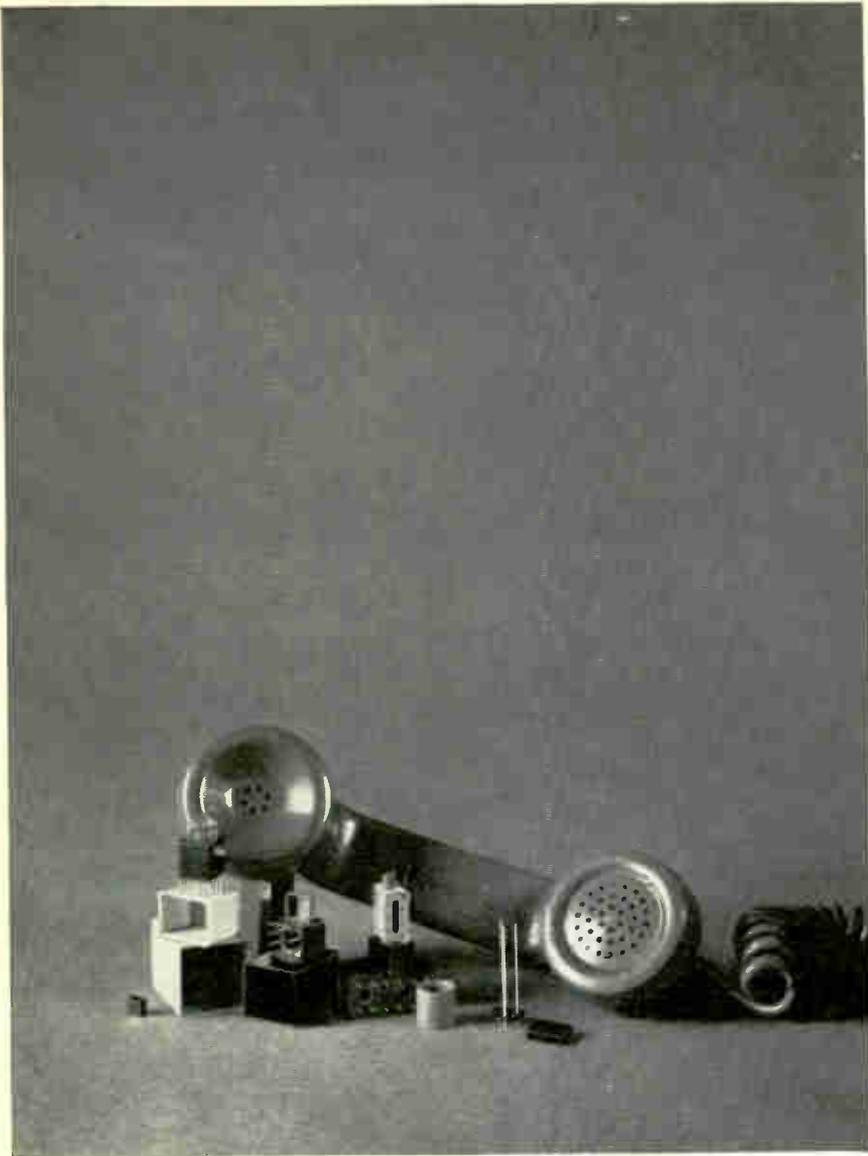
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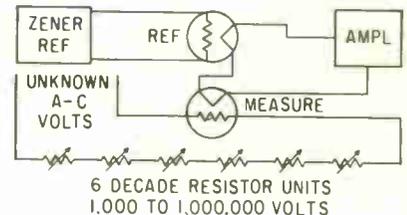
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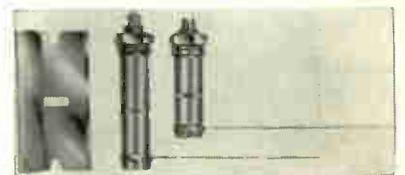
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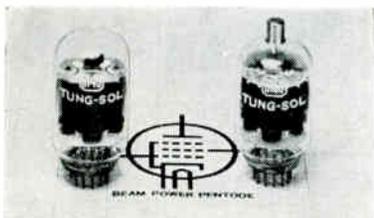


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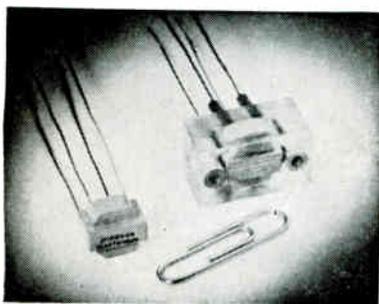
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construction and high capacitance values from 1 to 40 $\mu\mu\text{f}$ up to 1 to 90 $\mu\mu\text{f}$. They have no capacitance reversal and have a Q factor of 500 minimum at 1 Mc. Operating temperature is -55 to $+125$ C. Tuning torque is 1 to 5 in.-oz. Length (behind panel) for 90 $\mu\mu\text{f}$ capacitance is 2 in. Units feature solid metal electrode bands which permit the user to solder directly to the electrode at any point. (306)



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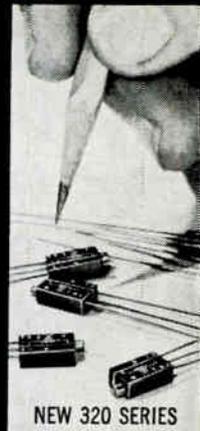
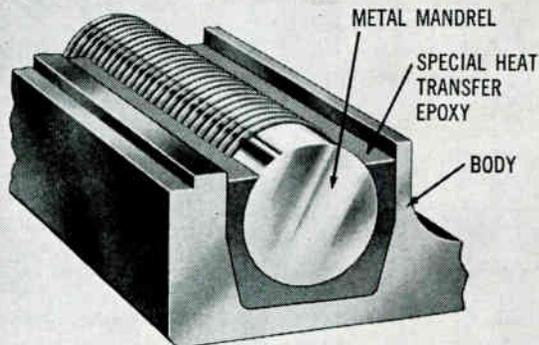
TUNG-SOL ELECTRIC, INC., One Summer Ave., Newark 4, N. J., offers two beam power pentodes intended for use as r-f power amplifiers and oscillators at frequencies up to 175 Mc. Type 8149 is a single ended T-12 compactron design and the 8150 is a double ended T-12 compactron design. Both feature a center tapped heater so that they may be operated from either a 3-cell or 6-cell storage battery system. Both have 12 pin button bases and have cathodes coated unipotential. (307)



