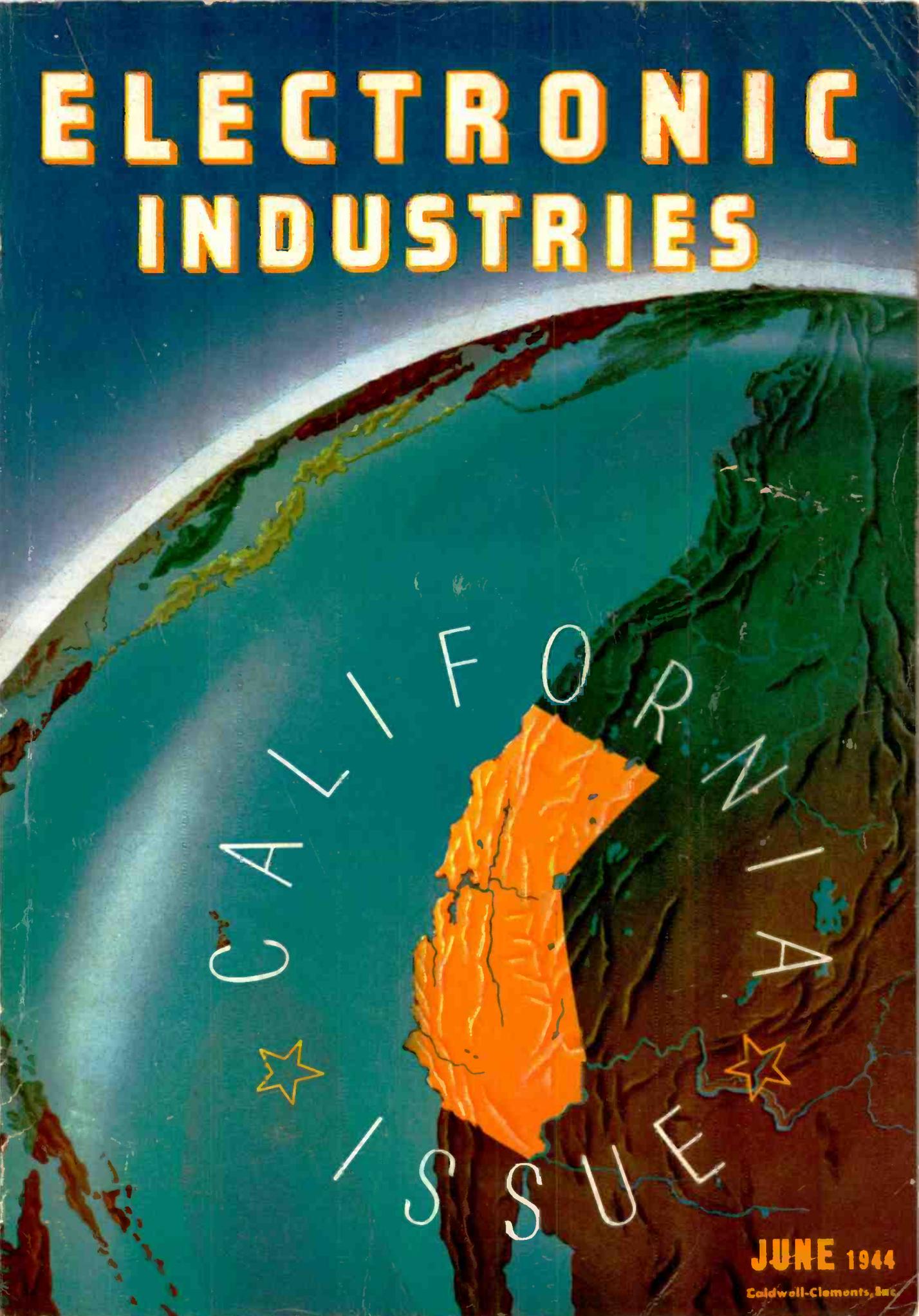


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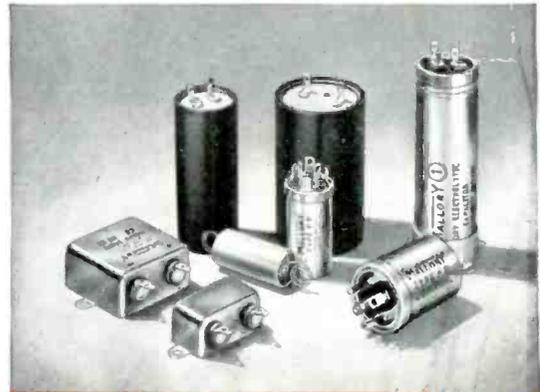
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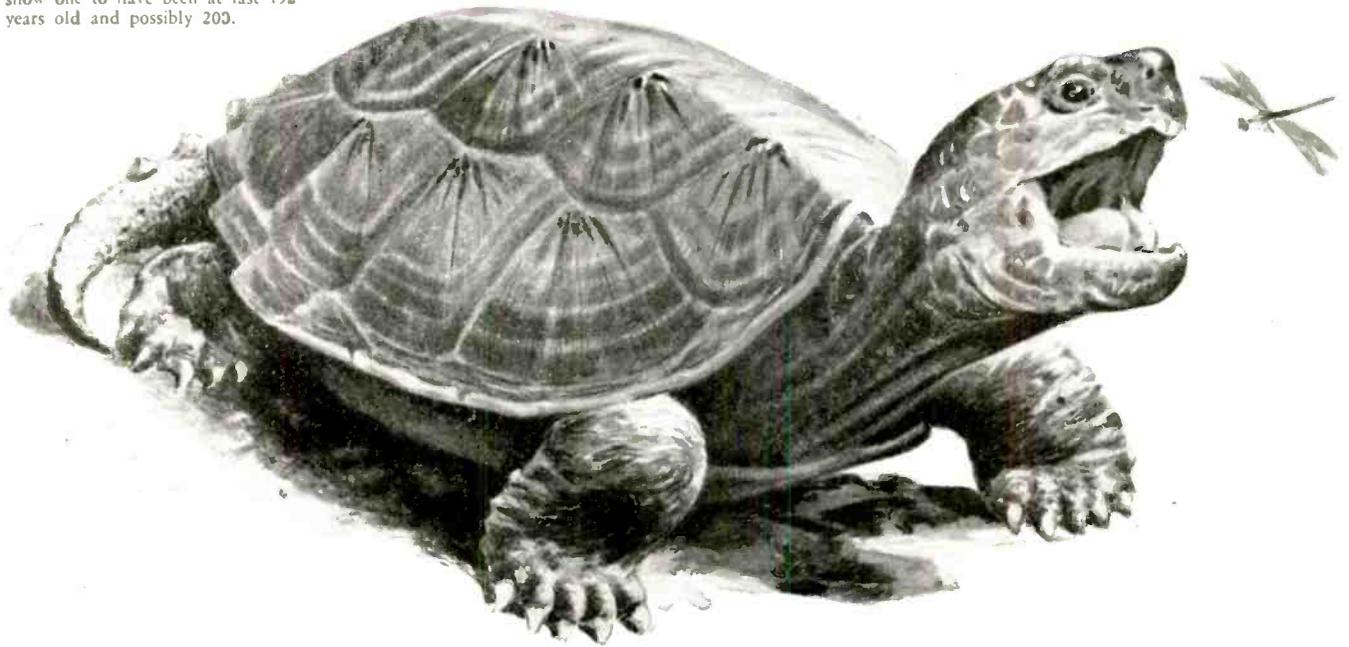
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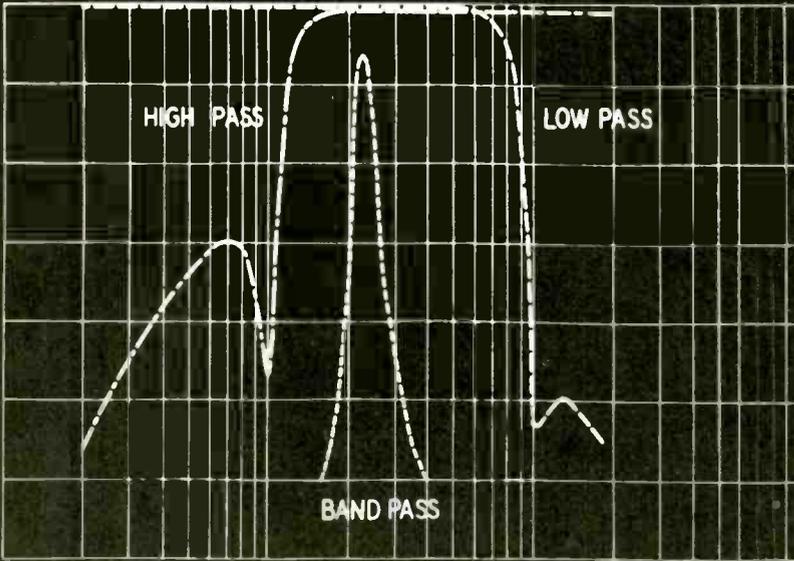
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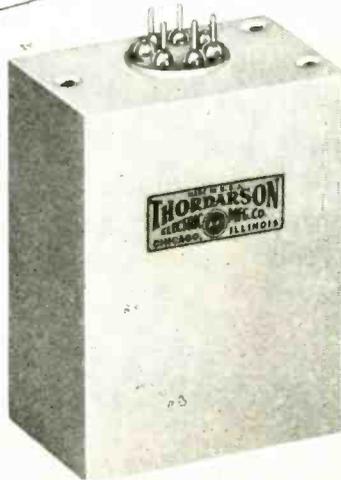
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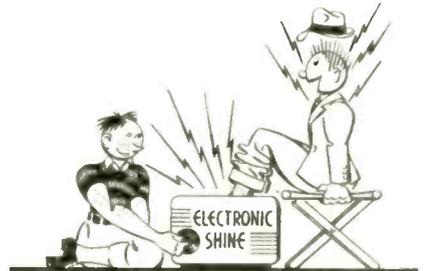
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Well, its probably alright for the record, so—Hollywood boasts an Electronic Bootblack; maybe he uses a tube of polish in place of the usual bottle. Anyway, he claims to give you an electric shine. There are a couple of Radio Barbers in downtown Los Angeles, and one enterprising gasoline filling station impresario on the road that winds through the hills to Inglewood has an illuminated sign advertising "Radar Super-sensitized Ethyl".



And speaking of illumination, it might surprise anyone less easily surprised to discover how many of the electric sign people have to some extent re-christened company names by the simple expedient of adding the term "Electronic".

But that isn't confined to the lighting people alone. It goes for manufacturers of therapeutic lamps and home vibrators, and one manufacturer whose principal business is rebuilding broken down phonographs has gone "Electronic", at least in title.

Even the chiropractors have felt the influence. One of 'em advertises "treatment with radio-electric waves"; another offers "radionics" along with colonics and dietics; still another is selling "radionic" laboratory tests; three or four more are satisfied that just plain "Radionics" will draw the trade. And there isn't a single mention of diathermy any more. Too old-fashioned.

And when those places that everyone else calls by the generic term "factory" goes slightly off the conservative beam it becomes either a "Laboratory", or maybe a "Research" organization. One such organization that goes whole hog by including both Electronic and Laboratory on its letterhead is an old-fashioned (very) factory producing optical equipment that may by some stretch of the imagination have some remote connection with either term.

Then there is the funny one going the rounds in Hollywood, which is quite db conscious, especially around its sound sets. Seems food has other things mixed up with it in addition to vitamins. You guessed it—db's. Celery and crisp toast, for example, definitely have db's, and some other foods to an only slightly lesser extent. At any rate it is reported that a group of supers had to eat "noiseless" lamb chops, fashioned out of mashed potatoes colored with gravy during the shooting of one big scene where the principals were required to talk through the banquet.

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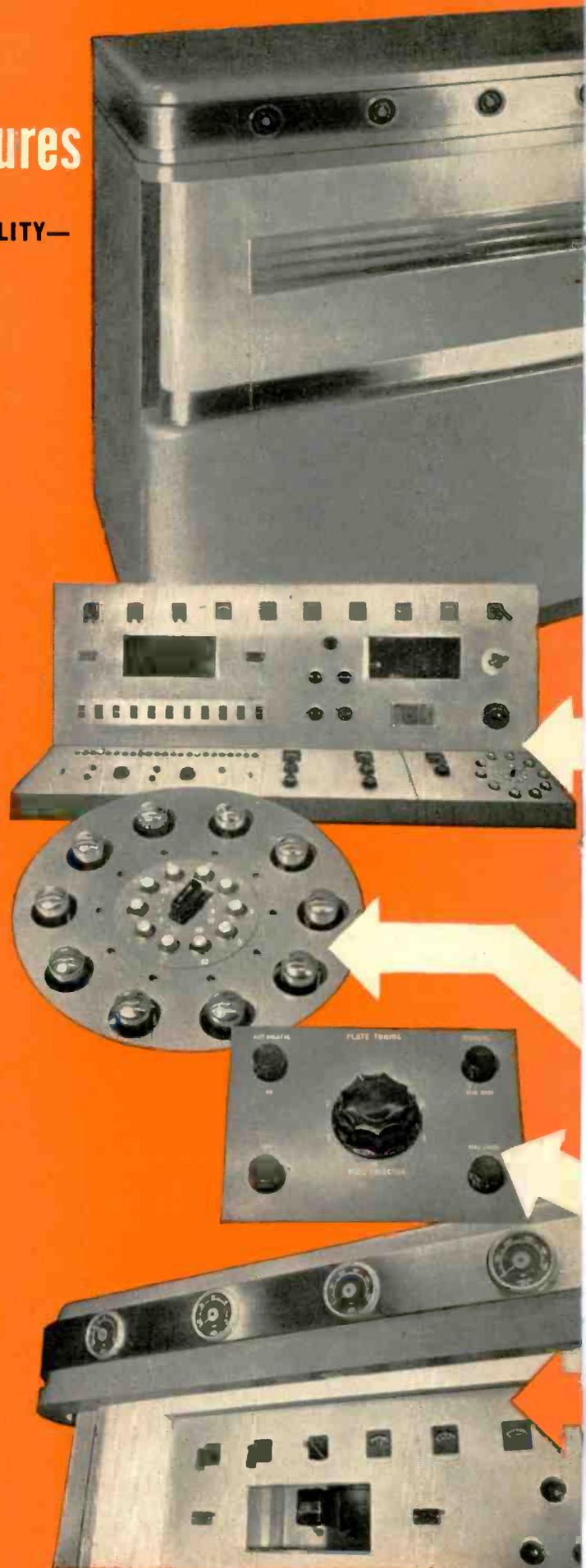
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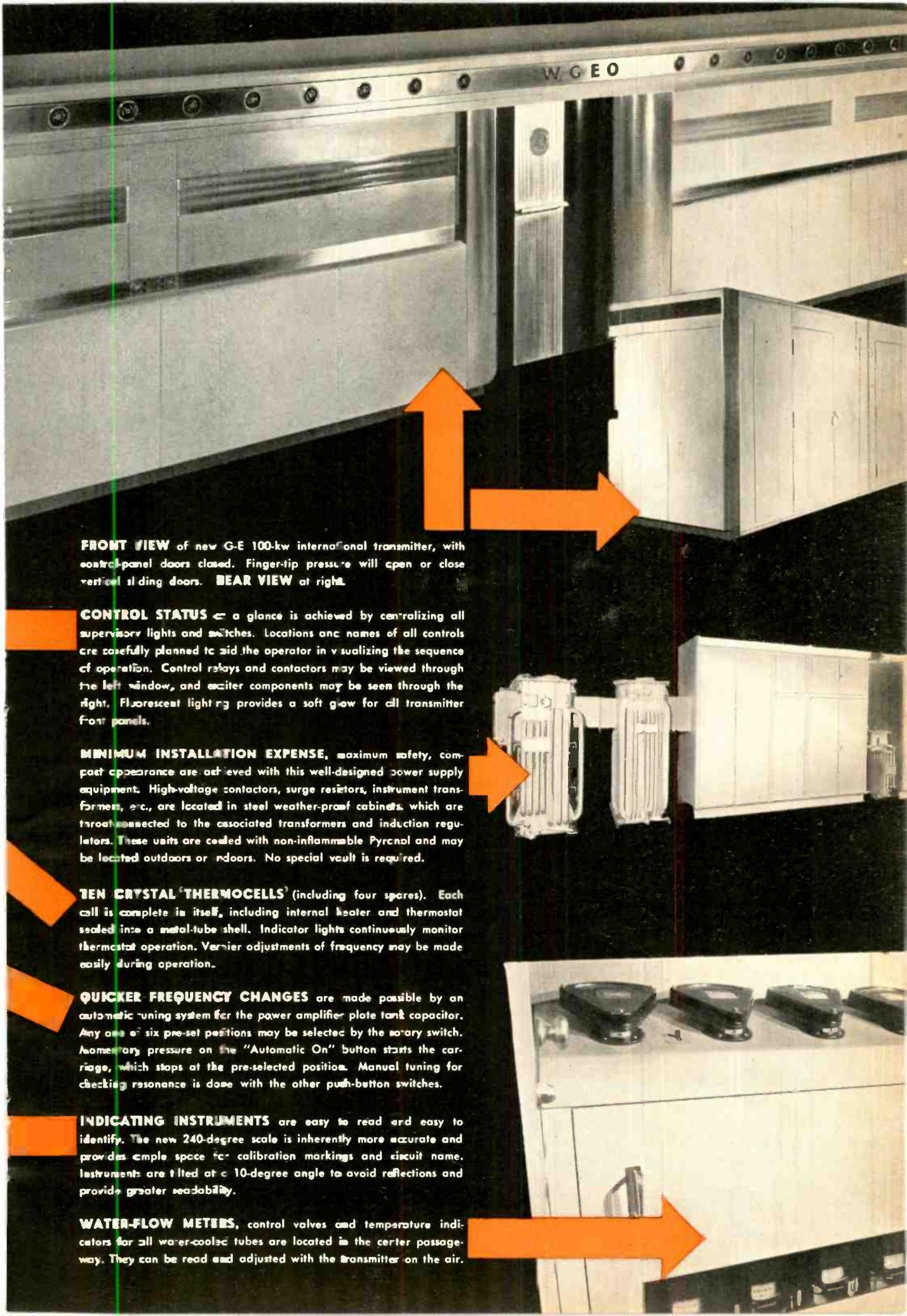
Forty feet of streamlined beauty sets the pace in styling for the whole broadcast industry. . . . Complete accessibility of all components permits rapid and effective maintenance. . . . Complete safety is provided by both mechanical and electrical interlocks that make it impossible for operating personnel to enter the high voltage areas without manually operating all interlocks. Transformers cooled with non-inflammable Pyranol\* and enclosed air-break contactors provide additional safety features—reducing fire hazard.

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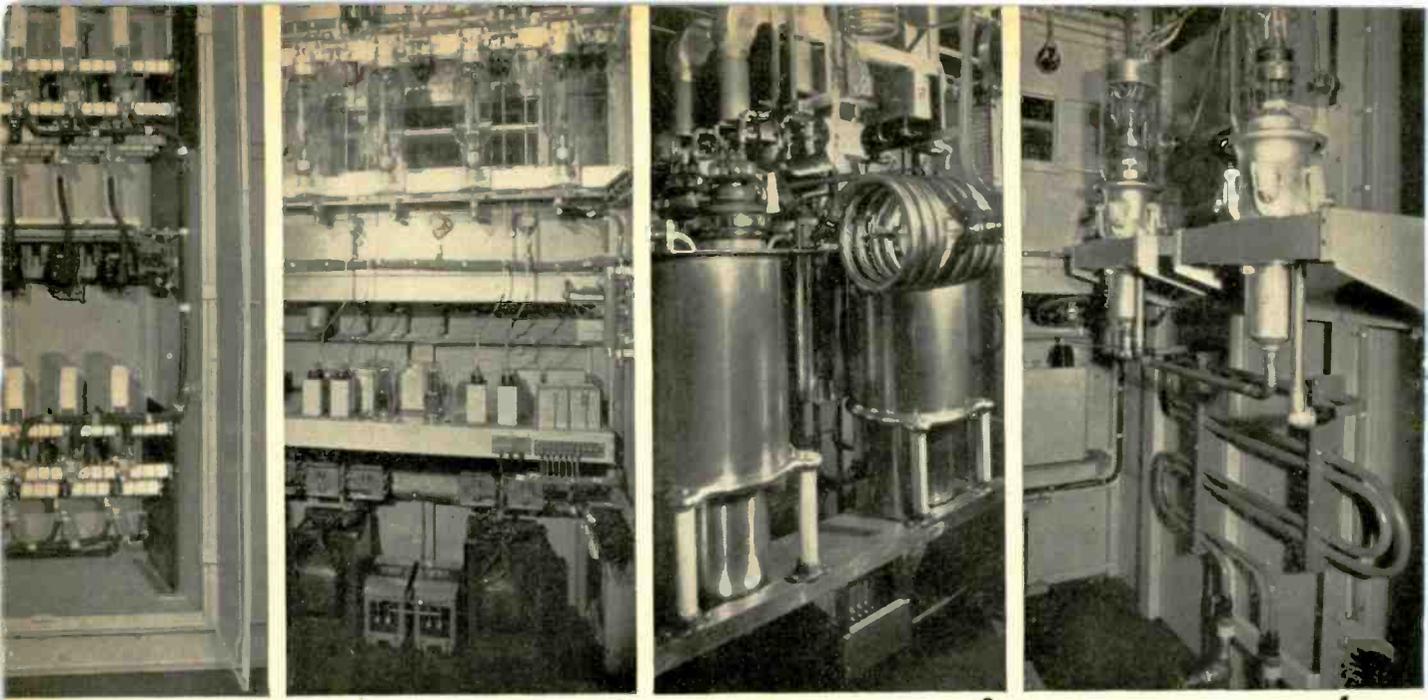
**MINIMUM INSTALLATION EXPENSE**, maximum safety, compact appearance are achieved with this well-designed power supply equipment. High-voltage contactors, surge resistors, instrument transformers, etc., are located in steel weather-proof cabinets, which are through-connected to the associated transformers and induction regulators. These units are cooled with non-inflammable Pyralol and may be located outdoors or indoors. No special vault is required.

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**WATER-FLOW METERS**, control valves and temperature indicators for all water-cooled tubes are located in the center passageway. They can be read and adjusted with the transmitter on the air.



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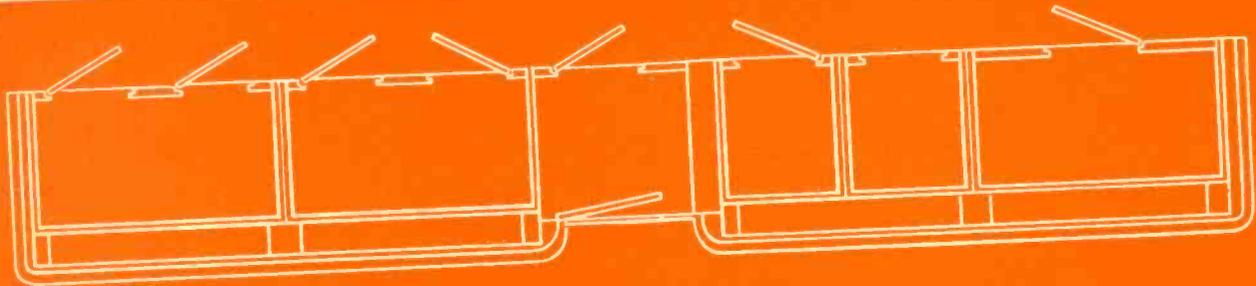
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**1 For reliable primary power control**, 5000-volt air-break contactors are used for plate "start" and "run." These contactors are designed for highly repetitive operation, and for single-shot automatic reclosure. These contactors can be safely connected to a 150,000 kva power system, as they handle all overloads on the secondary side of the connected transformers and are backed up by silver-sand fuses.

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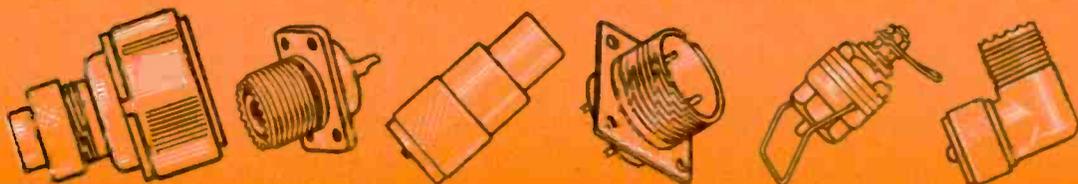
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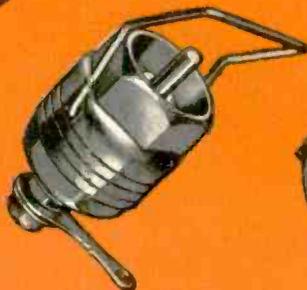


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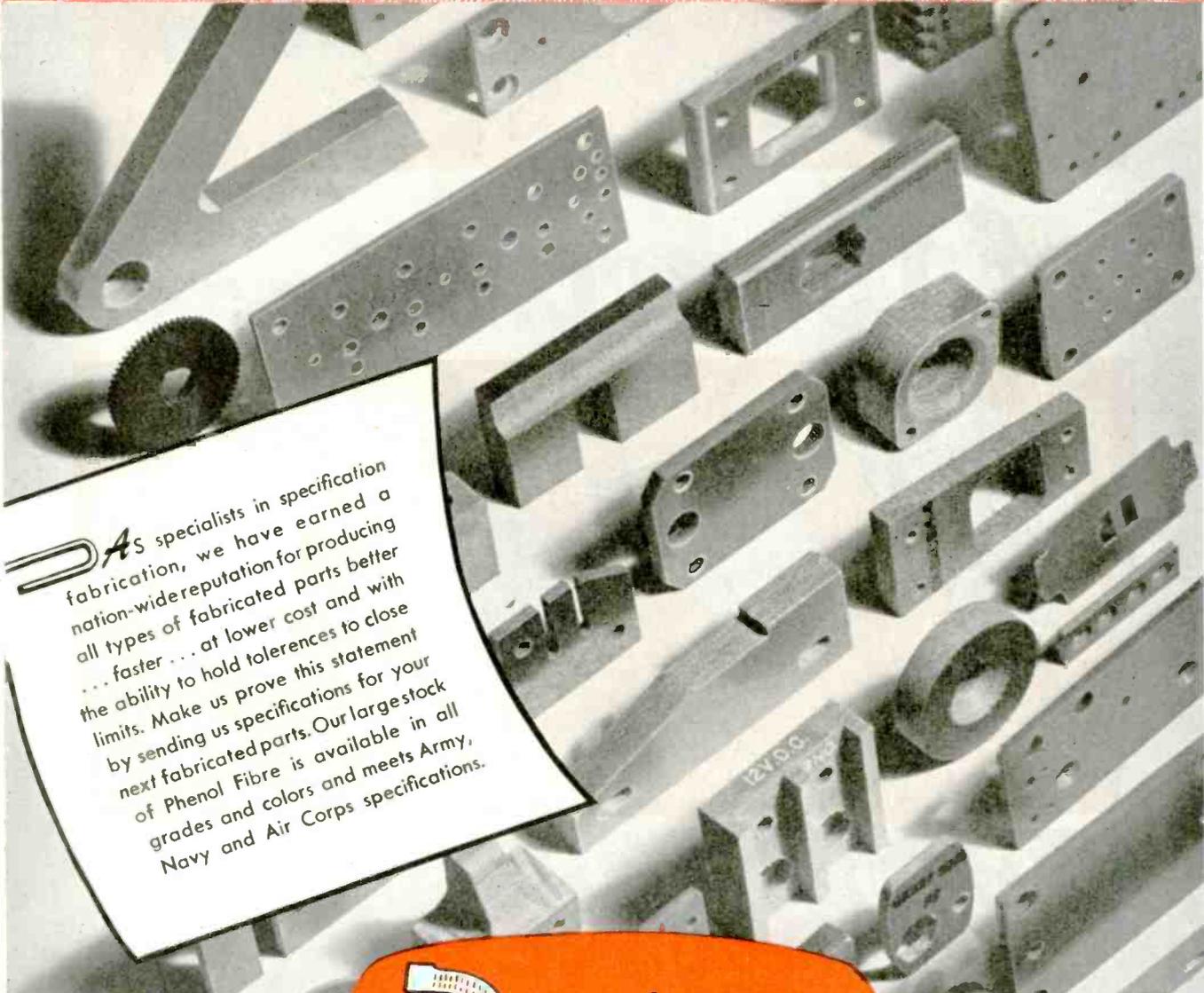


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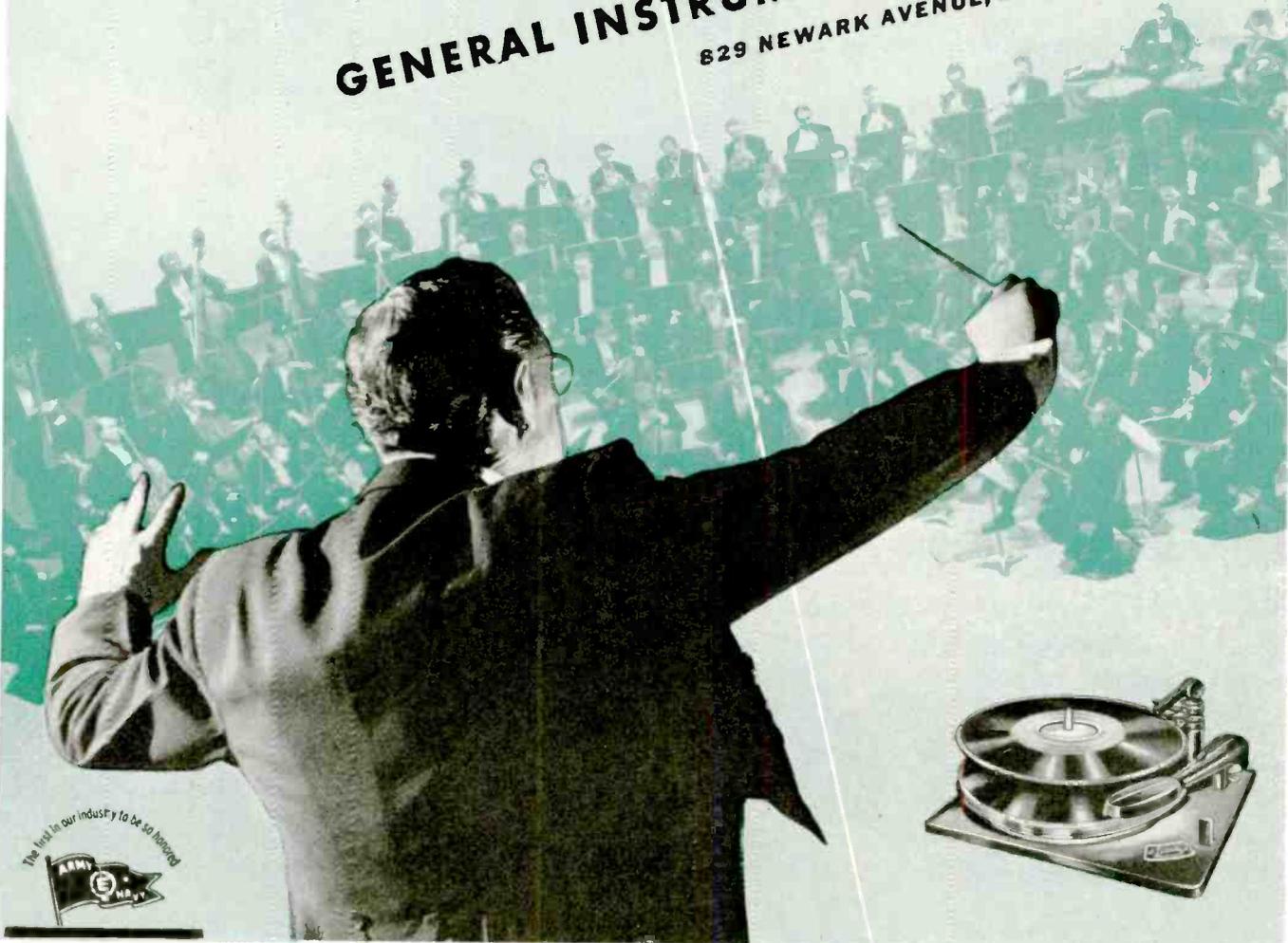
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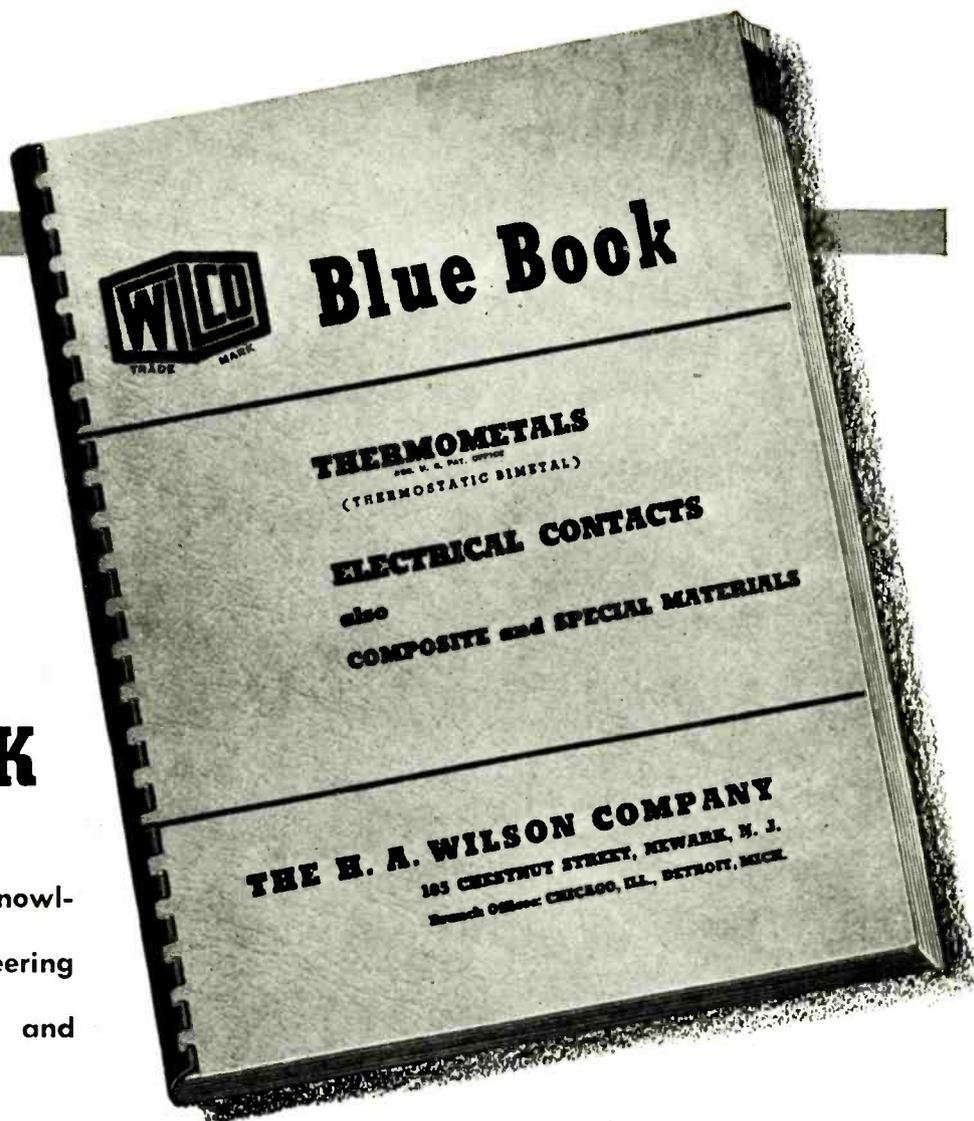
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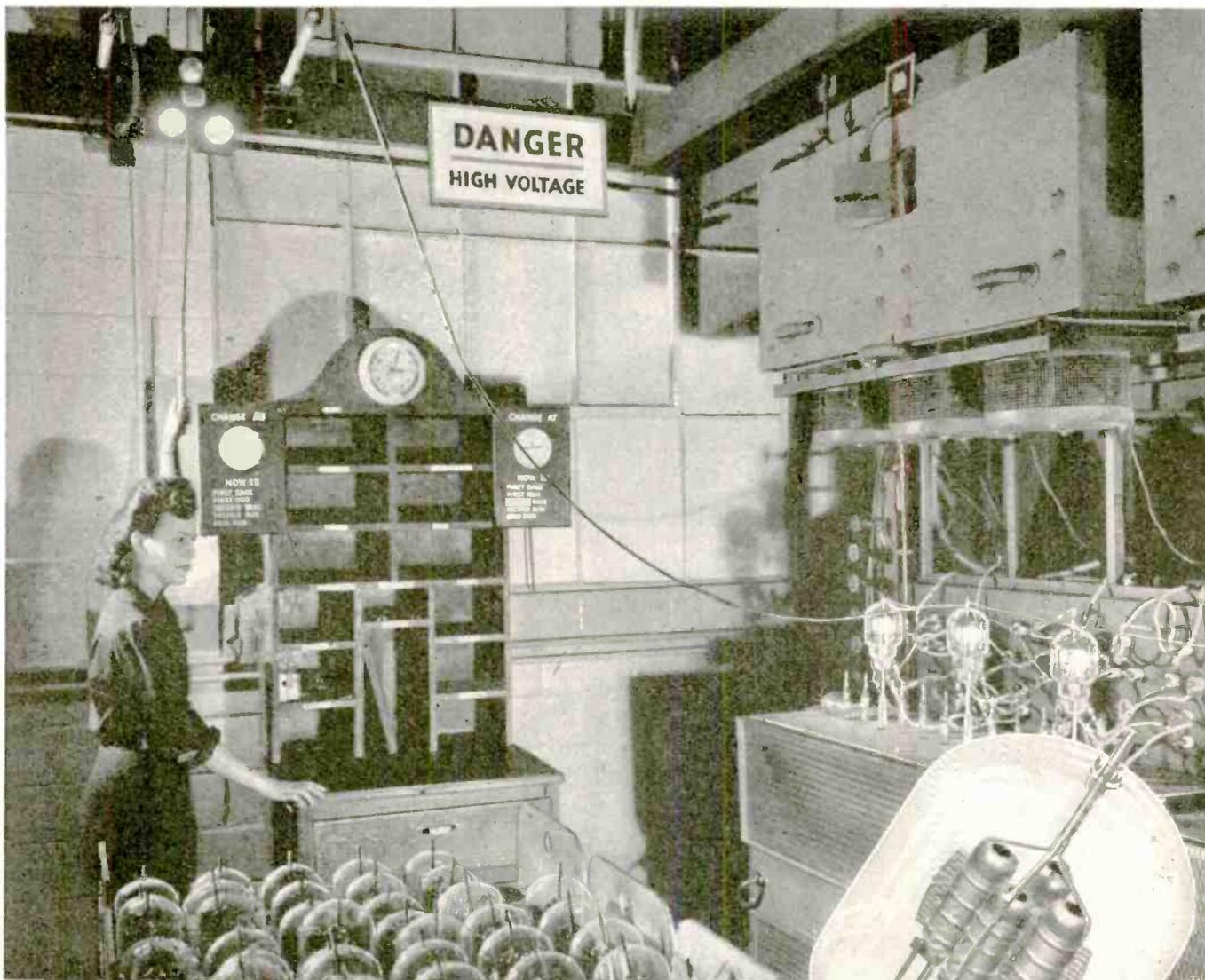
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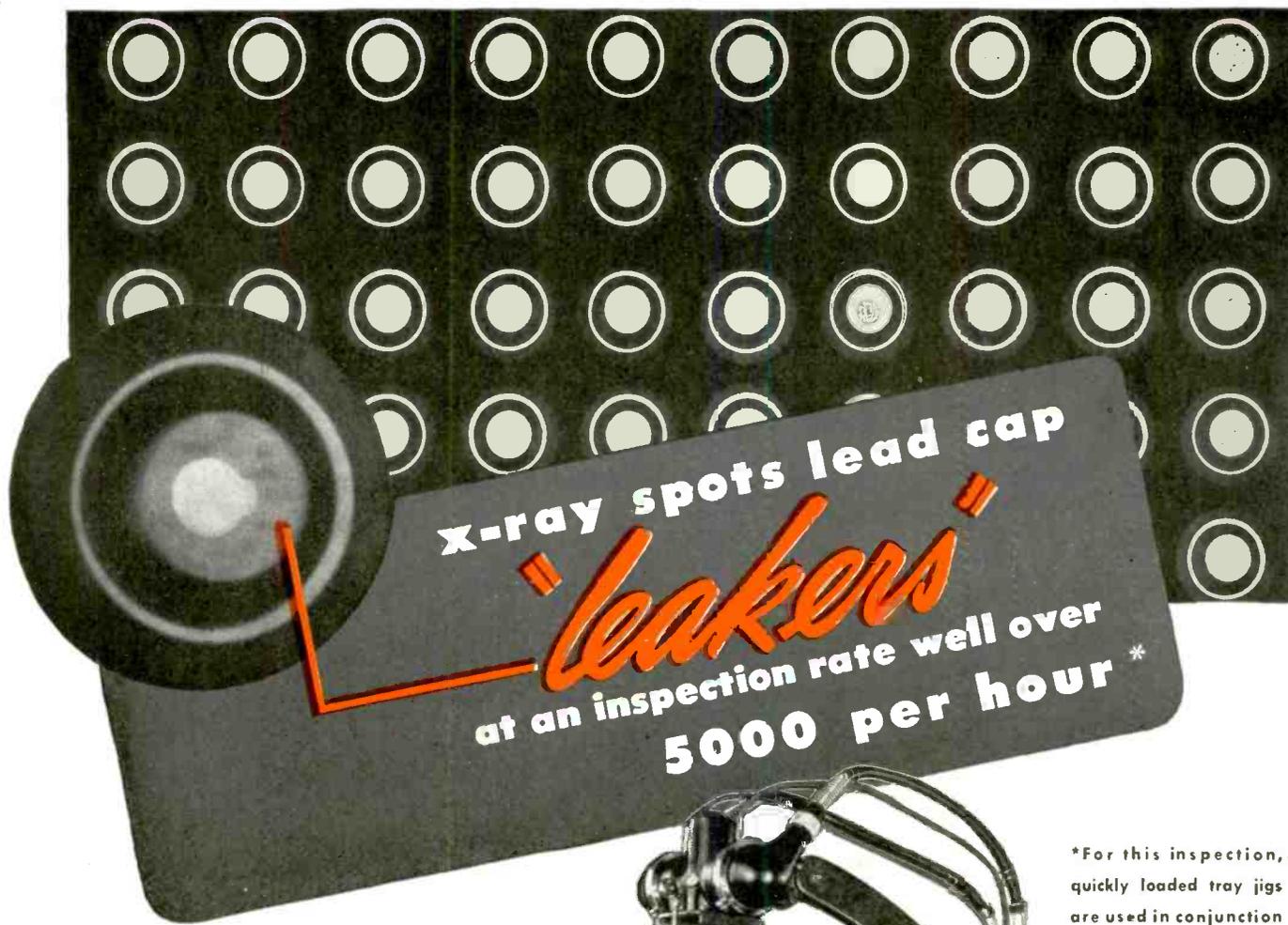
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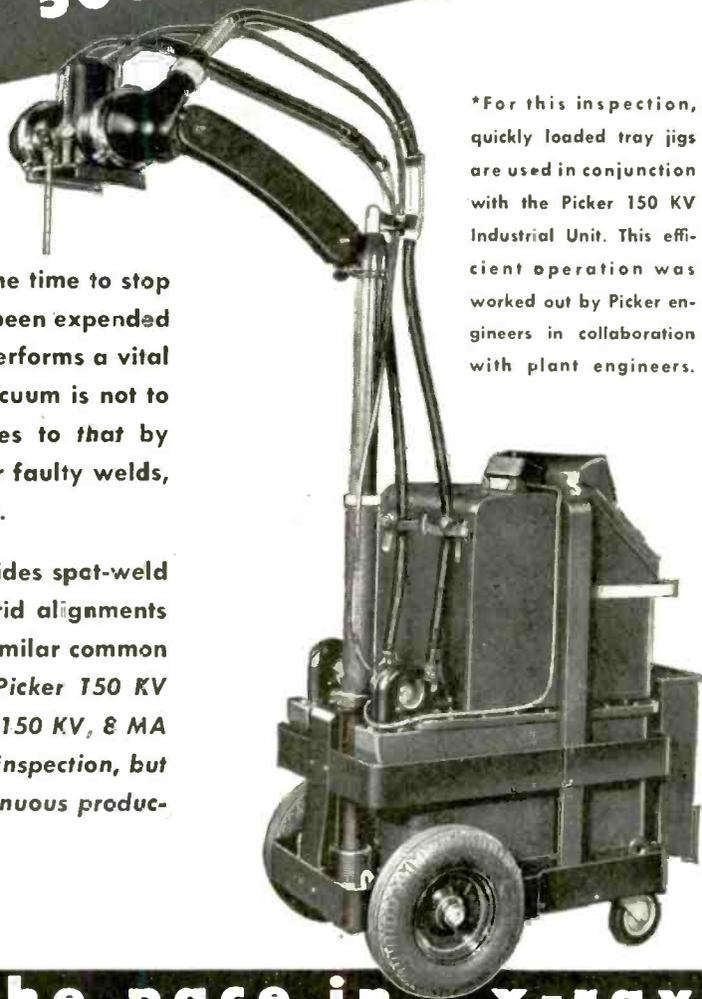
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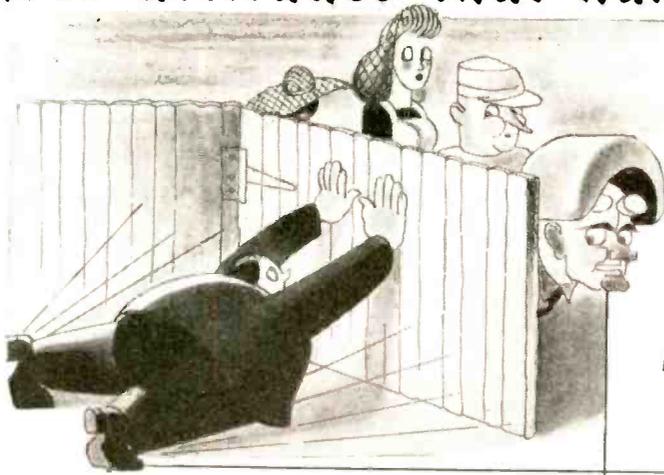
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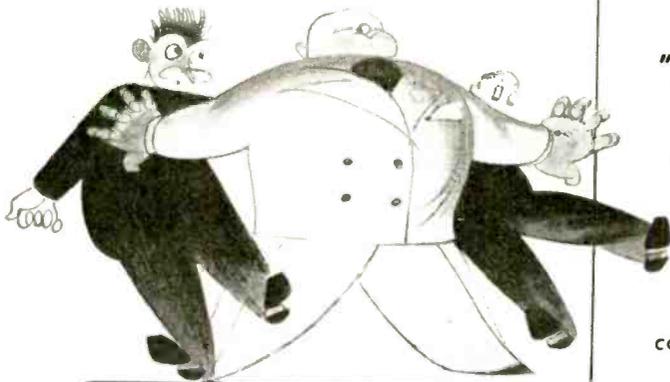
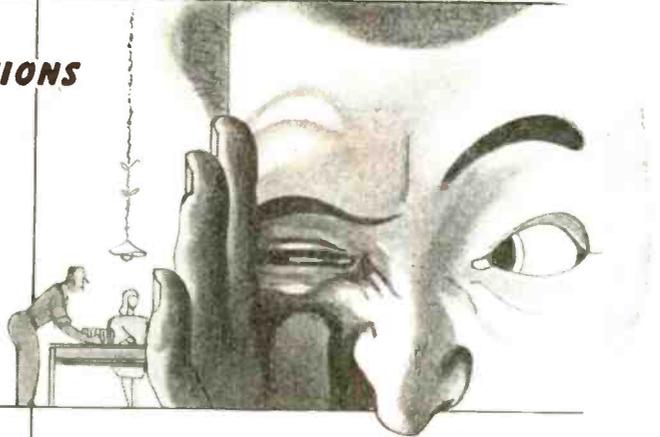