Audio Transformers for Transistor Circuits

JOHNSON ELECTRONICS, INC., P. O. Box 7, Casselberry, Fla., announces a line of subminiature transistor transformers that operate over frequency range of from 100 cycles to 100 Kc. With a power rating of 50 mw at 300 cycles, the units have a frequency response of 3 db down at 150 cycles. Response is flat from 400 cycles to 30 Kc. Primary d-c

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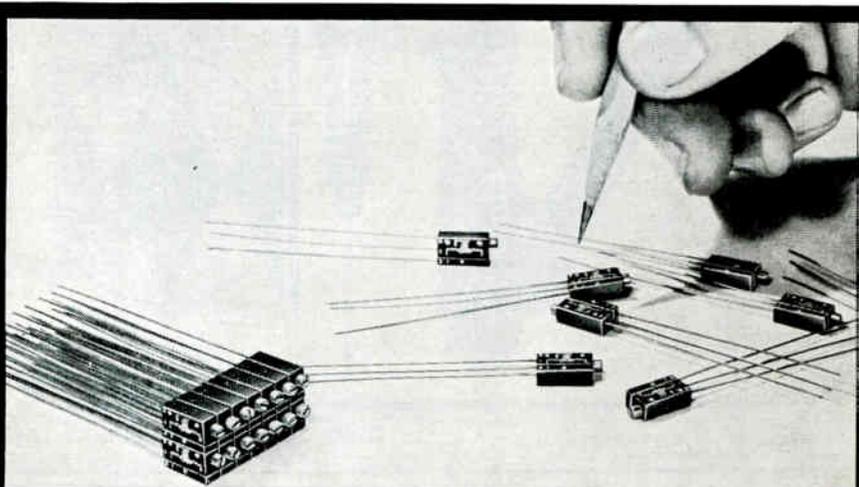
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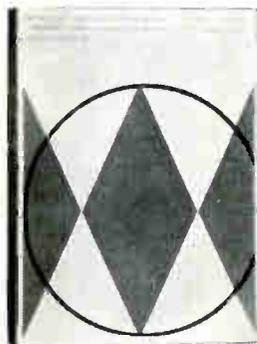
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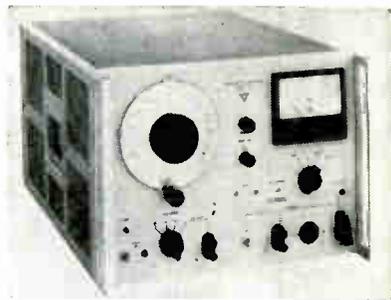
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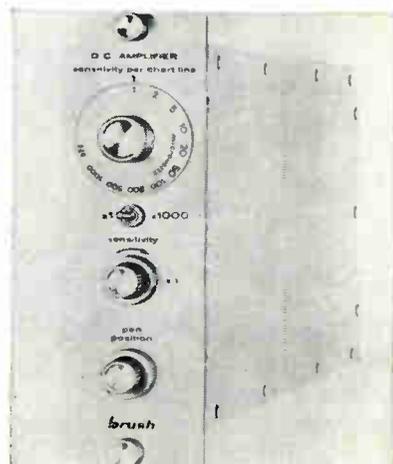
current is 0.5 ma with primary impedance from 10,000 ohms to 20,000 ohms depending on part number.

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Frequency Changer Provides Up to 260V

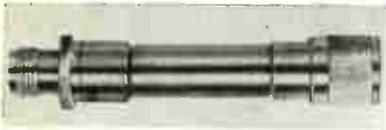
HEWLETT-PACKARD CO., 1501 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif. The frequency changer, model 4301A, is essentially an r-c oscillator feeding a sine wave into a low distortion power amplifier. The oscillator covers 40 to 2,000 cps with an accuracy of ± 1 percent and a stability of ± 1 percent. Harmonic distortion is less than 1.5 percent for resistive loads, and is less than 5 percent of reactive loads with power factors up to 0.7. The output voltage is continuously adjustable from 0 to 130 v at 2 amp max output current, or from 0 to 260 v at 1 amp max. (309)



Modular Preamplifier Features Low Noise

BRUSH INSTRUMENTS, Division of Cleveland Corp., 37th and Perkins, Cleveland 14, O., offers a low-noise, high-impedance, modular preamplifier that extends the sensitivity of medium gain recording systems to levels as

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Coaxial Filters Cover 100 Mc to 10 Gc

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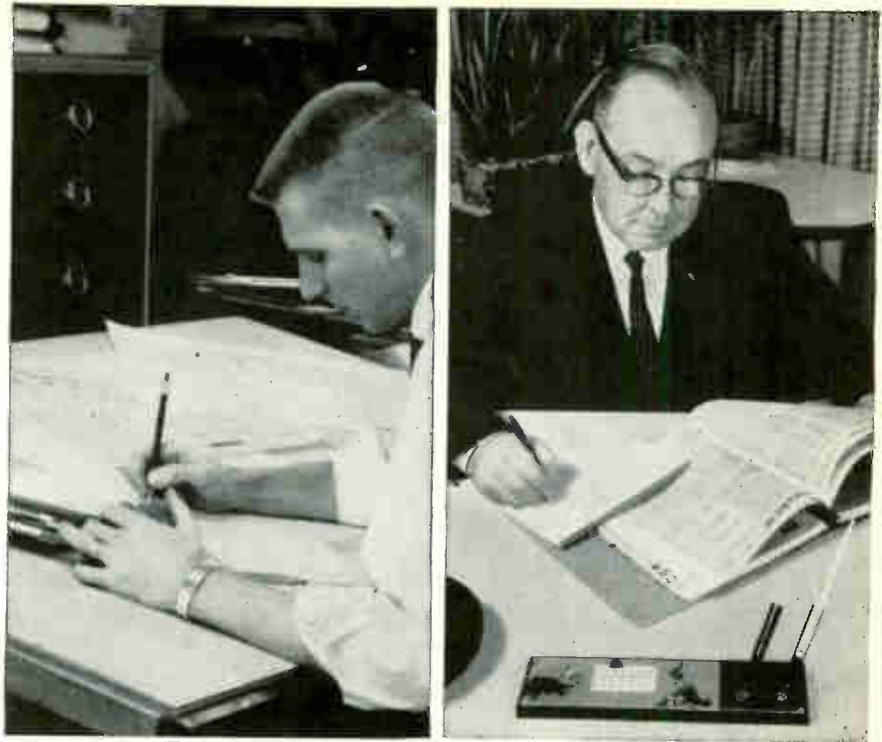
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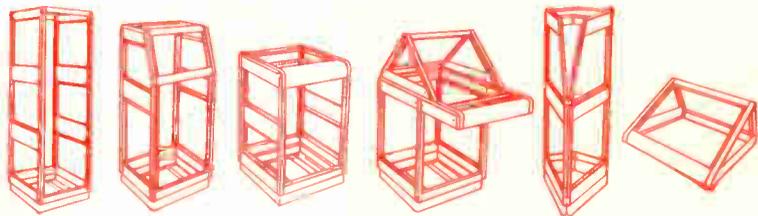