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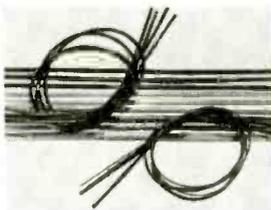
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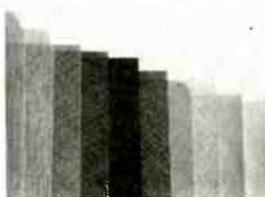
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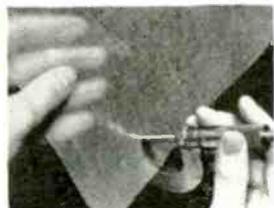
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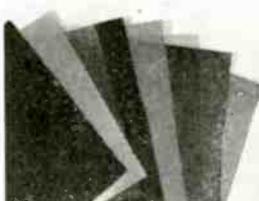
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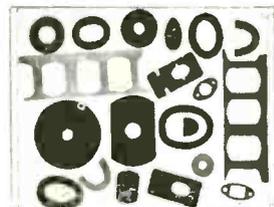
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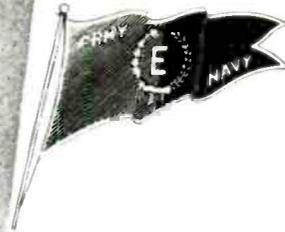


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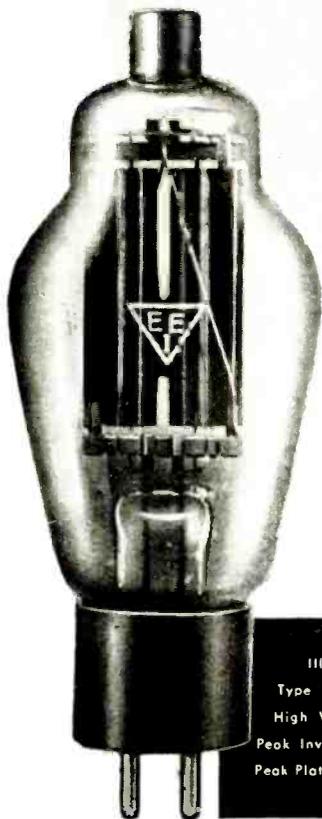


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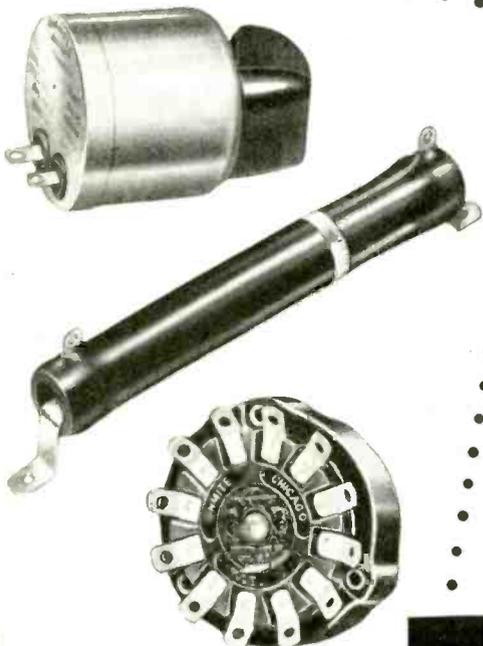




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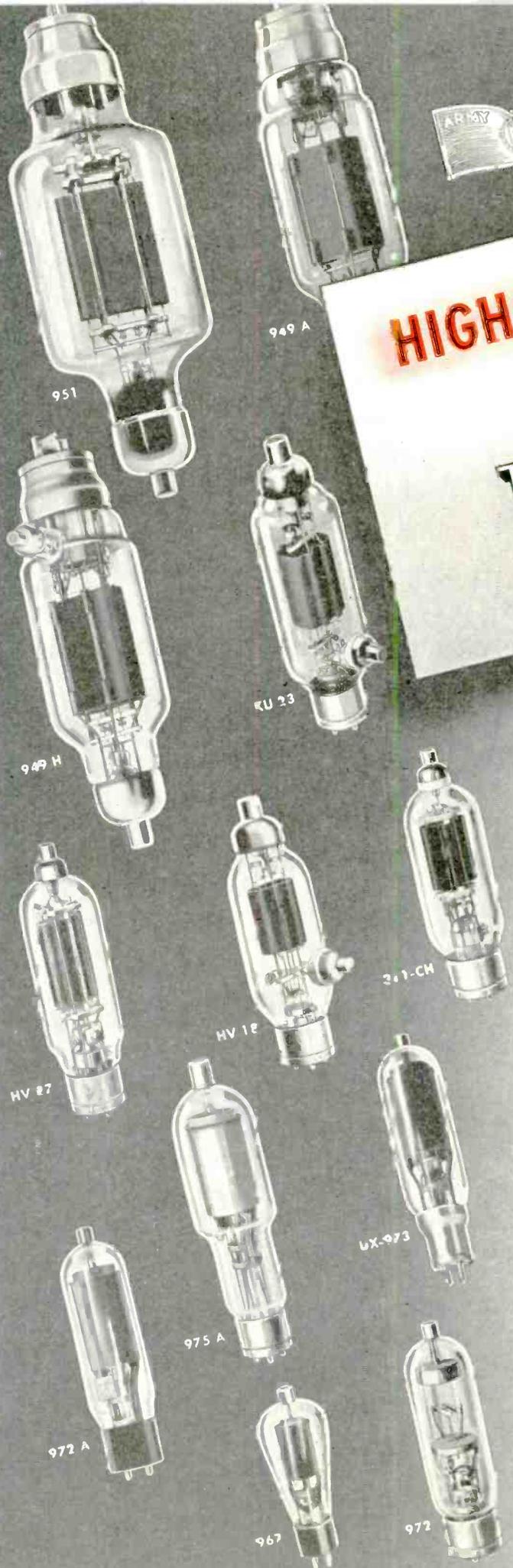
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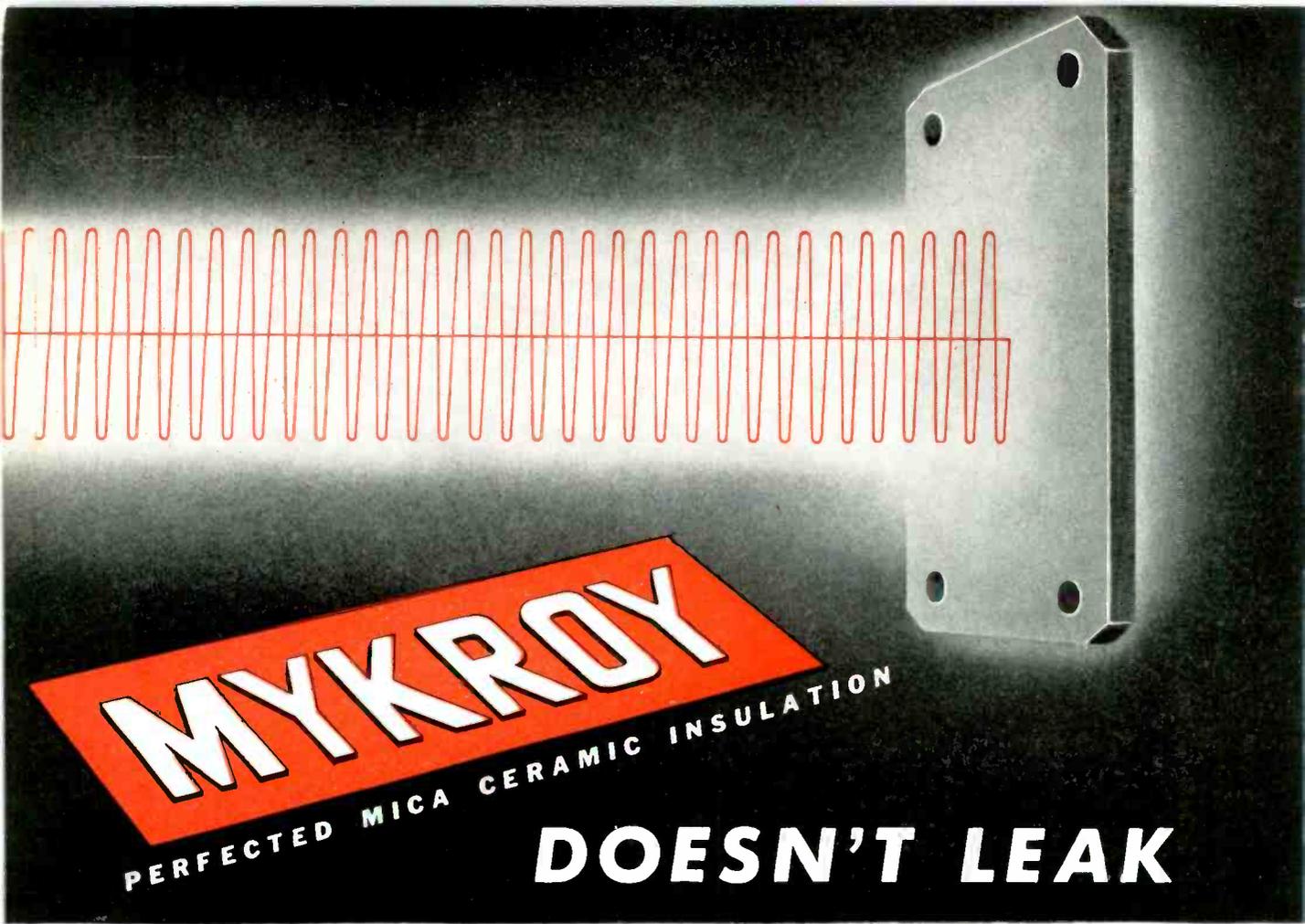
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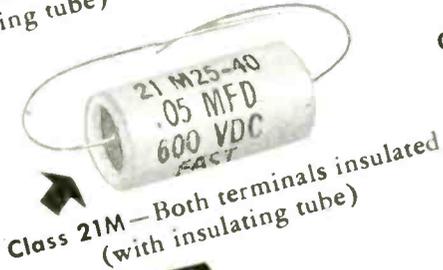
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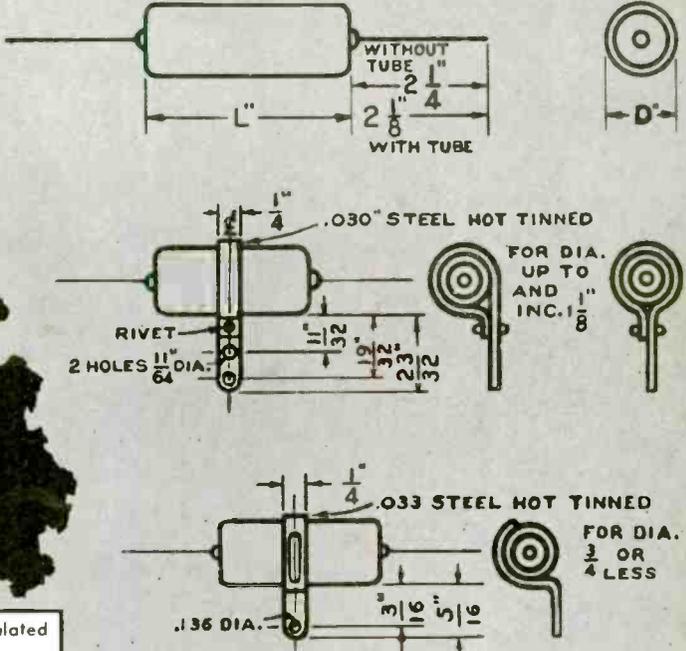
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.0025	1000	1/2	1-3/16	.1	800	13/16	1-7/8
.005	1000	1/2	1-3/16	.1	600	11/16	1-3/4
.005	600	3/8	15/16	.25	600	13/16	2-5/16
.01	600	3/8	1-3/16	.25	400	13/16	2-5/16
.02	600	1/2	1-1/16	.5	400	1-1/16	2-5/16
.05	600	9/16	1-5/16	1.	400	1-1/16	3-15/16
.1	200	9/16	1-13/16	1.	200	1-1/16	3-3/16
.25	200	3/4	1-7/8	1.5	100	1-1/16	3-3/16
.5	200	1	1-13/16	2.	100	1-5/16	2-11/16
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.0075	1000	1/2	1-1/16	.1	1000	13/16	2-1/16
.01	1000	1/2	1-1/16	.25	1000	1-1/16	2-1/2
.05	1000	5/8	1-13/16	.5	1000	1-7/16	2-13/16
.5	600	1	2	.5	800	1-1/16	3-1/16
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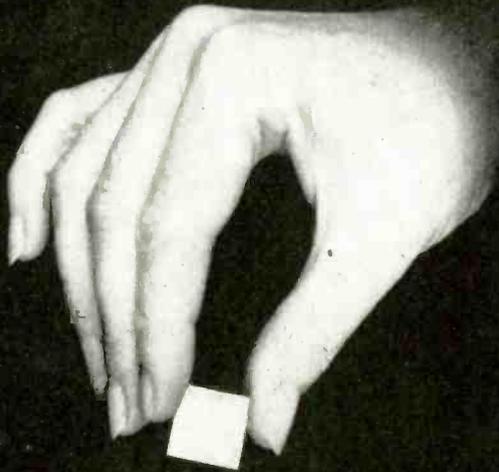
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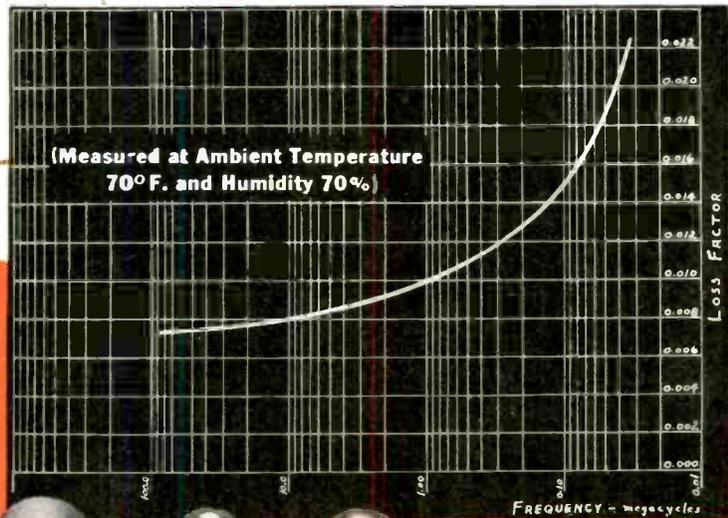
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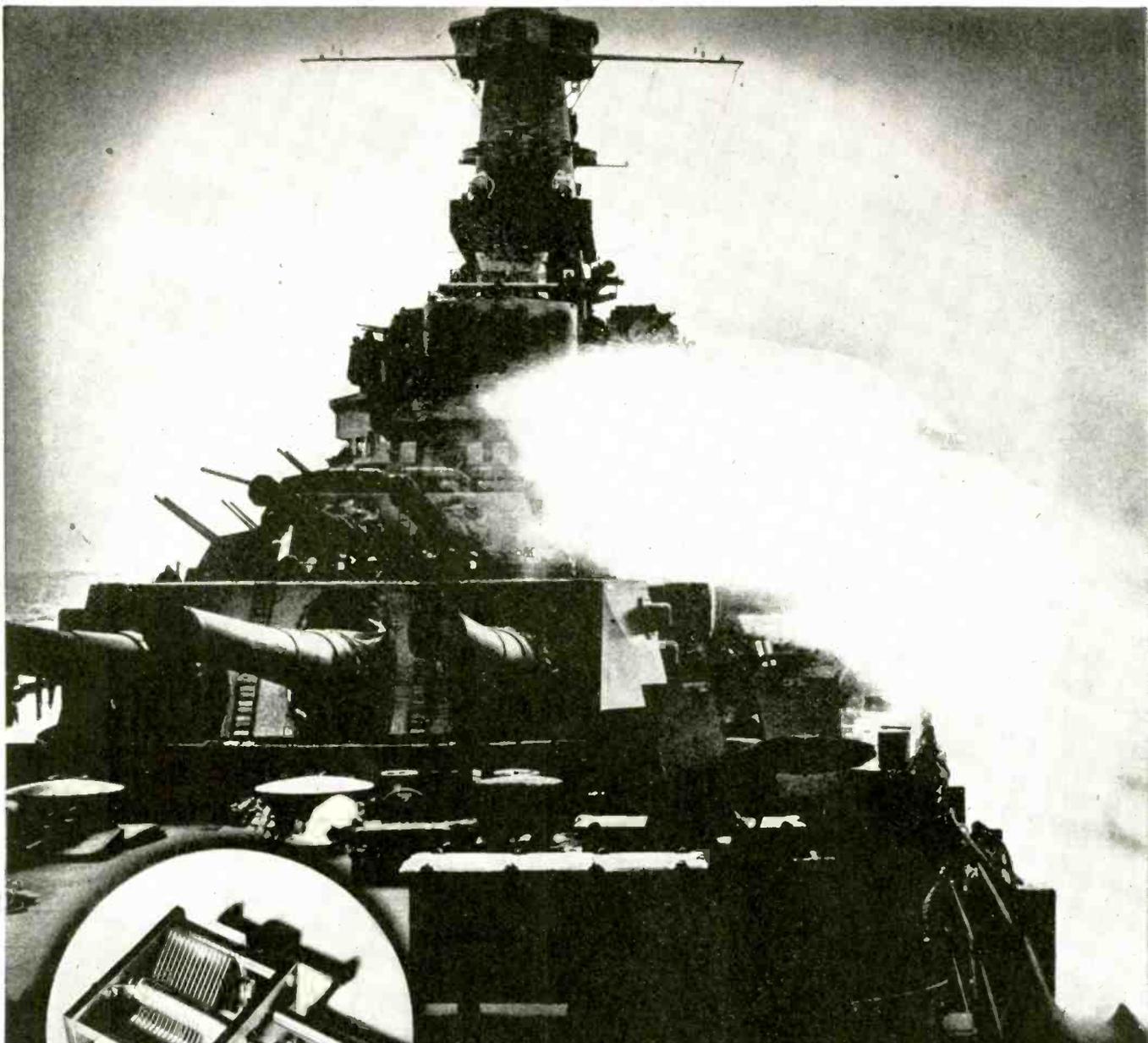
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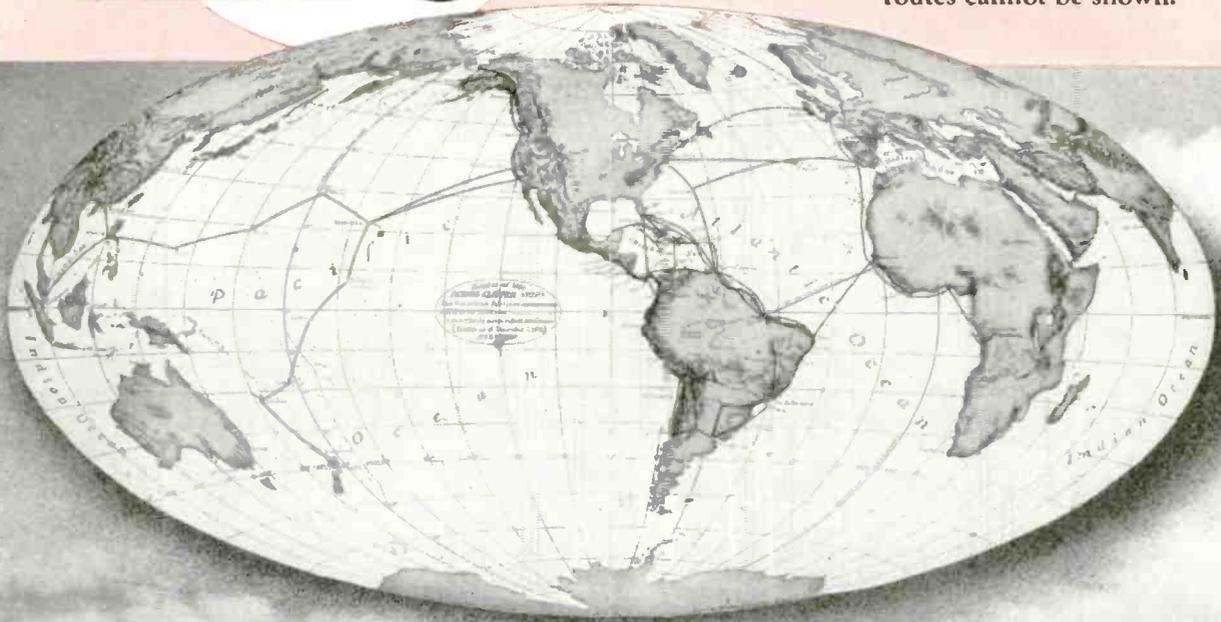
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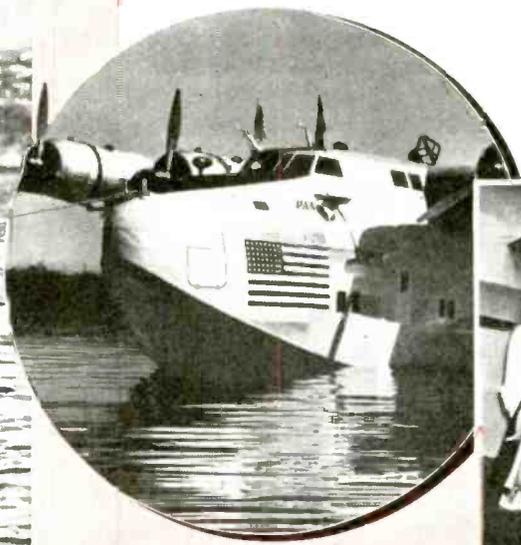
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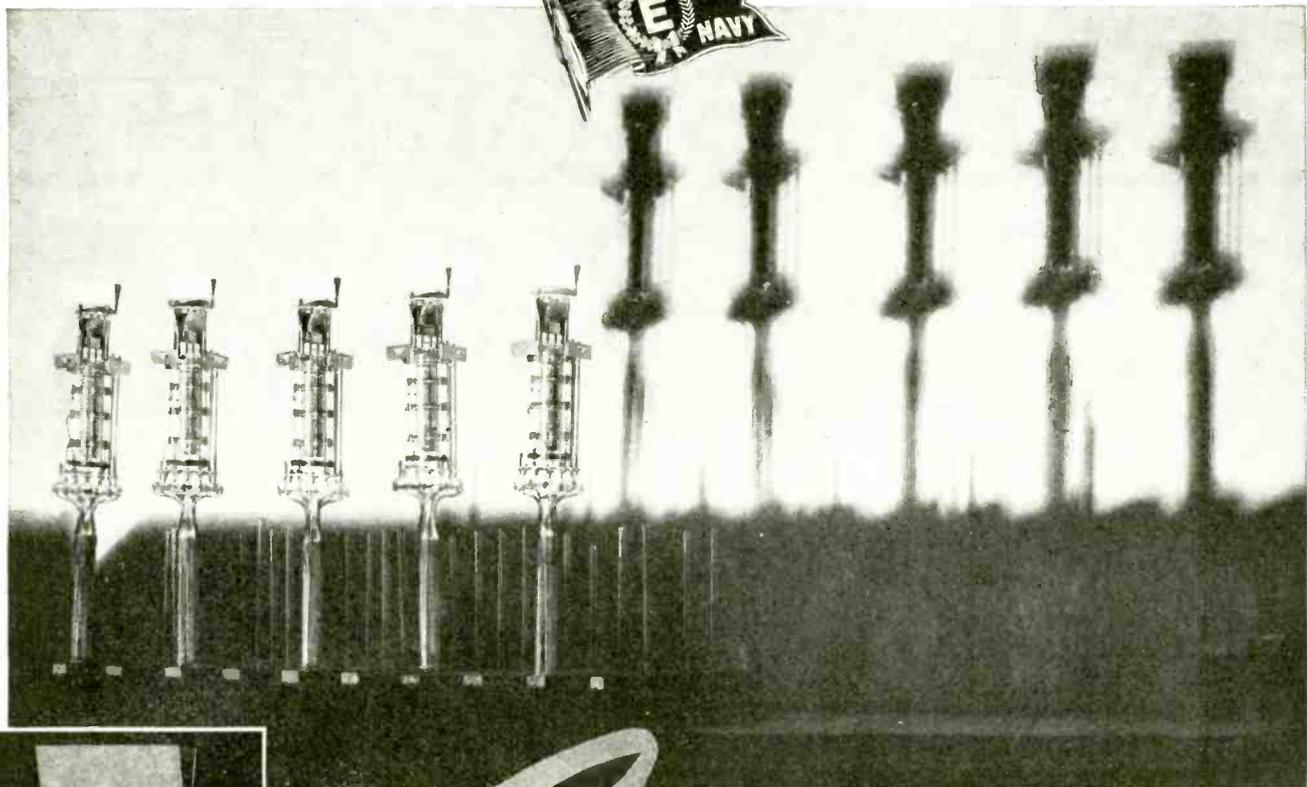
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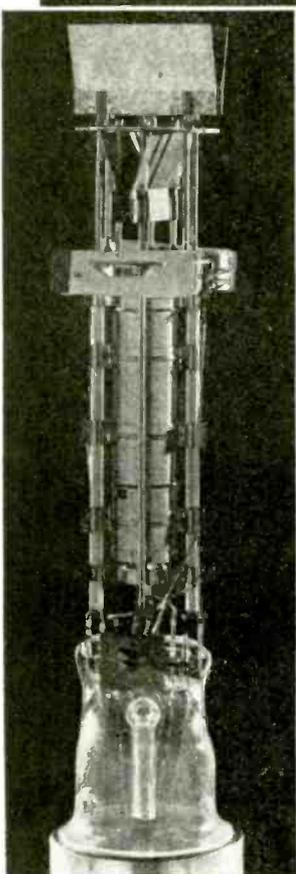
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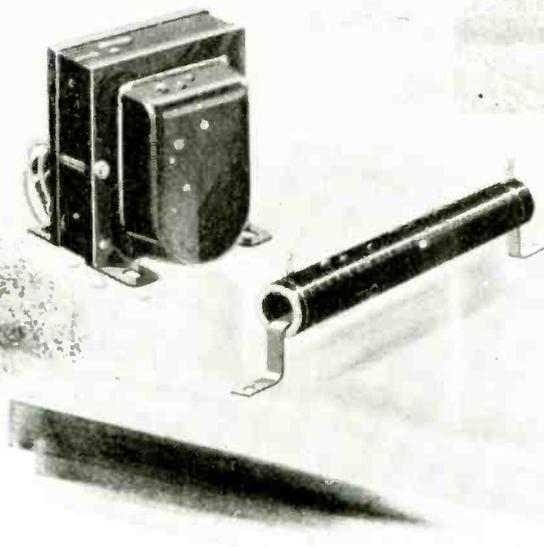
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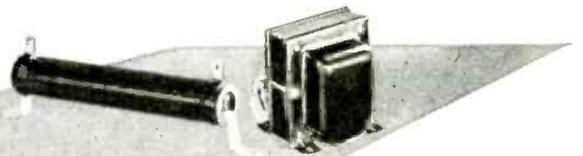
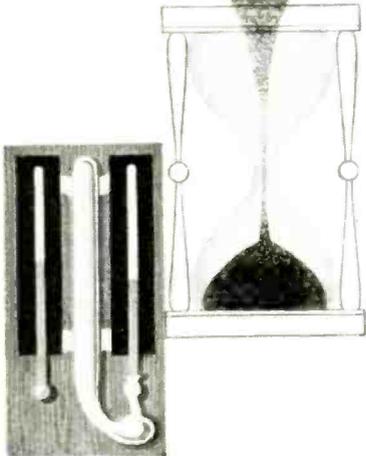
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15 FEBRUARY 1944

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	DIODES	DIODE TRIODES	TRIODES	TWIN TRIODES	PENTODES		CON-VERTERS	POWER OUTPUT	INDICA-TORS	RECTI-FIERS	CATHODE RAY	CRYSTALS
					REMOTE	SHARP						
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5.0										SU4G 5Y3GT	PHOTOTUBES	
6.3	6AL5 6H6* 559 9006	6AQ6 6SQ7* 6SR7*	2C22 6C4 6J4 6J5* 7E5/1201 446A 9002	6J6 6SL7GT 6SN7GT	6SG7* 6SK7* 9003	6AC7* 6AC5 6AG7* 6AK5 6SH7* 6SJ7* 7W7 9001	6SA7*	6G6G 6L6GA 6N7GT/G 6V6GT/G 6Y6G	6E5	6X5GT/G 1005		918 927
12.6	12H6*	12SQ7* 12SR7*	12J5GT	12SL7GT 12SN7GT	12SQ7* 12SK7*	12SH7* 12SL7*	12SA7*	12A6*	1629			VOLTAGE REGULATORS  OB3/VR-90 OC3/VR-105 OD3/VR-150
25 and above								25L6GT/G 28D7	991	25Z6GT/G		

TRANSMITTING						RECTIFIERS			MISCELLANEOUS	
TRIODES	TETRODES	TWIN TRIODES	PENTODES			VACUUM	GAS	GRID CONTROL	CLIPPER TUBES	GAS SWITCHING

\*Where direct interchangeability is assured "GT" and "L" counterparts of the preferred metal tubes may be used.

Miniature tubes (shown in Italics) shall be used only when essential to Service requirements.

NOTE: THIS PREFERRED LIST SUPERSEDES THE ARMY-NAVY PREFERRED LIST OF VACUUM TUBES, DATED MARCH 1, 1943.

1. The above Army-Navy Preferred List of Radio Electron Tubes sets up a group of unclassified general purpose tubes selected jointly by the Signal Corps and the Bureau of Ships. The purpose of this list is to effect an eventual reduction in the variety of tubes used in Service equipment.

2. IT IS MANDATORY THAT ALL UNCLASSIFIED TUBES TO BE USED IN ALL FUTURE DESIGNS OF NEW EQUIPMENTS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE SIGNAL CORPS LABORATORIES OR THE RADIO DIVISION OF THE BUREAU OF SHIPS BE CHOSEN FROM THIS LIST. EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE ARE HEREINAFTER NOTED.

3. The term "new equipments," as mentioned in Paragraph 2 above, is taken to include:

- Equipments basically new in electrical design, with no similar prototypes.
- Equipments having a similar prototype but completely redesigned as to electrical characteristics.
- New test equipment for operational field use.

4. The term "new equipments," as mentioned in Paragraph 2 above, does not include:

- Equipments either basically new or redesigned, that are likely to be manufactured in very small quantity, such as laboratory measuring instruments.
- Equipments that are solely mechanical redesigns of existing prototypes.
- Equipments that are reorders without change of existing models.

d. Equipments in the design stage before the effective date of adoption of this Preferred List.

Note: The foregoing statements in Paragraphs 3 and 4 above are explanatory in nature and are not intended to be all-inclusive.

5. In the event that it is believed that a tube other than one of those included in this Preferred List should be used in the design of new equipments for either the Signal Corps or Navy, specific approval of the Service concerned must be obtained. Such approval, when Signal Corps equipment is concerned, is to be requested from the Signal Corps Laboratory concerned with such equipment; the said Laboratory will then make known its recommendations in the matter to the Signal Corps Standards Agency where the final decision will be made and returned to the laboratory for transmittal to the party requesting the exception. When Navy equipment is concerned, the request for exception shall be addressed to the Radio Division, Bureau of Ships, Code 930-A, Navy Department.

6. The publication of this list is in no way intended to hamper or restrict development work in the field of radio electron tubes or radio electron tube applications.

7. This list is to take effect immediately.

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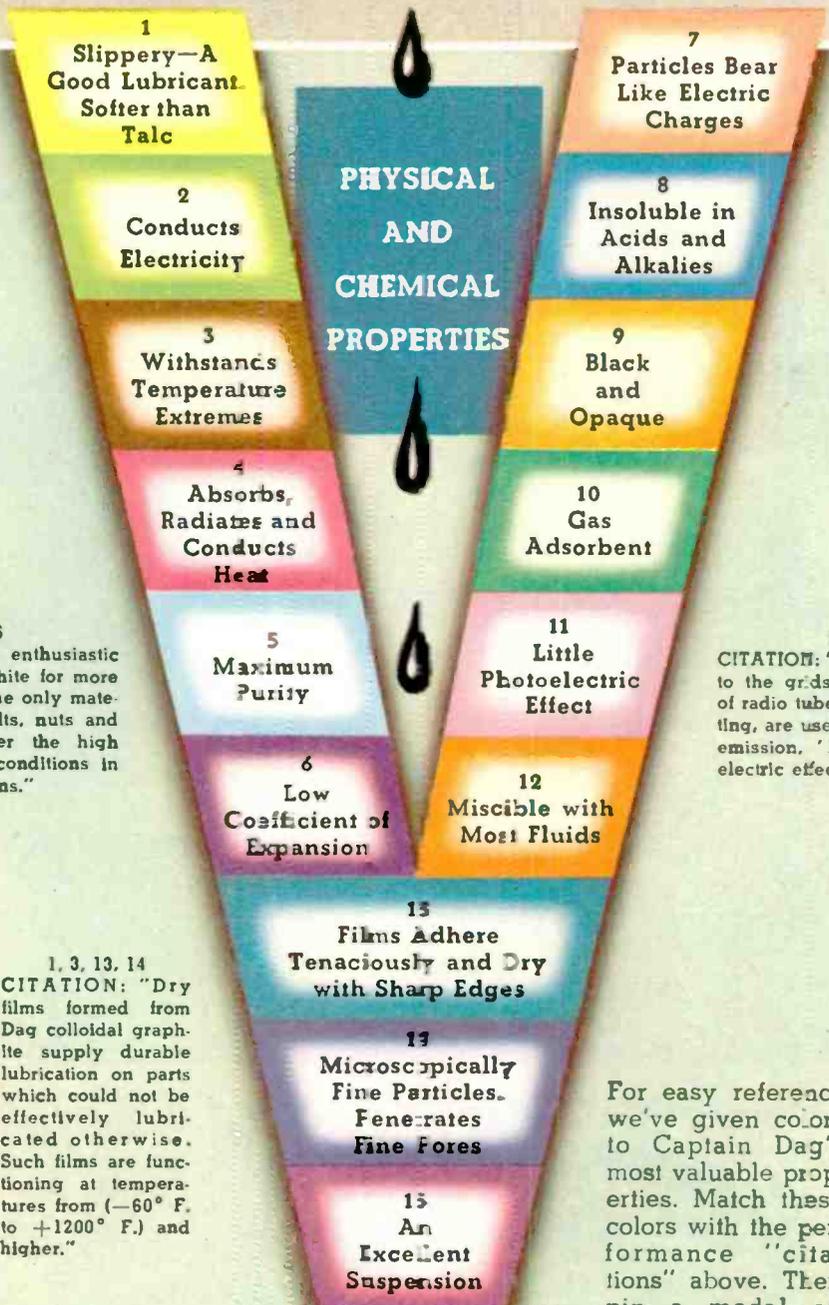
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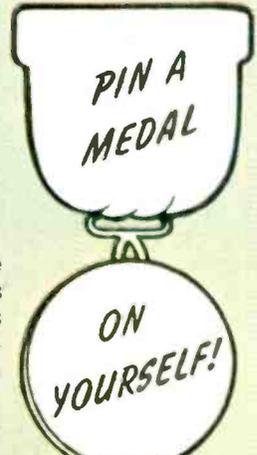
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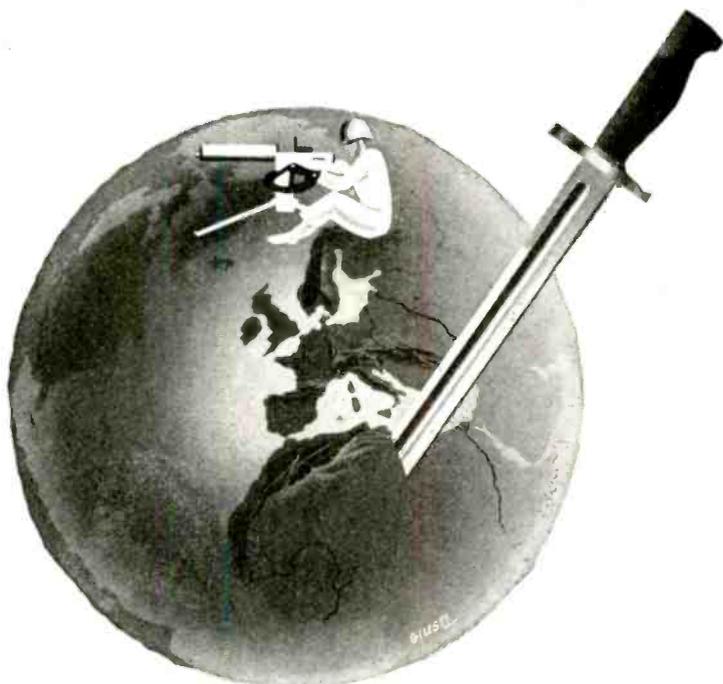


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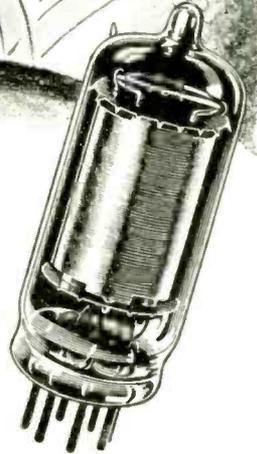


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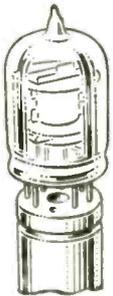
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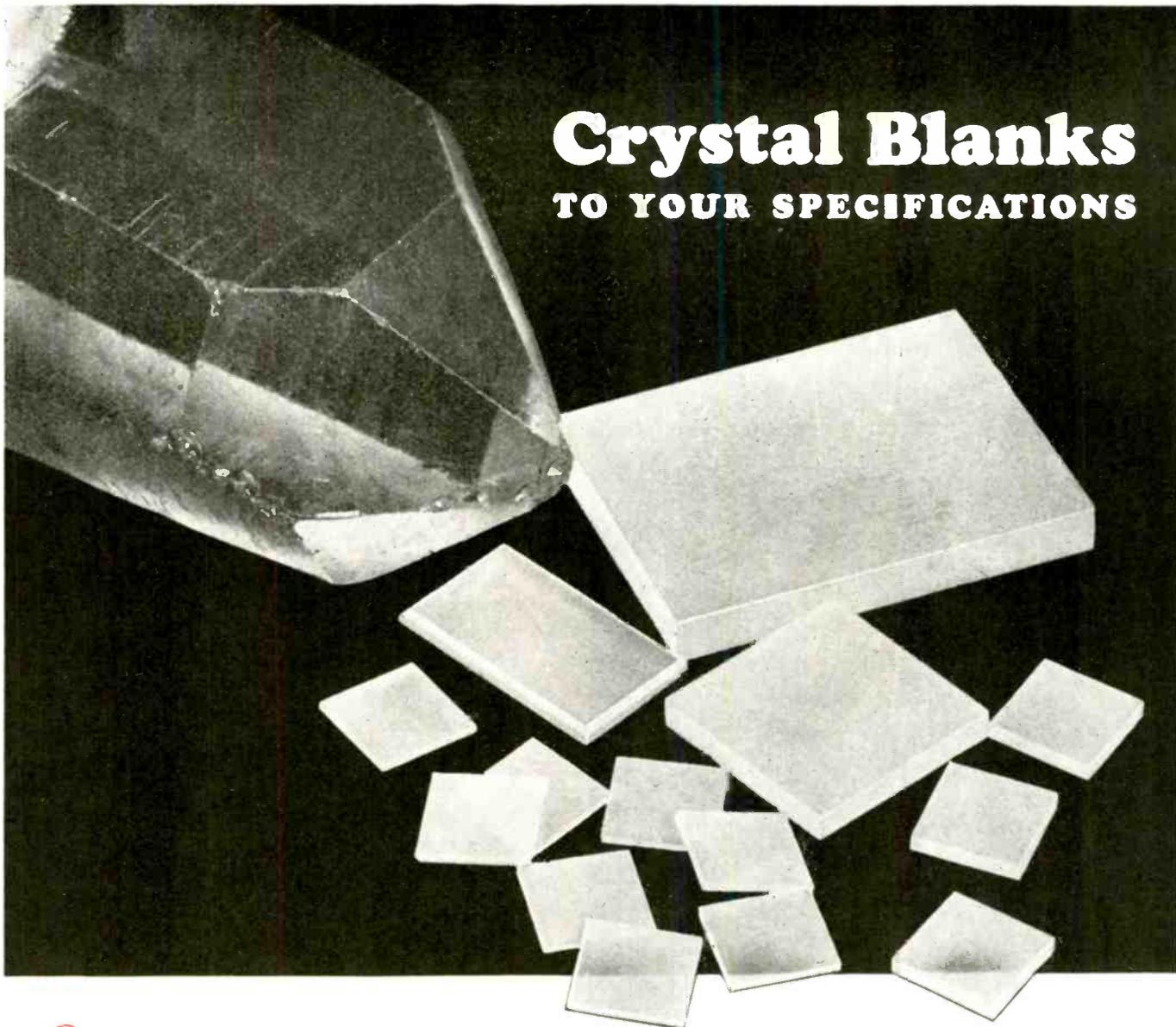
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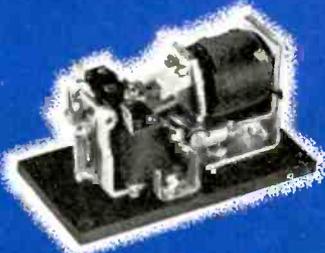
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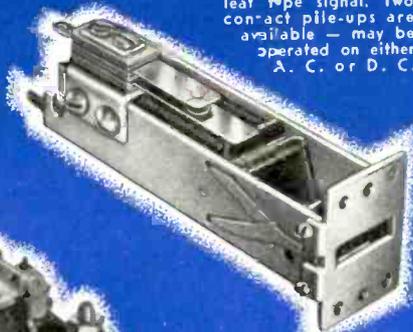
**BELOW—Type 300—**A double pole, double throw, latching relay arranged with two interlocking armatures. Either coil operates with a single impulse and contact remains until the other coil is energized.



**ABOVE—Type 301—**A double pole, double throw, aviation type relay with 10 ampere contacts featuring a pin type bearing, adjustable residual and back-stop.



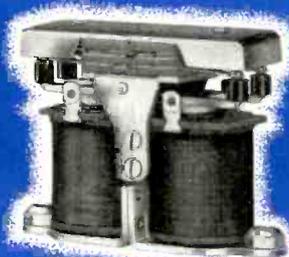
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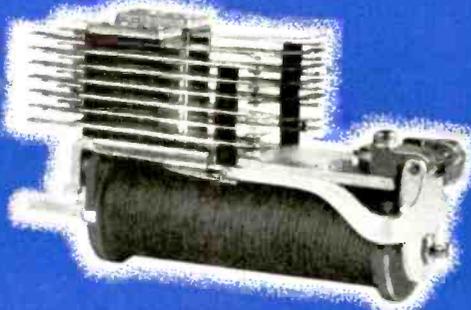
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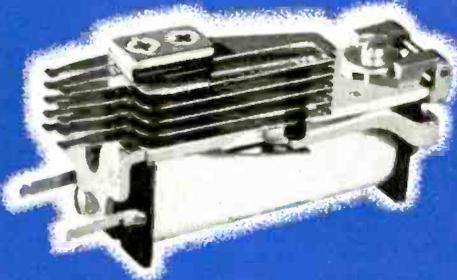
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ABOVE—Type 142—Double pile-up relay on large telephone type frame, representing approximately the maximum number of spring combinations.

RIGHT—Type 124—Special keying relay using silicon steel armature and heel piece with a laminated silicon steel core enabling operation on direct current at keying speeds up to 40 words per minute.



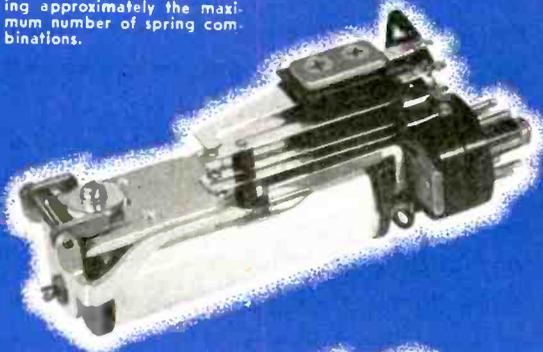
BELOW—Type 128—A standard short frame telephone type relay with bakelite impregnated, Air Corps approved coil.



ABOVE—Type 400—New, small, telephone type relay, approximate 1/2 size of former small, telephone type relays. Available in single and double pile-ups and special spread terminals.



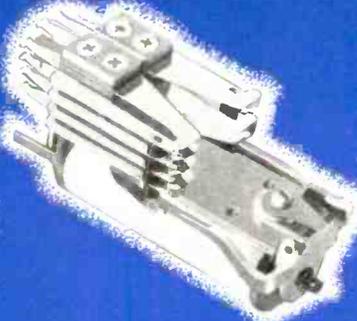
LEFT—Type 107—A large type telephone relay used for keying and antenna switching. Keys satisfactorily at 20 words per minute—Mycalex insulation in the antenna switching pile-up.



ABOVE—Type 113—An A.C. relay having a laminated core, heavy Oilite bearing yoke, special silicon steel armature and heel piece, and plug-in base.



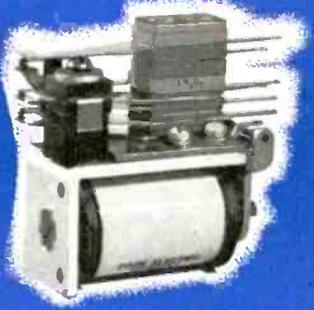
LEFT—Small Time Delay Relay—Slug type on a short telephone type frame, a maximum of 125 milli-seconds delay in operation can be obtained.



ABOVE—Type 100—Represents a typical contact pile-up combination on the short telephone type relay frame.



ABOVE—Type 102—Time delay relay of the slug type. Pure copper slug on heel end of core provides maximum of 300 milli-seconds delay in contact opening after circuit is broken.



ABOVE—Type 108—Antenna switching contact combination with Mycalex insulation. Has a side contact mount to reduce capacity between antenna circuit and ground.

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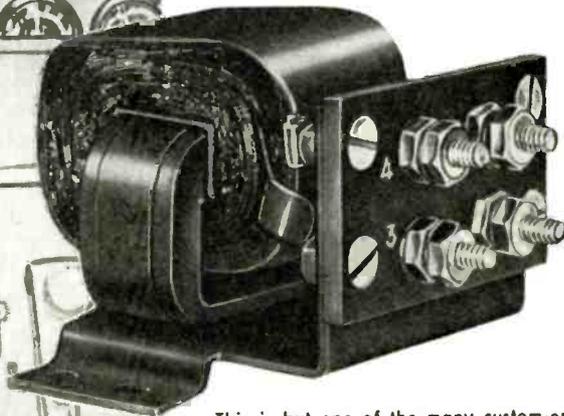


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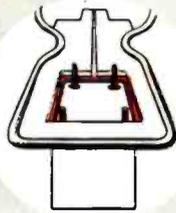
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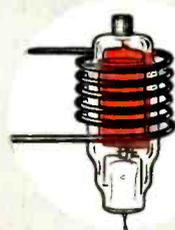
improve production . . . save time and money



Electronic heat can surface harden gear teeth or localized areas in seconds instead of hours . . . with precise control over depth and degree of hardness.



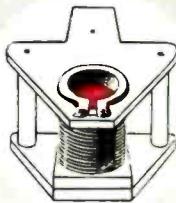
Electronic heat is revolutionizing brazing and soldering operations. Speed and efficiency are increased and wasteful after-cleaning operations are eliminated.



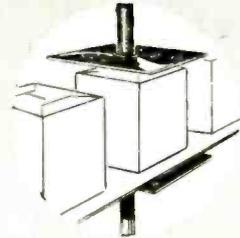
Electronic heat reaches through glass walls to degas metal elements in radio and fluorescent tubes without affecting the envelopes. Action is instantaneous.



Electronic heat can bond glass to metal faster with finer control of heated area. Often increases production units from hundreds to thousands per hour.



Electronic heat is ideal for soft metal melting pots. Lowers operating costs. Assures longer life of pot. Reduces gas inclusions of the smelt. Ends fire hazards.

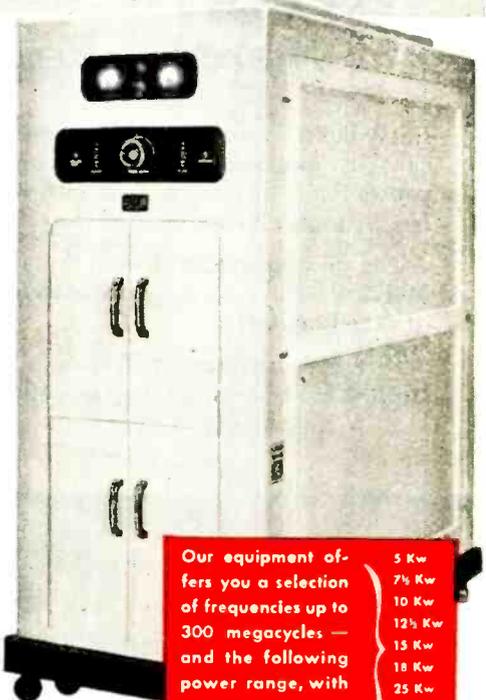


Electronic heat seals packages rapidly and completely in matters of seconds on continuous production lines. Packaged goods containing foods are sterilized.

This company has been designing and building Electronic heating units (induction and dielectric) since 1921. We have the advantage of 23 years of pioneering knowledge and experience in this specialty.

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- 5 Kw
- 7½ Kw
- 10 Kw
- 12½ Kw
- 15 Kw
- 18 Kw
- 25 Kw
- 40 Kw
- 100 Kw

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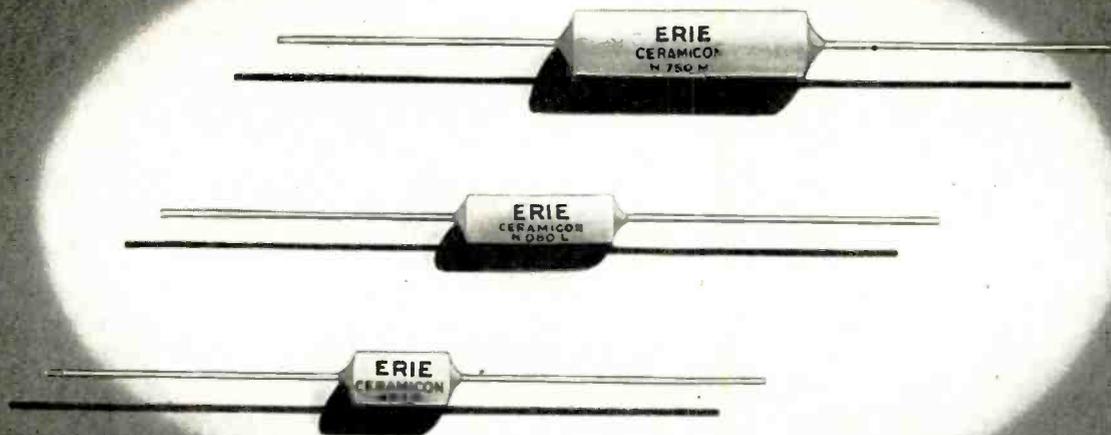
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Close Tolerances**



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The Erie Engineering Department is continually working to further refine the characteristics of Erie Ceramicons. We will be glad to work with you on Ceramicons for commercial or special applications.



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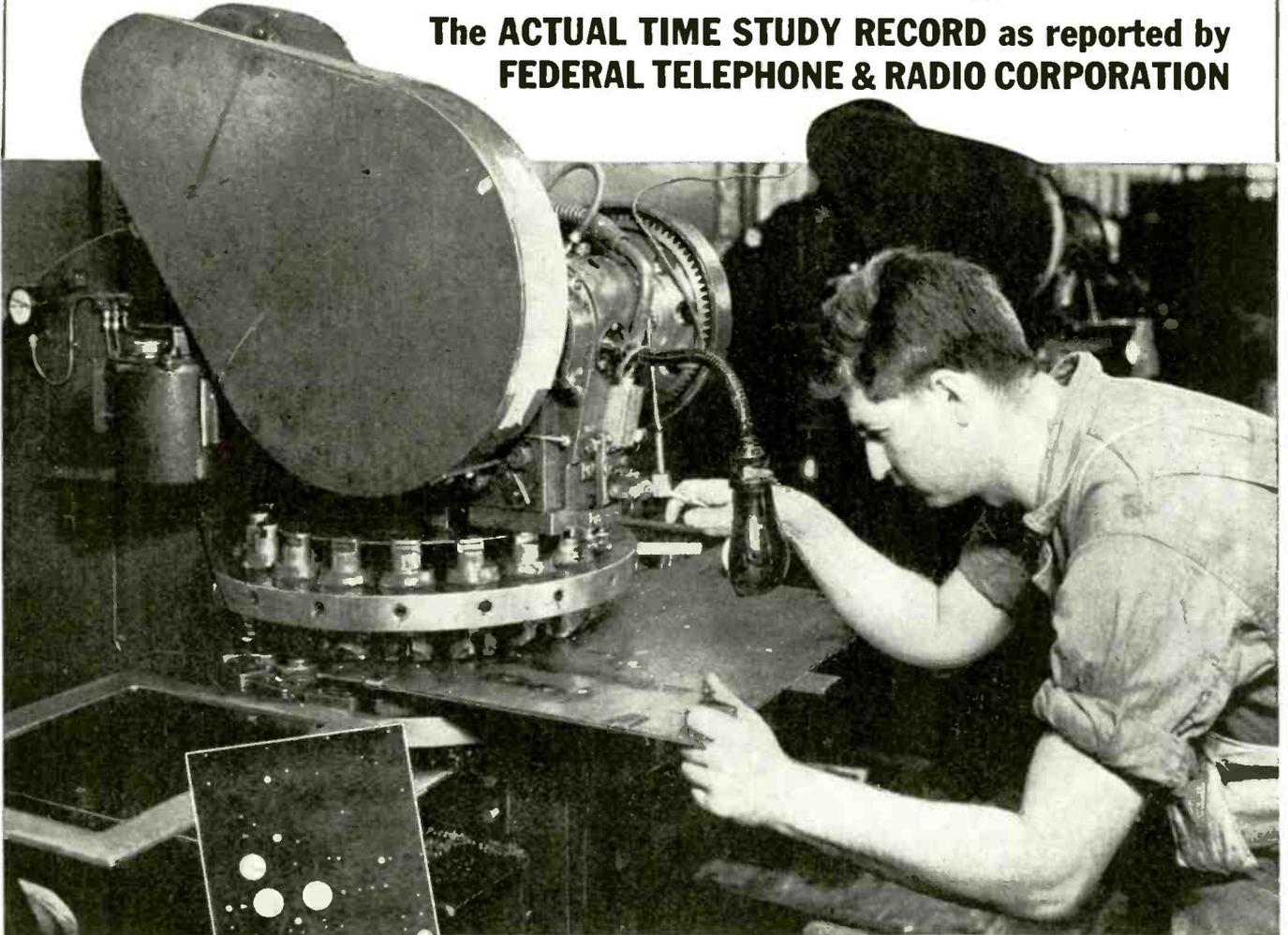
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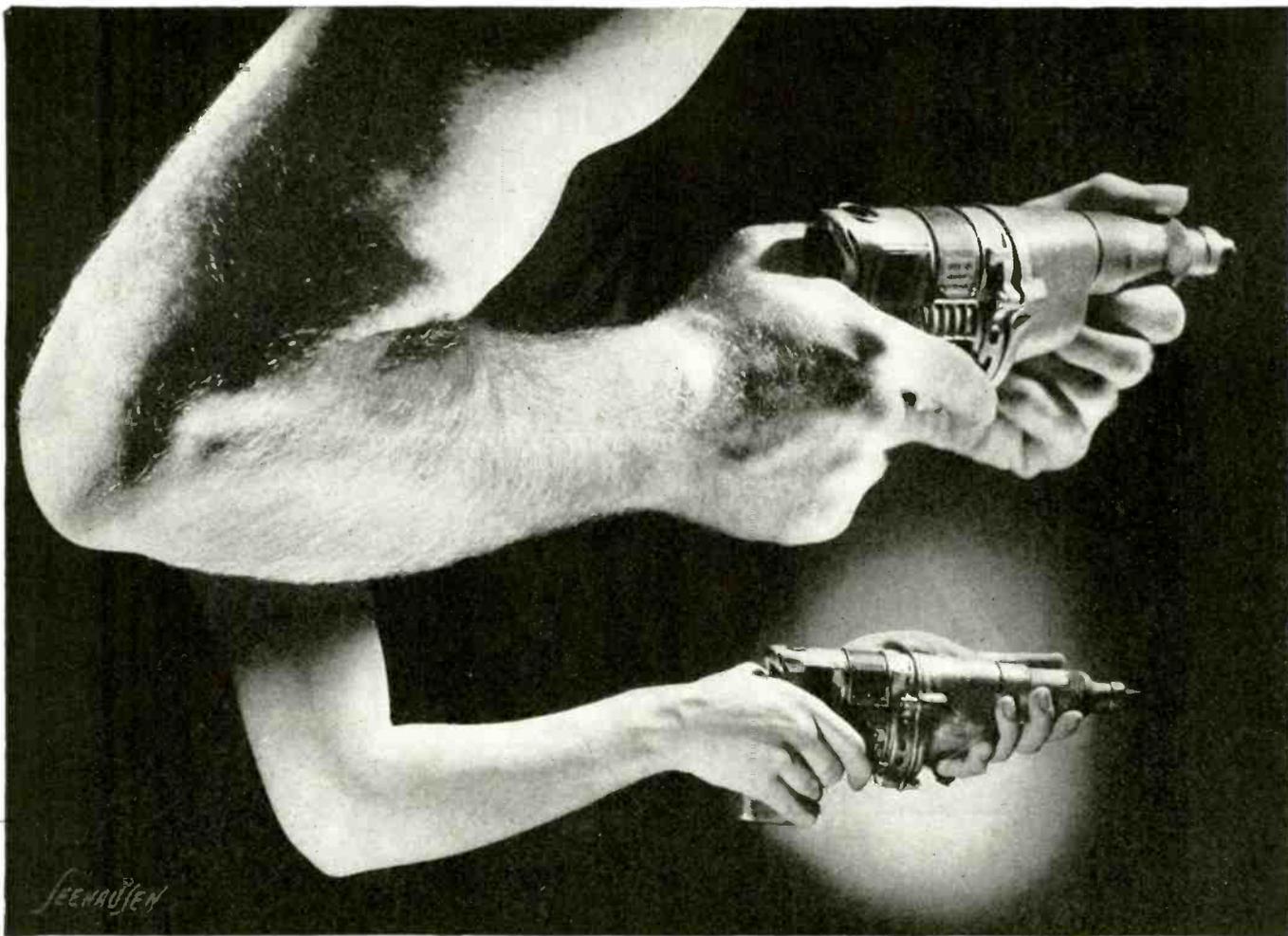


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Electronics**

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One of the most important men on the production front is the electronic engineer. Working long and hard hours, his time is spent devising and planning electronic equipment that will give the Allied forces overwhelming superiority on the battlefield. He was "drafted" early in the war and has devoted his special skills unstintingly to the successful prosecution of the war effort. The electronic engineer is truly a soldier on the homefront.

Raytheon engineers are continually devising new electronic products which contribute to the immeasurably important role that advanced electronic equipment is playing in winning the war. Raytheon electronic tubes and equipment are built to more than meet severe wartime requirements. The "Plus-Extra" quality, dependability and stamina of Raytheon products have established Raytheon as one of the leading manufacturers in the electronic field.



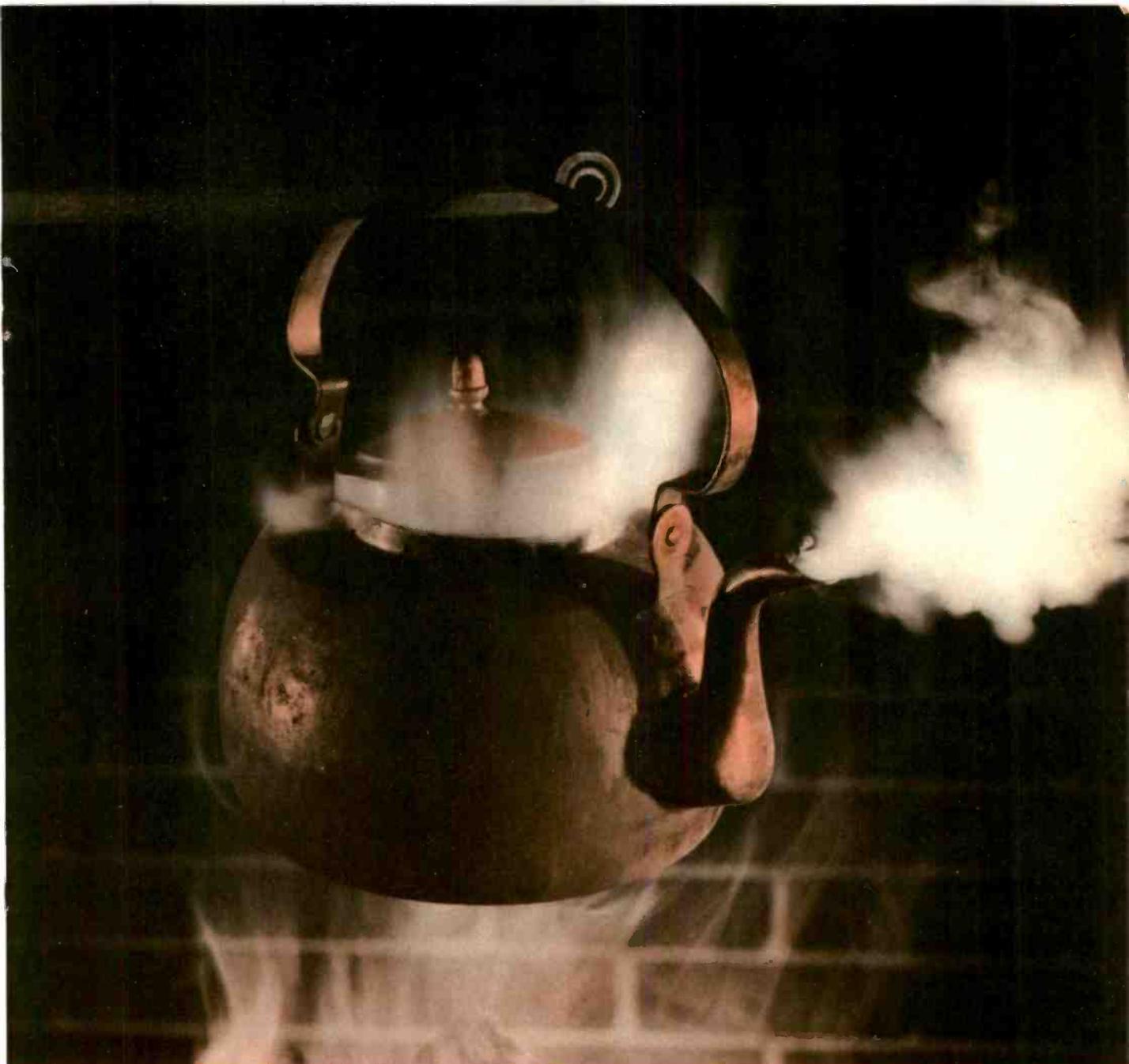
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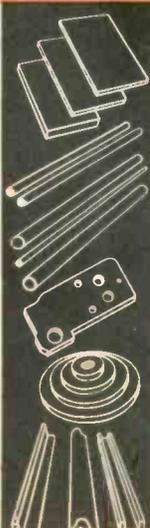
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## When Watt asked Why, Steam went to Work



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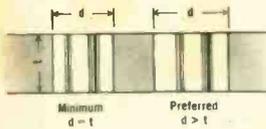
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# SUGGESTIONS ON DESIGN FOR THE USE OF SYNTHANE

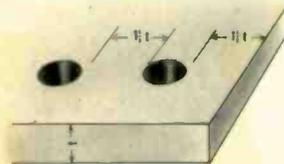
Synthane technical plastics are easy to machine by usual shop methods. However, the work of the production department can be simplified and costs and spoilage reduced by following these suggestions when designing parts:

**PUNCHED OR SHAVED EDGES**—Punching produces a relatively smooth edge in thicknesses up to 1/16 in. For extra smoothness, especially in thicknesses over 1/16 in., shaving should be specified.

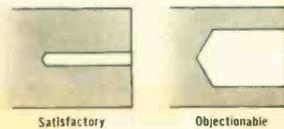
**PUNCHED vs. DRILLED HOLES**—Tolerance can be held closer on drilled holes than on punched holes but rarely is the accuracy of a drilled hole necessary if the hole can be punched.



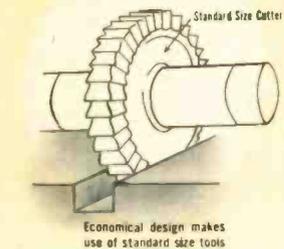
**DIAMETER OF PUNCHED HOLES**—The preferred ratio of hole diameter to thickness of material is not less than 1:1. That is, the diameter of a punched hole should not be less than thickness of sheet.



**DISTANCE BETWEEN PUNCHED HOLES**  
**—PUNCHED HOLES NEAR EDGES**  
 —The distance between the circumferences of punched holes or between the circumference of a punched hole and the edge of a piece should not be less than 1-1/2 times the thickness of the piece.



**HOLES PARALLEL TO LAMINATIONS**—Avoid large holes parallel to laminations where subsequent pressure, as from a screw, might injure the piece.

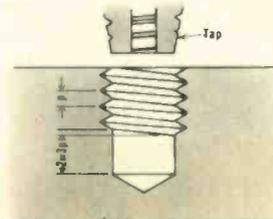


**DESIGN FOR MACHINING WITH STANDARD TOOLS**—Try to design parts so that machining can be done with standard tools or cutters. Specify standard size holes and slots wherever possible to avoid special tooling.

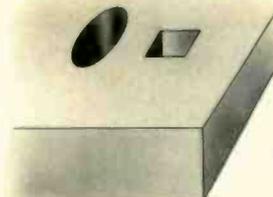
**TOLERANCES**—Give careful consideration to tolerances. It is poor economy to specify closer tolerances than are actually needed. As a matter of fact, laminated plastics cannot be held to tolerances such as .000"—.0005". The minimum tolerance advisable on dimensions

under 1/2 in. is a total of .002". This tolerance is the absolute minimum and all parts should be designed with greater tolerances if possible.

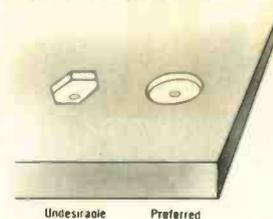
**TAPPING TOLERANCES**—Tapping should not be specified closer than a Class 2 fit with 65 to 70% of thread. Additional thread depth would add very little strength at the risk of breaking threads.



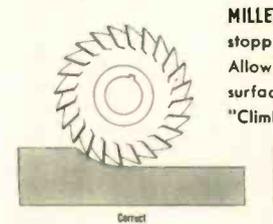
**TAPPING IN A BLIND HOLE**—When tapping in a blind hole, allow a depth of several threads from the bottom of the hole to first full thread for clearance.



**AVOID IRREGULARLY SHAPED HOLES**  
 —Eliminate, wherever possible, irregularly shaped holes unless the thickness of the piece permits punching. Irregularly shaped holes on thicker sections can be made, but special tools are required.



**IRREGULAR COUNTER BORES AND RECESSES**—Eliminate entirely all irregular counter bores and recesses (except round).



**MILLED SLOT WITH SQUARE CORNERS**—Avoid stopping a milled slot with square corners. Allow the bottom of the slot to emerge to the surface with the natural contour of the cutter. "Climb" milling is recommended.

**MARKING PARTS**—Most parts can be marked with a punch, engraved or printed by the Synthographic process. The thinnest of materials can be printed.

**FORCED FITS**—The close tolerances required for forced fits in metal are not at all necessary in Synthane. Males can be as much as .005" oversize.

# New INTERNAL-PIVOT 2 1/2-inch PANEL INSTRUMENTS ... 1 inch deep



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SEE THE SIMPLICITY AND STRENGTH OF THEIR DESIGN

Note the few simple parts, and how strength is built in by solidly bolting the element to the one-piece, cast-copper magnet.



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What isn't shown clearly in the pictures above is the internal-pivot construction and how the pivots are mounted to the inside of the armature shell instead of being secured to the outside of the armature winding. The pivot shank actually extends through the armature shell, and is anchored firmly on both sides of the shell by pressing two brass washers over the pivot shank. This construction makes the entire element assembly 20 per cent thinner.

There are many other features: large-radius pivots, hard-glass jewels, good damping, and ample clearances between stationary and moving parts. Added up, these features give you an instrument well able to withstand vibration and hold its rated accuracy.

If you want the complete story of how these instruments pack all-round fine performance in a small space, ask our nearest office for Bulletin GEA-4064, which covers instruments used for radio and other communications equipment; or Bulletin GEA-4117 which describes those suitable for naval aircraft. *General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y.*



For radio and other communications service: Type DW-51 d-c voltmeters, ammeters, milliammeters, microammeters; Type DW-52 radio-frequency ammeters (a-c thermocouple-type). Cases are brass or molded Textolite.

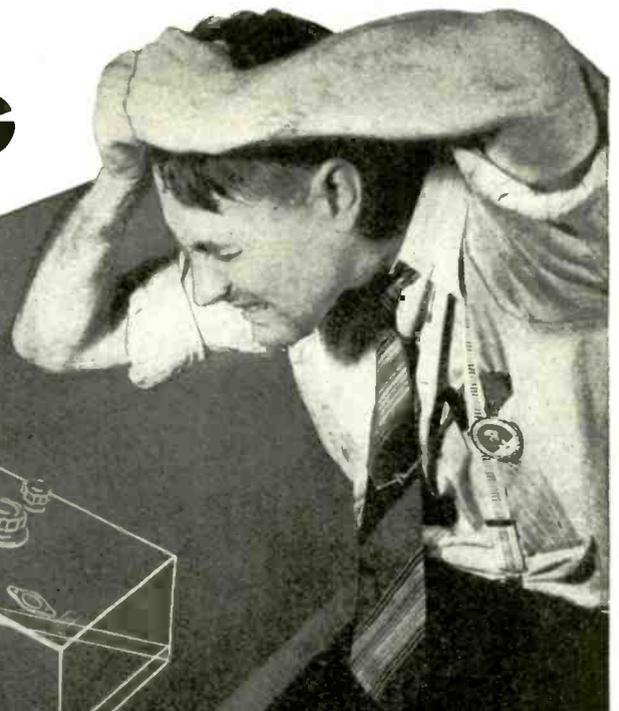


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# WE'RE TEARING OUR HAIR TOO!



● MANY of our customers have experienced numerous disappointments in changes in delivery dates on orders for G-R equipment; most do not know why deliveries cannot be made sometimes on the date promised.

All orders for electronic test equipment are scheduled by the War Production Board. The scheduled delivery date is based upon the tactical urgency of the order. These dates are changed principally for one of two reasons:

Very frequently the urgency of the order is altered due to the ever-changing war picture; a top-priority order today may be far down on the list tomorrow.

Due to shortages of raw materials, manpower and finished components purchased

from outside suppliers, our production schedule lags at times.

When it becomes necessary for WPB to change a scheduled delivery date, we have no prior knowledge of that fact, nor any information as to the reason for the change. We are required by law to fill all orders in the sequence set up by the WPB schedule. Appeals directly to us to re-shuffle deliveries cannot be acted upon.

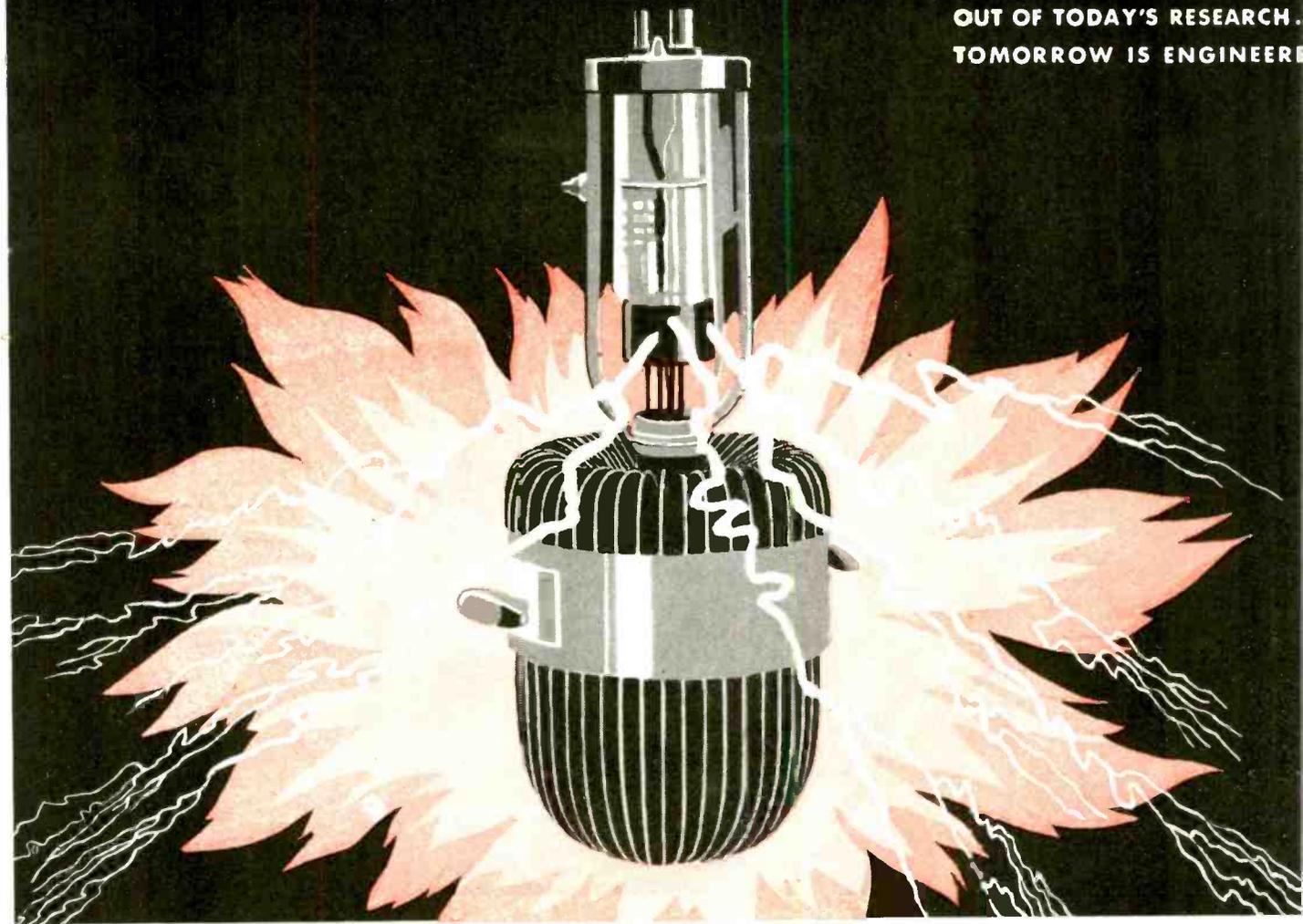
The present scheduling system at times results in considerable inconvenience to our customers, we know. The whole purpose of the system, however, is to supply war materials when and where they are most urgently needed at the moment. This after all seems to be the basic aim of war production, doesn't it?



## GENERAL RADIO COMPANY

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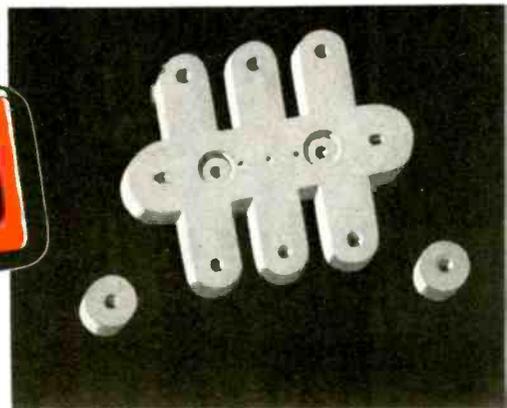
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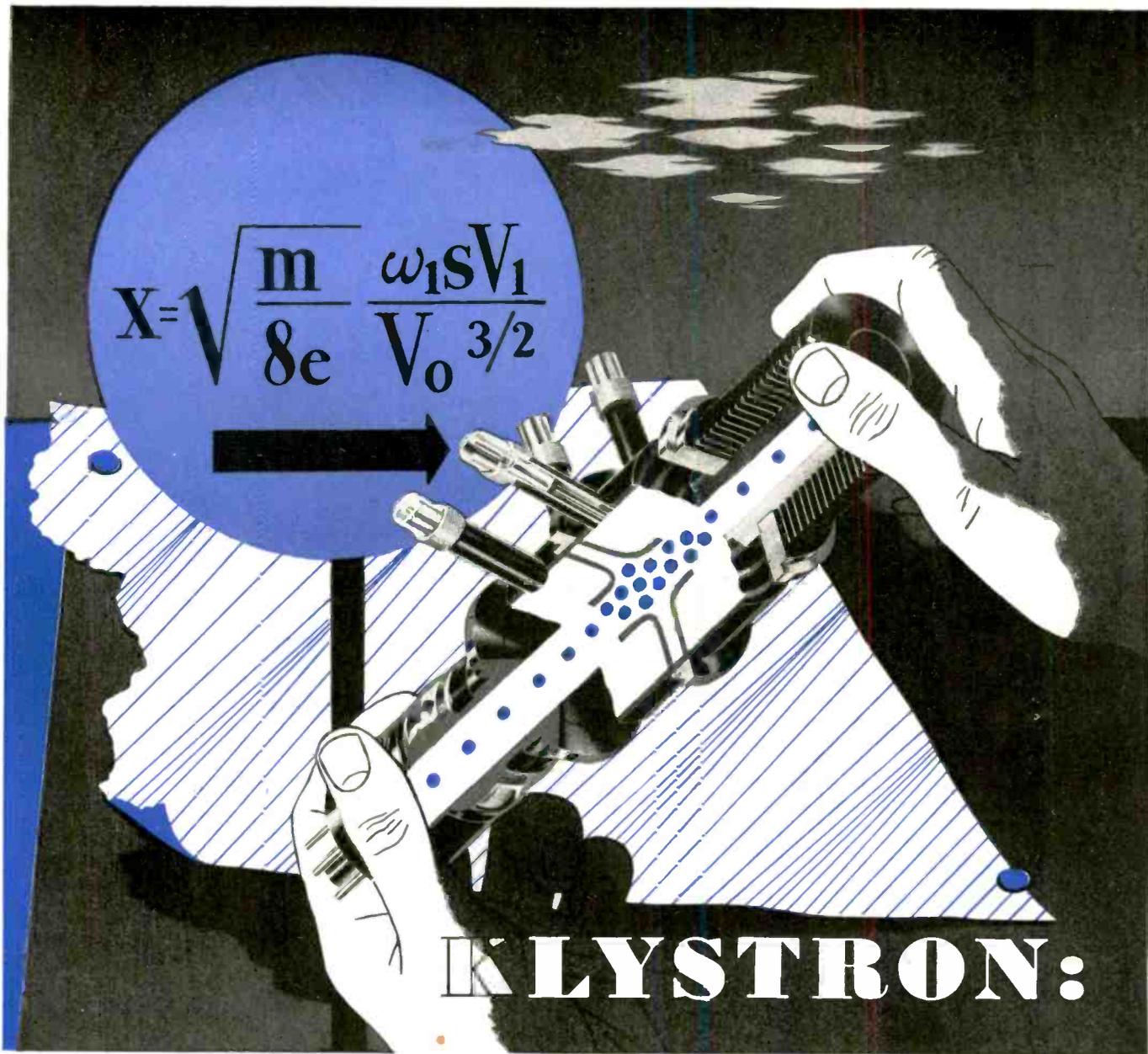
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# KLYSTRON:

Mathematically, here's the inside story

**T**HE FORMULA in the picture above is an expression of *bunching* as it takes place in the Klystron tube.

This Sperry tube converts DC energy into radio frequency energy by allowing an electron beam to become bunched, or pulsating, between spaced grids.

► The ultra-high-frequency micro-

waves thus generated can be concentrated into a narrow beam and directed with great accuracy.

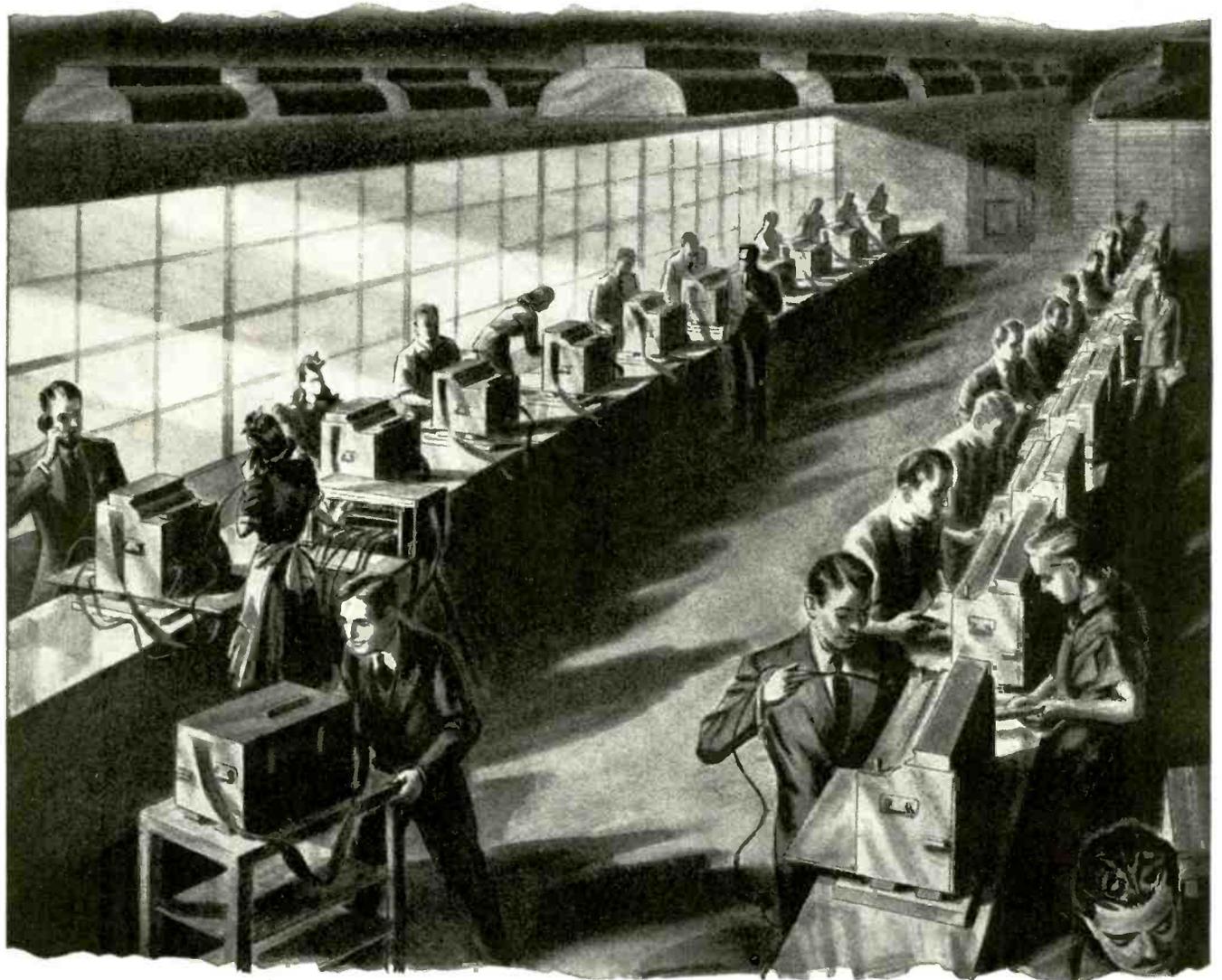
Various other forms of the Klystron have been developed by Sperry to aid in the amplification and reception of ultra-high-frequency waves. Today they are vital parts of many a device used by our Armed Forces.