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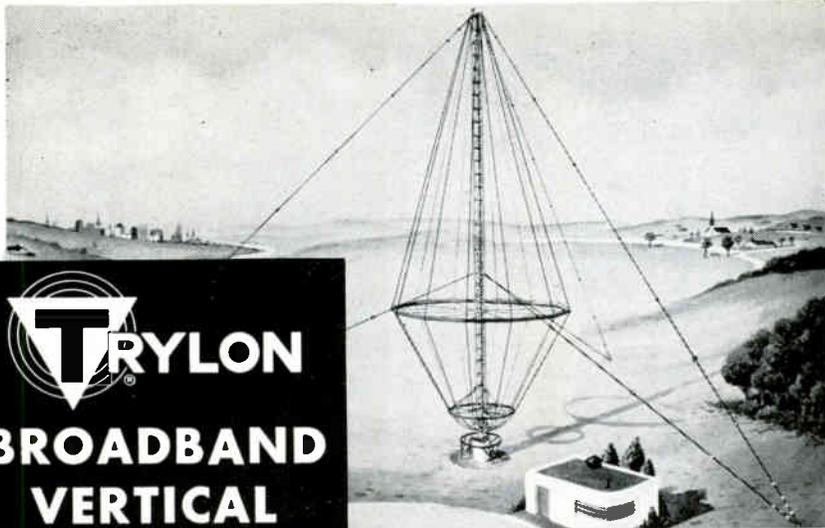


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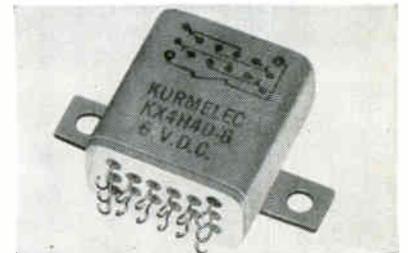
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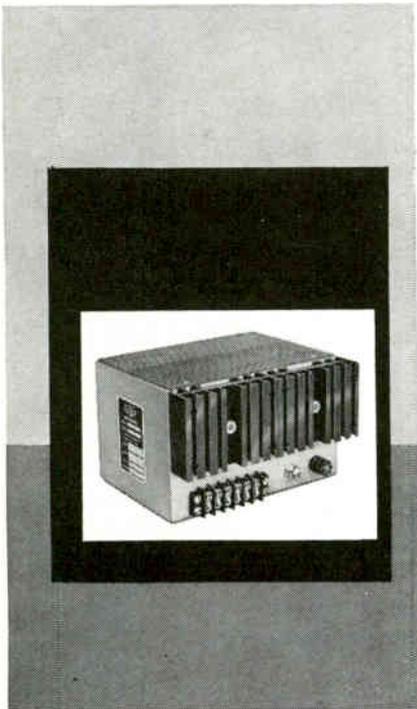
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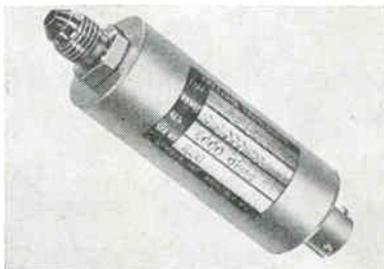


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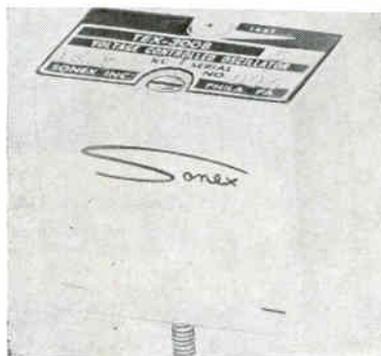
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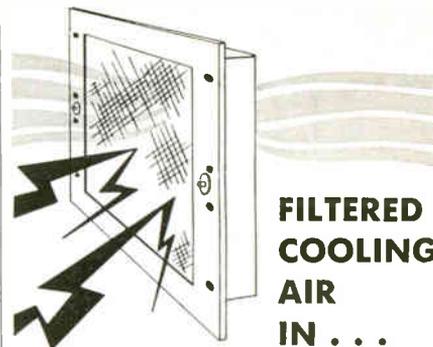
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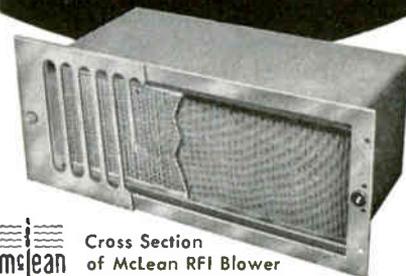
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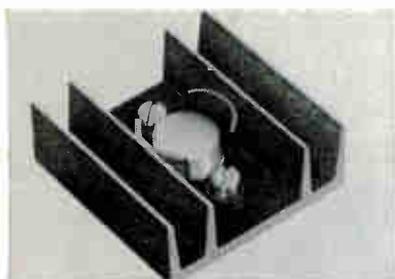
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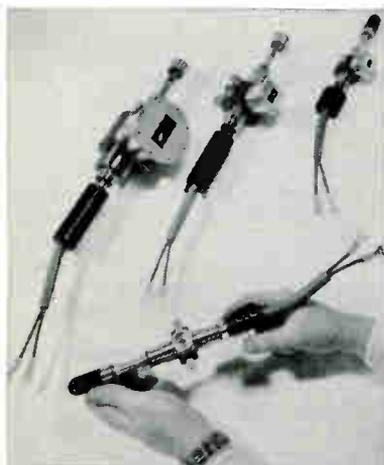
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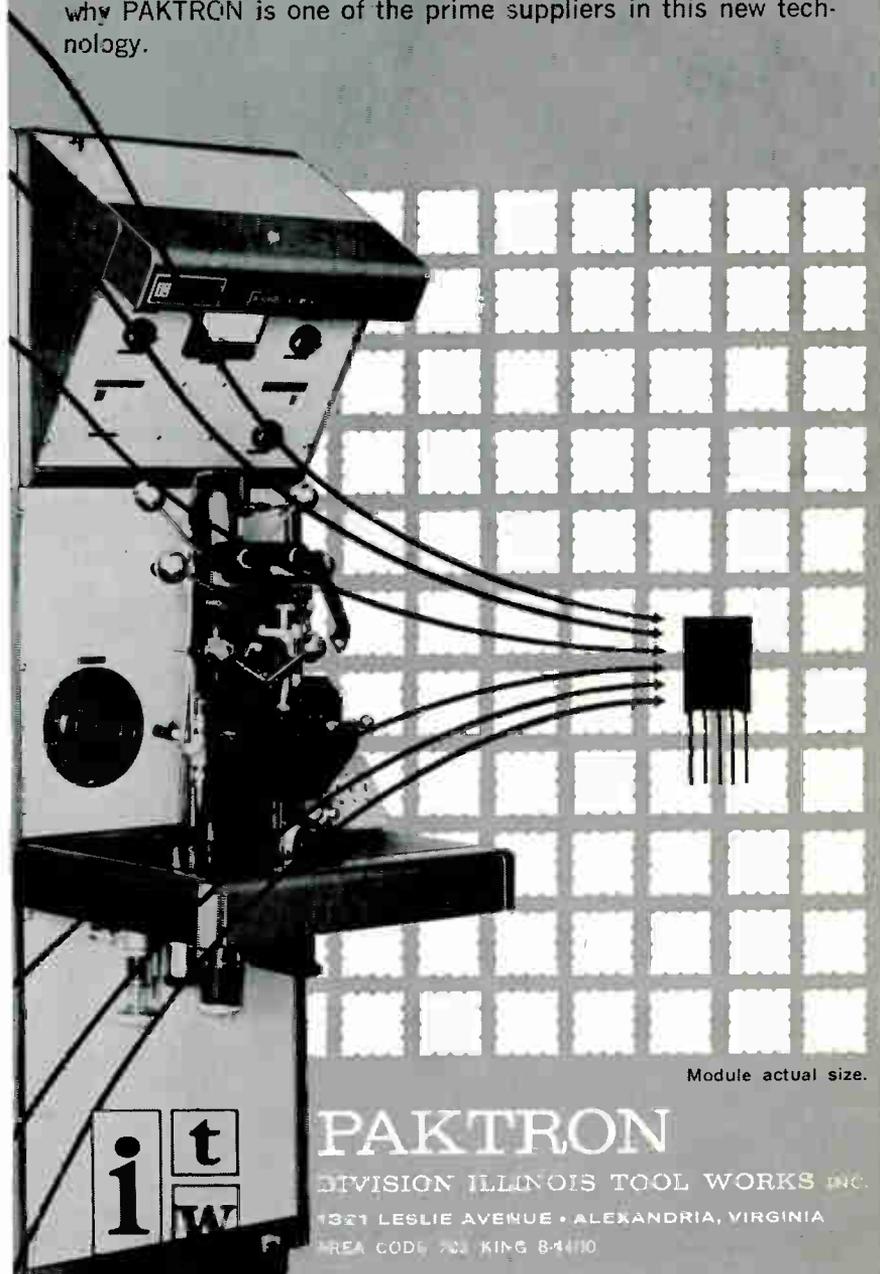
FERRANTI, LTD., Ferry Road, Edinburgh 5, Scotland, introduces a new range of 4 high power magnetrons ranging in peak power from 2 Mw at about 5,000-6,000 Mc to 100 Kw at 35,000 Mc all with very high mean power ratings. This is largely due to the company's development of the bombardment type high temperature thoriated tungsten cathode previously exploited only at X-band in their VF10 and VF11. Heating by means of an electron

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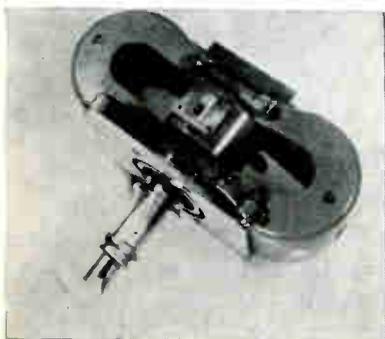
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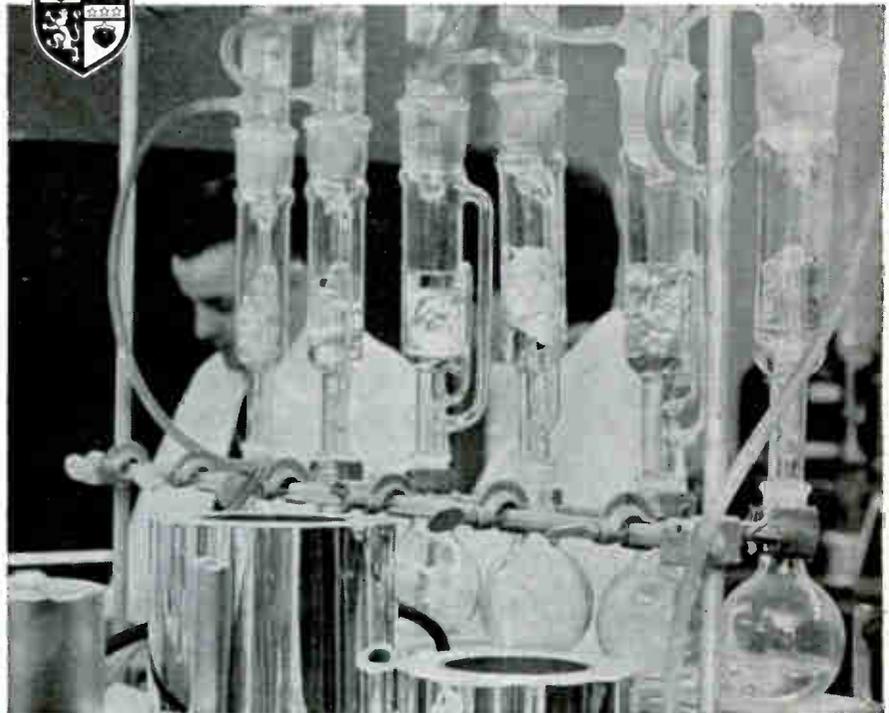