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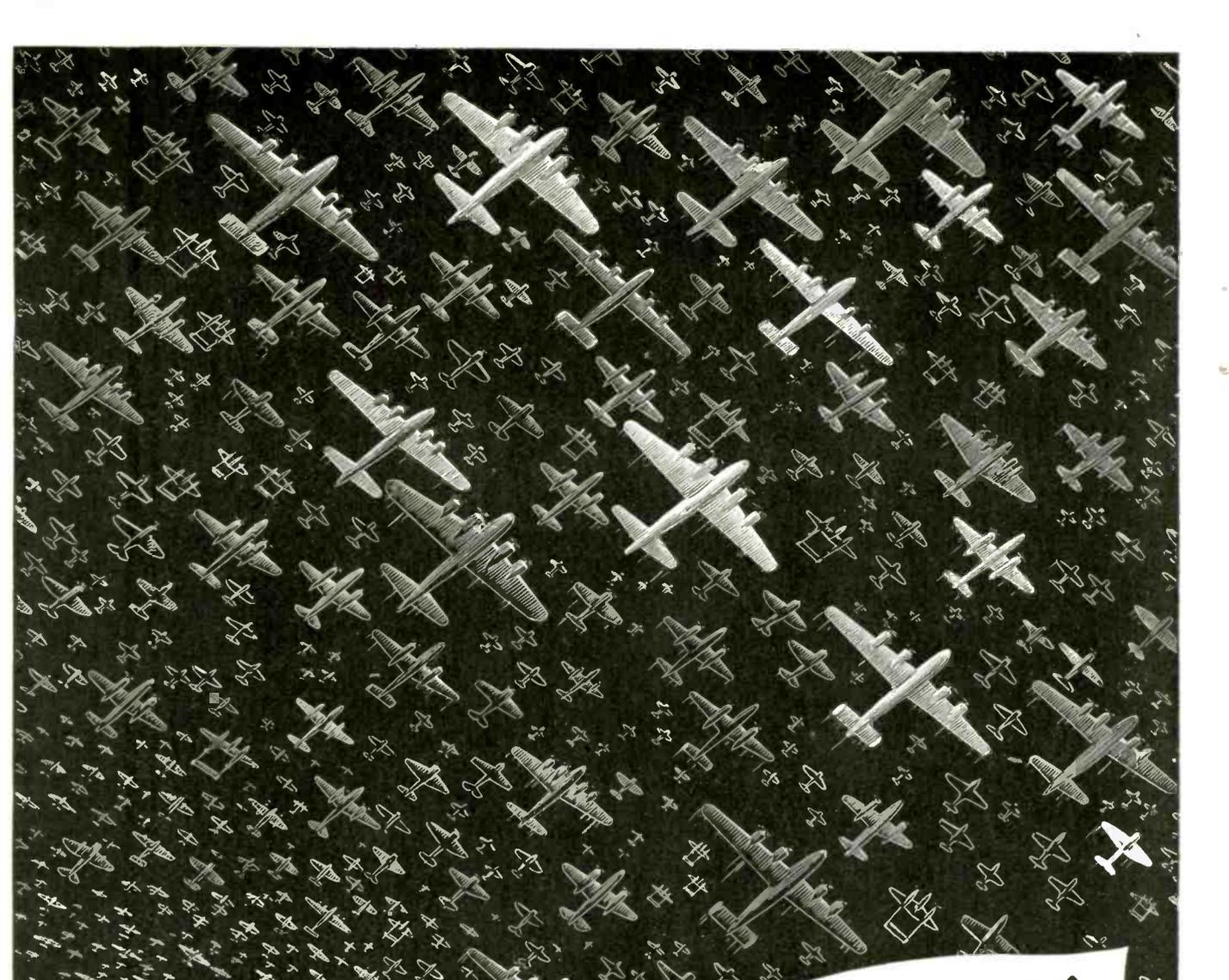


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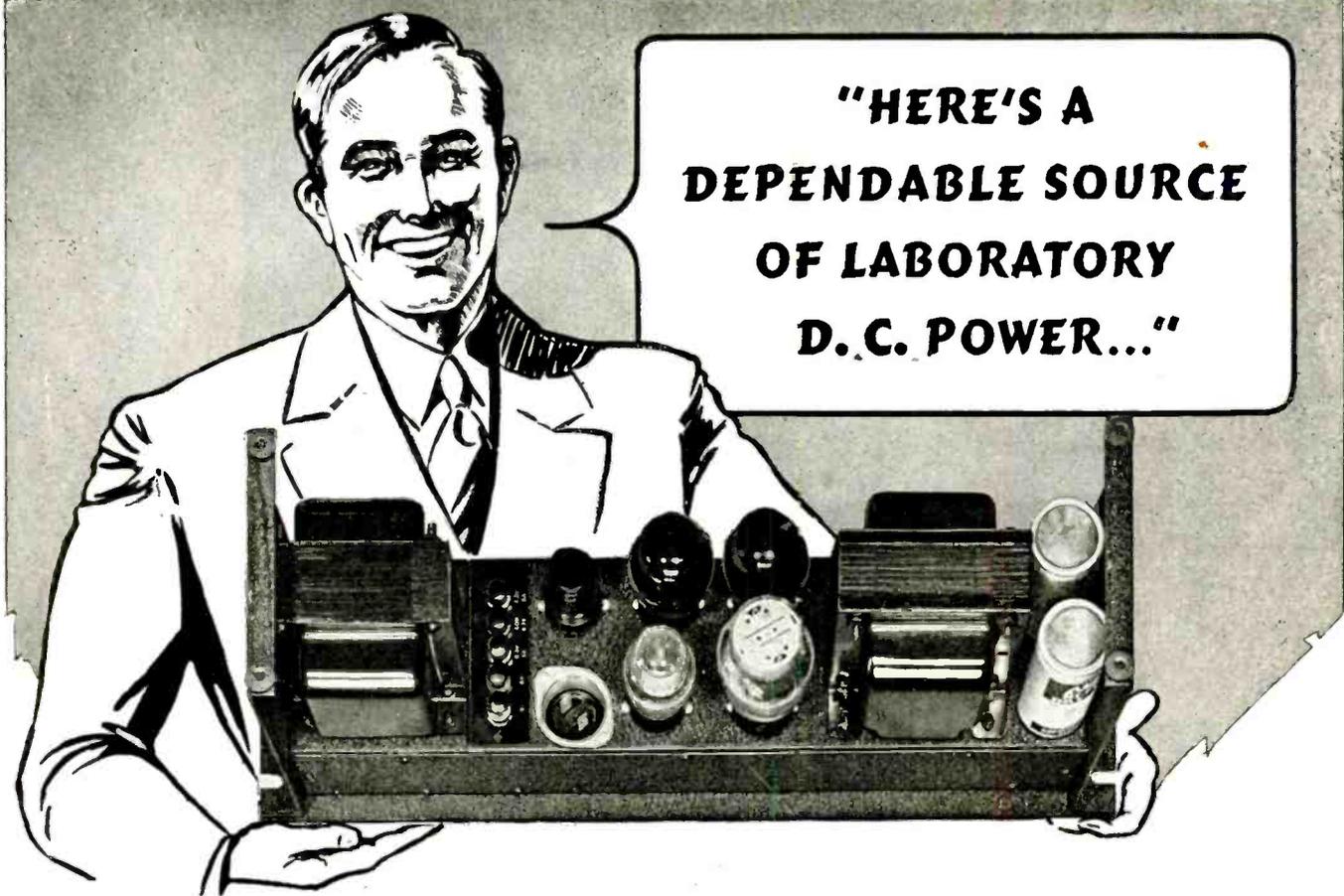
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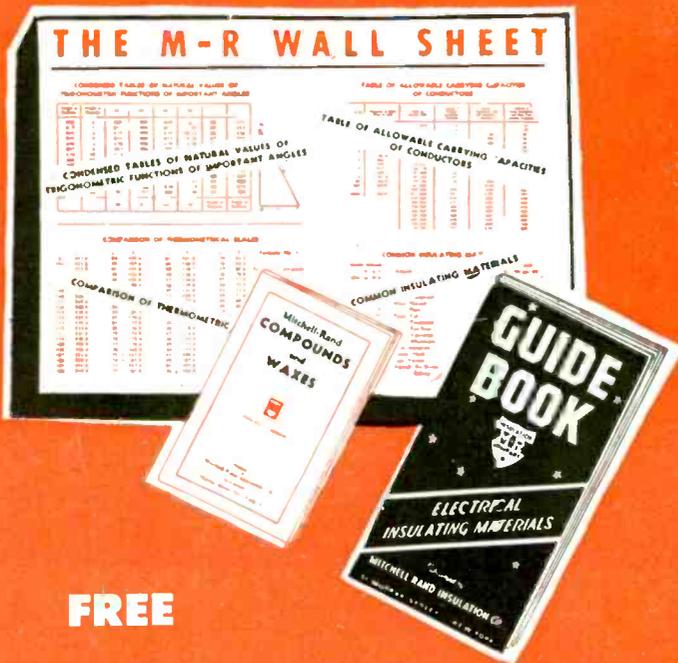
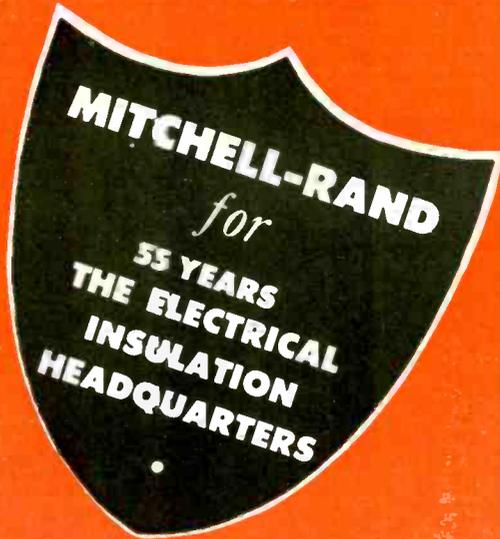
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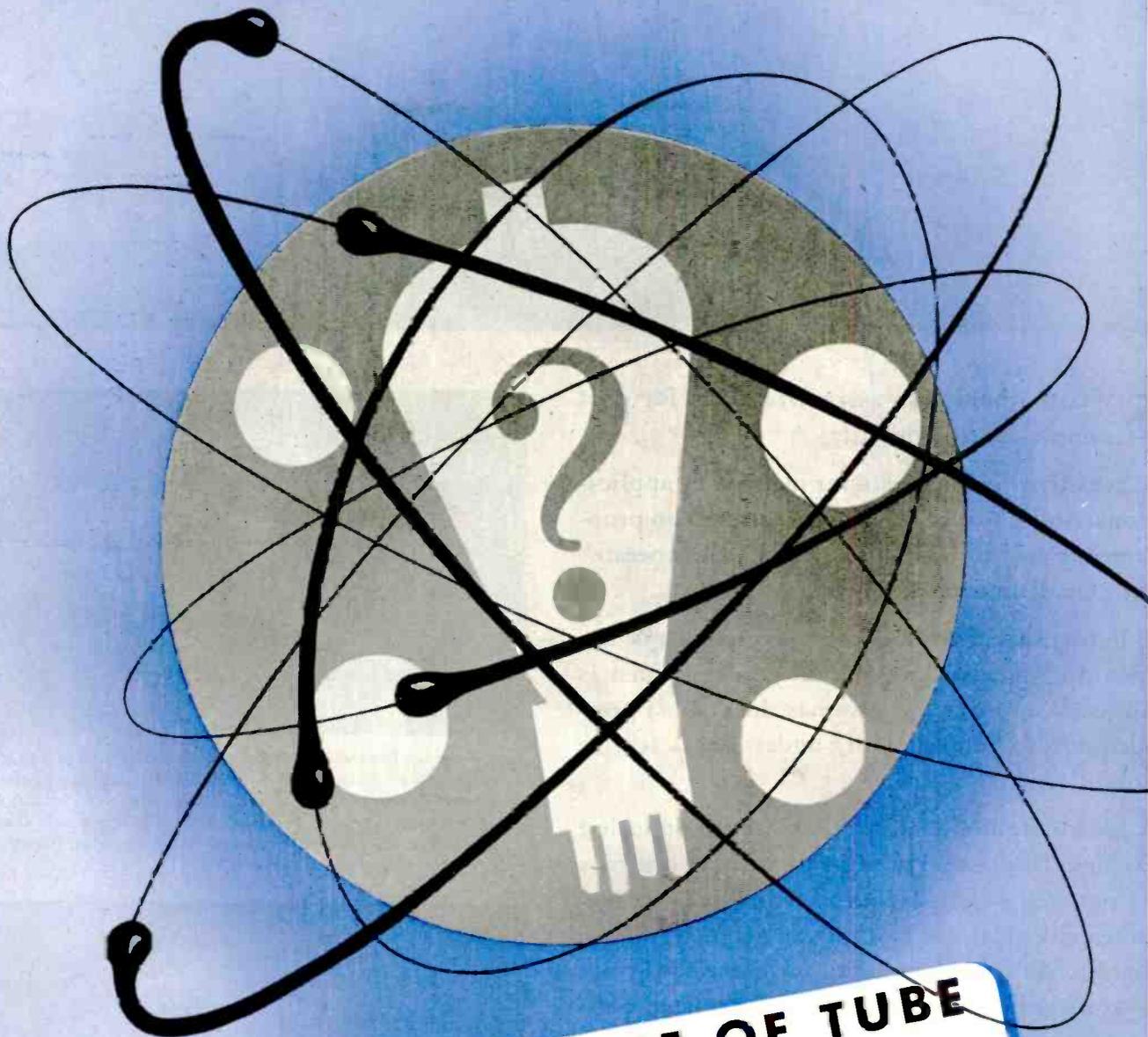
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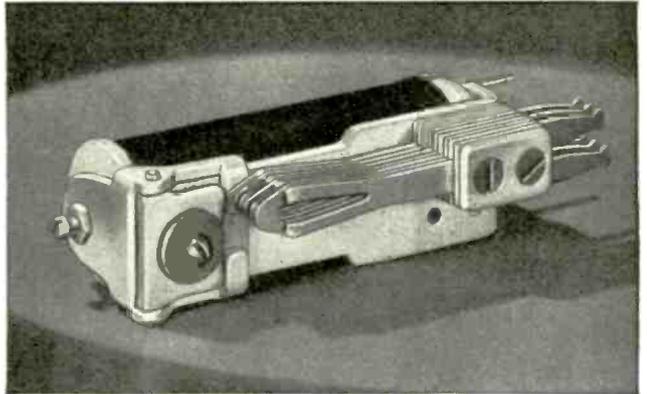
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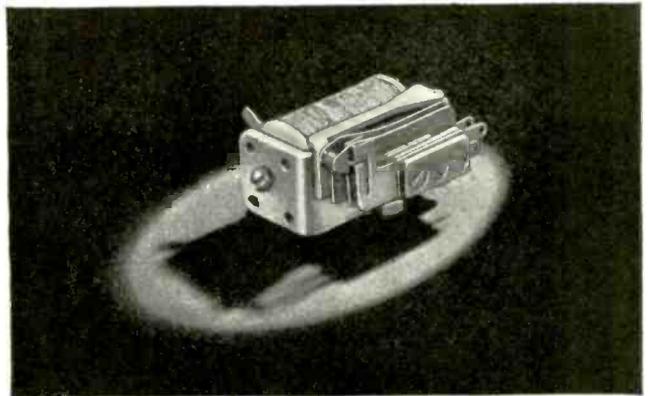
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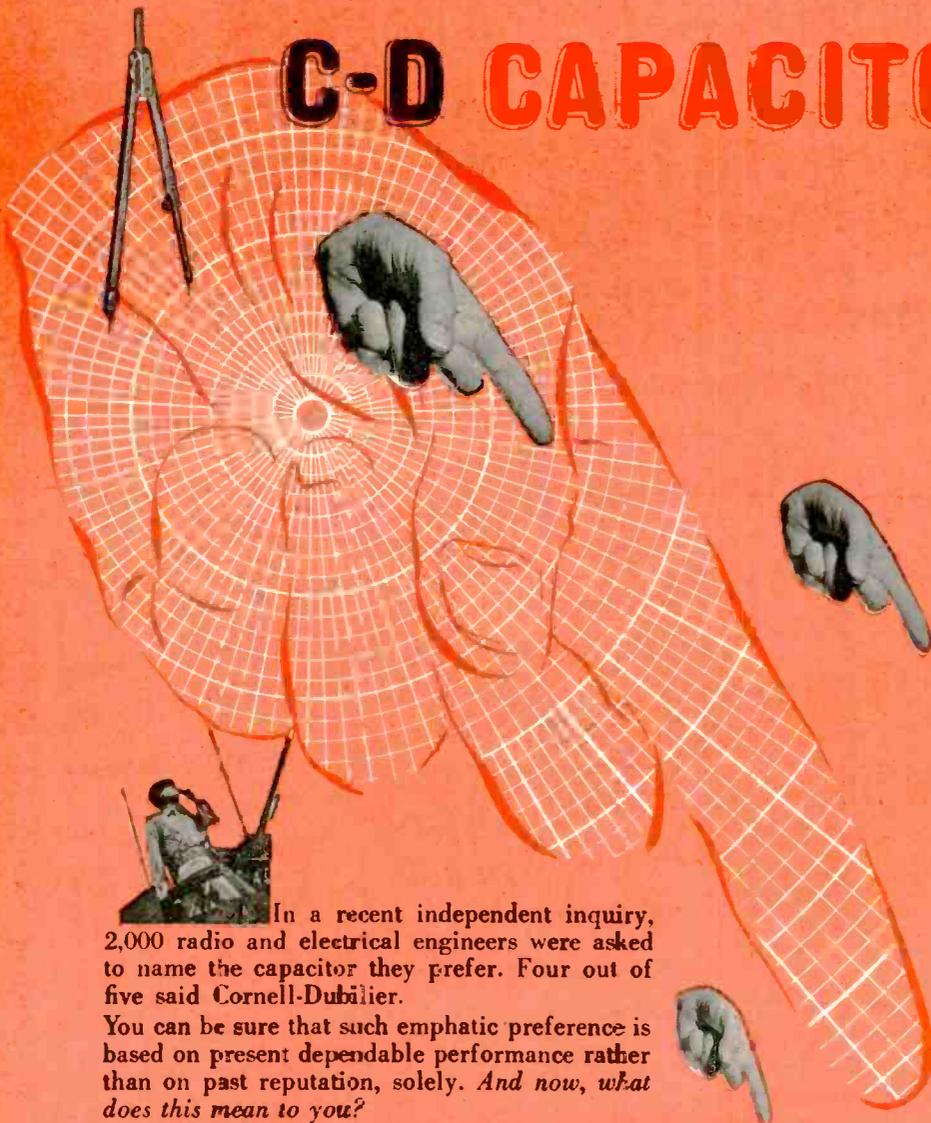
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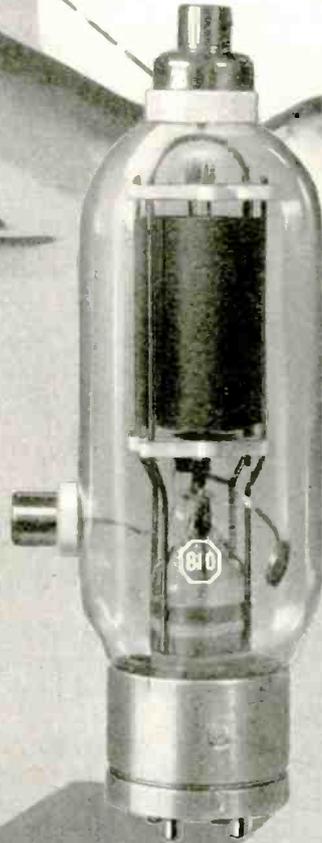
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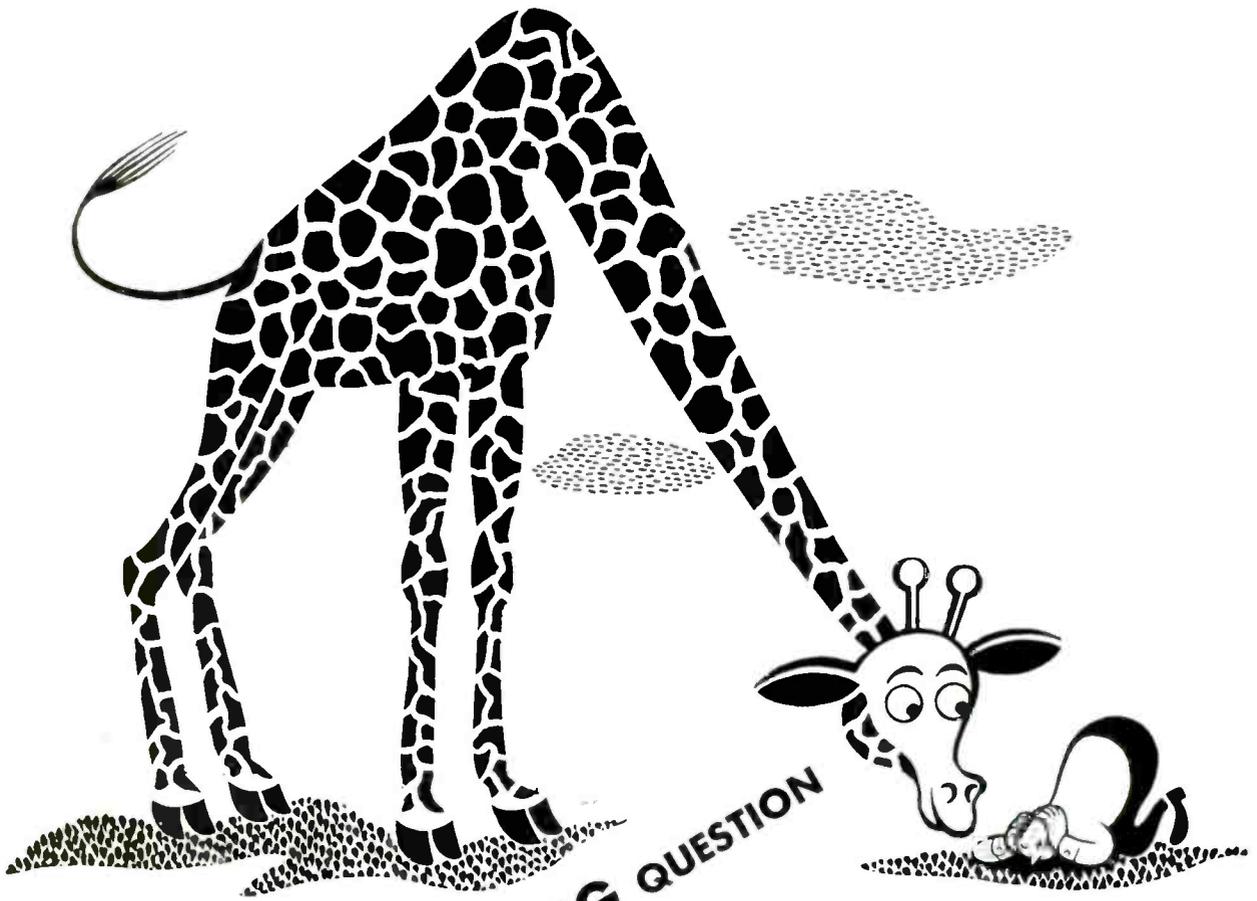
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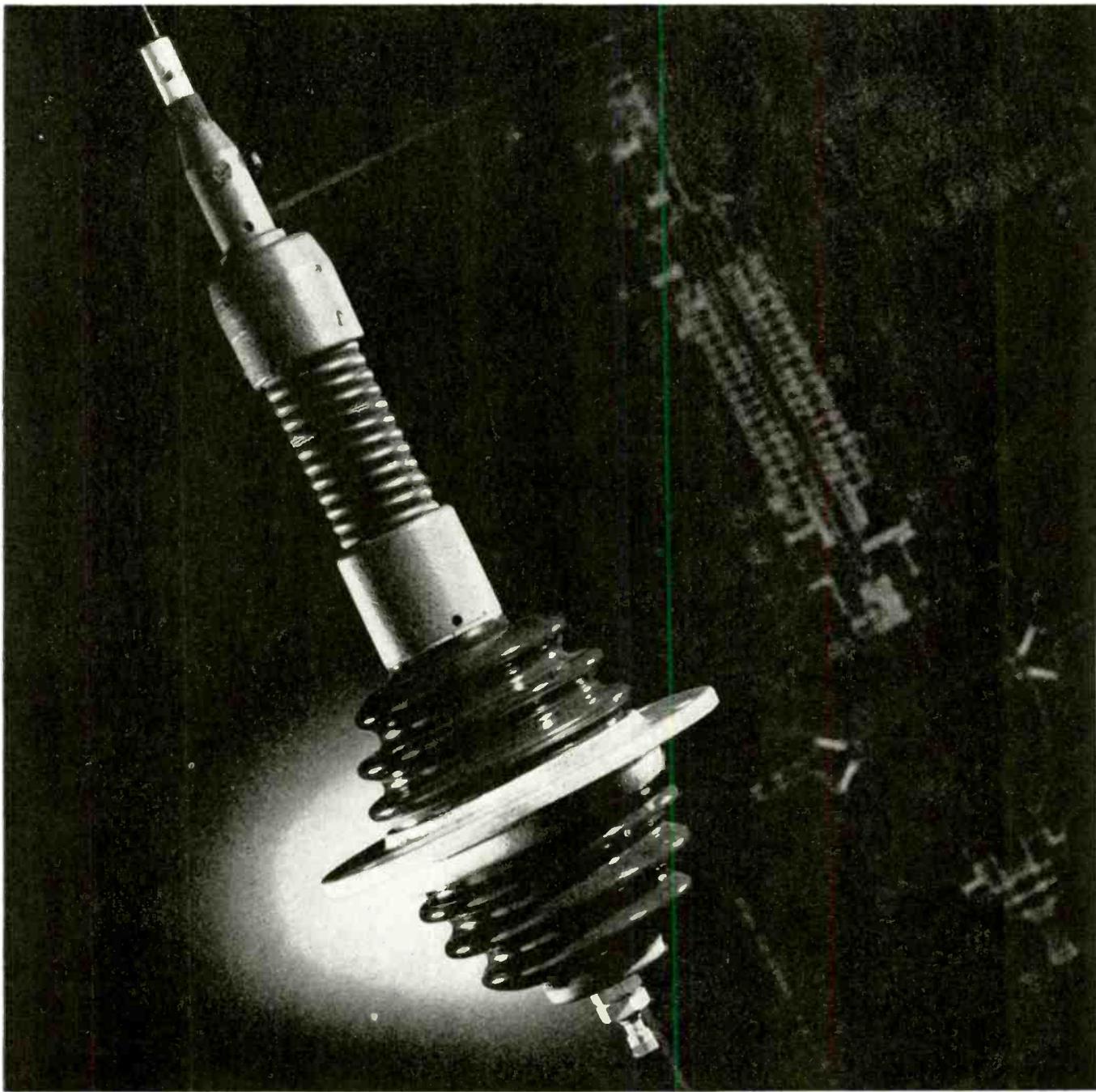
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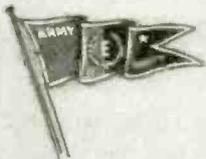
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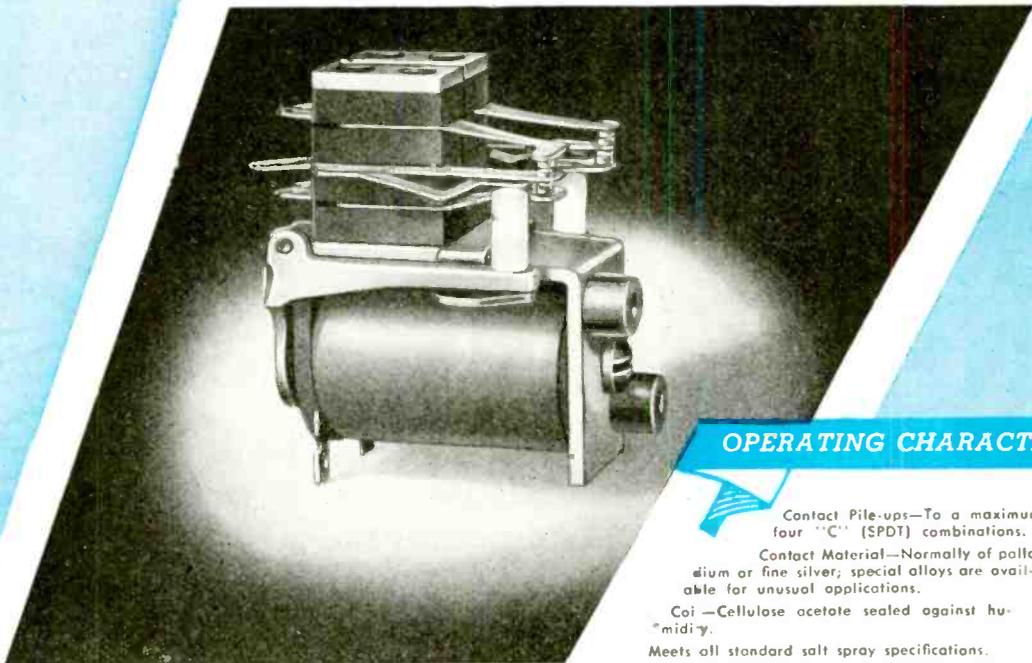
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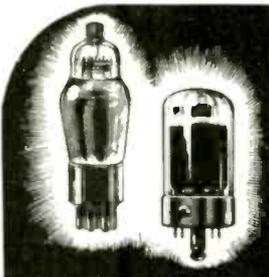


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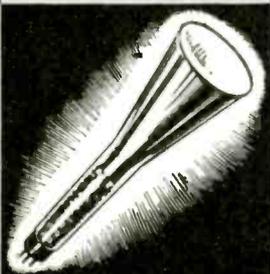


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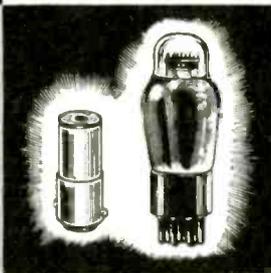


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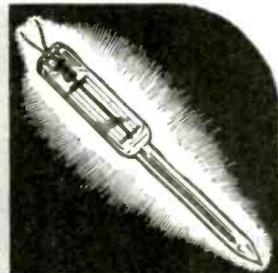


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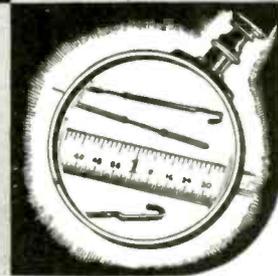


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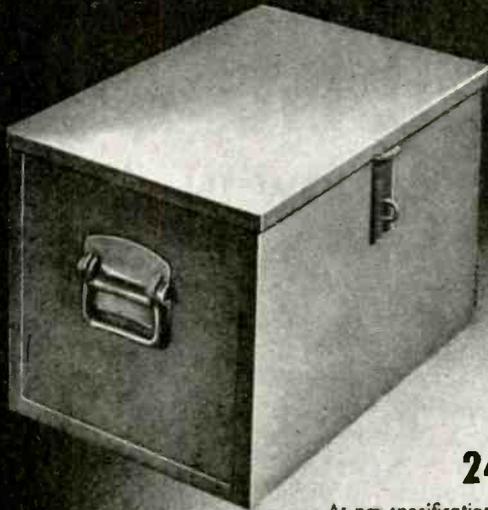
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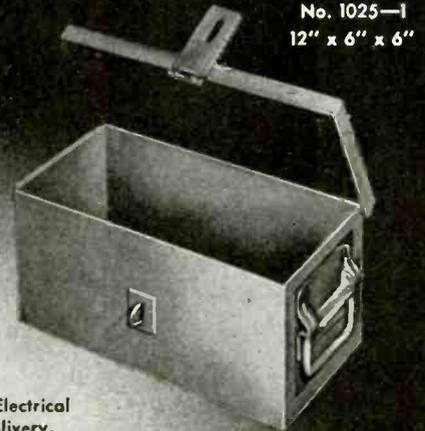
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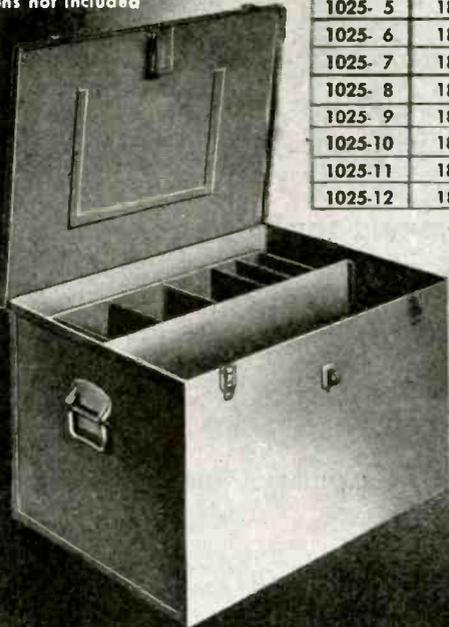
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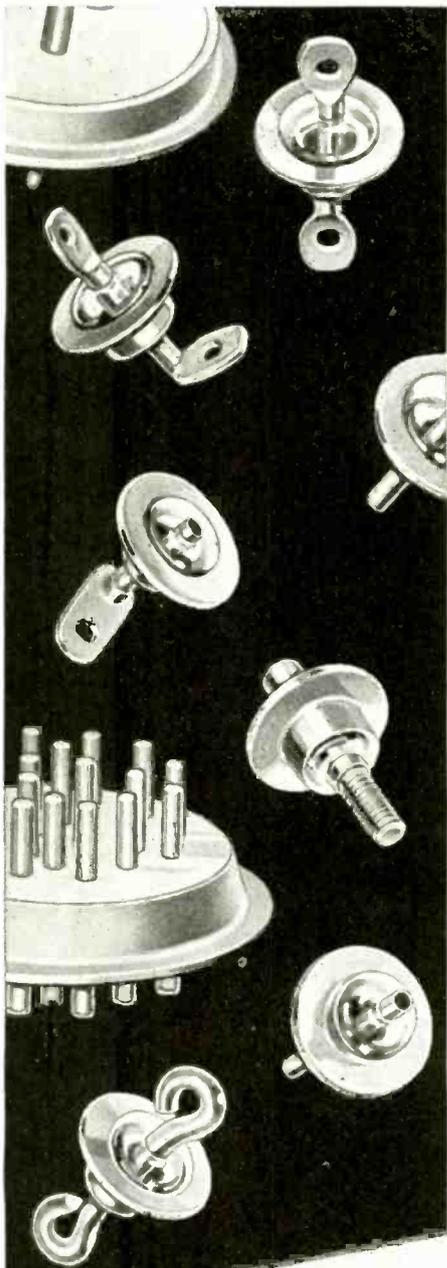
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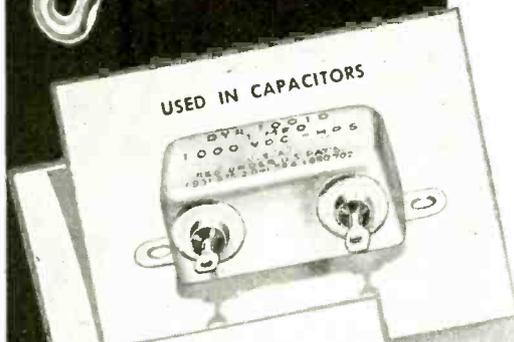
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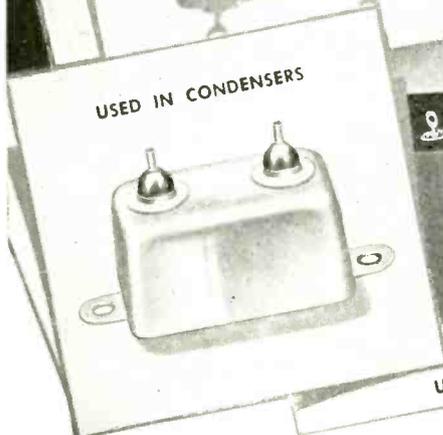
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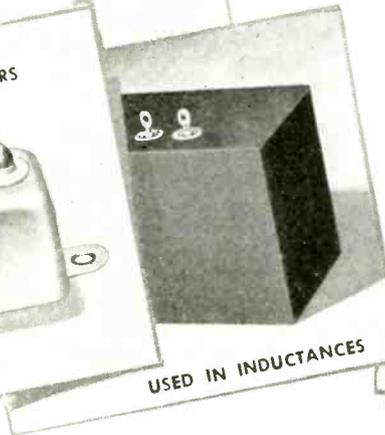
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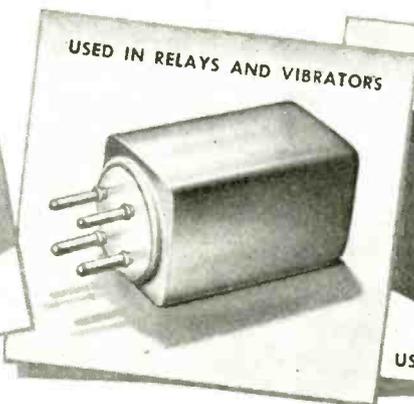
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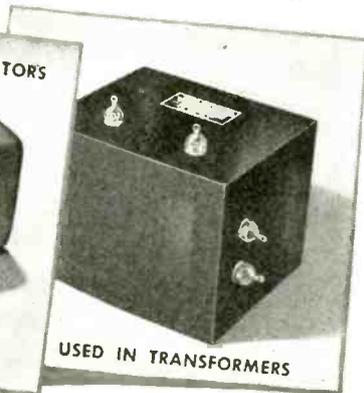
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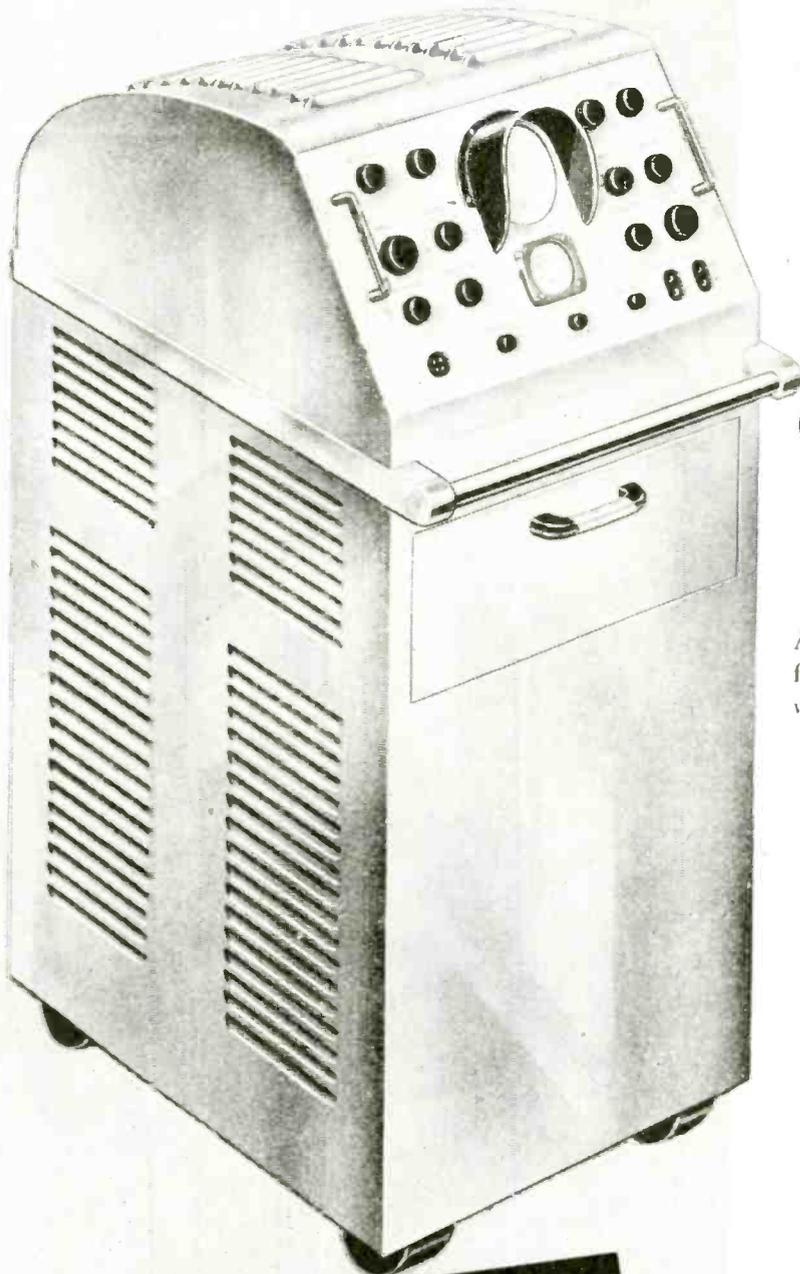
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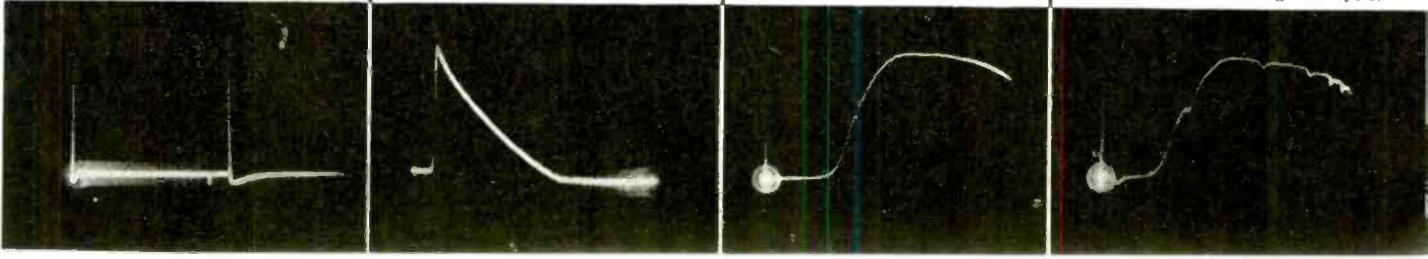
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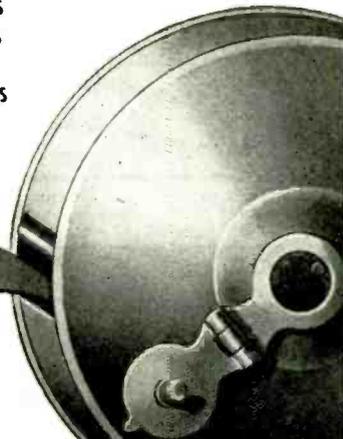
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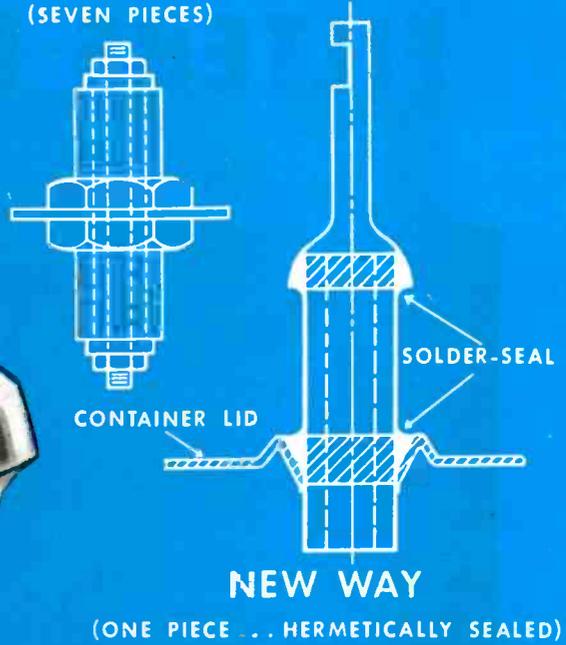
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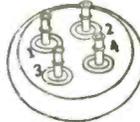


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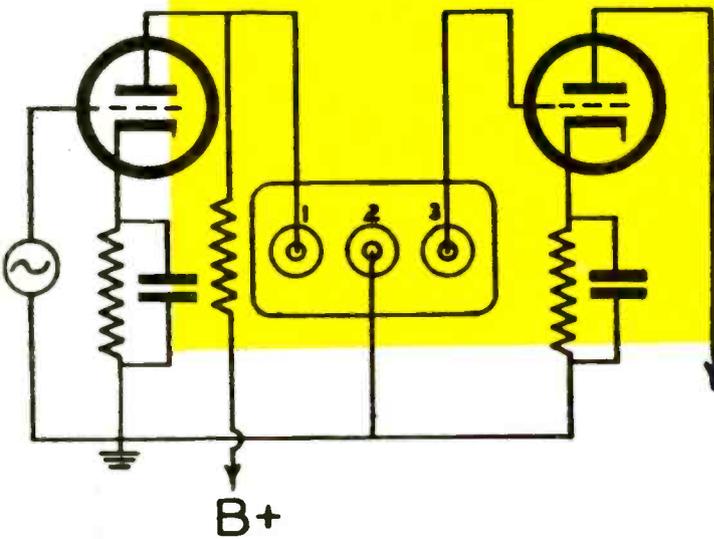
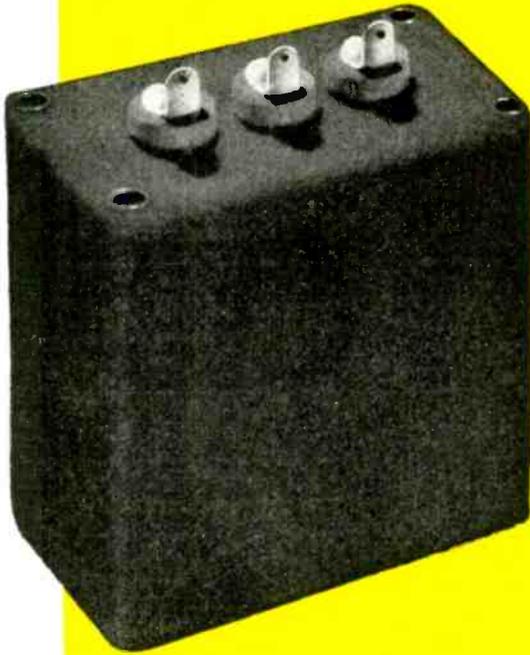
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## **Electronic Markets After V-Day**

California is going great guns, no mistake about that. There, as elsewhere, manufacturers of electronic equipment are solidly behind the war effort, so much so in fact that there has been no time for postwar planning, and, it is to be feared, little inclination to put minds to work on problems which appear far removed, inevitable as they may be.

Every Pacific Coast industry has grown tremendously. Plants have doubled, and tripled and quadrupled in area and in personnel. Under war stimulus production has stepped up to undreamed-of totals. Everybody is busy. And if any shadow of doubt regarding the future of war-materiel-swollen factories has begun to appear on present happy horizons, at least it isn't visible yet, and no one speaks about it.

Nevertheless, the inexorable fact remains that some day sooner or later when war shall have ended, and more than likely a bit before that, wheels in some plants are going to stop turning—suddenly. Belatedly it is going to be necessary to face squarely the need for ways and means of keeping them turning, or just go out of business.

### **Potential buyers, too**

The eleven Western States, California in particular, represent a great potential market, as is well revealed in an article in this issue. Up to the present time, that great region has produced only a picayune portion of the radio-electronic equipment which it has bought and uses. Conceivably, it could produce a whole lot more, what with the impetus war work has given in-

dustry. The will to do so is there, and so are the means.

But—it is going to take some pretty careful planning—pretty quick—to convert the will into a way. The transition from war to peace may be tough, but it can be done and the rewards appear great. Industry is rapidly taking up with electronic methods; FM broadcasting gives promise of blossoming as brightly on the West Coast as it has on the East—and in between; there is a great and growing interest in television. In short, the signals are set to give manufacturers the go-ahead toward the greatest market they have ever had.

### **Manufacturers must specialize**

Specialization will help in smoothing the bumps in the transition road. Up North, several manufacturers have developed highly stabilized transmitting tube operations; Southern California manufacturers have long specialized in laboratory equipment and in and around Hollywood others, as might have been expected, have done very valuable work in advancing the technic of recording and the perfection of recording equipment.

There still remains much room for specialized effort. It is self-evident that not all manufacturers are going to find it possible to go right along making in the future what they have made in the past. For them, the only solution to the problem of continued existence will come from intelligent planning NOW. Nor is this admonition applicable only in the Golden State. It goes, as well, for a lot of other manufacturers in a lot of other localities.

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# KLYSTRON

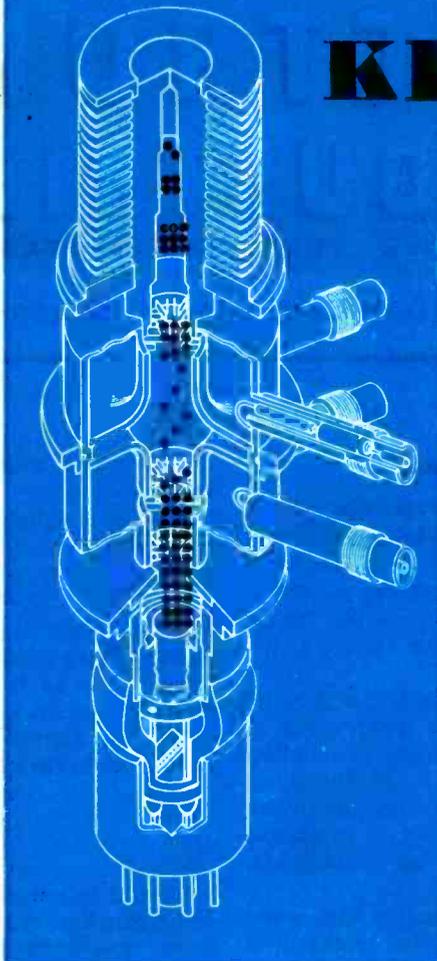
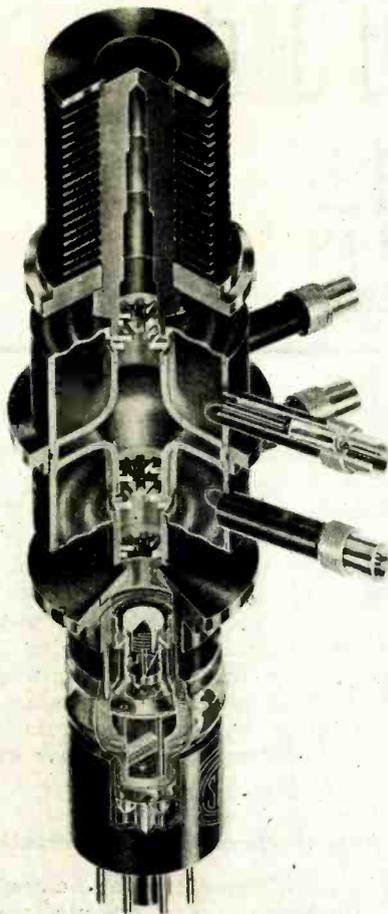


Fig. 1—Sectional view of 410R showing electron gun at bottom, lower (buncher) cavity, upper (catcher) cavity, pickup loops with seals, and heat radiating collector at top. At right, buncher action is shown altering electron velocity. Groups form at catcher and deliver energy

## Operating principles, electrical and mechanical details of type 410R Klystron. Performance curves and data

• The generation of voltages at frequencies above 1000 mc/sec. by conventional grid-control tubes is difficult as well as low in efficiency and power output. One of the principal reasons for these conditions is the relationship of the transit time of the electrons from the cathode to the grid in the ordinary tube as compared to the time for one cycle of the frequency being generated.

Thus in a common triode or pentode, with its normal plate voltage, a certain definite time is required for the electrons to make the trip from cathode to the plane of the grid. This time is a fraction of a microsecond. However, at a frequency of 1000 mc. the time for one cycle is  $10^{-3}$  microseconds and in all but special tubes such as the acorn type, etc., electrons cannot reach the plane of the grid in this short space of time and conse-

quently the grid voltage passes through a large portion of its cycle during the time the electron is in flight. Only a few if any get beyond the plane of the grid since when the grid voltage is great enough to allow electrons to proceed toward the plate this voltage will pass through half or more of its cycle and repel the electrons which have not yet reached the grid. In most instances, the transit time must be less than  $1/10$ th the time for one signal cycle for satisfactory operation. Excessive transit time reacts as increased input loading.

There are a number of other limitations to conventional tubes at ultra high frequencies, radiation losses, internal circuit parameters, etc.

In order to develop frequencies much in excess of 1000 mc. it becomes necessary to use a tube in which the transit time need not be

limited to a fraction of the time required for one cycle of the frequency to be generated. One solution is velocity modulation of the electron stream from a gun similar to that employed in cathode ray tubes. The basic principle is that of periodically changing the velocity of electrons passing a certain point in a tube and allowing these electrons of different velocities to form bunches by drifting through the required distance. These bunches will form due to the faster electrons catching up with the slower ones at a given point in the tube. They occur once each cycle of the frequency to be generated if they are allowed to travel through the tube for some convenient distance since time is required to form the bunches or groups. Internal forces in the beam cause de-bunching through repulsion but in practical tubes good design holds this to a minimum.

These bunches of electrons can be made to deliver their energy to a resonant circuit of a special type. The groups of electrons, coming as they do at periodic intervals, act in a manner similar to a periodic impulse applied to a pendulum causing it to oscillate at a regular frequency and amplitude.

One group of tubes employing velocity modulation is known as the Klystron.\* These tubes are a development of R. H. Varian and S. F. Varian and the Sperry Gyroscope Co., Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y.

A typical model type 410R made by Sperry is shown in the cut-away view Fig. 1. This tube consists of a cup-shaped cathode and internal heater element which is noninductively wound, and a control grid both near the base of the tube. The control grid of the tube is so constructed as to aid in focusing the electrons into a beam. Both of these structures, the cathode and the control grid, are quite similar to those found in cathode ray tubes.

The next electrode in the stream is a "smoother" grid similar in some respects to a screen grid in a cathode ray tube. A pair of grids which are separated approximately 0.030 in. are located a little beyond the smoother grid. These grids are connected to the side walls of a cavity resonator. These resonators, which will be described in more de-

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tail later, are basically a resonant circuit similar in electrical action to the common parallel coil-capacitor tuned circuit.

These cavities are hollow metal cylinders and in the case of the Klystron shown, are under vacuum with the rest of the tube. The cavity resonator nearest the cathode is commonly called the buncher since it is the action of this tuned circuit and its associated grids to group the electrons of the stream into the required bunches.

Note that the grids in this tube are radial fins similar to spokes of a wheel in which the hub has been removed. This construction permits a more uniform field between the grids and at the same time offers a minimum physical obstruction. The next section of the tube is an evacuated chamber commonly known as the drift space. In this

drift space, the electrons whose velocity has been increased by the buncher "catch-up" with those which were slowed down by buncher action.

A second cavity resonator, commonly called a catcher, follows the drift space and is identical (in the tube shown in Fig. 1) to the

buncher. The catcher resonator grids are identical in construction to those of the buncher and are spaced by the same amount. Beyond the buncher is a collector electrode, which in the case of the tube shown in Fig. 1, consists of a metal cylinder with heat radiating fins and a series of different

Fig. 2 (Below)—410R Klystron showing tuning knob and coaxial feedback cable. Note springs and struts of tuning mechanism

Fig. 3 (Right)—Basic features of cavity tuning mechanism in 410R. Wedge expands one strut only to alter distance between grids

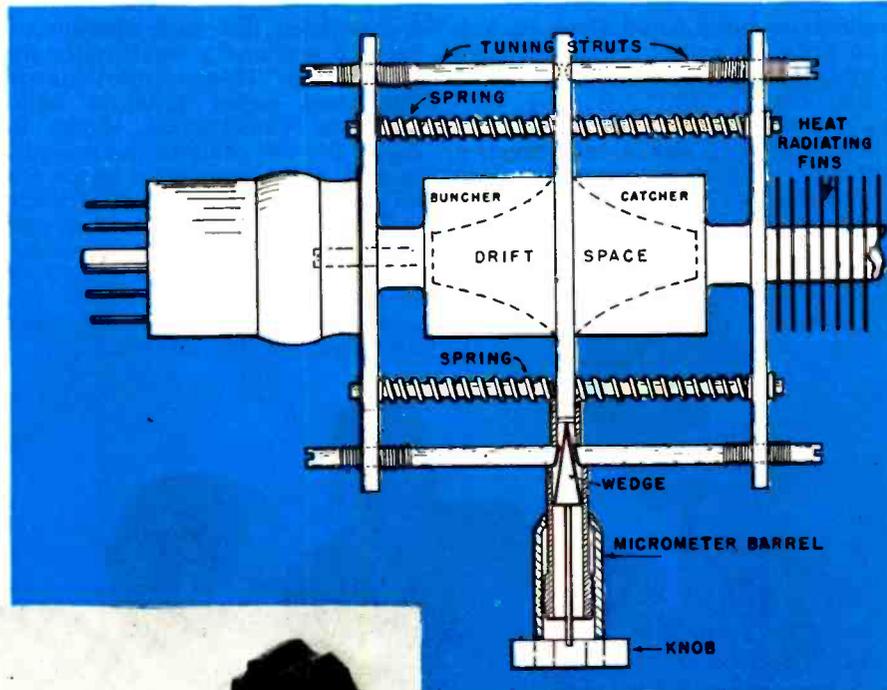
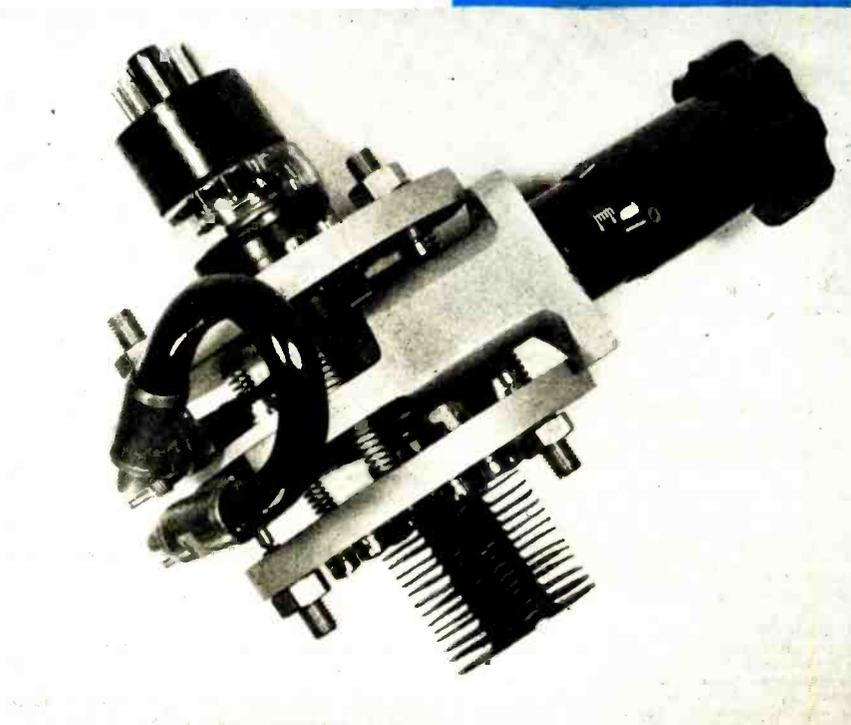
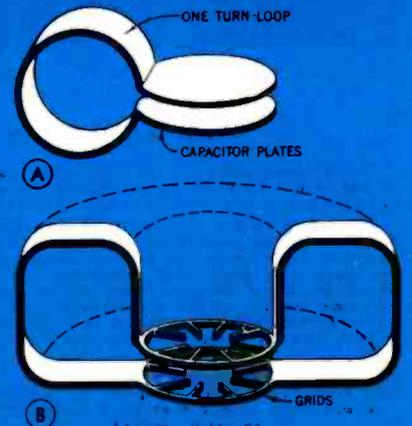


Fig. 4—Simple tank circuit at A has low Q at uhf because of radiation of energy. Increasing number of loops as at B develops into cavity as used in Klystron and other tubes



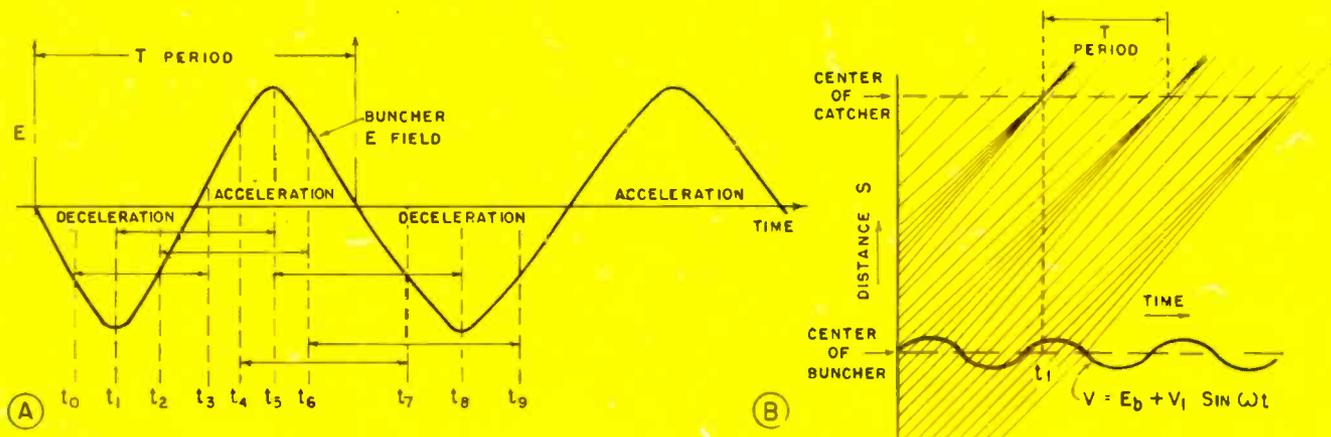


Fig. 5. Effect of buncher field on electron velocity at A and Applegate diagram of bunching at B. Slope represents velocities

diameter holes bored along its axis in order to collect the spent electrons and radiate the heat caused by them.

To take energy from the cavities and also to inject it into them, a number of pickup leads are sealed into the two chambers. They consist of a short section of coaxial

transmission line with appropriate vacuum seal and a small half-turn pickup loop. These connections are sometimes called antenna seals.

In the construction shown in Fig. 1, the two cavities, the smoother grid, and the collector anode are all connected together electrically to the positive terminal of the dc power supply. The only insulation in the tube is the small glass ring at the base which insulates the cathode and grid structure from the remainder of the tube.

The ends of the cavities are made flexible by the concentric rib construction. The frequency at which the tube operates is adjustable over a range of several per cent of its fundamental frequency by means of mechanically "stretching" the tube to change the distance between the buncher grids and the catcher grids. In this tube the distance from buncher grid to catcher grid is normally very near one inch.

The tuning mechanism is shown attached to the tube in Fig. 2 and a diagram of the operation is shown in Fig. 3. The frequency of the tube may be altered over a rather wide range by means of the three tuning struts for each cavity. These three struts operate against the center ring midway between the two resonators and stretch the anode end and the cathode end away from the center thus altering the distance between the buncher



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### CALIFORNIANS WHO DEVELOPED THE KLYSTRON

The Klystron came out of California; three men were responsible for the final development of the tube. They are Russell Varian, his younger brother Sigurd, and Dr. William W. Hansen, associate professor of Physics at Leland Stanford University.

Subsequent to the conception of the original idea of the Klystron, which occurred to Sigurd Varian while he was Flight Captain for Pan American Airways on the Mexican and Central American flight lanes, the brothers retired to Malibu, Calif., to work out the basic theory and the preliminary paper work. After the idea had been worked into a practical form, they contacted Dr. David Webster, head of the department of Physics at Stanford, with the hope of obtaining the use of the University laboratories. This was a logical move because it was from Stanford that Russell graduated in 1925 with the Degree of A.E. Doctor Webster consented to take them on as research associates without pay.

It was during this period that the brothers met Doctor Hansen who worked with them in developing the final design based on the "velocity grouping principle." The final model was built from this design by Sigurd. It worked just as expected during the preliminary tests.

It was mere chance that Dr. H. Hugh Willis, vice-president, Sperry Gyroscope Co., and then chief research engineer, arrived at the Oakland airport just as the instrument was ready for demonstration, and Doctor Willis was invited to see the new instrument. That was the beginning of Sperry's association with Klystron.

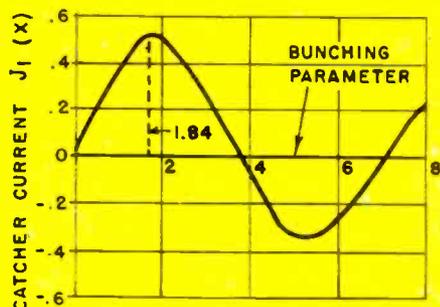


Fig. 6. (Above)—Variation of rf catcher current for bunching parameter X as given by equation 3

Fig. 8. (Right)—Experimental curves of multiple oscillation points for values of  $1/\beta$

Fig. 9. (Right center)—Experimental frequency deviation with beam voltage for 410R

Fig. 10. (Far right)—Dial calibration determined experimentally for 410R

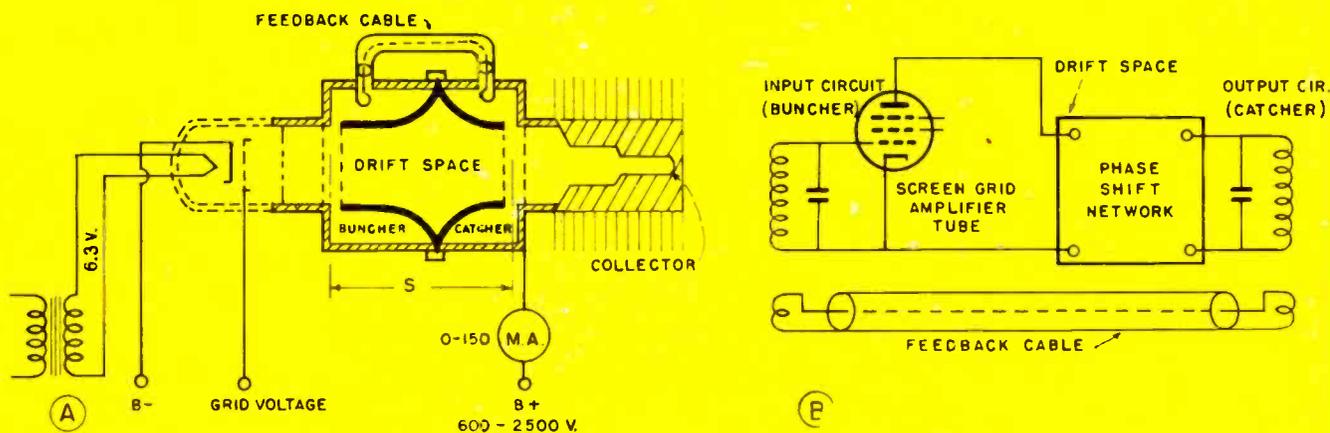


Fig. 7. Klystron tube at A showing bunching distance  $S$  and equivalent conventional tube circuit at B. Phase-shift network replaces drift space

and catcher grids. Tension springs are used to keep the end plates bearing against the struts.

A vernier tuning mechanism is employed and the control knob and graduated scale on the 410R are shown in Fig. 2. A micrometer type barrel operates a screw and wedge to expand or contract the length of one of the three tuning struts.

The extension of the analysis of ordinary lumped constant circuits (circuits including inductance, capacitance and resistance), to the ultra-short wavelengths obtained with Klystrons presents a number of difficulties. Consider the single wire loop and capacitor shown in Fig. 4 (A). As the size of the loop is decreased to reduce the wavelength, the losses become tremendous and the loop practically vanishes before the desired wavelength is reached. By adding a number of larger loops in parallel

to decrease the inductance; this would lead to the shape shown in Fig. 4 (B) which resembles the resonators actually used in Klystrons.

Cavity resonators, like transmission lines, have more than one resonant frequency. A simple coil and capacitor circuit, in which all dimensions are negligible compared with the wavelength, has only one resonant frequency. A long transmission line has an infinite number of resonant frequencies which occur when the length is an integral number of quarter or half wavelengths, and a single number suffices to specify the order of a harmonic.

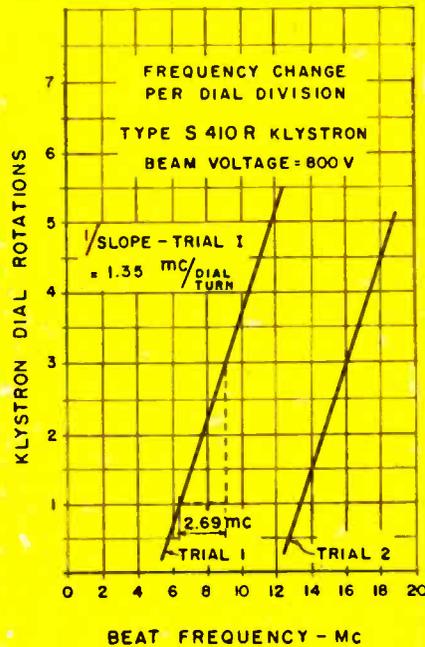
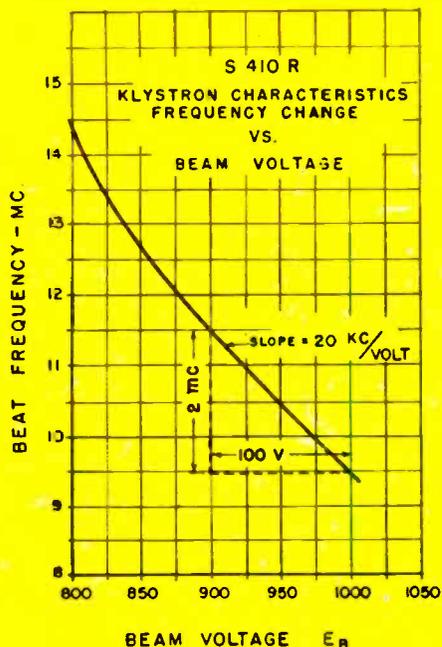
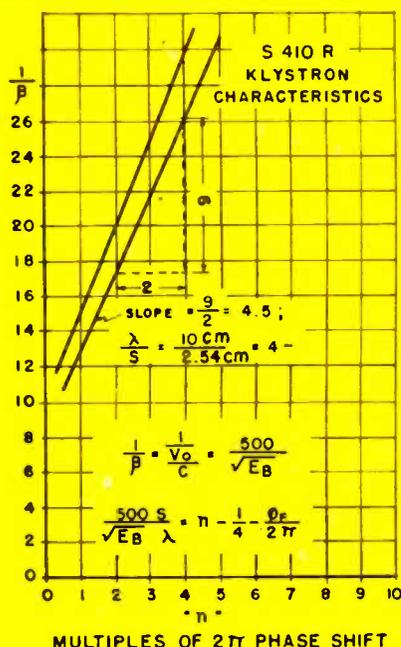
In a cavity resonator all three dimensions are in general comparable with a wavelength, and nodes can exist in three different directions. Not only are three numbers now required to specify the order

of a certain "harmonic", but the higher resonant frequencies are no longer integral multiples.

It is possible to divide the fields within a cylindrical cavity resonator into two main types: one type has the electric field  $E$  parallel to the axis. The second type is a similar family with the electric and magnetic fields interchanged. The relations are analogous to the fields in waveguides (c.f. Slater-Microwave Transmission), but the usual waveguide notation will be replaced in the discussion below by the Bessel function describing the boundary conditions, since this allows convenient computation of the resonant wavelength of a cylindrical cavity. If  $b$  is the length of the cavity and  $a$  is the radius:

$$\frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \left(\frac{m}{2b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{k}{2\pi a}\right)^2 \quad (1)$$

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# MASS SPECTROMETER —

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## Sorting atoms and molecules in structure of hydrocarbons provides accurate control routine and aids developments

• It is only in the last few years that technics in electronics and high-vacua have advanced to such a point that workers in these fields could develop commercial mass spectrometers for routine industrial analysis work. The growing number of instruments in industrial use, together with their all-electronic nature, makes the subject one of current interest to the electronics engineer.

Though its commercial application is new, the principle of the mass spectrometer is relatively old. It was in 1918 that Dempster constructed the first mass spectrometer, and in 1919, Aston constructed the first mass spectrograph. Earlier than that, J. J. Thompson and others had done much work on positive rays.

In the years following this pioneer work scientists constructed a large number of mass spectrometers and mass spectrographs in physical laboratories all over the world, and did much important work on the masses and isotopes of the elements. This paper will describe one commercial instrument and discuss

briefly its applications, particularly in the field of hydrocarbon analysis.

A mass spectrometer is a device for sorting atoms and molecules according to their masses. The basic method of accomplishing this sorting is to give each particle an electric charge, then to act on the charged particles by a combination of electric and magnetic fields in such a manner that particles of the same mass follow the same path, and particles of different masses follow different paths. Although the principle applies to substances of any mass, we will consider here only those substances which can exist in the gaseous state at ordinary temperatures.

### Sorting atoms

Many different arrangements of electric and magnetic fields have been used to accomplish this sorting action. The instrument to be described here is the 180 deg. type, commonly called the Dempster type. In this the ions are generated at one point in a magnetic field, and are speeded up to a high velocity

over a short distance by an electric field. Then they follow circular paths in the magnetic field, the radius of each path depending on the respective masses of the ions.

A collector, placed 180 deg. from the source, collects that particular beam of ions which travels a path with a radius equal to half the distance between the source and the collector. In practice this radius is fixed, and the particular mass beam which follows a curve of this radius is selected by varying either the electric field or the magnetic field, or both. The relation between the mass, the radius of curvature, the accelerating voltage, and the magnetic fields is given by

$$m = \frac{r^2 e B^2}{2Vc^2}, \text{ (esu), (1)}$$

where  $m$  is the mass,  $e$  is the charge of the particle,  $V$  is the voltage to which the ion is accelerated,  $r$  is the radius of the curvature,  $c$  is the velocity of light, and  $B$  is the flux density.

To give a typical numerical example, with a tube radius of five inches and a flux density of 2100 gauss, ionized molecular oxygen,  $O_2^+$  (mass 32) strikes the collector at 1075 volts, and ionized atomic oxygen,  $O^+$  (mass 16), at twice that voltage.

The above equation shows that, for a given radius of curvature, varying either the accelerating voltage or the magnetic field will bring a given mass into focus. Varying the voltage is the more practical method when the spectrum is to be scanned continuously, and is the method used in the Consolidated instrument.

Fig. 1 illustrates the foregoing. Neglecting for the moment the method by which the ions are generated, assume that in the region A ions of several masses are being formed simultaneously at a continuous rate. These ions are pushed through slit G by a small voltage between F and B. Then, under the

Fig. 1—Basic arrangement of mass spectrometer. Accelerated ions, formed at A, travel in arc due to magnetic field. Ions of some particular mass will strike target connected to amplifier

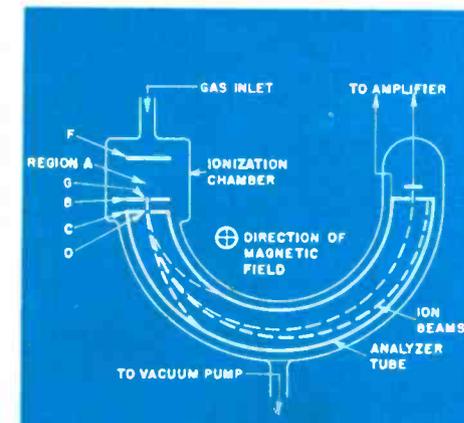
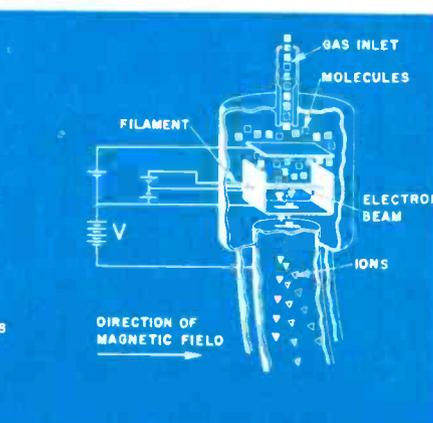
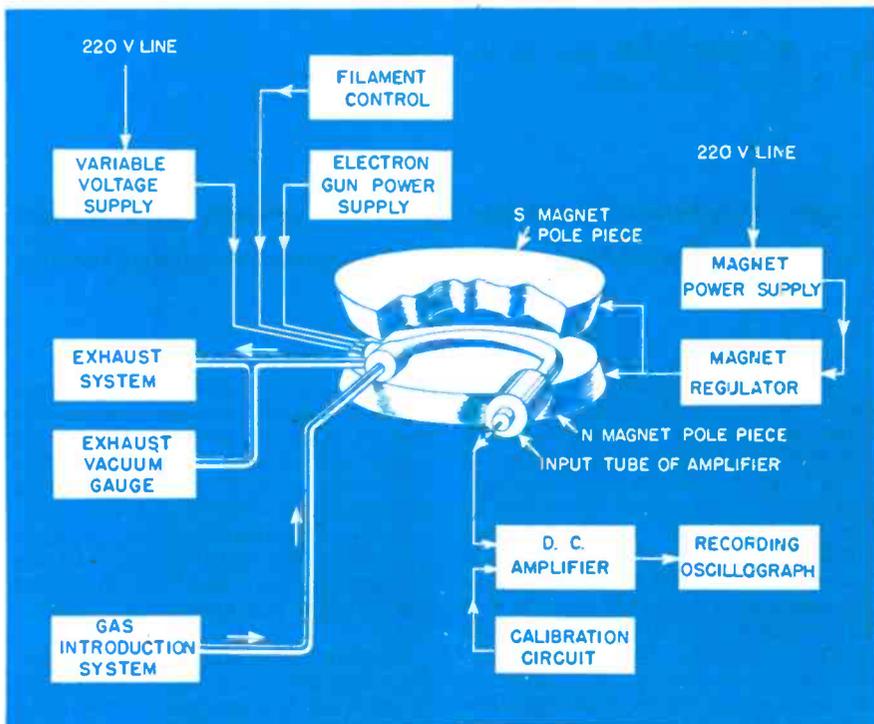


Fig. 2—Details of region A in Fig. 1. Electron beam ionizes gas sample by collision. Voltage V gives forward velocity to ions which in combination with magnetic field and their mass determine path radius



# NEW INDUSTRIAL TOOL



lector current constitutes a *mass spectrum*.

At this point it is desirable to differentiate between the mass spectrograph and the mass spectrometer; in the mass spectrograph the ion beams impinge directly on a photographic plate. Usually several beams strike the plate simultaneously at different points and the relative densities of the lines thus formed are the measures of the intensities of the beams. In the mass spectrometer, on the other hand, the ion current is collected on a target and measured by an electrometer or a dc amplifier.

The mass spectrograph is well adapted to measurement of mass, but is less convenient and less accurate than the mass spectrometer for chemical analysis work in which beam intensities must be measured. For these reasons the mass spectrometer rather than the mass spectrograph is used for modern analytical work.

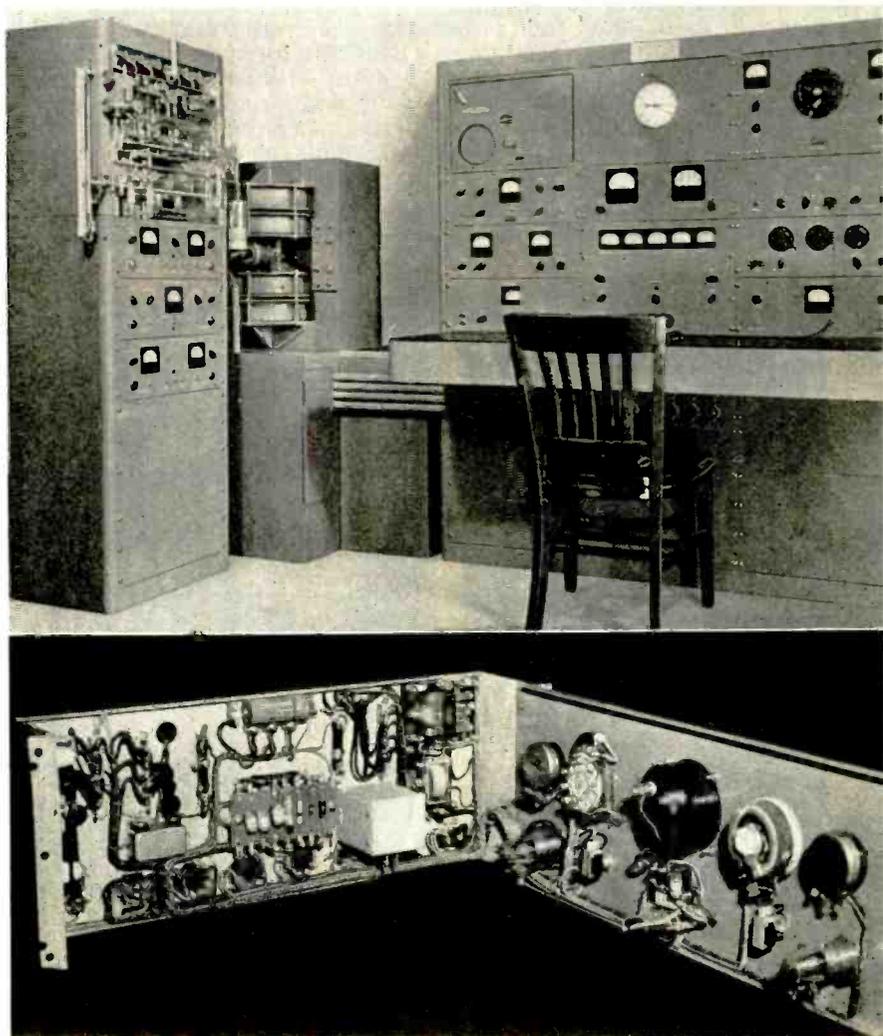
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▲ Fig. 3—Block diagram of mass spectrometer equipment showing tube between poles of magnet

Fig. 4—Commercial version of mass spectrometer, showing complete equipment and arrangement of components. Fig. 5 (Below)—Typical chassis arrangement, this view showing inside of one of the front panels

influence of the voltage  $V$  (Fig. 2), they are accelerated between plates B and C, and emerge from slit D with velocities dependent upon  $V$  and upon their masses. A uniform magnetic field, perpendicular to the plane of the paper, causes the various groups of ions to follow different circular paths, in accordance with equation (1).

The heavier ions follow paths of larger radius and strike the outside wall of the tube, while the light ions follow paths of smaller radius and strike the inside wall. For certain values of  $V$ , however, ions of one mass will follow the tube for its entire length and strike the collector. The current carried by these ions is a measure of the number of ions of this particular mass which are formed per second at A. If the voltage  $V$  is varied from high to low values in a continuous manner, all masses, starting with light masses, are successively brought to focus at the collector, and a record of this col-



# CARRIER SYSTEMS FOR

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## *Single sideband, multiple channel speech and signal equipment applied to conventional communication circuits*

● Since the early experiments conducted almost thirty years ago, carrier telephone transmission has been developed rapidly. The first carrier telephone or "wired wireless" systems used low radio frequencies and considerable amounts of power. It was not uncommon to have a carrier power of several hundred watts. The carrier and both sidebands were transmitted.

The frequency bands occupied a large range of territory and operation of more than one carrier channel over a circuit was a difficult technical feat. The transmission losses were large due to the high frequencies used and the noise susceptibility was high. In addition, crosstalk to other wires on the same telephone lead made it inadvisable to operate more than one or two systems on a pole line.

With the development of sharply tuned wave filters, it became possible to suppress the carrier and one sideband and reduce the transmitted power involved. Transmission gains were made by lowering the frequency. It was found that intelligible speech could be transmitted with a 1600 cycle band and the amount of territory used in the transmission of intelligence was further reduced. Most of the development of carrier transmission has been confined to wire lines because of the cost reduction in plant maintenance and operation.

Experimental carrier communication over radio facilities has been investigated for a number of years. A form of carrier over radio has been used for a long time to provide semi-privacy on the talking channel. This means of carrier com-

munication is called "scrambling," or inversion of the voice frequencies and is accomplished by generating upper and lower sidebands of approximately a 3 kc carrier and transmitting only the lower sideband. Unscrambling is accomplished by the reintroduction of the carrier at the receiving end and suppressing the unwanted components.

Carrier telegraphy—or tone keying—has been also extensively used to increase the services offered by a particular radio link. A small amount of distortion results only in inter-channel interference and, in modern radio links, is not of sufficient magnitude to degrade the telegraph communication.

Where short distance communications over radio circuits are vitally important, carrier telephony presents many obvious advantages in the installation of communication circuits. The installation of a single radio link and the associated carrier equipment offers a quick and easy means of obtaining urgently needed telephone and telegraph circuits.

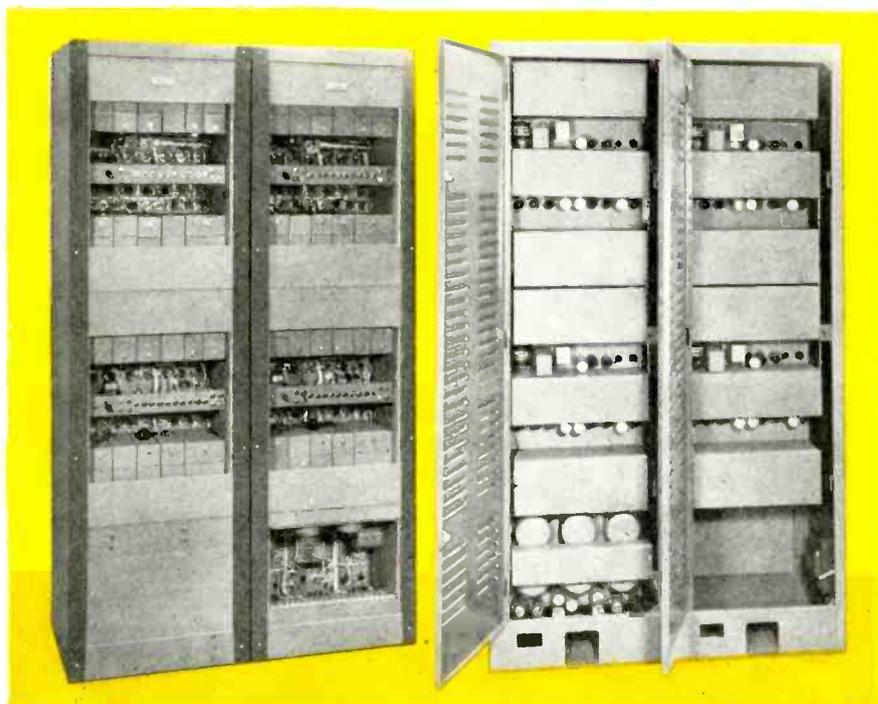
Frequency modulated transmitters and receivers offer a particularly adaptable carrier transmission path as they present low distortion and a relatively noise-free circuit easily modulated to the higher frequencies involved. They are highly stable with respect to overall audio gain and make wire line termination simple.

### **Design details**

The number of carrier channels that can be transmitted over a radio circuit is limited by the upper frequency modulation capability of the transmission medium and its power capabilities.

The carrier apparatus to be described, offers four channel communication complete with drop to drop signaling and termination to a 2-wire line. The upper frequency used is 12.5 kc. Channel No. 1 communication is transmitted at

Front view with covers removed, and rear view of the four terminal carrier equipment which provides four complete communication channels and termination to two-wire line



# RADIO AND WIRE LINES

normal audio frequencies. Channels Nos. 2, 3 and 4 are operated on a carrier basis. It is possible to use ten channels of tone telegraph on any one channel procuring ten channels of telegraph and three of voice. A fifth channel may be added if desired and the upper frequency limit becomes 16 kc.

The terminal as shown in the photograph, consists of two standard relay racks, mounted side by side, housing four receivers and four transmitters for voice communication as well as four carrier signal receivers and four carrier signal transmitters. The power supplies are included in one rack and matching transformers are mounted in the remaining rack.

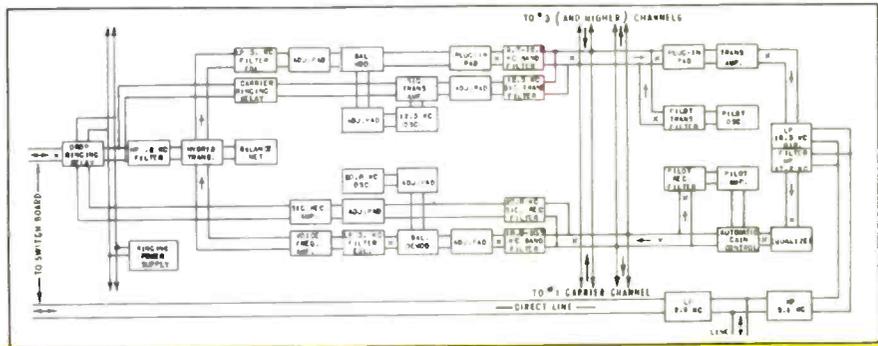
When properly installed on a radio link, a pair of these terminals—one pair at each end of the circuit—will provide facilities, without mutual interference, for four talking channels and four signaling, or ringing, channels. All tubes are of the 6N7 type with the exception of the rectifier tubes. The racks are 18 in. deep, 22½ in. wide and 76 in. high and weigh approximately 750 lbs. each.

One rack of a terminal contains Channel No. 1 (the physical), Channel No. 2 and the matching transformers which connect the carrier apparatus to the radio link. Space is provided for a ringing machine to be used in conjunction with ringing circuits or to ring the bells of the telephones associated with the terminal, if desired.