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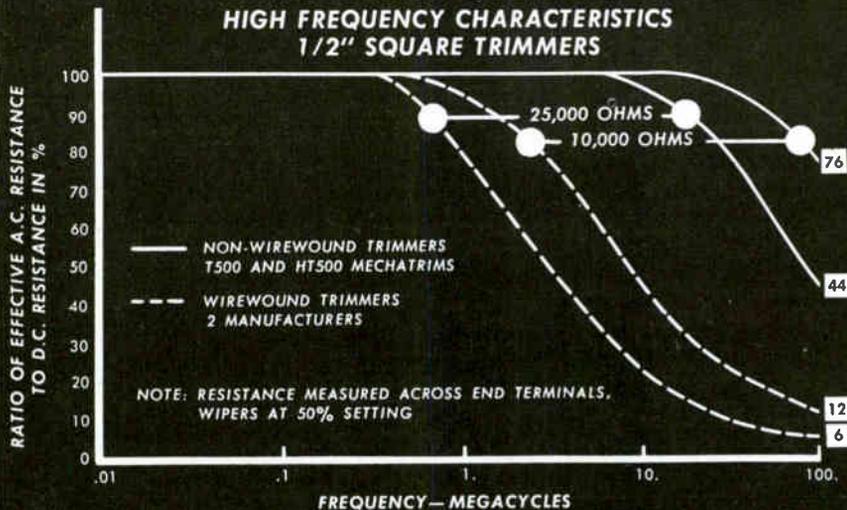
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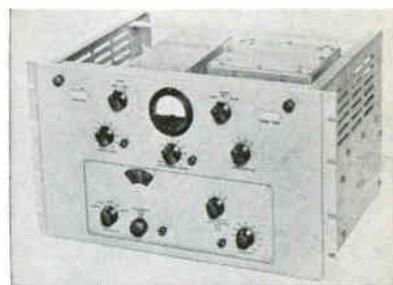
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Keyer Calibrates Frequency Shift

MARS ELECTRONICS, Syosset, L. I., N. Y., announces a frequency shift keyer which provides 10 crystal oven-controlled channels and meets MIL specifications. Model FS-303 provides a means for modulating an r-f carrier signal with FSK transmissions. It has a frequency range of 2 to 4 Mc with 10 separate channels provided. Frequency shift is calibrated from 0 to ± 1000 cycles. Power output is approximately 2 w into 50 ohms. (325)

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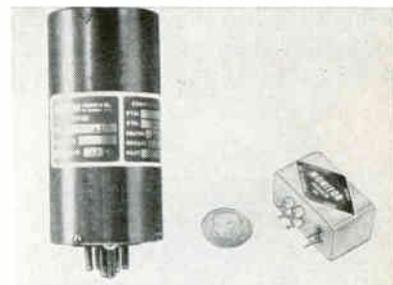
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Literature of the Week

EPOXY ADHESIVE Gulton Industries, Inc., 212 Durham Ave., Metuchen, N. J. Bulletin covers an epoxy adhesive offering the optimum combination of tenacious bond strength and high conductivity at a low price. (327)

ANTENNA PEDESTAL Temec, Inc., 7833 Haskell Ave., Van Nuys, Calif., has catalog sheet on model 12 servo-position antenna pedestal. (328)

SILICON PLANAR TRANSISTORS Sperry Semiconductor, Norwalk, Conn. Technical bulletin SS-500 describes the new silicon planar transistors which combine high breakdown voltage with high beta in a single transistor. (329)

D-C TRANSDUCER/AMPLIFIER Taber Instrument Corp., 107 Goundry St., North Tonawanda, N. Y. Bulletin introduces a 0-50 psia, 5 v d-c transducer/amplifier. (330)

NOISE SOURCE TUBE Warnecke Electron Tubes, Inc., 175 West Oakton St., Des Plaines, Ill. Catalog RW-100 describes a 50 Kc to 200 Mc high-powered permanent magnet focus noise source tube. (331)

CALIBRATION PRESSURE CONTROLLER Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif. Operation of type 6-003 calibration pressure controller is described in a bulletin. (332)

PROGRAMMING PACKAGES General Electric Co., Phoenix, Ariz., has available five "software" brochures on latest programming packages for the GE-225 computer. (333)

RECORD ACCESSORIES Texas Instruments Incorporated, 3609 Buffalo Speedway, Houston 6, Texas. Bulletin R-504 describes series 300 accessories for the "recti/riter" galvanometric recorders. (334)

MULTIPLE-COMPUTER SYSTEM Burroughs Corp., Detroit 32, Mich. Technical information bulletin contains an illustrated paper on the D825—a multiple-computer system for command and control. (335)

INSERTION LOSS TEST SET Weinschel Engineering, P. O. Box 577, Gaithersburg, Md. *Application Note* No. 4 describes a dual channel insertion loss test set. (336)

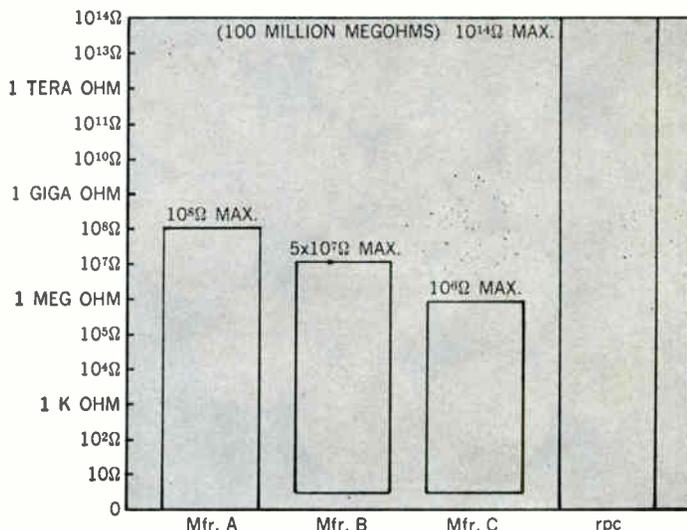
TIME-MARK GENERATORS Accutronics, Inc., 12 South Island, Batavia, Ill. Single sheet brochure covers a line of portable, battery powered time-mark generators. (337)

SHAFT ENCODER Theta Instrument Corp., 520 Victor St., Saddle Brook, N. J. Engineering bulletin describes the Decitrak, direct-decimal shaft encoder. (338)