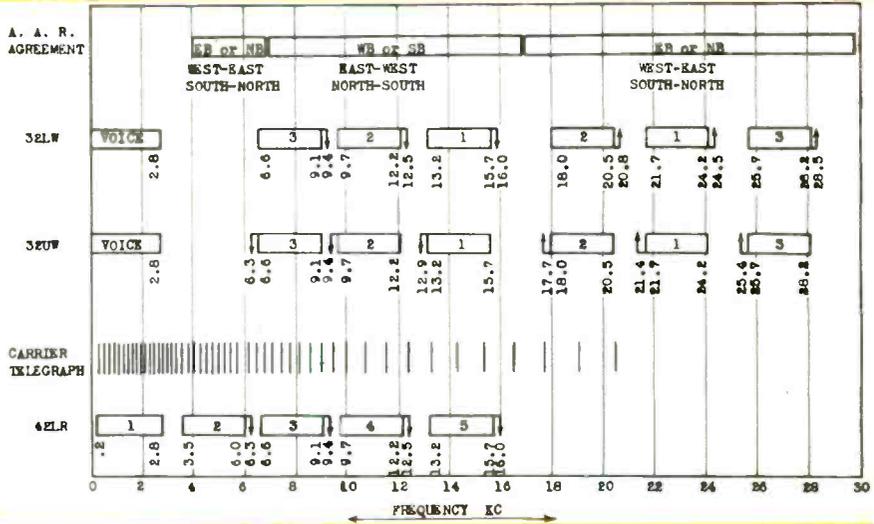
The other rack contains Channels Nos. 3 and 4 and the power supplies. The power supply provides the necessary high voltage and filament voltage for the operation of all channels. Facilities are provided for the adjustment of the various voltages encountered on standard ac lines.

The power supply consists of three units: one to supply all channel receivers; one to supply the transmitters; and one to supply the signaling apparatus. They contain fuses associated with the transmitting, receiving and signaling branches of each channel—a separate fuse being used to supply each component of each channel. Failure of one channel in this way would not disable other channels operating from the same power supply. A voltage regulator tube supplies the oscillator voltages on the four channels with a relatively constant voltage regardless of line voltage variations.

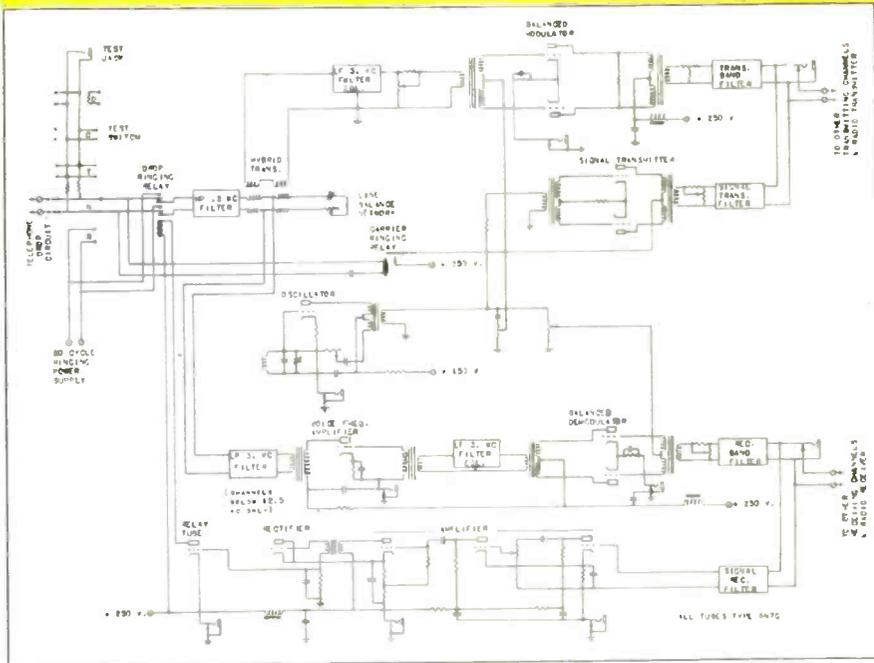
The relay racks are equipped on the front with individual channel



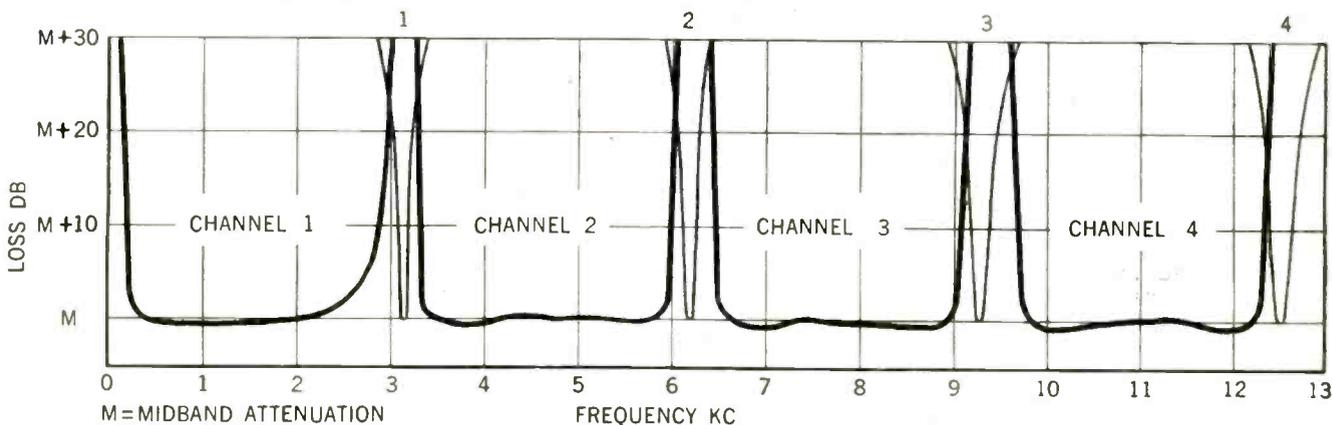
Block diagram of direct line and No. 2 carrier channel as applied to wire lines. Frequencies of filters and oscillators in other channels are shown on the chart below, which illustrates assignments for several typical systems.



Basic circuit diagram for one channel of system shown in block diagram above



### CARRIER SIGNAL CHANNELS



Relative overall transmission frequency characteristics of four-channel radio carrier telephone system. Channel bandwidths are representative of overall audio transmission characteristics measured between two-wire terminations

doors which are removable to facilitate testing and servicing. These doors may be locked.

The reverse side of the rack is accessible by means of a hinged door. This side of the rack contains the bandpass filters, relays associated with the signaling circuits, vacuum tubes and terminal strips for rack inter-wiring. Terminal strips are also supplied to obtain various voltages derived from the signaling circuits. These derived voltages may be used to block the grids of associate radio transmitters, receivers, or to control other apparatus.

The terminal strips are covered by removable safety shields. Telephone and radio drop connections are also made here. The terminal is operated from 110 volts ac 50-60 cycles current and draws 250 watts. The apparatus operates on a 4-wire basis between terminals using the same transmitting and receiving frequencies.

The respective gain of the transmitting and receiving branches of the carrier apparatus is such that a zero loss drop circuit may be obtained over a minus 27 db circuit between terminals. The output of each channel is 1 mw into 600 ohms. The equipment is wired so that a ring initiated at one channel of the terminal will ring the bell of the associated telephone on the same channel of the far terminal.

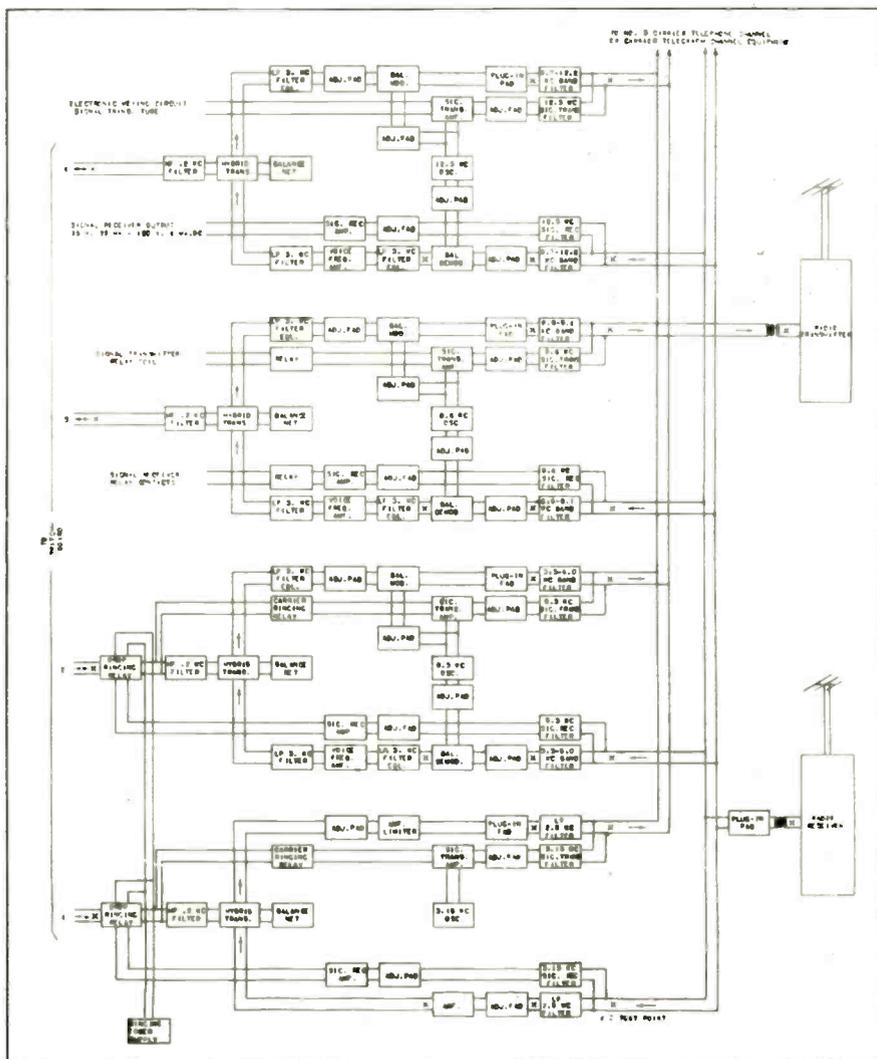
In the center of each individual carrier chassis (which in itself is a complete unit less only the power supplies) is a jack test strip. The cathode circuits of all vacuum tubes are brought to this strip to provide easy testing of the various tubes and the condition of various circuits.

A rotary switch is provided with each channel to switch a telephone set to the circuits associated with the carrier terminal for test purposes.

Audio frequencies from 250 to 2750 cycles per second are transmitted from drop to drop. This band width is considered standard

for high quality telephone circuits. Due to the design of the band filters and signal channel filters it (Continued on page 176)

Block diagram of four (or more) two-way carrier channels applied to radio system





# CALIFORNIA— Pacific Gateway

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**Strategic importance of West Coast in maintaining supply lines to Japan is centering attention on that area**

● War conscious California has done a job. Closest to our western enemy, manufacturers of the Golden State have produced and are producing a great stream of vitally necessary electronic material that is helping to implement a war that eventually must be fought through supply lines leading largely from the West Coast of the United States across the broad reaches of the Pacific to the home grounds of the Japanese.

When the European phase of the war has been brought to a successful conclusion, all our effort can be focused on the Pacific battleground, and the strategic position of the West Coast becomes apparent, representing as it does, the last stepping stone to battlegrounds daily being pushed closer to Japan's home bases. With California's fine harbors full of ships heavily laden with war material, we are steadily forging a steel bridge that will lead directly to the enemy's doorstep. The West Coast of the United States naturally becomes the American end of this long supply line.

That the Pacific phase of the war likely will represent a considerably drawn out affair is generally conceded and that the Armed Forces will continue to need vast quantities of electronic equipment is perfectly clear.

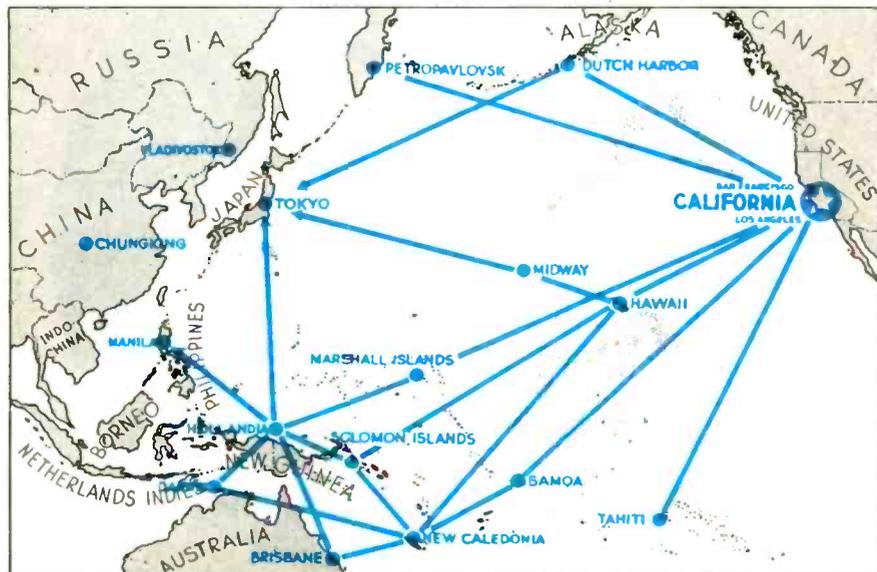
Electronic equipments play an ever-increasing part in the operations of the Armed Forces and the electronic industry is constantly contributing new and improved devices to aid in the defeat of the enemy. Exactly what electronic equipments are being used and what they do must remain untold for the duration, but it can be said that they are used in every aircraft, in every ship and submarine,



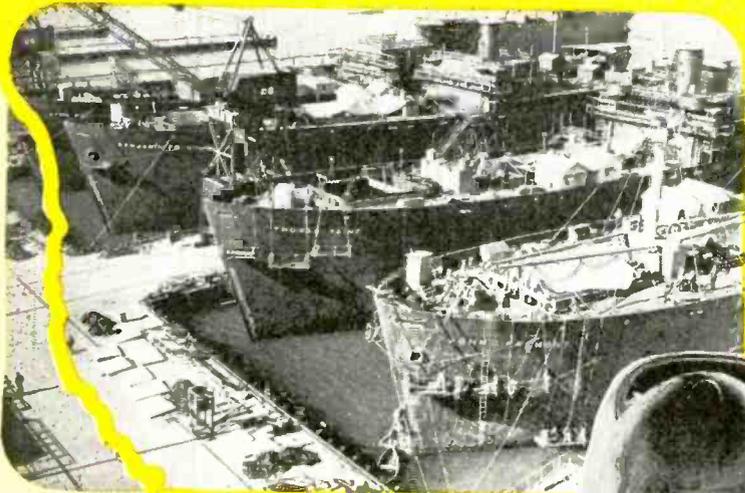
in tanks, trucks and jeeps, and on the ground. They are used for the protection of our troops as well as for the destruction of the enemy. The mobility of this war with its necessarily long supply lines places growing responsibility on communications and its equipments.

The electronic procurement program of the Armed Forces has been expanding each year and present estimates indicate further expansion next year. California's teeming factories play a substantial part in this vast program and its products range from small radio crystals and components to some of the largest electronic equipments, produced.

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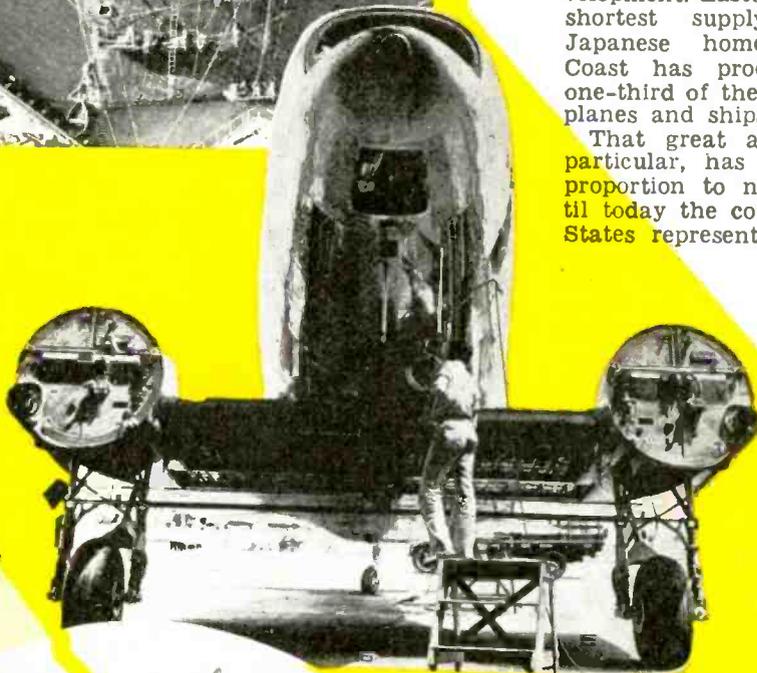
# CALIFORNIA PLANS



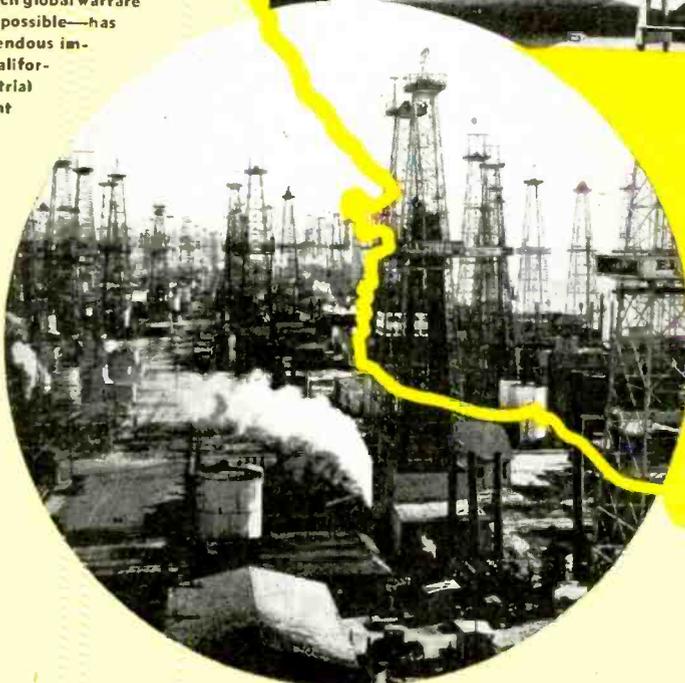
• War has brought a second gold rush to California. And her electronic industry has grown to the point where it now represents a very substantial part of the industrial development that is serving to focus attention on the Pacific-washed shores of the United States.

It is natural that great production projects should center on the West Coast. California's geographic position, closest to our Asiatic enemies, lends point to such development. Eastern terminal of the shortest supply lines to the Japanese homeland, the West Coast has produced more than one-third of the nation's output of planes and ships.

That great area, California in particular, has grown out of all proportion to normal growth until today the country's 11 Western States represent approximately 15



Supplying in endless streams the sinews of war—ships, oil, airplanes and the vital electronic products without which global warfare would be impossible—has given tremendous impetus to California's industrial development



per cent of the purchasing power of the whole country—with but 10.7 per cent of its population. And with that growth has come similarly war-stimulated expansion of the electronic industry that practically over night has made the West almost, if not quite, virtually self-supporting, an industry complete within itself with a steadily decreasing need to "go outside" for anything.

The Rocky Mountains, great natural barrier, have had an important bearing in influencing California manufacturers to play in their own backyards. But what with the expansion that has marked practically every plant remotely connected with electronic equipment, more than a few have pretty definitely laid plans to invade markets long considered, if not inaccessible, at least undesirable from a competitive point of

# HER ELECTRONIC FUTURE

by **STANLEY P. McMINN**

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**Golden State factories, natural source for fastest growing and greatest regional market, see bright postwar era**

view. For if they are to hold their organizations together they realize, big as the West Coast market unquestionably is, their own backyards are no longer going to be big enough territory. They are cocking business eyes at the national market.

Others, secure in their belief of a tremendous demand for electronic products from South America and the Asiatic countries, China in particular, and visualizing the strategic advantage of their location, look to exports as a logical outlet.

In any case, and despite what qualms they may have for the future, practically to a man, factory executives insist that postwar they will carry on, that they will continue to be manufacturers of electronic products—maybe not exactly the same products, for this, manifestly, would be impossible when demands for strictly war material have slackened to the stopping point—but something electronic, if not a complete unit of some sort, at least a component part.

A goodly percentage of California's plants have been doing just that anyway—producing great quantities of components and sub-assemblies. Here, as elsewhere, sub-contracting has grown tremendously and in large measure has been responsible for big production. Few are the companies that have not made and are not making something for somebody else.

## **Hundred factories**

At the present time California has just under a hundred factories intimately connected with the production of electronic equipment, parts and components, with perhaps a dozen or so more in what might be termed a fringe group producing such things as hardware, tools and parts not strictly electronic but nevertheless highly necessary and thus important.

By far the majority of plants are relatively small. If you eliminate nine really large plants, of

which the largest carries something over 2000 employes on its payroll, with the other eight tapering off to 450 employes, you find that 85 plants employ an average of 90 people. The figure, though is a little misleading for the reason that among the 85 are perhaps a dozen that have in the neighborhood of 300 employes which makes the average figure for the others a bit higher than it should be. Otherwise, personnel for these

of the Southern people that the big producers are in or near the City of the Angels. In fact, only a couple of the big producers are up North.

As to who makes what, a study of the Directory which appears in this issue will give a clear picture though no table of statistics can tell the whole story. California manufacturers, for example, have always been short of facilities for the production of some of the com-

## **PACIFIC EMPIRE**

Occupying more than half the Pacific coastline of the United States, California is a State of solid achievement in industry, of romance in history. Yet few, even among those who live within its borders, have a clear picture of the true greatness California represents as a growing market for electronic products in industry and in homes; as a rapidly developing distributing center; as a science center through its institutions of learning; as an important production center for the armed forces and the vast civilian population for which it is the hub; as a center of engineering achievement; and as a broadcasting empire complete within itself.

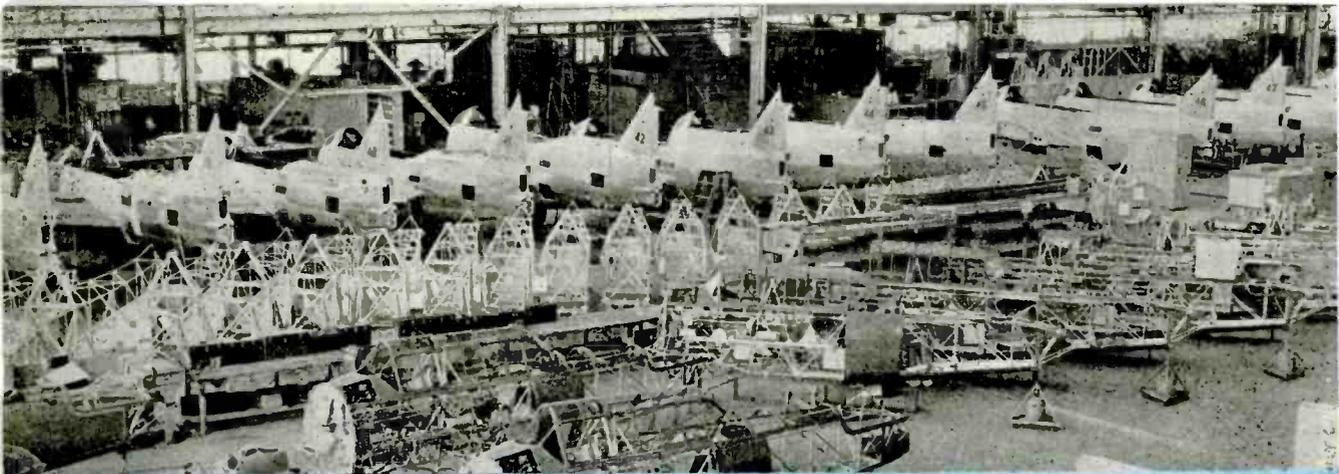
smaller plants ranges from a minimum of six to a maximum of about 300. The larger plants, previously mentioned, employ in the neighborhood of 8000 people all told, which gives that group an average of around 880 per plant. If you count noses in all the plants, the total comes up to a bit over 15,000, for a grand average of 172 people per plant.

Two-thirds of the state's electronic industry, or some 63 plants, are located in Southern California, due in large part to the factor of favorable climate which simplifies building construction and eliminates heating problems, and in some measure to the aggressive promotion of that part of the state by the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. Up North, clustered in and around San Francisco and Oakland, you find the other third. Which gives substance to the claim

moner components that are a vital necessity in almost any electronic equipment. This means such things as fixed capacitors, wire-wound resistors, electrolytics, sockets. Such things have always had to come from the middle west and the east, and while this has entailed no particular hardship other than occasional delay, Californians have long felt the need for buying such things from "foreigners" to be somewhat of a reflection upon their ability to be truly self-supporting.

## **Components situation**

Now, at least a start has been made at remedying the condition. In fact affairs have improved to the point where one fairly large producer of complete units for the army is able to point with pride to his ability to buy 85 per cent of his



ceivers, in addition to a varied assortment of other communication equip-With some heavy bombers carrying several complete transmitters and re industry, which has produced one-third of US planes, becomes apparent, importance of electronic manufacture to California's aviation

component needs within a few miles of his own factory. Part of such needs, including variable condensers, he has started to make himself, with the ultimate view of supplying other manufacturers as soon as the present urgent need for military equipment eases. Another manufacturer has also taken up production of variable condensers. The same condition prevails with a number of other manufacturers who have gone into production of components for their own use but plan eventually to supply the California market. This goes for oil-filled and paper capacitors, and wire-wound resistors. Thus there is forming the nucleus of a components industry that may in time emancipate California factories.

That there may be even greater need for a close-by source of supply for such parts in the not too far distant future is revealed by the fairly common knowledge that at least three of the larger eastern manufacturers of home radios, looking to the time when they may be permitted to produce for the eye-filling market represented by the 11 Western States, actually have started negotiations looking to the establishment of branch manufacturing plants on the Paci-

fic Coast and in the neighborhood of LA. Another, already established there, is understood to have something on the griddle that when thoroughly cooked up will represent a Western source of supply for one of the bigger Eastern mail order houses.

#### Potential market

As a matter of sober fact, California and the contiguous territory included in the ten other Western States, represents probably the greatest potential market for home radio sets, and certain other electronic products, in the country. And it is small wonder radio manufacturers are casting sheep's eyes in that general direction.

As friend Al Smith says: "Let's look at the record". In the period of three short years bringing us up to the first of this year, population of the area increased 8.5 per cent, with California heading the parade increase with a boost of 14.8 per cent. This during a period when, due to the transition of many males from civilian to military duties, the population of the United States as a whole, went off by 3.1 per cent.

War work accounts for most of the increase, of course. But even

before the great aviation and ship-building concerns commenced to recruit labor by the carload there had been a noticeable shift in population from East to West, a shift that has been accelerated by war needs and that has culminated in what has become virtually a great mass migration. And it is all highly paid help, with plenty of money to spend, an insistent yen for brand new radio sets complete with all the gadgets—and no sets to be had, yet.

The population of California alone has boomed well over a million, and despite the fact that all the State's people are spread over an area that puts only 49 souls to a square mile (as compared with 275, for example, in New York) the radio set density of the Golden State is higher than any other State in the country—2.37 sets per person. In other words, in the last year before the war, Californians bought more radio sets per family than did the residents of any other State, not omitting New York, Illinois and Pennsylvania with the highly concentrated metropolitan markets represented by New York, Chicago and Philadelphia.

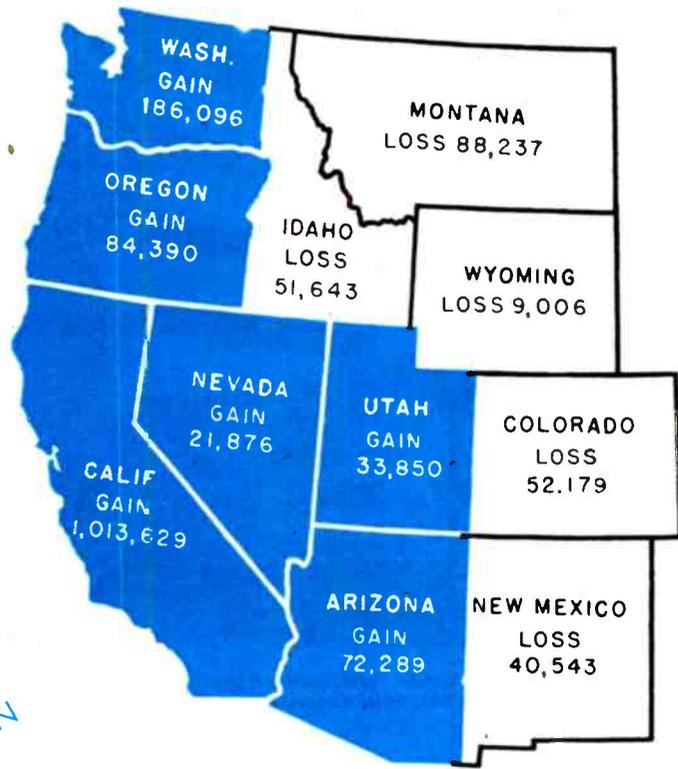
Consider another statistic. Those 11 Western States, with only 10.7 per cent of the total population,

It is in this stage of production that much of the electronic equipment—radio, radar, direction finding, interphones and allied communication and control apparatus—is built into modern fighters and bombers, enough on a 2000-plane raid to exceed total investment in American broadcasting

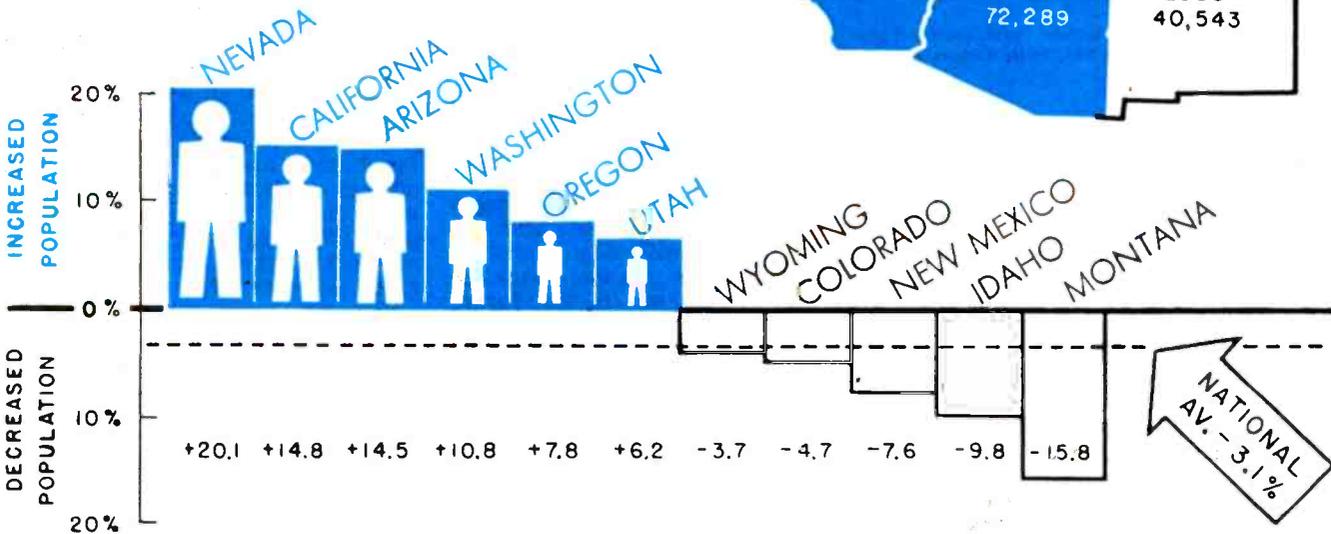


## STATISTICAL PICTURE OF THE WEST

With greater per capita ownership of home radio than any other region in the United States; with more automobiles and telephones, California has forged far ahead of every other state in population increase. More than a million people have crossed the borders of the Golden State in the past four years, highlighting the great growth that has marked most of the eleven Western states and making of that area the greatest potential postwar market in the country.



■ Population increase    □ Population decrease



State	Population	Population Change 1940-1944	Wired Homes	Radio Sets	B C Stations	KW Hours Consumption (000)	Motor Vehicles	Telephones
Arizona	497,068	+14.5%	98,500	177,000	11	855,674	141,005	78,800
California	7,814,700	+14.8%	2,184,500	3,835,000	59	14,740,557	2,907,001	2,258,500
Colorado	1,119,274	-4.7%	233,900	584,000	14	953,583	359,860	262,700
Idaho	524,809	-9.8%	112,500	238,000	7	816,172	157,106	80,350
Montana	558,270	-15.8%	96,000	236,000	9	1,920,838	175,227	83,600
Nevada	108,761	+20.1%	26,500	59,000	2	158,351	50,406	26,400
New Mexico	530,662	-7.6%	61,000	120,000	9	198,486	115,916	50,260
Oregon	1,088,284	+7.8%	283,700	590,000	22	3,013,383	417,566	252,600
Utah	549,722	+6.2%	144,100	236,000	8	1,253,647	154,107	113,000
Washington	1,719,143	+10.8%	522,000	944,000	27	8,058,285	610,309	415,375
Wyoming	244,745	-3.7%	43,400	118,000	5	153,835	86,786	43,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,755,438</b>	<b>+8.5%</b>	<b>2,813,501</b>	<b>7,137,000</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>32,122,811</b>	<b>5,175,289</b>	<b>3,714,885</b>
<b>U.S. total</b>	<b>131,329,104</b>		<b>10%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>14.8%</b>
<b>% of U.S. total</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>-3.1%</b>	<b>28,000,000</b>	<b>59,000,000</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>185,889,261</b>	<b>32,582,242</b>	<b>26,381,000</b>

# HOLLYWOOD

advantages of doing electronically many of the things that now are being done by other means. The needs of the war have been a great teacher. The great aviation industry could hardly have grown so quickly to its present proportions without the aid of electronic methods, notably resistance welding, and the dozens of other measuring, testing and inspection technics, many of which the industry has developed itself.

## Reconversion no problem

And even though these mammoth plane builders probably will not go on building anywhere near as many ships after the war as they turn out now, at least the plants will be building something and it is logical to expect that electronic methods will play as important a part in other production as they do in aviation. There is a not inconsiderable market, for example, for metal furniture both for homes and for factories and offices; prefabricated houses loom large on the horizon as a postwar possibility and the production line methods of the aviation people are made to order for such projects.

The ship building industry is in much the same boat, to risk a pun. At least one builder has let it be known that railroad gondolas and metal box cars look good to him. Here, again, is an ideal set-up for prefabricated buildings. Undoubtedly some California manufacturers at present up to their ears in production of electronic equipment for the military will turn their talents to the production of household appliances, refrigerators and things, or components thereof. All in all, the picture for the future looks brighter rather than darker and electronic applications will play an important part in all these coming developments.

Agriculturally, California is second to none in the production of citrus fruits, yet in that great industry you find practically no application of electronic principles. The orange growers have been experimenting with the use of X-rays for the detection of frost damage and granulation. However, for a year or more they have suffered from neither of these troubles and the equipment has remained dormant. Some use has been made of electric eye equipment for the sizing and grading of fruit.

Similarly, the walnut growers did some experimenting with electric



Columbia Broadcasting Systems west coast programs, routed to eight affiliated stations in the area and 141, in its nationwide network, originate in these studios

now have some 13 per cent of all the radio sets—yet California, natural source of supply for the area, can lay claim to producing only a plicayune 1.5 per cent of the sets the area bought. It is hardly to be wondered that California's manufacturers see a rose tint on the future.

They're on the edge of a tremendous market. The area has well over its quota of motor vehicles and telephones; it has no less than 18 per cent of the broadcasting stations and consumed 17.3 per cent of the total electricity produced in the United States, a large part of that being taken by the aviation and ship building industries, of course. It has its full quota of wired homes, though.

## Homes increase

And building construction is on the up. During the years 1939-42, there were 60 per cent more dwelling units constructed in the State of California than there were in New York. California was about equal to New York in 1939, but exceeded that state in residential construction by 44 per cent in 1940. Here are the figures:

	1939	1940	1941	1942
California	51,727	64,850	71,441	43,624
11 Western States	67,653	88,045	98,275	88,042
New York	51,882	45,035	33,189	13,411
United States	342,107	397,468	439,582	264,397

Those new homes represent pretty solid citizenry. They represent people who have settled down and taken root and will stay there, lured as much by the California

sunshine, no doubt, as by the opportunity for steady employment at good wages in congenial surrounding and offering advantages to be had nowhere else. And the most of them will stay there. A percentage may wander back to previous homes but if the future of the area is as bright as the promise makes it appear, they won't be leaving because of any difficulty in getting work.



The West boasts the largest per capita radio ownership of any U. S. Regional area

Aside from the great potential market for home radio sets which these 11 Western States represent, a market as immediate and as insistent as civilian production can supply, the long range picture reveals a steadily increasing use of other electronic equipment as industry learns its uses and becomes better educated to the economic

# HEADQUARTERS

eye equipment for sorting and grading nut meats, but the application did not turn out as successfully as had been anticipated and the experiment has been abandoned.

The oil industry has used electronic equipment for quite a while to help in the location of probable crude deposits though the market for such apparatus is a quite limited one with the oil companies themselves handling a good bit of the development work. Due to the nature of the work a great deal of experimenting is necessary and this is not conducive to standardization of equipment.

And of course the great motion picture studios, spawned in the California sunshine, are something more than important users of large quantities of electronic equipment and will remain users for many years to come. From the days of the original disk synchronized recordings that heralded the advent of the talkies to today's modern multiple sound track recordings represent a long period of laborious research during the course of which the use of vacuum tubes has multiplied hundreds of times over. That development, of course, is still going on and when current restrictions due to the war effort lift just a little, it is predicted that we'll all be pretty sick of what we have today in the light of what we are going to get.

## Television possibilities

The liaison between the motion picture people and the television group has always been close and appears to be growing closer what with the essential need of each learning from the other. Both groups have worked hard and long and enthusiastically toward the solution of mutual problems and the misfortune that the public must suffer in not immediately enjoying the fruits of those labors can only be laid to the need for greater war effort. Engineering has very definitely advanced.

There is considerable interest in television though there are only two transmitters and an estimated 300 receivers. Don Lee operates one of the transmitters but only once in two weeks for hour and a half periods. Television station W6XYZ, owned by Television Productions, Inc., presents 5 hours of live talent a week from a 600-watt transmitter feeding a bi-conical antenna. Boasting the largest studio in the West, W6XYZ is under the direction of Klaus Landsberg who is pioneering in studio and technical



National Broadcasting Company, which has 11 affiliated stations on the west coast, and a total of 145 in its national network occupies this Hollywood headquarters

methods. A new transmitter and a tower atop Mt. Wilson are planned.

Don Lee also operates the only FM transmitter in California which is regularly transmitting programs. There is another small FM transmitter operated sporadically by one of the institutions of learning, but it is not a commercial factor. Before Pearl Harbor the Don Lee FM station operated 12 hours a week, but since then

the schedule has been limited to half that. It is estimated that there may be 10,000 FM receivers in the area served by the transmitter. The aim is to give effective coverage in the area represented by greater Los Angeles which includes all the surrounding towns. The signal from the 1 kw 503A WE transmitter gets into San Diego, roughly 120 miles away with what is described as good volume though



Station KHXJ, in Hollywood, is the key station of the Don Lee network, pioneer West Coast broadcaster and the only one operating AM, FM and Television transmitters

no serious attempt is made to serve that city.

Don Lee has made application for a construction permit covering the installation of a 50 kw transmitter for FM and the equipment will be put to work as soon as may be possible. In the meantime there are other construction permits and it is anticipated that postwar FM will assume a place of importance. Just now the listening public has to depend on AM broadcasting and inasmuch as there are some 59 transmitters in California coverage is quite complete with all four of the large Eastern chains tied into West Coast networks for national broadcasts.

### OWI set-up

From an international point of view, California is the natural jumping off point for a considerable amount of the short wave broadcasting that reaches far-flung American outposts and other friendly, as well as not so friendly, listeners. Propaganda has always been one of the major sinews of war and OWI is operating as elaborate a set-up on the West Coast as it is on the East and the California equipment is shortly to become even more formidable.

## FIRST HAND

This survey is born of first-hand knowledge. During a period of six weeks the author visited and talked with the principal executives and engineers of practically every factory producing electronic products in the state of California—Editor.



Under contract to OWI and the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, Columbia Broadcasting System is soon to open what has been described as the most powerful shortwave transmitter to be operated. It is designed to reach every dot and spot in the Pacific.

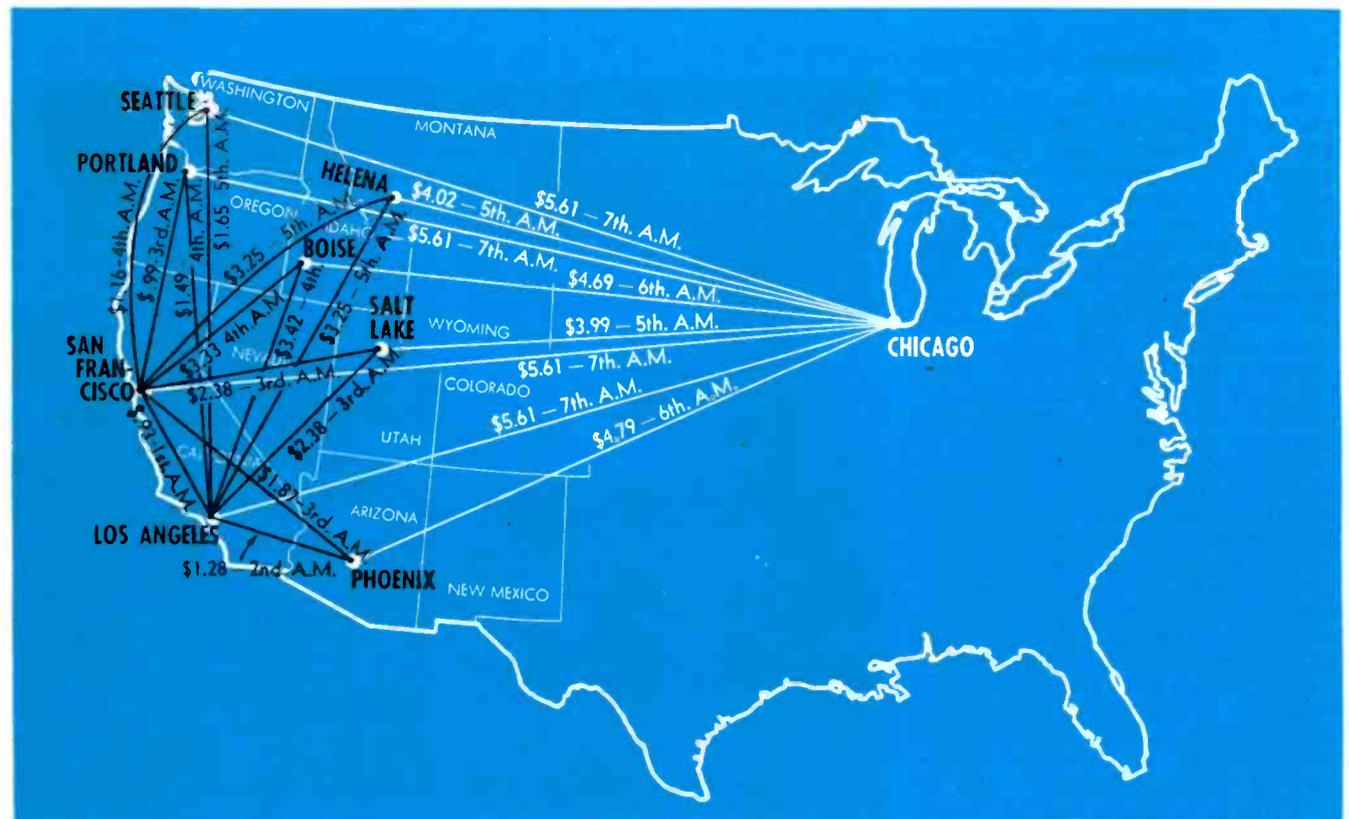
To return, just for a moment, to the military, the strategic im-

portance of California and the rest of the West Coast in global warfare, which depends so unquestionably on the maintenance of communication lines, is revealed by a recent Navy release giving some details of its major advanced base for Pacific operations. Hueneme, which is about 80 north of Los Angeles, has capacity for loading eight Liberty ships at one time and is sending across the Pacific more war material than the ports of Los Angeles and San Francisco combined. It has the largest Seabee station on the Pacific Coast, an anti-aircraft school, an amphibious operations training area; more than 40,000 men make up its personnel; it covers some five square miles.

### Second gold rush

Yes, war has brought a second gold rush to California. And if those people who so proudly claim their Golden State for home have not found the formula for compounding men, materials and machines into a peacetime prosperity better than any that went before, the aggressive spirit and dynamic drive of Western industrial leaders will seek it out and the chances that they will find it are better than good.

As a manufacturing center California offers definite advantages to both shippers and buyers in the eleven Western States by reason of the shorter distance involved and the saving in time and transportation costs. Chicago, for example, is 5 days (\$3.99 per cwt) from Salt Lake whereas from California the rate is \$2.38, the time but 3 days with similar savings in time and rate between other points



# CALIFORNIA SEES BRIGHT EXPORT FUTURE

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O. C. Hansen, managing partner of the firm of Frazar & Hansen, which for more than 100 years has been closely identified with exports

● Some indication of the abiding faith business and industrial leaders of the West Coast have in its postwar export possibilities is well exemplified by rapidly maturing plans for the establishment in San Francisco of a great World Trade Center through which it is confidently expected millions of dollars' worth of electronic and other commodities will flow to the growing foreign markets bordering on the Pacific.

Before the war, exports of radio and electronic equipment and parts from the United States had reached the altogether substantial total of over twenty-two million dollars, and although only a very small percentage of this total passed through Pacific ports, manufacturers of electronic apparatus see the possibility of California's share expanding to the point where it could be one-fourth to one-third of the requirements of foreign neighbors.

Thus, to markets which are looked upon as being a "natural" for California, something over seven million dollars' worth of radio-electronic parts and equipment were shipped from United States ports during 1940. The figures follow:

Country	Electronic Imports
British Honduras	\$ 30,384
Costa Rica	78,393
El Salvador	42,928
Guatemala	112,863
Honduras	38,314
Nicaragua	44,257
Panama	239,797
Panama Canal Zone	154,411
Mexico	1,990,579
Chile	774,604
Colombia	646,572
Ecuador	202,525
Peru	221,553
British Malaya	118,753
Burma	44,312
Ceylon	8,303
China	417,579
Netherlands Indies	126,319
French Indo China	85,365
Hong Kong	278,926
Japan	23,608
Philippines	648,566
Thailand	113,741
Australia	307,772
British Oceania	939
French Oceania	4,950
New Zealand	299,274
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,055,587</b>

In considering possible postwar operations, Californians see many of these countries which have been important users of electronic equipment as their particular pigeons and they are preparing to go after the business in no desultory fashion. They point out, among other things, that freight rates from California to these destinations are competitive with those from the East.

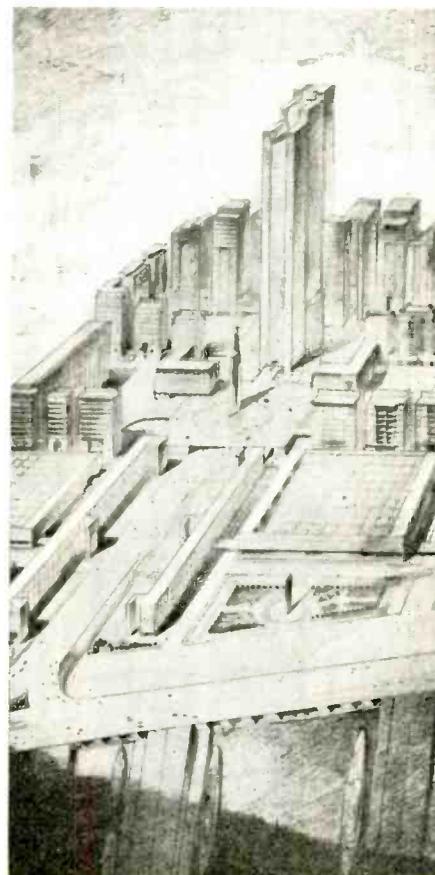
In the past there has been relatively little actual exporting of manufactures from the Pacific Coast, although there has been

**Electronic manufacturers plan big business with "natural" foreign markets and are after their share**

plenty of cargo handling as such. Today the picture is changing, due in no considerable extent to the concentration of shipbuilding activities in the area and to the centering of Naval activities around

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Looking to an expanding postwar export business, San Francisco businessmen plan this \$25,000,000 World Trade Center



# EVOLUTION of TANTALUM

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## **Experimental and research work that have made advantages of the metal for grids and plates in trans**

• The introduction of the metal tantalum into transmitting tubes so as to make use of its peculiar gas characteristics was more of a problem than just building tubes with tantalum plates and grids. As frequently happens in development work the good idea does not come free of disadvantages. It is the overcoming of the associated disadvantages that constitutes the problem and puts the challenge to the engineer.

Furthermore in the work and redesigns that accompany the removal or neutralizing of the disadvantages, one often discovers or introduces factors which later prove to be more valuable. Such was the case with the family of tubes which

resulted from the introduction of tantalum metal, and which was not to be fully realized until the art of radio communication advanced from its medium frequency status in the middle nineteen twenties to the realm of "very high frequencies", or to the region from 30 to 300 megacycles. These advances are mostly evolutions, i.e., steady growth as the story "unfolds", and represent the contributions of many people. Man-hours of thought, tests, correlations of evidence, are all required.

### **17 years development**

The evolution of the type of tube structure which has of late come to be known as the tantalum-type tube started in 1927. A few facts will indicate that the radio art also at that time had some evolution ahead of it for the next seventeen years. In 1927 a new large broadcasting station consisted of a 15 kw oscillator modulated directly in the plate circuit by nine modulator tubes operating in parallel. In the realm of the now common short waves, the basic investigations of propagation effects on wavelengths as low as 20 meters were being carried out. The total number of receiving tube types was fifteen and a UX112 could be bought for \$6.50.

At this time Ralph Heintz first used the newly available metal tantalum in vacuum tubes. It offered a metal which was relatively free of occluded gases and could be completely outgassed easily in a practical length of time on the exhaust pumps. Not only was it capable of being readily cleaned of the occluded gases but it had an affinity for gases thereafter and an ability to absorb and hold such gases as would be destructive to thoriated tungsten filaments. It thus had something definite to offer to the tube industry.

In addition, tantalum offered ready workability, high melting

point and low vapor pressure. Against it were a higher price than molybdenum and nickel and the requirement that the structures be capable of being heated uniformly to temperatures of about 3000 deg. F. if one were to take full advantage of its gas characteristics. Fig. 1 illustrates an early transmitting tube design employing tantalum. It was somewhat different from other tubes of the time partly as result of the introduction of the tantalum plate and grid. The possible advantages of the structure were not to be tested until the evolution of the radio art was to make unusual demands on the tubes by going to the higher and higher frequencies, known in those days as the "ultra-high-frequencies".

In order to out-gas tantalum properly the temperature used was far higher than that used to exhaust vacuum tubes employing the standard materials for plate and grids, i.e., nickel and molybdenum. As a consequence it was impossible to use the common insulators placed within the tube to hold the plate, grid, and filament in proper position. At such elevated temperatures

### **MAGIC METAL**

Tantalum is relatively free of occluded gases

Tubes can be outgassed easily in a practical time

The metal has an affinity for and holds gases destructive to thoriated tungsten filaments

Tantalum is readily workable, has high melting point and low vapor pressure

Eliminates the need for any "getter"

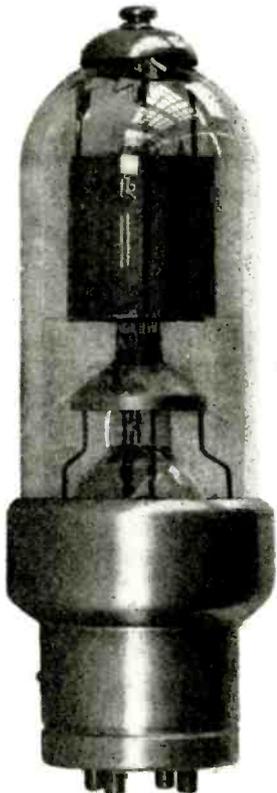


Fig. 1—Early HK-354 Gammatron, one of the first transmitting tubes using tantalum

# TUBES

## possible utilization of the mitting tube structure

all the known insulating materials would decompose and be a continual source of gas and vaporized products which would ruin the vacuum and dirty the otherwise clean glass bulb. In order then to take full advantage of tantalum it was necessary to design a tube which had no internal insulators between the active electrodes.

A second incidental contribution resulting from the proper use of tantalum was that no additional getter material had to be vaporized within the bulb to absorb the small quantities of gases liberated within the tube over the normal life of a power tube. Thus the surfaces of the glass walls, which provide the only insulation between the plate, grid, and filament and their respective leads, were not contaminated with "metallized resistor" areas. These areas do not have to be in contact with the leads to provide trouble at the very high frequencies. The eddy currents on the surfaces of such areas, or the attraction of electrons to such metal surfaces, can produce many damaging effects which are otherwise inexplicable. If the tube doesn't "suck-in" due to the localized heating and softening of the glass in such areas, the tube may merely die prematurely and one isn't sure just what caused the sorrowful demise.

### Structural design

Thirdly, in order to support the elements without internal insulators it was necessary to design electrode leads capable of rigidly supporting the electrodes as well as providing electrical connections. The supports to the electrodes had to be short and sturdy. It may not have been appreciated at that time what the full effect of such lower lead inductance would be at frequencies of a hundred megacycles or so. Likewise without internal insulators the electric losses between the electrodes were reduced, which played an important

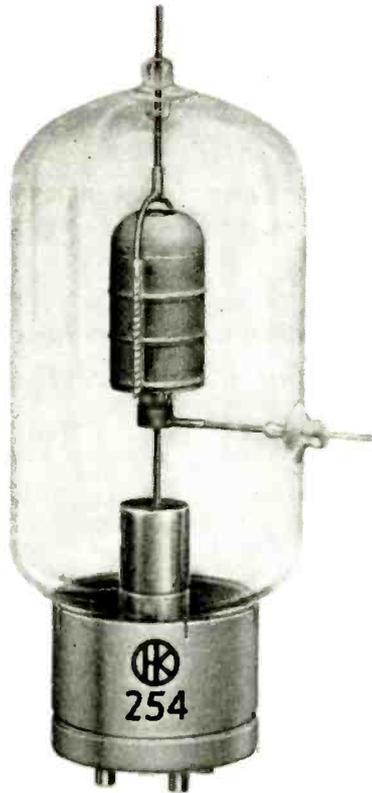


Fig. 2—HK-254, 100-watt tantalum tube

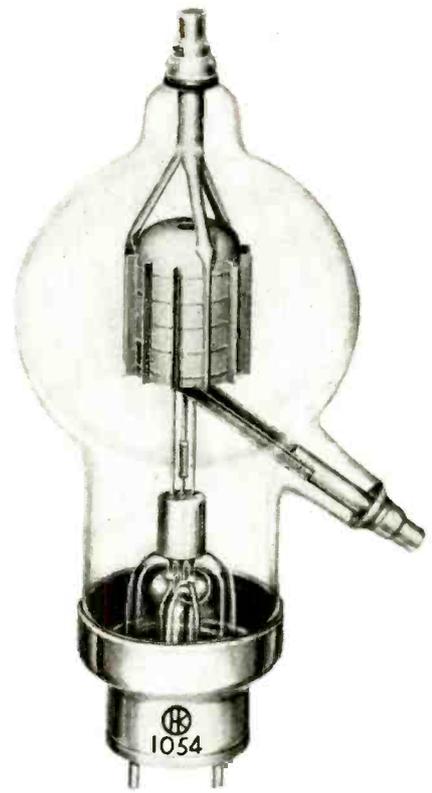


Fig. 3—HK-1054, 750-watt tantalum tube

### MODERN TRANSMITTING TRIODES

part later at very high frequencies.

A fourth advantage was the appeal to the early experimenters at very short waves. Experimenting in regions which are not fully explored, the unexpected is always happening. Also experimenters have a bad habit of crowding the usual safety factors. Both of these resulted in many accidents where the tube had to "take it" when something else couldn't. Because tantalum tubes had been completely outgassed at six to eight times their normal-life ratings, no severe or destructive evolutions of gas would occur, and the tube remained undamaged. Tantalum tubes soon had the enthusiastic support of many advanced experimenters.

It is thus interesting to see that four consequences of the single new idea of using tantalum, which perhaps in themselves were not all present in the mind of the original contributor, were to shape the acceptance of a product in a yet undeveloped field. "Hindsight" having such an unfair perspective over "foresight," it is hardly necessary to review the importance at frequencies between 30 and 300 megacycles of eliminating internal insulators in a power tube structure, of clean clear bulb surfaces, of low inductance leads and low inter-electrode losses, and the ability to

avoid the evolution of gas during periods of short-time overloads.

Most equipment builders by now are well aware of the amazing losses that can occur in poor insulating material located in high field gradients at very high frequencies. Inside an operating tube these losses are accentuated by the shorter spacings and consequently higher field gradients. Such insulators must operate at elevated temperatures and it is characteristic of insulators to have poorer electrical characteristics at higher temperatures. Also it is difficult to avoid the very slight insulator contaminations which result when the insulators are adjacent to the hot tube electrodes.

### Insulator problems

Such "metallized-resistor" deposits again have very destructive consequences. Most engineers by now have seen the results of the run-away, decreasing-resistance-versus-temperature characteristics of insulators at very high frequencies. The faster the resistance is lowered the greater the rate of generation of heat until finally the insulator actually melts and boils if no relief is had.

These features gave the tantalum type tube an upper hand in the early skirmishes at very high

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# LOW FREQUENCY VTVM

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***New instrument bridges the gap for measurements in range between direct current and audio frequencies***

● The spectrum of frequencies between zero and twenty cycles per second presents obstacles to measurement which are not present at higher frequencies or in direct current measurements. Most metering devices do not respond satisfactorily to voltages in this low frequency range.

There are a number of applications for the use and measurement of very low frequency voltages. Wide band amplifiers intended for reproducing pulses of low repetition rate must have response characteristics extending to a few cycles. Audio oscillators which operate down to two cycles per second are available, and one of these in conjunction with a low frequency voltmeter makes an excellent combination for a quantitative determination of amplifier low frequency characteristics.

Vibrations are frequently analyzed with Rochelle salt crystal or magnetic pickup devices which transform mechanical energy into electrical energy, in which state their nature can be more readily determined. When subjected to vibration, large structures often have natural periods in the order of a fraction of a second, resulting in very low frequency voltages from the transforming devices. An instrument for making direct measurements of these voltages is useful.

Several methods are available for measuring very low frequency voltages. One of the more common is the use of the deflection of an oscilloscope for comparing the peak amplitude of the unknown voltage with a standardized dc voltage. Through the use of a direct coupled amplifier in conjunction with the oscilloscope any desired sensitivity can be obtained. The drawback to this procedure is that a fairly elaborate set-up of equipment is required and that a considerable amount of care must be taken in making measurements. There is, however, virtually no limit to the degree of accuracy which can be obtained.

A recording oscillograph can also be used for low frequency measurements. This instrument gives a permanent photographic record of the wave of voltage under test and for this reason allows waveform corrections if such are required. Again a large amount of equipment is required, including photographic darkroom apparatus. Although this type of measurement finds occasional application, it is not generally used because of the complexity of the procedure and the expense of the equipment.

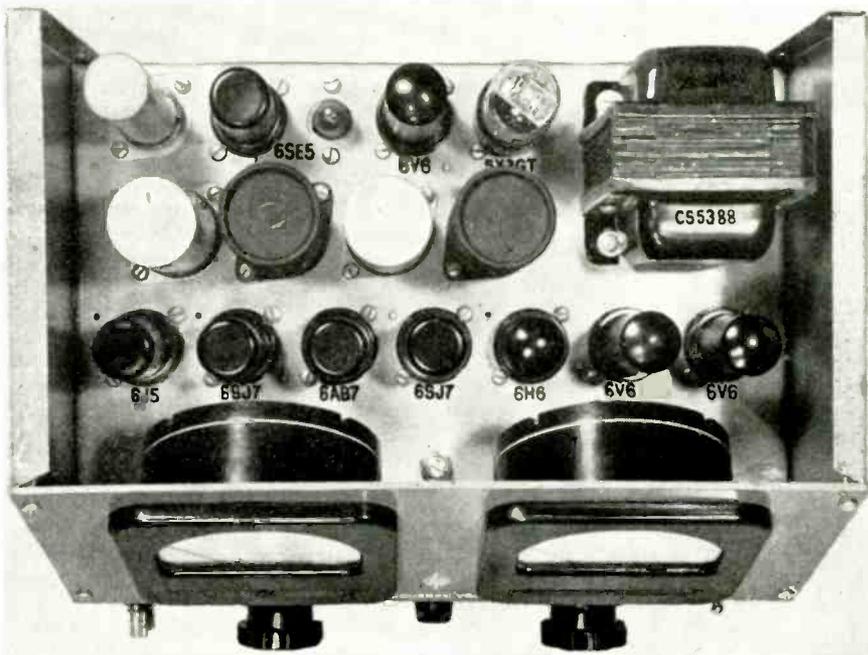
A thermo-couple meter is generally satisfactory for measurements above ten cycles. Below this frequency the meter fluctuations often become objectionable and neither the average nor the peak of the fluctuations represents the true value of the voltage. Rectifier circuits such as are commonly used

in vacuum tube voltmeters are equally unsatisfactory. A full wave bridge rectifier circuit using a standard one milliampere meter is difficult to use below fifteen cycles as a result of meter fluctuation.

Diode voltmeters, which find considerable use at audio and radio frequencies, are unsatisfactory at low frequencies because of the large time constant required in the rectifier load. As an example, a voltmeter of this type intended for use at one cycle per second may require several minutes to attain a final reading.

A modified form of the slide-back voltmeter is particularly well suited for measurement of voltages in the range between one cycle and several hundred kilocycles. This arrangement, known as a plate-rectifier slide-back vacuum tube voltmeter uses the cut-off point of a

Looking down on the chassis showing the tube arrangement of the instrument which is described as a plate rectifier slide-back vacuum tube voltmeter



tube to indicate the equality in magnitude between an applied voltage and a known voltage. A circuit of such a voltmeter is shown in Fig. 1. The input voltage is applied to a sharp cut-off triode,  $T_1$ , through an RC network,  $R_1$ ,  $C_1$ . The dc voltage is divided with a network,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_3$  and  $C_3$ , to provide a fixed bias for the tube and a variable voltage for comparison. Condenser  $C_2$  maintains the plate at ac ground potential. The comparison voltage is measured with  $V_1$ , while the cut-off of plate current is indicated by a high impedance voltmeter,  $V_2$ , connected across the cathode load impedance,  $R_2$ ,  $C_2$ .

The operation of the circuit is explained graphically by Fig. 2. The transfer characteristic of the tube for the applied plate potential is plotted. As a result of the blocking condenser,  $C_1$ , the applied voltage centers about the total bias voltage  $E_1$ , which is the sum of  $E_4$ , the initial bias voltage, and  $E_5$ , the comparison voltage. When the bias voltages are properly adjusted, the input voltage drives the grid just into the plate current region at the positive peak of each cycle.

### Calibration method

The transfer characteristic suffers a considerable curvature very near cut-off. Since the sensitivity of the cut-off indication is in proportion to the slope of this curve, it is more satisfactory to use a small reference value of current for the endpoint, than the actual cut-off point of the tube. For this reason the plate current meter is calibrated with two lines, one to indicate cut-off and the other the reference value of current. At extremely low frequencies and with proper circuit adjustment the plate current meter pulsates between these lines during each cycle. At higher frequencies, the condenser shunting the voltmeter input remains charged during the cycle and there is a continuous reading.

The voltmeter is calibrated with the initial bias setting resistor,  $R_5$ . With no applied voltage and with the comparison voltage at zero, the initial bias is adjusted so that the reference value of plate current flows. Then applied input voltages are properly related to the comparison voltage,  $E_1$ .

The plate current meter,  $V_2$ , is a vacuum tube voltmeter using two tubes in a balanced bridge circuit. The tube grids are connected to opposite ends of the cathode resistor and a milliammeter is connected between the plates. The circuit is similar to that used in many of the popular make volt-ohmmeters. The sensitivity obtained with this arrangement is 0.5 microampere per  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. division.



General view of the low frequency voltmeter (instrument with sloping panel) in use for the measurement of the low frequency characteristics of an amplifier

When an input voltage in excess of the comparison bias voltage is applied to the voltmeter, a relatively large plate current will flow. This seriously overloads the plate current metering circuit and as a protection to the milliammeter a limiter is used. This consists of a 6H6 biased rectifier connected across the voltmeter input to limit the input

voltage to the value which gives full scale deflection of the meter.

Voltmeters of the plate-rectifier slide-back type have a non-linear indication characteristic with applied voltage. The magnitude of the error involved is inversely proportional to the applied voltage and depends upon the kind of cathode and the sharpness of cut-off of the rectifier tube. In the practical form of the voltmeter described here, the error is in the order of several per cent at very low voltages, but this is compensated for in the calibration of the comparison voltmeter.

With proper adjustment of the calibrating voltage,  $E_5$ , the accuracy of this circuit over a wide range of frequencies is entirely dependent upon the calibration of the reference voltmeter and the ability of the operator to adjust for the reference plate current.

At frequencies below ten cycles, where pulsation of the indicating meter occurs, there is some error introduced in the reading due to the dynamic stability of the meter. This effect becomes progressively worse as the frequency is lowered, but it has been found that with a spacing between the calibration lines of one-eighth inch the error is a maximum of one per cent at one cycle. The reference voltmeter calibration can be held to one per cent of full scale value so that a maximum circuit error of two per cent is the tolerance.

This meter measures the peak value of the wave, although the calibration is in terms of the rms value of a sine wave. It is therefore subject to the same waveform errors and "turn over" effects as is any peak reading meter. However, in many applications these effects are not of considerable importance.

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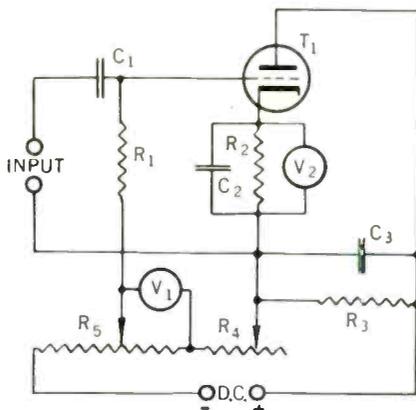


Fig. 1—Schematic showing the components in the vacuum tube voltmeter for low frequencies

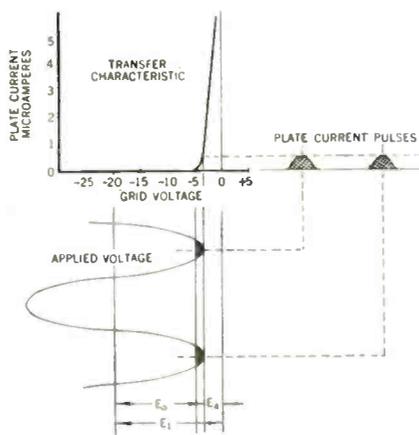
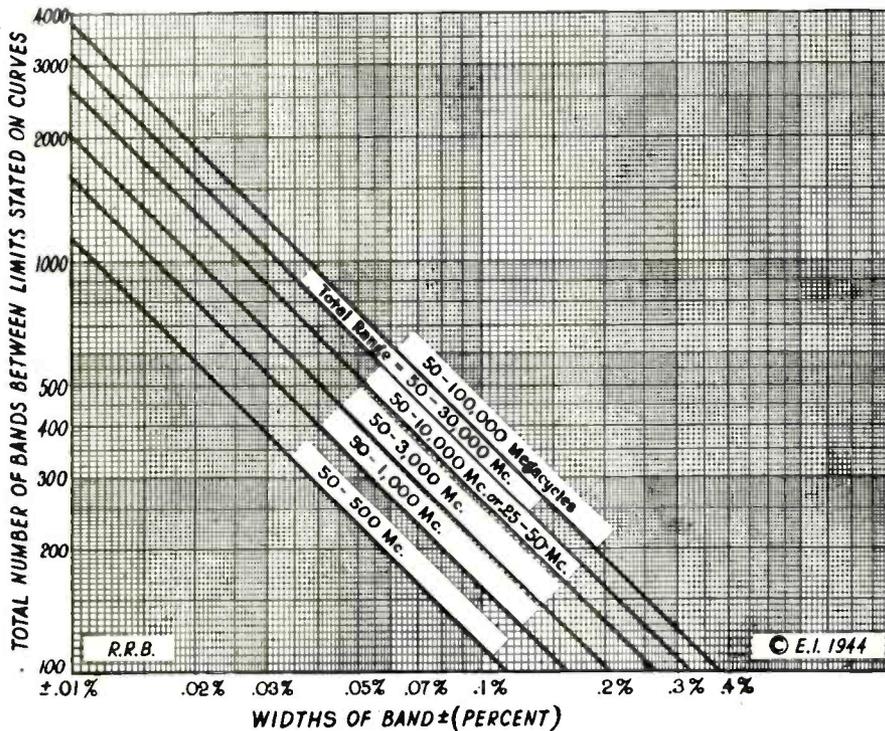


Fig. 2—Graphic presentation of operation. Transfer characteristic of the tube for the applied plate potential is plotted

# SPECTRUM DIVISION



Showing number of useful communication channels which become available when the width of the band is limited to various percentages of the fundamental frequency

• It is difficult to keep track of the many communication services that have asked for channels in the communication spectrum. In the transportation industry alone, when the air, sea and land facilities are considered, the future services (those in use and those being considered) run into thousands of channels. The fact that Nature is kind, at times, is shown here, where the area of coverage for at least part of the available spectrum is quite limited. Local services can thus operate on frequencies giving adequate local coverage but which do not extend out so as to prevent other localities using the same frequencies.

It may have appeared to many that there are a practically inexhaustible number of bands in this uhf spectrum barrel. Such views are based on dividing up 100 megacycles, or 1,000 megacycles or even 100,000 megacycles into normal 10 kc bands!

Actually, as has been pointed out repeatedly, the useful sideband frequencies that carry the information are relatively narrow and are lost when variations due to temperature drift, or those with voltage, humidity, aging, etc., are considered (except with television). Such shifts may be many megacycles in some

parts of the range, from some normally trivial effect.

Again, there is but little known as to the production of tuning controls that will give repeatable settings, so that one can tune in, at will, the useful part of any 10 kc band to, say, 500 or 1,000 mc or higher. Most of these drift variations are found to follow a percentage law, since inductive and capacitive shifts in the circuit represent a percentage change in frequency—at 1,000

mc the drift will be twice that at 500 mc with equal design precision.

A frequency-stable circuit (in the parts of the radio spectrum where greatest prewar experience in design exists) with a 0.01 per cent frequency drift at normal frequencies, represents excellent design, especially if precise laboratory operating conditions need not be provided. The drift encountered under the normal conditions of a portable transceiver are indeed much larger than this. In many services it is necessary to add the probable shift in both receiver and transmitter to arrive at the actual interference band.

## Bands available

With these rules in mind it is possible to plot curves that show how many operating bands are actually available in any part of the radio wave spectrum. The curves herewith, showing these relations, indicate that there are relatively few usable bands actually available. On this basis it is seen that the use of bands between 50 and 30,000 megacycles, would only double the number now available between 250 kc and 50 megacycles, if the same circuit stability can be maintained in both ranges!

Developments tending toward extending the range upward will of course have some effect, but permitting the narrowing of the bands by improving stability, ease of tuning, repeatability of settings, etc., will do more. This points out an interesting method of attack toward the most effective utilization of all the spectrum, and one to which all engineers can contribute.

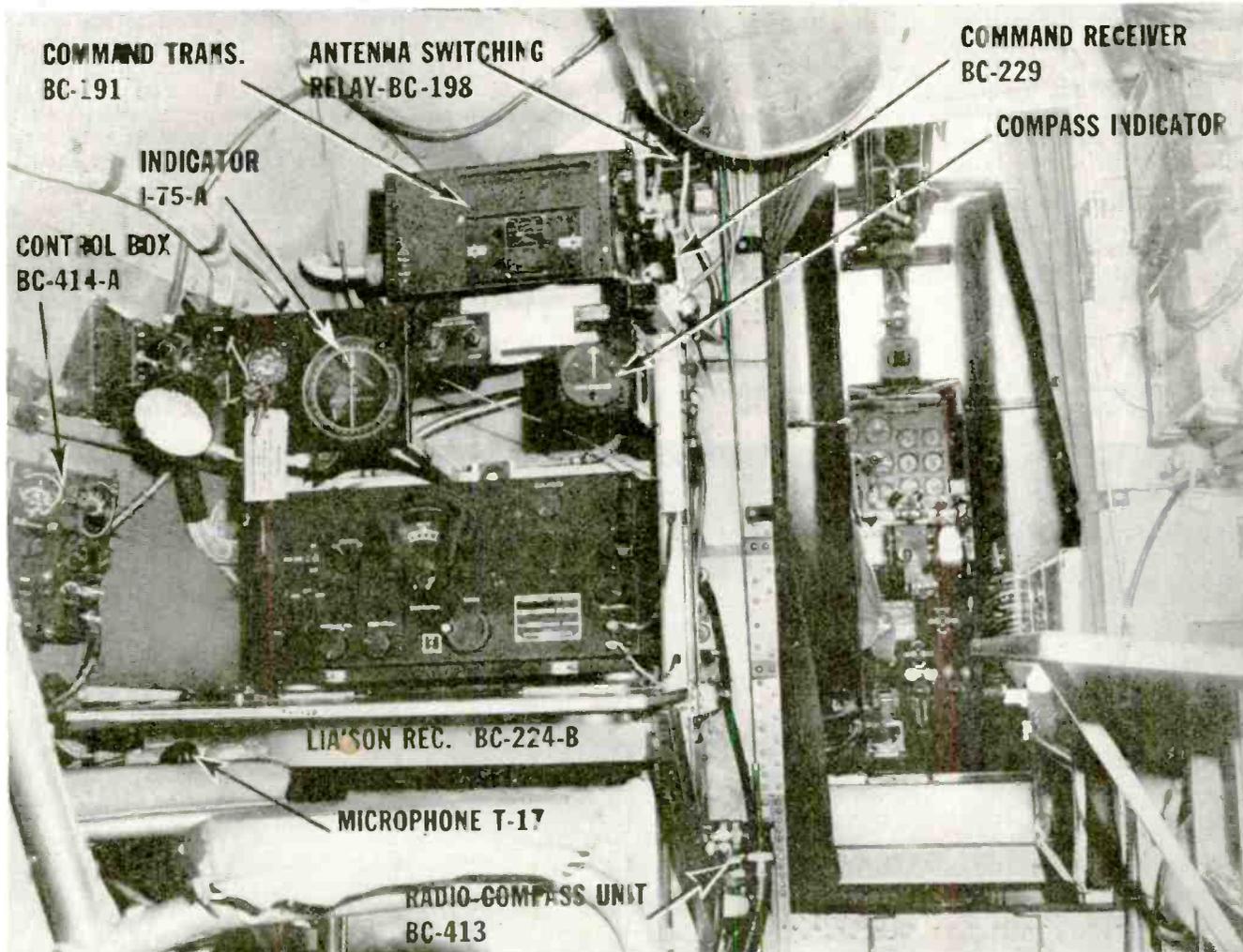
## INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CHANNELS AVAILABLE

Dividing the spectrum into bands having equal sideband-to-fundamental percentages, instead of into bands with equal frequency width, greatly reduces the number of bands available. Difficulties in finding and maintaining communication within bands established in accordance with intelligence considerations will probably make the second method impractical until greater circuit precision is attained. The latter becomes a major engineering problem, to permit greater utilization of newly extended ranges.



# RADIO ON BOMBERS

These previously unpublished photographs, made at the Aircraft Radio Laboratories, Wright Field, Ohio, show (Above) the arrangement of the various types of antennas used for specific purposes on the Army's B-26 low altitude bomber. The lower picture, of the radio operator's position in a Marauder bomber, shows the compact installation of command and liaison transmitters (SCR-283) and receivers (SCR-287A) and radio compass units. The photographs were especially released for Electronic Industries



# LIGHT SPECTRA ANALYSIS

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## **Methods of using the spectrograph for rapidly determining the composition of alloys in controlling production**

• Many recent magazine articles have tended to glamorize the spectrograph by extolling the ease and rapidity with which analytical work can be done by its use. This probably reached its climax in a recent advertisement which listed a spectrograph for sale at \$15 and stated that it would give the chemical composition of any material in a few minutes' time. The spectrograph is doing a marvelous job for industry but not before much time has been spent on the analytical method to be used in a particular laboratory and at least five hundred times the \$15 has been spent for equipment.

The instrument lends itself particularly well to routine analysis where small cast samples of alloys can be taken from furnaces and analyzed for trace elements and percentage composition. As many as four thousand elementary analyses may be made in a twenty-four-hour day with one instrument in a well established laboratory. This

would require three or four operators on a shift, only one of whom need be technically trained. In general, the analysis could be made within an hour after the sample is received. Where necessary, a single sample can be analyzed in ten minutes. The accuracy of the work is usually within three per cent of the quantity being measured. The same number of analyses, if done by wet analysis methods, would require approximately four times the personnel, many of whom would have to be technically trained, and some of the results would not be available until the next day.

### **Identifying raw materials**

In laboratories where the work is more varied, routine methods may be set up for the more common problems in quantitative analysis and a qualitative analysis may be made quite rapidly by an experienced spectrographer. This is of

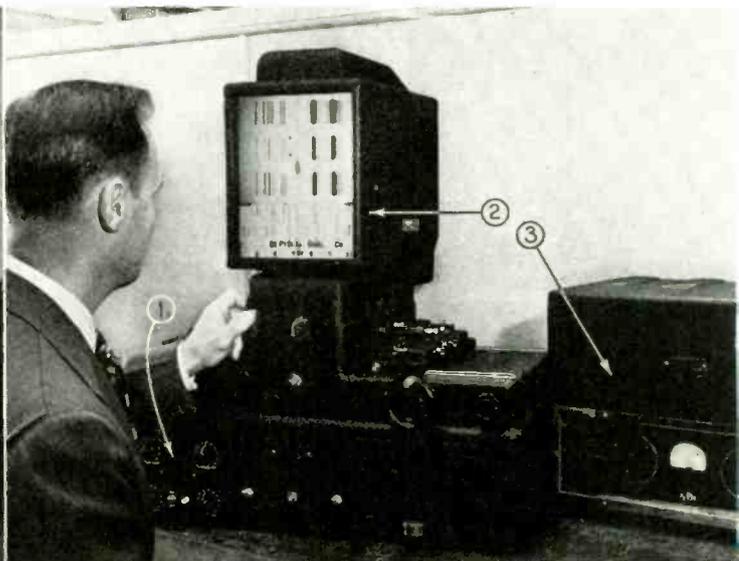
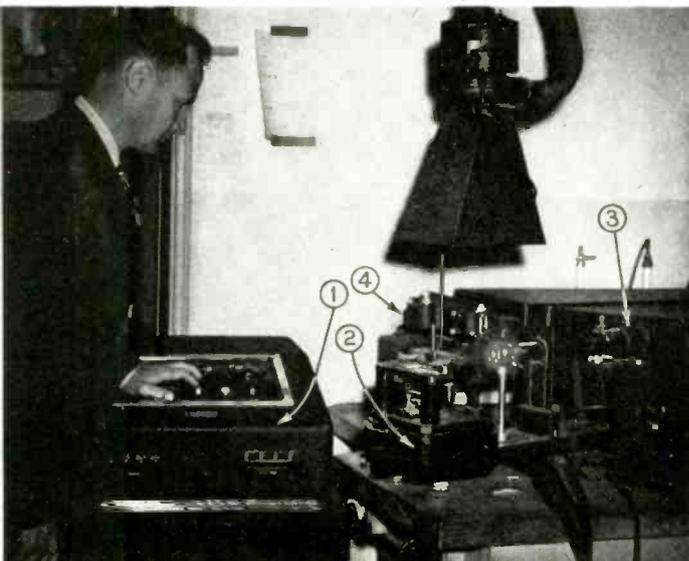
great help to the chemist before starting on a complete chemical analysis.

Often it is necessary to identify castings or raw materials. Sorting of large stocks which have become mixed, such as pure copper spot welding electrodes from those containing beryllium, and steel stock from which the color code has been removed, can be rapidly and accurately done by means of the spectrograph.

In the West, the analysis of ores is of great importance. This presents special problems to the spectrographer. The nature of the base material, the interfering lines of many elements, the mixture of volatile and refractory substances and the effect of the presence of certain elements on others, all tend to complicate this type of analysis so that results are not as uniformly accurate as they are in the case of pure metal alloys. However, with new methods and better equipment, rapid progress is being made.

Exposing the spectrogram: 1—High voltage excitation unit; 2—sample and excitation stand; 3—primary slit; 4—camera

Viewing the spectrogram: 1—Densitometer amplifier; 2—projection comparator with master plate at bottom of screen; 3—voltage regulator



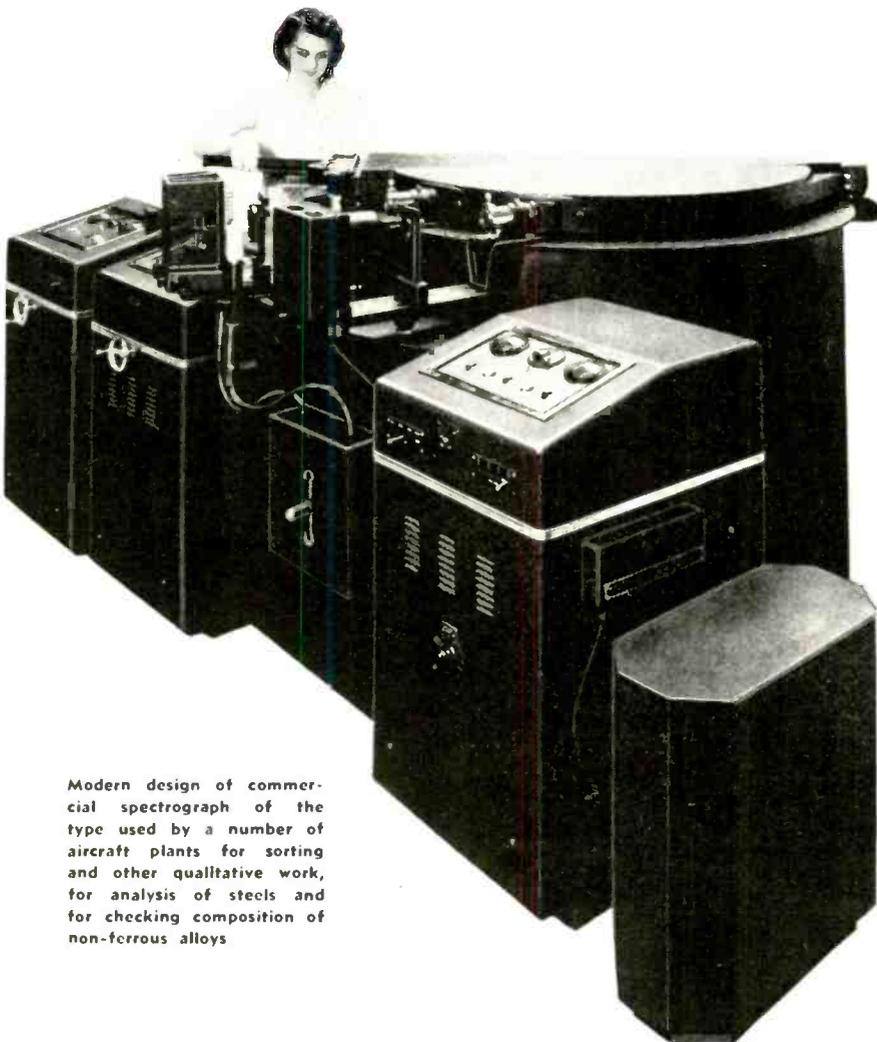
The remarkable industrial development on the West Coast due to the World War has resulted in a corresponding increase in the use of spectrographic equipment in this area. Seven aircraft plants use this method for sorting and other qualitative work, for analysis of steels and for checking the composition of non-ferrous alloys. Eight aluminum plants use it for control analysis and alloy determinations. Two steel plants run partial analysis on all types of material from crude ore to finished products. Three Navy yards have a wide variety of problems in handling inspection requirements. Several government agencies and private mining companies use it for ore analysis. Over a dozen colleges and universities have spectrographic equipment for research and instructional purposes. The list could be expanded to include magnesium plants, non-ferrous foundries, police departments, water companies and many commercial laboratories.

### Emission spectra theory

The West Coast also contains one of the best equipped research laboratories specializing in the development and manufacture of this type of equipment. Both methods and equipment are constantly being improved as a result of this research work. During the past two years more densitometers, source units and original gratings have been produced here than by all other manufacturers of such equipment. Other research laboratories include those working on agricultural, metallurgical, petroleum and secret problems.

The spectrograph can be defined as an instrument for producing and photographing light spectra. The spectrogram recorded on the film is a series of line images of the primary slit of the instrument. The light falling on this slit is dispersed and brought to a focus so that the component waves are arranged in order of their wavelength. In practice, the sample to be analyzed is made to give off energy in the form of light through the electronic bombardment of its atoms in the presence of some type of electrical discharge, usually an arc or spark. A brief discussion of the theory of emission spectra and its application to quantitative analysis will make the reader more familiar with the operation of the instrument and the problems connected with it.

In accordance with Bohr's theory of atomic structure, when the electrons which are rotating around the nucleus of an atom are displaced from their orbit through bombardment, they absorb a certain amount of energy. As they return to their



Modern design of commercial spectrograph of the type used by a number of aircraft plants for sorting and other qualitative work, for analysis of steels and for checking composition of non-ferrous alloys

original position, or to other lower energy levels, this energy is released in the form of light. The light is monochromatic and always of the same wavelength when originating from the same element and the

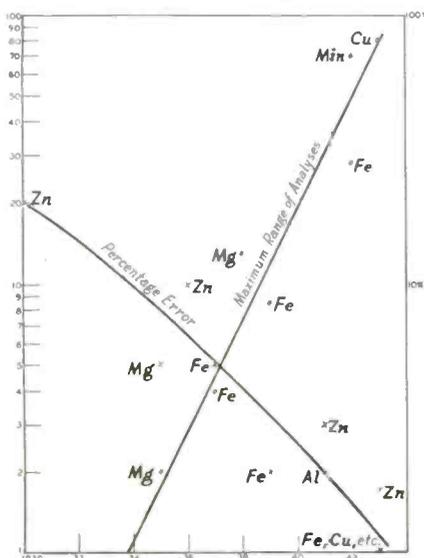
same displacement of the electron. As these electrons are displaced further from the center, or as the electrons in other orbits are displaced, they may come back to the original energy level or may stop at intermediate energy levels. The wavelength of the light will change for the orbit from which the electron comes and also for the energy level to which it returns.

Thus, a great many lines of varying wavelengths may be expected from the elements having a large number of electrons in their outer orbits. The important point to bear in mind is that the wavelengths of lines are always constant and the same electronic displacement.

The intensity of the spectral lines produced by constant excitation will be in proportion to the number of atoms present. Because the absolute level of intensity cannot be kept uniform in the discharge, it is necessary to establish an internal standard upon which to base the relative intensity of the discharge. This is done by using some element present which does not vary, or which is present in large amounts.

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Increases made in quantities measured, and reduction in error by spectrographic analysis



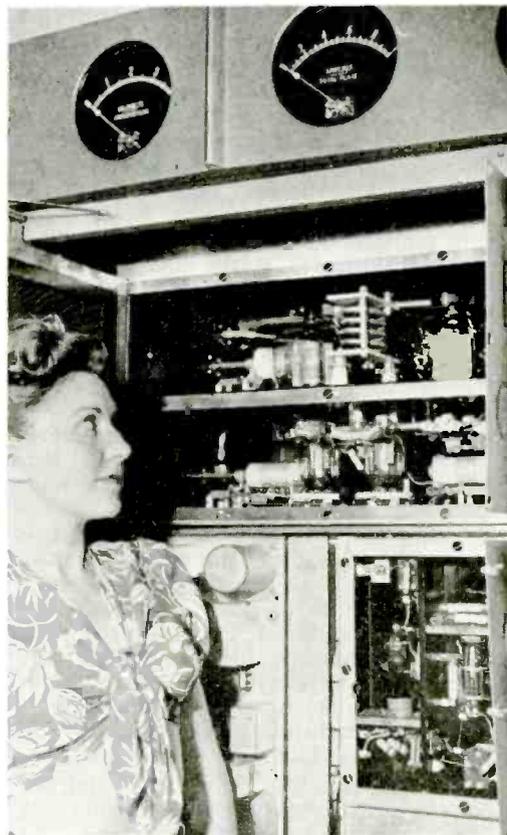
# PIONEER WEST COAST NET

**Don Lee, only California broadcaster to operate both in addition to AM, links 36 transmitters in greatest**

• Phenomenal growth, characteristic of practically everything bearing a California label, is no more in evidence than it is in the case of the Don Lee Broadcasting System. And it is still growing. At the time this was written, middle of April, the network had joined together some 34 stations in California, Washington and Oregon, not to mention links to Hawaii and Alaska. Since then, two more stations have been gathered into the fold, making a total of 36, and leaving no room for doubt that the chain is the largest regional network in the United States. In addition, the organization owns and operates the only FM station on

the Pacific Coast and the only television station in all of the 11 Western states.