COMPONENT CLIPS Braun Tool and Instrument Co. Inc., 140 Fifth Ave.,



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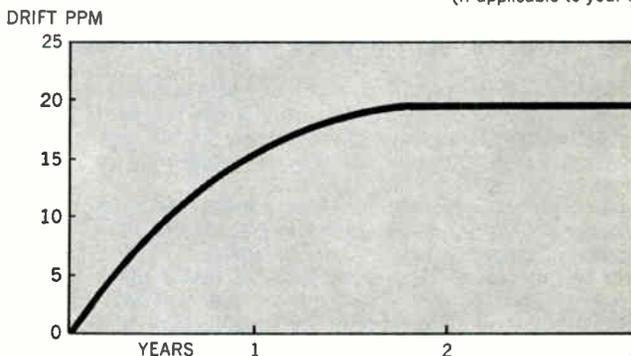


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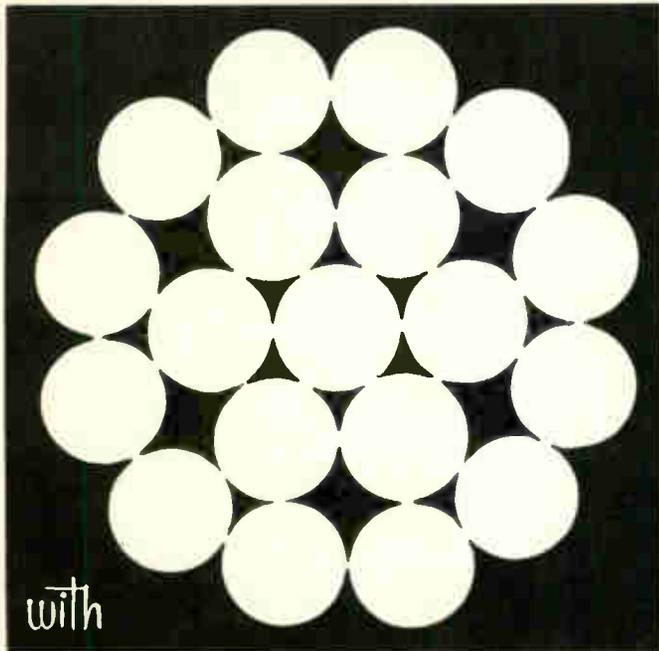
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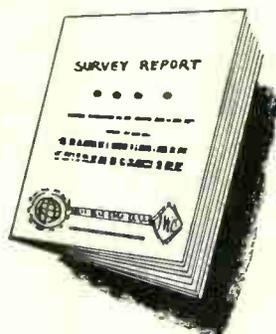
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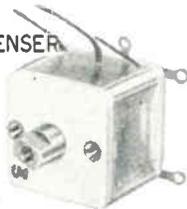
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Hawthorne, N. J., has released
bulletin No. 362 on six new beryl-
limum copper component clips. (339)

ALUMINUM-CAPPED KNOBS Raytheon
Co., 55 Chapel St., Newton 58, Mass.
Brochure MC-113 describes the com-
plete Designer series of aluminum-
capped knobs. (340)

EDUCATIONAL TV SYSTEMS Adler Elec-
tronics Inc., One LeFevre Lane,
New Rochelle, N. Y. An illustrated
brochure describes various methods
available for expanding educational
horizons through use of tv tech-
niques. (341)

DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEMS Systron-
Donner Corp., 888 Galindo St., Con-
cord, Calif., has published a 4-page
brochure entitled "Systrac Sys-
tems." (342)

SAWTOOTH GENERATOR Waddell Dy-
namics, Inc., 5841 Mission Gorge
Road, San Diego 20, Calif., offers a
bulletin describing models L3SG-
L3SG1 time linear sawtooth gener-
ator. (343)

MAGNETIC COMPONENTS Relcoil Prod-
ucts Corp., a division of Hi-G, Inc.,
Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.
Brochure contains technical data on
high performance r-f and i-f mag-
netic components. (344)

DIGITAL PRINTERS Franklin Electronics,
Inc., Bridgeport, Pa. Bulletin 2030A
describes a new generation of digi-
tal printers—decimal as well as
alpha-numeric. (345)

MAGNETOSTRICTIVE DELAY LINES Com-
puter Control Co., Inc., Old Con-
necticut Path, Framingham, Mass.,
offers a comprehensive data package
on 3C Soniline magnetostrictive de-
lay lines. (346)

TWO WAY ANTENNAS Andrew Corp.,
P. O. Box 807, Chicago 42, Ill., has
released a catalog on fixed station
antennas for the mobile radio
services. (347)

BALANCED MODULATORS Spectran Elec-
tronics Corp., 146 Main St., May-
nard, Mass., announced an *Appli-
cation Note* containing application
information on suppressed carrier
modulators for use in ssb systems
and in spectrum analyzers. (348)

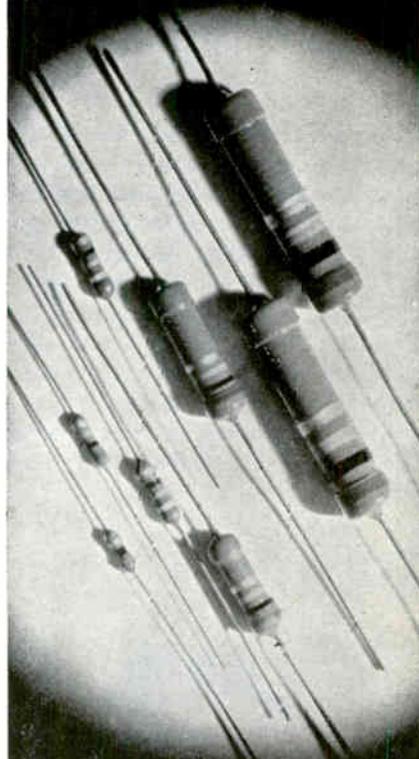
FLAME RETARDING RESINS Isochem
Resins Co., 221 Oak St., Providence
9, R. I. Technical data bulletin
covers Isochemrez 470FR series
which offers an excellent base for
self-extinguishing p-c boards. (349)

SOUND LEVEL METER Rohde & Schwarz,
111 Lexington Ave., Passaic, N. J.
Bulletin includes specifications and
descriptions of operation and use
of the type ELZT self-contained
sound level meter. (350)

SCR SERVO AMPLIFIERS The Diehl Mfg.
Co., Somerville, N. J., has published
application bulletin 607B on its line
of scr servo amplifiers. (351)

WIDE BAND AMPLIFIER Community Engi-
neering Corp., 234 E. College Ave.,
State College, Pa. Data sheet de-
scribes model 1019F solid state wide
band amplifier. (352)

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Electro-Optical Systems Expands

COMPLETION of a new \$2 million corporate headquarters and research, development, and systems laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., has been announced by Electro-Optical Systems, Inc. It expands total physical facilities of the company to over 200,000 square feet and consolidates corporate operations into three principal locations.

Constructed on an 8-acre site, the 3-story 135,000-square-foot

structure will house many of the country's most advanced programs in energy storage and conversion, advanced power systems, microelectronics, laser research and optical systems, and space instrumentation, according to company officials.

Designed especially to meet the critical needs of military and space systems while providing for supporting research facilities as well,

the building contains 65 laboratories, extensive environmental test equipment, prototype assembly areas, machine shops, and uniquely designed, atmospherically controlled research and assembly laboratories. It also includes over 200 scientific and administrative offices, a complete technical library, and a 200-seat auditorium for scientific seminars.

In addition to its new facility, EOS will continue to expand its ion and plasma physics R&D activities, and will also retain a space structures and prototype manufacturing unit, both in Pasadena.

Since its founding in Pasadena in 1956, Electro-Optical Systems, Inc., has been one of the city's fast-growing companies. From sales during the first year of \$80,000 the organization last year grew to a volume of approximately \$10 million. The company is listed among the top 100 research and development defense contractors in the United States.

As a research and systems development oriented company, EOS carries on no commercial manufacturing activities itself. However, items evolving from research programs that are of commercial or industrial use are manufactured and marketed by subsidiary companies.

One such subsidiary is Micro Systems, Inc., of San Gabriel, which is engaged in producing semiconductor instrumentation devices in the transducer and strain gage fields for applications in industrial, military, space and bio-medical devices.

Tucker Appointed Research Director

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. has announced the promotion of Gardiner L. Tucker to IBM director of research. Formerly director of development engineering for the IBM World Trade Corp., he will be responsible for the company's research activities at its Yorktown, N. Y., New York City, San Jose, Calif.; and Zurich, Switzerland,

TI Officers Elected to Board



Mark Shepherd, Jr.



S. T. Harris

J. E. JONSSON, board chairman of Texas Instruments Incorporated, has announced the election to the TI board of directors of Mark Shepherd, Jr., executive vice president, and S. T. Harris, senior vice

president. This increases board membership to ten.

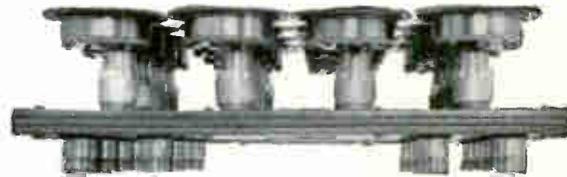
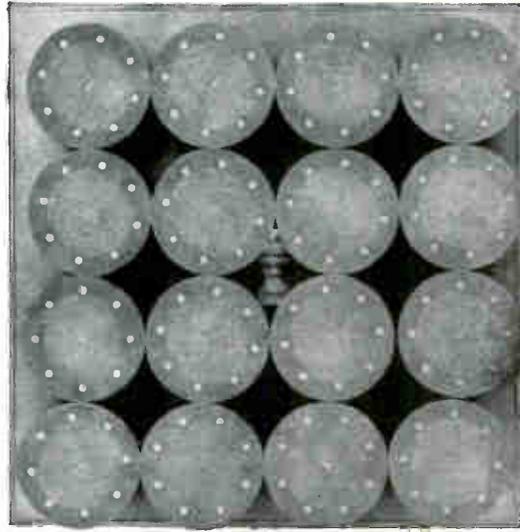
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laboratories. He will report to Emanuel R. Piore, IBM vice president for research and engineering.

Tucker succeeds Gilbert W. King who has resigned to become vice president and director of research for the Itek Corp., Lexington, Mass.

Zenith Executives Take New Posts

ZENITH RADIO CORPORATION, Chicago, Ill., has announced that Robert Adler has been appointed vice president-director of research, a post held since 1949 by Alexander Ellett, who has been named to the new position of vice president, special scientific projects.

Adler, elected vice president in 1959, has been associate director of research since November, 1952.

Ellett joined Zenith in 1945. During World War II, as chief of Division 4 of the National Defense Research Committee, he directed development of the V-T proximity fuze.

In addition to the appointments listed above, the company also announced that Erwin M. Roschke is promoted to assistant director and administrative manager of research, and Bertrand Miller to assistant research director.



Benzing Accepts Vice Presidency

APPOINTMENT of Louis H. Benzing, formerly director of operations of the Lockheed Electronics Co., as vice president and general manager of the G. C. Dewey Corp. has been announced. He has assumed complete responsibility for the direction of the company's data systems, electronics and test support divisions,

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Weight: First deck, 30 grams. 10 grams for each additional deck.

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Insulating resistance: 100 megohms minimum at 500 volts DC.

Life: 1.5 — 2 million revolutions.

Contact resistance:

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and will also supervise the engineering and manufacturing operations as well as the marketing requirements of the Pitometer Log Corp., the firm's wholly-owned subsidiary.

In 1955 Benzing joined Stavid Engineering, Inc., subsequently acquired by Lockheed, where, after successive promotions he became director of operations responsible for all material and manufacturing functions and supervised the activities of 525 people.



Western Electric Elects Clow

ARTHUR P. CLOW, a Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. executive, has been elected vice president and member of the board of directors of Western Electric Co.

In his new post, Clow will head the Defense Activities division which is responsible for bringing together Bell System resources to accomplish national defense and space communications projects.



American Electronics Promotes Echolds

PROMOTION of E. Frank Echolds to vice president-operations of American Electronics, Inc., Fullerton, Calif., has been announced. He will be responsible for engineering, for

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STM-1021	10	21	0.9	55	50	57×43×10.5 (2.24×1.69×0.413)
STM-1016	10	16	0.9	55	50	57×43×10.0 (2.24×1.69×0.393)
STM-1012	10	12	0.9	55	50	41×32.3×9.5 (1.62×1.28×0.374)
STM-1006	10	6	0.9	55	50	41×29×9.5 (1.62×1.28×0.374)

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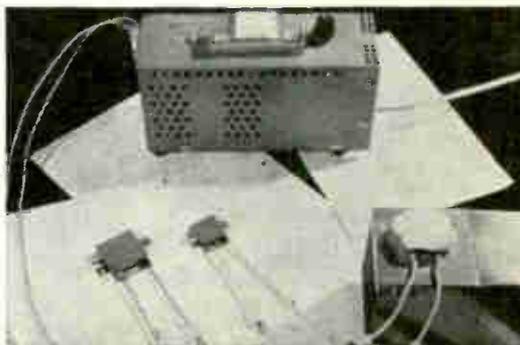
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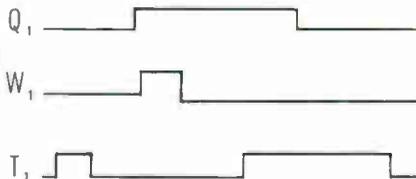
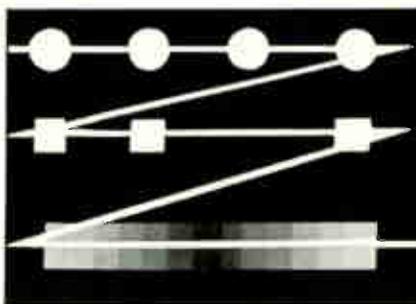
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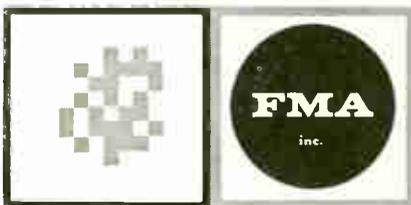
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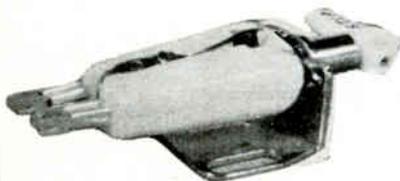
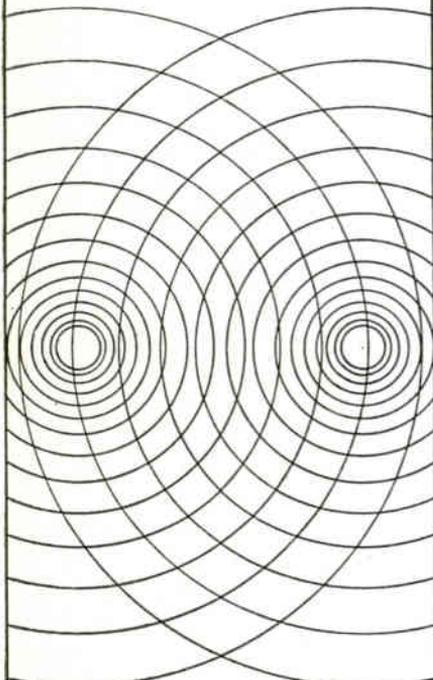


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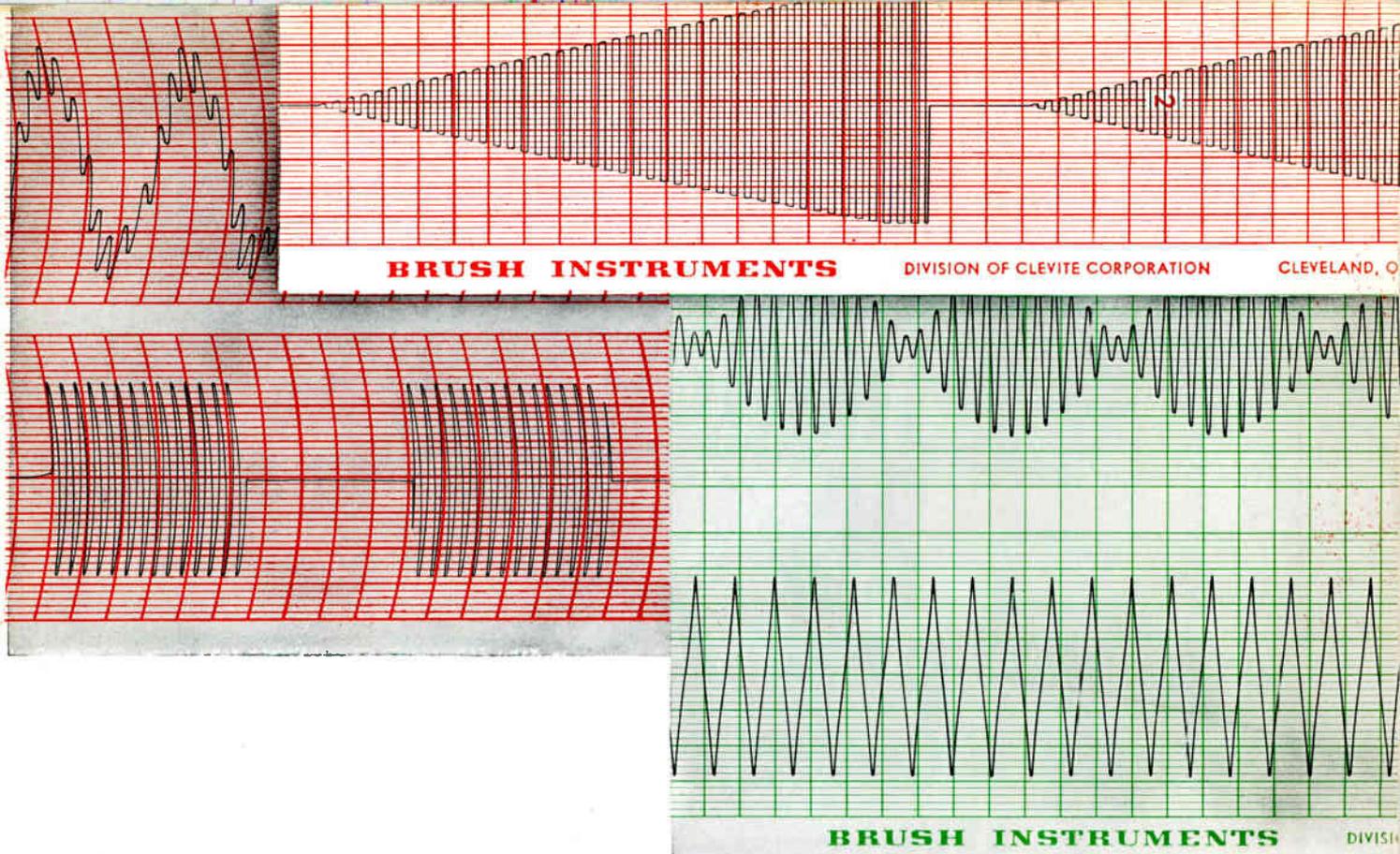
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