Don Lee is a pioneer in all three broadcasting fields. When the organization in the late 20's took over KHJ, its key station in Los Angeles, it became the owner of the first broadcasting station to operate in that southern California metropolis. Almost immediately the chain began to grow, and at the time it became affiliated with Mutual in 1937 had linked together eight stations which became the nucleus of the present Pacific empire. Six years before that, on December 23, 1931, W6XAO, the Don Lee television station, had gone on the air,

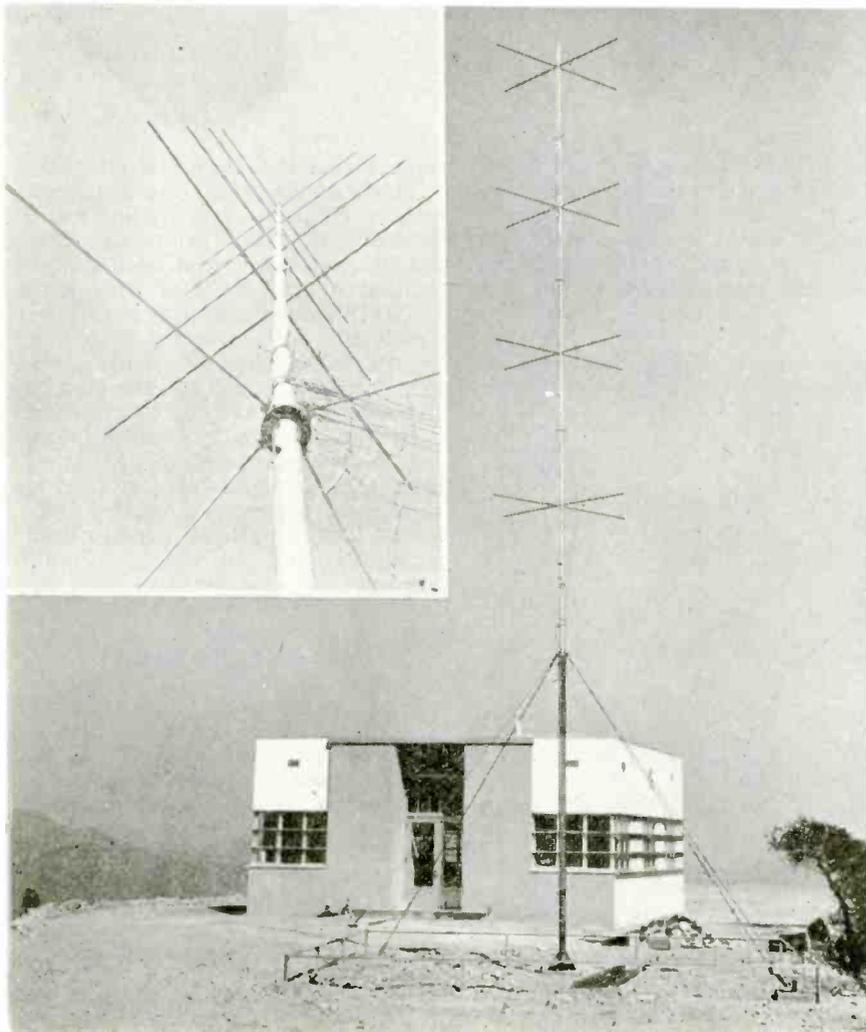


Looking into W.E. 1 kw FM transmitter; final on top shelf; multipliers below

Temporary 4-bay turnstile used by KHJ-FM is  $\frac{1}{4}$ -wavelength brass tubing, grounded, shunt fed with 250-ohm line. Inset shows the three transmission line matching stubs

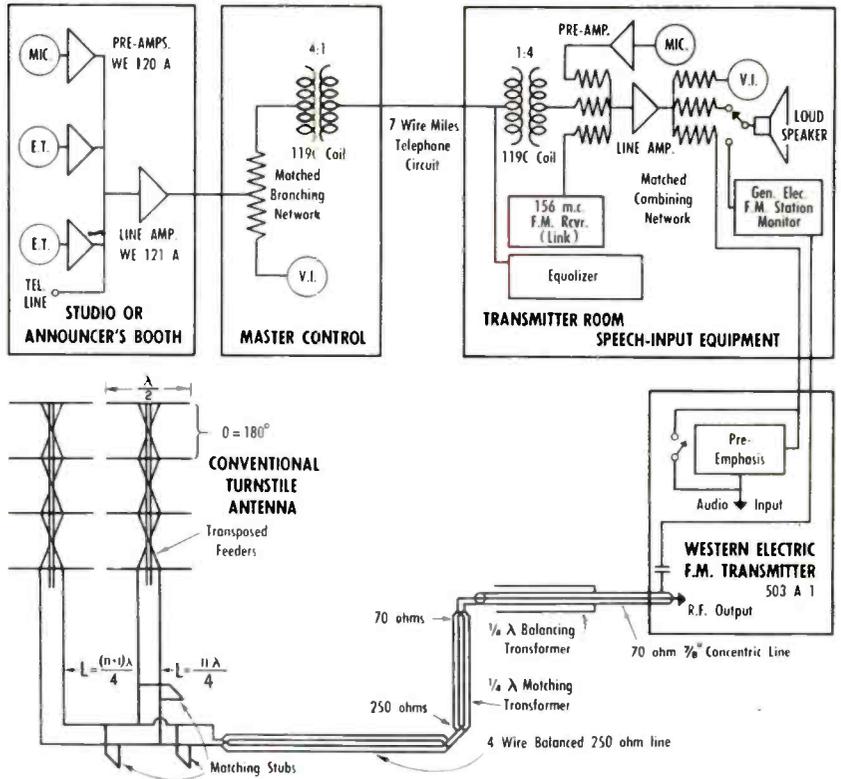
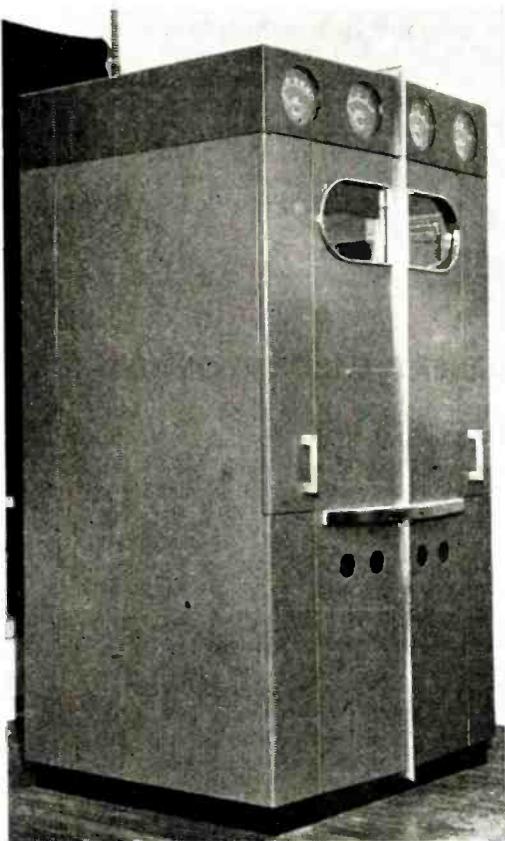
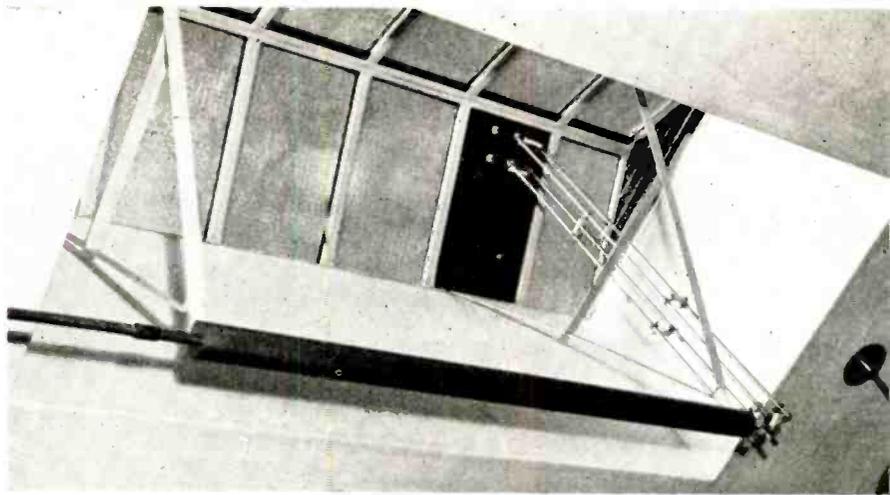
following a previous period of six years of research and experiment. And in August, 1941, the FM station first started broadcasting.

From an engineering point of view, organization of the network and its development have been influenced very largely by the topographical formation of the territory to be covered. With practically every community of any size in the area ringed around by mountains, local coverage has been attained by linking together transmitters within those mountain-screened communities. Coverage



# WORK

## FM and television regional group



The model 503A Western Electric FM transmitter feeds antenna through coaxial line

Photograph above shows arrangement of the 7/8-in. coaxial line, the 1/4-wave balancing transformer, the 1/4-wave matching transformer, and start of the 250-ohm line shown schematically

from within, it is called. In consequence, the network can boast, and does, that more than nine of every ten radio families on the Pacific Coast live within 25 miles of one of its stations.

Individual transmitters vary in power from little fellows of 100 watts such as KXO in El Centro, and 250 watts such as KFRE in Fresno and KMYC in Marysville, up to 5 kw, which is the power rating for KHJ in Los Angeles and KERC in San Francisco. Within California itself there are 16 transmitters in the network; there are six in Oregon and 12 in Washington. In addition, there are links to KGMB in Honolulu, KHBC in Hilo, and KGBU in Ketchikan, Alaska. Altogether the complete network is

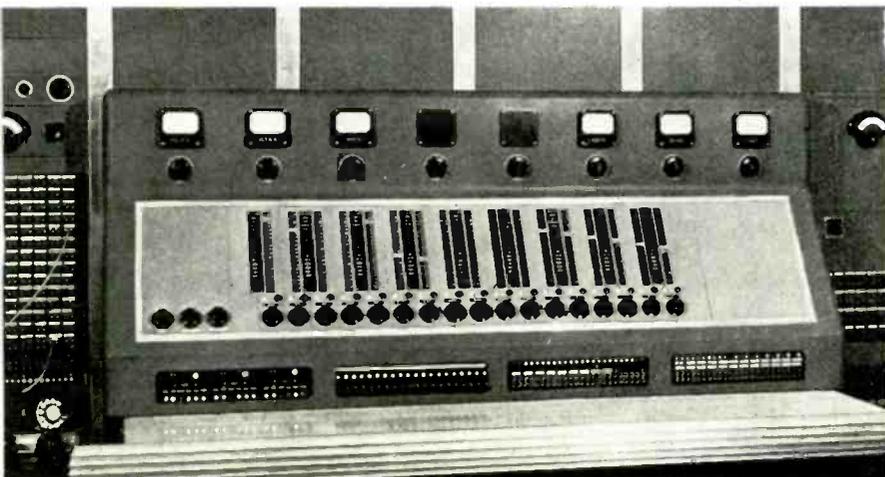
calculated to reach considerably over four million radio families.

KHJ, the Don Lee key station, has always specialized in remote pickups. Prewar this meant from the decks of battleships anywhere within the area, from Flying Fortresses somewhere over the territory, from submarines, shipbuilding yards, industrial organizations and wherever there was something going on that gave promise of being good programming. Today it means important sport events and gatherings of other kinds that have news or entertainment value to the listening public.

Such a program has required development of no little paraphernalia. Included are three 100-watt portable transmitters operating in

the 1600 to 2900 kc band which may be rushed by truck to any location promising good program material; another 100-watt operates in the 31 to 40 mc band, and is supplemented by an 8-watt pack transmitter; in addition there are three uhf transmitters varying in power from 2 to 8 watts that are used on occasion for remote location to studio links. There is thus available a wide variety of equipment that can be used to insure proper coverage of almost any sort of a function anywhere.

The FM equipment at present in use, consisting of a Western Electric model 503A 1 kw transmitter, is temporary and eventually will be superseded by a new transmitter rated at 50 kw for which a con-



In the KHJ master control room there are 17 separate switching systems which can be individually controlled or as many as desired group switched by a master button. The board is used to route programs north, south and east to the Don Lee network, and east to Mutual

struction permit has been filed. In the meantime and in order to get sufficient elevation to nullify as effectively as possible the screening effect of the high hills that separate the Los Angeles area into a series of small communities, it was found necessary virtually to shave the top off a mountain. A space of 22 acres right on top of Mt. Lee, which rises 1700 feet above the surrounding territory, was leveled and it is on this space that both the FM transmitter and the television transmitter have been installed. The result is that while the object was merely to insure adequate FM coverage of the Los Angeles area, the signal actually gets into San Diego, roughly 125 miles away, with what is described as very good volume.

In order to put a signal of at least 50 microvolts in any part of the area to be covered, required con-

siderable study of antenna design. The type eventually chosen consists of a four bay turnstile type arranged to give a figure 8 pattern and concentrate power effectively within the area intended to be served by the transmitter. In fact, so effective has the arrangement proven that, although the antenna for the television station is only 500 feet from the FM turnstile, there has been no interference at all between the two transmitters.

#### FM audience

Before Pearl Harbor KHJ-FM was operated 12 hours a week, but since that time the schedule has been cut in half as a war conservation measure. It is estimated that there are about 10,000 receivers in the area and that this total will be very considerably swelled when civilian production of receivers is

again permitted and when the new transmitter is put on the air.

As is the case with the AM transmitter, quite a bit of remote pick-up work is done on FM, too, and for this purpose the station relies on a 50-watt portable set-up consisting of a studio to station link transmitter and receiver, both operating from a 12-volt storage battery.

The television transmitter, occupying its own structure about 500 feet from the FM transmitter and including one of the largest studios ever built for the purpose, 100 by 60 feet and 30 feet high, was built by Don Lee engineers under the supervision of Harry Lubcke, director of television for the organization. It is rated at 4 kw, peak, and operated at a frequency of 51.25 mc. A large percentage of time is devoted to programs having to do with the war effort. For remote pickups reliance is placed on a portable transmitter operating at 324 mc.

### DESERT LABORATORY →

The desert laboratory operated by Electron Equipment Corp. in Palm Springs, California, is unique; there is probably nothing even remotely approaching it in the United States in so far as location, surroundings and facilities are concerned. Says Dudley B. Clark, chief engineer:

"The laboratory, which has been maintained for the past 20 years, is situated in the middle of the desert, 125 miles from Los Angeles. It consists of a small village of its own in the center of an oasis at the foot of Mt. San Jacinto, a towering wall of rock 10,800 ft. high and covered with snow most of the year.

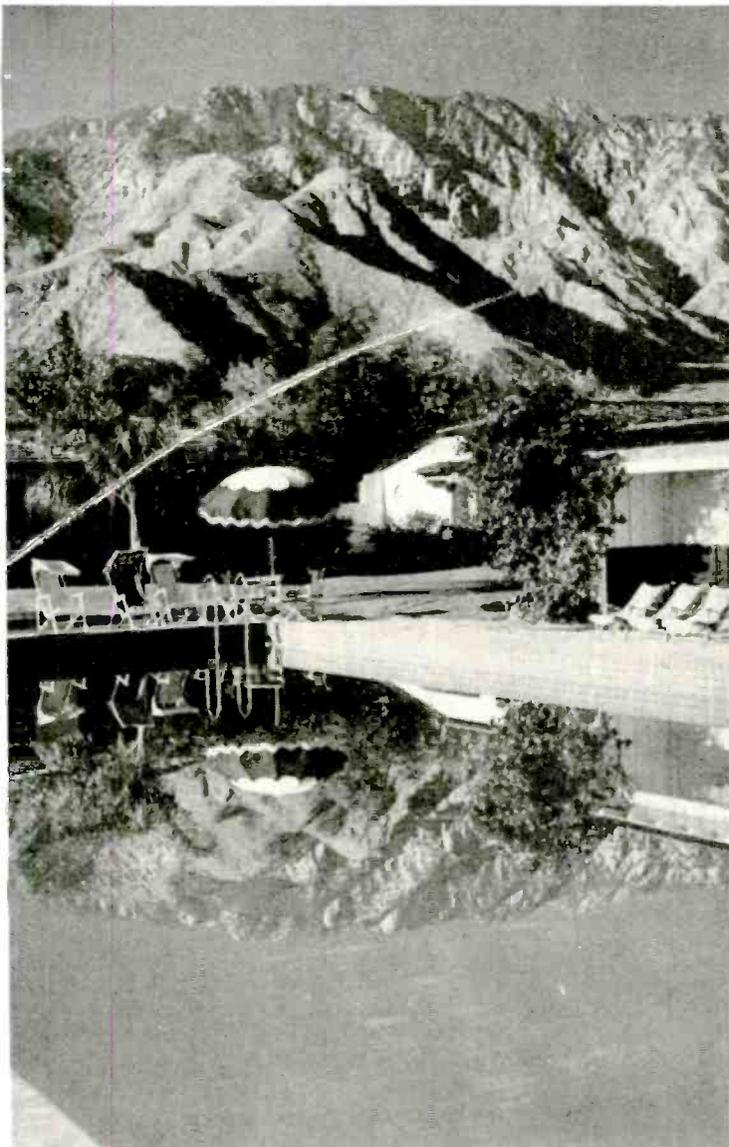
"Everything in this settlement is operated by electronic control, from its own city water plant with 1,000 gal. of pure soft water per minute to its electronic guards covering 20 acres of grounds. All buildings are air conditioned and the swimming pool is filled with natural warm water in the Winter. The grounds are covered with date palms and fruit trees; there are horses for riding, a farm animal department, and a bar. The whole place is closed to the public.

"This laboratory has developed hundreds of industrial electronic items for manufacturers where some control or operation is necessary to attain an object by reducing weight, cutting costs, simplifying functions, etc. One example is the development of an electronic motor control which gives wide speed control to a dc motor operating from an ac line."

The Don Lee short wave listening post is equipped for dual diversity reception. Receivers are fed by 10 antennas which are switched into use by remote control



# DESERT LABORATORY



Above is a view of a portion of the tube laboratory, this building in common with all the others in the group being completely air-conditioned

Among other features this unique laboratory in an oasis has its own swimming pool, filled with warmed water from the company's own wells

Located 125 miles from Los Angeles in the shadow of snow-capped mountains the desert laboratory of Electron Equipment Corp., Palm Springs, California, is a complete electronic village. (See text opposite)

Below are two views of a part of the development laboratory where much work is done on a variety of industrial electronic projects





The weather is good in this Signal Corps picture but it might easily have been bad, with high winds, a heavy surf and rain, which lends point to the need for careful waterproofing. Says Major General Harry C. Ingles: "Communication equipment takes an awful beating in being unloaded"

# INVASION RADIO HAZARDS

by **ROLAND B. DAVIES**

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***Proper packaging and the incorporation of protective features into the design of military equipment insures resistance to water and fungi***

● The fact that this global war is an electronics war as well as an air war, a mechanized war, an amphibious war, and a jungle war is and has been well known to all readers of "Electronic Industries."

But the mixture of electronic equipment in the amphibious and jungle phases of the war has created important problems for the electronics engineers and the manufacturers — water - proofing and fungi-proofing problems.

The dangers to electronic equipment of moisture, and its corollary in humid climes, fungi, is well known. As a conductor, water nullifies the insulating qualities of insulators. It also decreases the resistance of a resistor. Similarly, fungus growths destroy the insulating qualities of the material upon which it feeds.

To the Army, the problem of water vapor and its effect on communications equipment is not new. For more than four decades—in the Philippines, the West Indies, and in Central America—the Army has known the havoc wrought by moisture penetration and fungus

growth on delicate electrical apparatus. Work has gone on constantly to overcome these difficulties. Success, to a relative degree, attended these efforts. These efforts took many forms: better chassis construction, finer tolerances, frequent inspections and repairs, and the substitution of new equipments for those whose efficiency was lowered by the rainfall and humidity of the tropics.

In this war, the story of the water-proofing and fungus-proofing of signal apparatus is one of constant attempt to control and overcome the damage of this double evil. Failures have been overcome by expedients. Expedients have been superseded by standard practices based on research and experimentation. Even now those practices are being outmoded by what is believed to be the solution—partial, but promising.

During the past six months, the Signal Corps of the Army has begun including in all its procurement contracts a proviso for the water- and fungus-proofing of communications items during the production

stage. Existing contracts are also being amended to include those specifications.

It is believed that the answer to the problem of water and fungus control is the incorporation of protective features into the design of the equipment as it goes through the assembly line on the production front. It has been found that if equipment is treated at the factory,



it successfully resists the effects of moisture and fungi for a considerable period. It is necessary to re-touch the equipment after some length of time, but on the whole equipment operates most effectively with the preventative part of its design and production.

The amending of existing contracts, to add the provision for this type of protection, is a slow and painstaking task. It is a delicate procedure that must not disrupt present schedules.

Suppose, however, that equipment is not so treated at the factory. What does the Signal Corps do to ensure the proper working of an important piece of combat equipment—and communications instruments are highly vital cogs in the materiel of combat? What does it do to protect apparatus that may be used in a spray-drenching amphibious landing or in a rain-soaked highly humid jungle operation?

First, it makes sure that the equipment is packaged correctly—packaged so that no matter what kind of a drenching it takes, it still will click into instant operation when it is unpacked and set up on an atoll in the Pacific or on a mountain top in Italy.

### **Packing requirements**

Each instrument used by the Army has its individual packing requirements to effect, among other things, that it does not suffer from water. Dry batteries are a good example of the extreme care taken by the shipping men of the Signal Corps.

Each battery is packed in a unit package that is wrapped in a waterproof bag. A number of unit packages are then placed in a standard, moisture-proof fiber carton, which in turn goes into a protective bag made of laminated film, heat-sealed for added safety. Finally the sealed bags, with their contents, are put into a packing case which includes a waterproof liner.

Even then nothing is left to chance. The entire case is tested rigorously. It is temperature-tested in several ranges of climates; it is given water immersion tests twice, and it is drop-tested for strength. If water has penetrated to the cartons, the packing is considered inadequate for the purpose.

### **Soldier expedients**

Let us assume now that the equipment has arrived overseas and is to be used operationally in an overwater landing. Here expedients are definitely in order. Anything that will protect the equipment from the salt spray is used—rubber bags, sealing compounds, gaskets.

The American soldier, sailor and Marine has exhibited the ingenuity that typifies our nation in the protection of equipment. For example, in the invasion of Guadalcanal, Marines, before climbing down the landing nets, secured from the mess galleys the cellophane and rubber tops used to cover jars and cooking dishes and snapped them over the mouthpiece and receivers of their

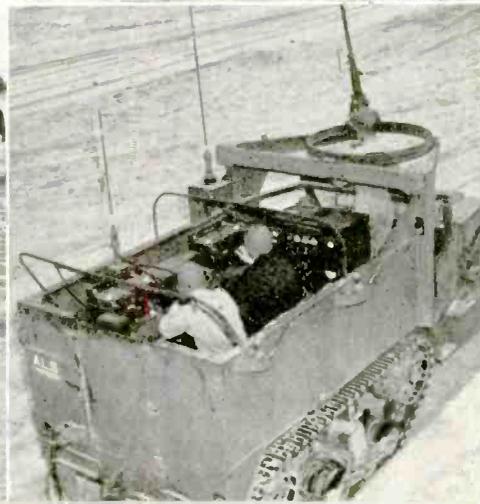
handie-talkies. This performance was really the beginning of the protection of the individual items of equipment carried by our armed forces.

Improvements have followed improvements along these lines, until today a communications soldier can step off a landing boat, wade through pounding surf, and advance across the beach in continual touch with his command post a mile or more offshore. Waterproof bags have been so constructed that equipment, such as portable radio sets, will operate even while they are enclosed.

The vehicular radio sets likewise are protected in this manner. Mounted on jeeps and other combat vehicles that come tumbling out of landing ships, the sets are fully covered with rubberized bags to protect them from the water. Even as the jeep or half-track moves through the water, its radio instruments are in operation efficiently.

"The prime purpose of waterproofing radio sets . . . is to prevent the equipment from being damaged by water action," Colonel

These Signal Corps photographs showing actual conditions under which military equipment is landed and used emphasize the importance of adequate protective measures against water





Even the ubiquitous "Handi-Talki" must be adequately waterproofed, here with a special type of covering put on as an expedient by the soldier himself to permit operation under all conditions

R. C. Hildreth, Director of the Signal Supply Division, Headquarters, Services of Supply, Eastern Theater of Operations, said recently. "The water-proofing must be 100 per cent effective. . . . It must be done thoroughly to assure successful operation of the radio set while in the water or after reaching land."

Finally, as the assault troops plunge on into the interior of their target, supplies come rolling ashore. What this means to communications equipment has been well described by Major General Harry C. Ingles, the Chief Signal Officer. Speaking at a press conference upon his return from a five-week tour of the Pacific, he said: "Communications equipment takes an awful beating in being unloaded. There are no piers or docks at any of these places in the Pacific. The equipment comes in on a ship and is taken off in a net, usually in a driving rain, run to shore in an open barge, and dumped there with no shelter. It may lie on the beach for a month or more. It's the best that can be done. . . ."

Two methods of water-proofing and fungus control have been found most effective: drying and varnishing. Both are done on the spot by the men who operate the equip-

ment—"first echelon maintenance," the Army calls it. In some areas an empty gasoline drum, wired for half-a-dozen 100-watt bulbs and powered by a portable generator, is used. A gas burner under a salvaged steel chest is another expedient found effective. Even the Quartermaster Corps' field kitchen.

It is only through the application of waterproofing protective measures in the design of the equipment that military radio can be made universally effective under conditions of use such as this, which is common in amphibious warfare, more common when the big push is started



Varnishing all the parts has been found to be the better method, however. This is done by spray gun or by brush and serves to protect the vital elements of a piece of equipment from the corrosive and electrically damaging damp of the sea and the jungle. It is still, however, an improvisation.

Recently, the Army has been distributing moisture and fungi-proofing kits. These kits contain brushes, spray guns, varnish (which contains a fungicide), lamps for heating and drying, switches, thermometers, and various other tools for the job. To the grimy, sweaty GI crouching over a field switchboard in a bamboo-thatched hut "somewhere in the Pacific" they have proved to be a godsend.

Batteries also suffer greatly in the jungle areas. To again quote General Ingles: "We have to be prepared for a considerable deterioration loss in equipment there. It is higher than it would be in other places. In that constantly high, humid temperature, dry batteries go bad very quickly; much more so than in the States.

"The only way we can keep them in good condition is to keep them in cold storage. That is what we are doing. The men build refrigerators there, packing the space between the inner and outer shells with sawdust that they get from sawmills that are operated in their zone. Then we send them refrigerator power units, and they keep the batteries in the refrigerators until they are needed."

The latest step in this campaign against water and fungus took place in March of this year. All signal depots in the continental United States were directed to varnish all equipment that goes through their repair shops.

# ENGINEER AS EXECUTIVE

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**Executive success comes from knowing where and by whom to get a job done rather than in knowing how**

• Just how successful an executive will an engineer make? While this is no new question in the radio and electronic industry, nevertheless it is causing deeper concern as economic developments continue to change the old order of business. The staid business executive confronted with a myriad of products and policies unknown to him in years past is hardly in a better position than the engineer without formal business training who suddenly finds before him the opportunity to be manager.

## **Straight thinking**

An engineer should be capable of becoming a new and better kind of executive. Many changes of thought and the molding of his knowledge and experience into something useful to him as an executive obviously are necessary. An engineer's schooling does not ordinarily include business and management. By his very nature he thinks straight to the point along specific channels and deals with specific problems, so it is not surprising if there has been no deviation of interest into such an unrelated field as business management until the definite need exists.

## **Must drop details**

When he finds himself in an executive position it may be very difficult for the engineer who has been used to solving problems in their entirety to realize that he cannot work on the details, and it may be even more difficult to break himself of the urge to do detail work. Detail can waste a great deal of the engineer-executive's worth. When a subordinate's work is laboriously checked item by item and figure by figure, the executive is not **checking** the work, he is **doing** the work.

If the same work is done by both, then one or the other is wasting his time. If the subordinate's work is so unreliable as to require such checking, he should be replaced. A



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1936—Owner and general manager, Kaar Engineering Co., Palo Alto, Calif



fallacy, probably originating in a shop and adopted by too many engineers, is the thought "I can do it myself faster than I can show so-and-so how to do it." However, as long as this ordinary labor is done by the manager, "so-and-so" never learns to do it and the manager goes on doing it himself indefinitely.

To those engineers who have aspirations to become executives, it might be mentioned that stability is one of the most important rungs in the ladder of advancement. Many who wonder at their inability to get into executive positions do not realize that possibly they have not stayed with any one firm long enough to become fully acquainted with its functions, and to gain the necessary confidence of their superiors. Bosses are usually made from employees of long, faithful service. Many are the engineers who have resigned their positions suddenly for a mysterious "great opportunity" on the eve of a promotion into an even greater opportunity with their own company.

## **Getting jobs done**

If you would be an executive, be wide awake to what is going on around you. Know why you were required to do a job a certain way. Know the policies of your firm, the men behind it and the kind of job they are doing. Learn about business in general by reading business magazines, and learn about other fields associated with yours. A little knowledge of machine shop technic or plastic design would be invaluable to an electronic engineer managing a company making electronic equipment. Just as real education does not necessarily require a knowledge of all the answers but instead consists of a knowledge of where the answers may be found, so executive success is knowing where and by whom to get a job done rather than in knowing how to do it all yourself.

# IDEAS

## Four Points for a Stake

A suggestion from Republic Aviation, Farmingdale, N. Y., should have application to the electronic industries. After an operation press-fitting bushings into housings, the housings were then point-staked at the edge of the bearing in four places with a center punch or staking tool and a hammer. By incorporating staking points on the ram which presses the bearing home, faster and more precise operation was achieved. A pilot was also added to insure accurate entry of the bushing into the hole in the housing.

## Jobs for Vets

A double-barreled plan to provide war veterans with employment opportunities on their discharge from military service and thereby secure needed help, has been initiated by the Brown Instrument Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

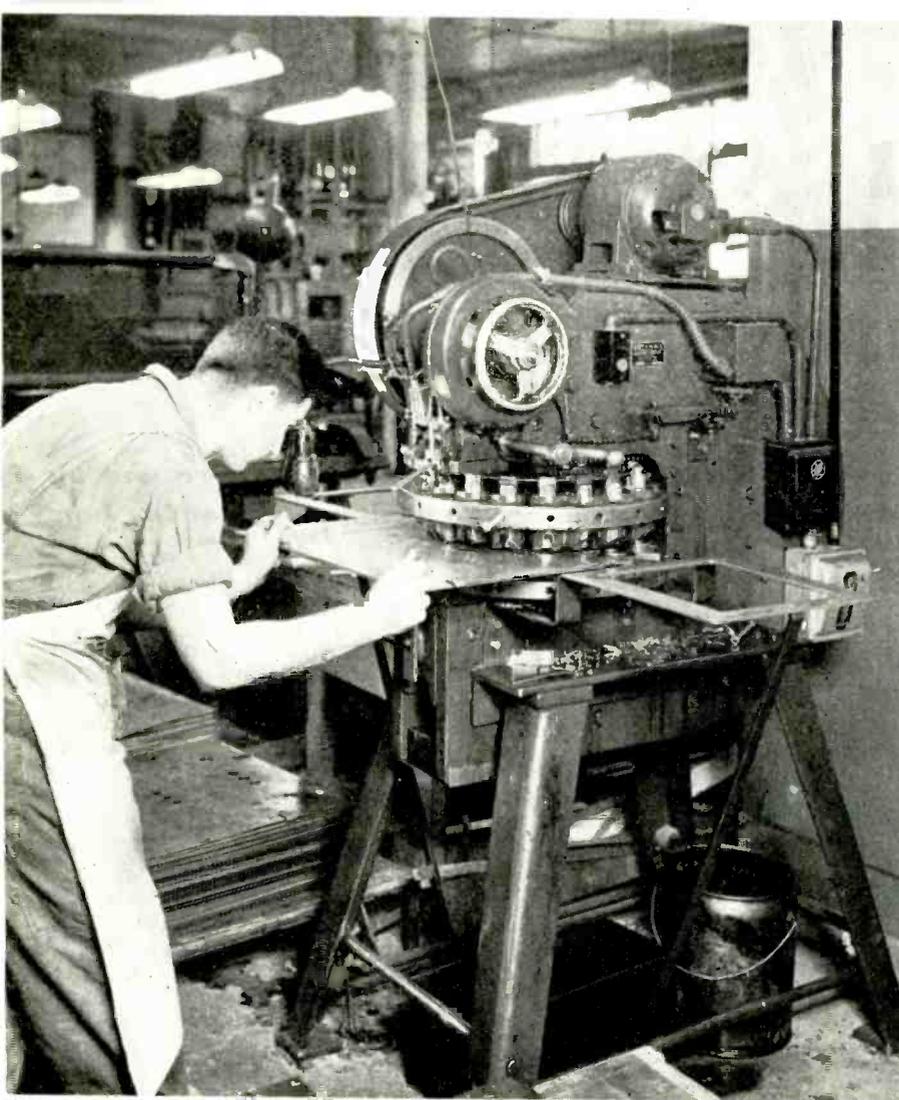
The Brown Company is providing each of the draft boards within a 35-mile radius with a list, weekly, of the jobs open at the plant, the type of men required and what experience, if any, is needed for each.

Results should be advantageous to the veteran, to the continued production of war goods and to the company. Long periods of waiting to find work are overcome, and red tape is reduced to a minimum.

Draft boards in the Philadelphia area reported their appreciation of the Brown plan and commended the company for providing a shortcut to veteran job placements. All vets are required to visit their draft boards as soon after their discharge as possible, making the boards an ideal intermediary.

## Small Holes from Big

At Sonora Radio and Television, Chicago, a shipment of a thousand aluminum chassis frames arrived with certain holes drilled out .004-in. oversize. An employe built a simple jig with a guide pin corresponding to the smaller, correct size of hole, mounted it in a standard arbor hand press, and the problem was solved. Pressure on the surrounding metal caused enough cold flow to fill the excess hole exactly. The employe, Leo Begun, was acclaimed for his ingenuity on a nationwide Blue Network hook-up of the Ford Motor Company's "Watch the World Go By."



PUNCHING 100 HOLES in radio chassis needed in small lots at Federal Telephone and Radio Corp., Newark, N. J., with turret-head punch press designed for short run piercing operations

• The photograph above, made in a plant of the Federal Telephone and Radio Corp., Newark, N. J., illustrates one of a number of radio and radar plant installations of "turret punch presses" manufactured in a variety of types and sizes by the Wiedemann Machine Company, Philadelphia, Pa., and designed to speed output and cut costs of sheet metal piercing jobs when production runs would not be long enough to justify the relatively expensive punch and die sets built to make all the knock-outs on a panel or chassis at one punch.

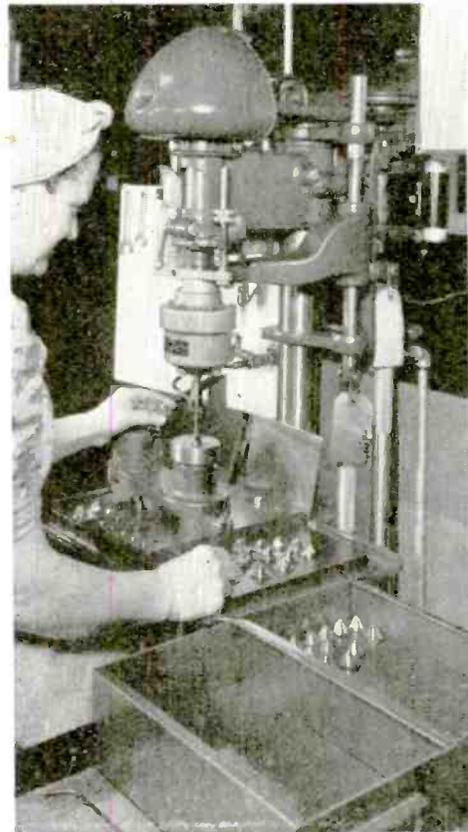
### Hand-powered unit

In simplest form, this new type of punch press is a hand-powered bench unit consisting of an upper and lower turret holding eleven punches and matching dies. The two turrets are geared together to insure that the corresponding punch and die will be together when the turret head is positioned under the ram. Various sizes and shapes of punch and die sets are left in place indefinitely for instantaneous availability.

Larger, power driven turret presses range up to 80 tons capacity, with throat depths up to 60 in. and with as many as 32 punch and die stations, holding dies up to five inches in diameter. Wherever possible, multiple or gang punches are used, punching two to five or more holes in each small area. The heavier presses do clean work on mild steel sheets up to one-half inch thick. Several gage-tables and associated control equipment are available for different kinds of work, providing accuracies up to .002-in. tolerance in positioning. For work on curved surfaces, one model has the lower turret built to rotate in a vertical rather than horizontal plane.

Typical of the time and money savings effected is the case at Federal Telephone and Radio Corp., whose time-study clocked an operation of punching 100 various sized holes through a template in less than ten and one-half minutes. Another short run job which formerly cost \$7.83 in labor to punch one piece came down to seventy-eight cents by the turret press method.

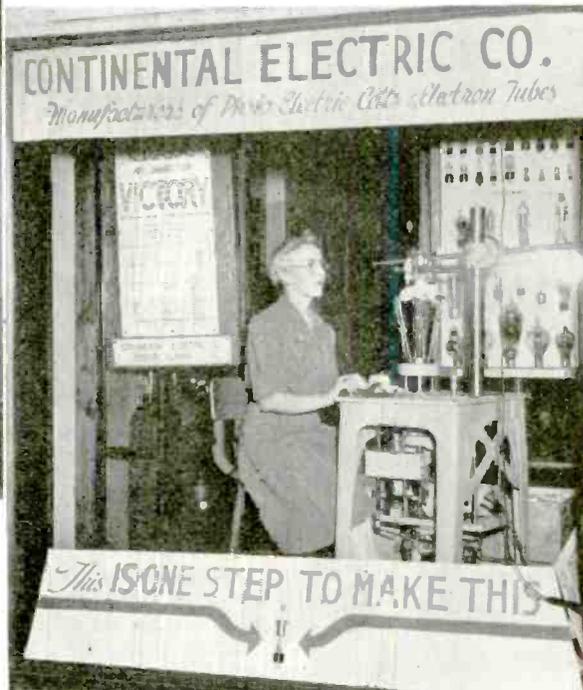
# TO SPEED PRODUCTION



↑ **AIR OPERATED CHUCK** speeds precision work on small round parts and largely does away with need for special jigs and fixtures. Tapping operation illustrated. Air chucks, made by Redmer Air Devices Corp., Chicago, give collet capacity up to one and three-fourths inches

**SECOND FRONT** against manpower shortage resulted in employment of large numbers of badly needed workers at Continental Electric Company, Geneva, Ill. Complete equipment for several sealing and other tube-making operations was set up in show windows on Geneva's Main Stem to show potential personnel that work is clean, quiet, interesting, and not at all dangerous

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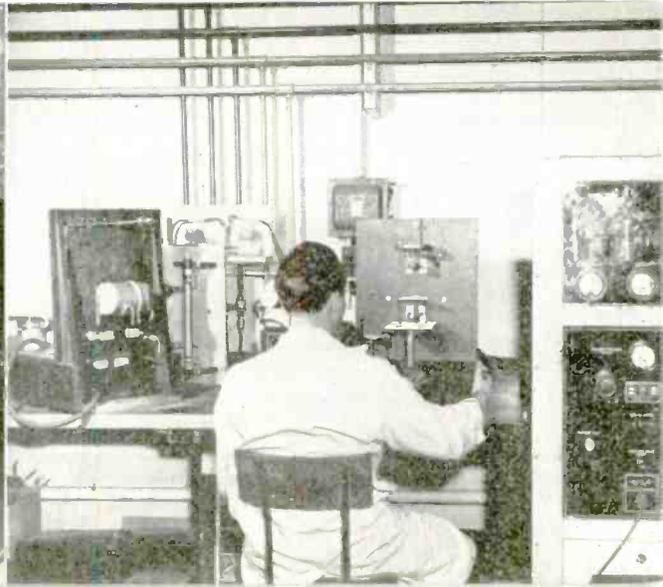
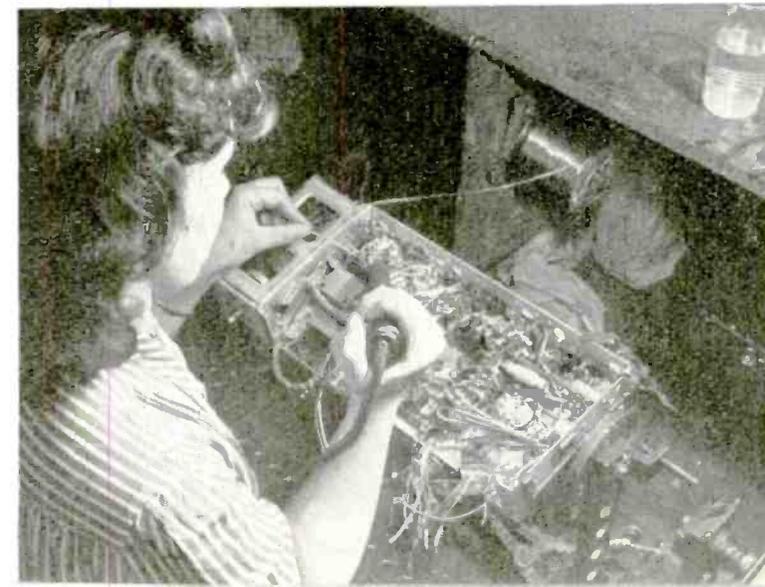
↑ **CROSS BETWEEN** tweezers and a pair of pliers, this tool is used by Electronic Labs., Indianapolis, Indiana, for removing broken screws or nuts from between reeds in vibrators. Just a pair of tapered half-round nose pliers with points ground down to be ultra-narrow, but a handy tool for any work in close, confined quarters. Sides must be ground slowly and carefully to avoid overheating and removing temper

To renew worn serrations and ragged cutting edges on pliers, heat to dull red and "bite" a file between the jaws on an anvil, then close pliers to make jaws parallel. Side-cutters are closed in while hot, later filed to clear edges. Jaws and cutting edges are then heat-treated in the standard way for hardness and long life

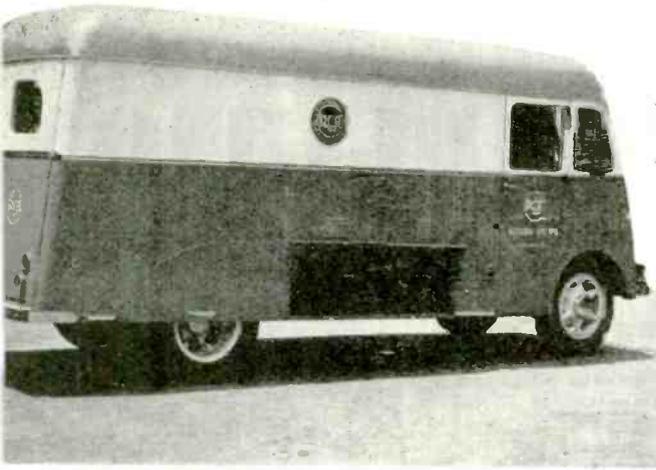
↑ **AWKWARDNESS** of handling one to five pound spools of solder prompted installation at the Cosley Corp., Cincinnati, of simple spool holder dispenser shown here

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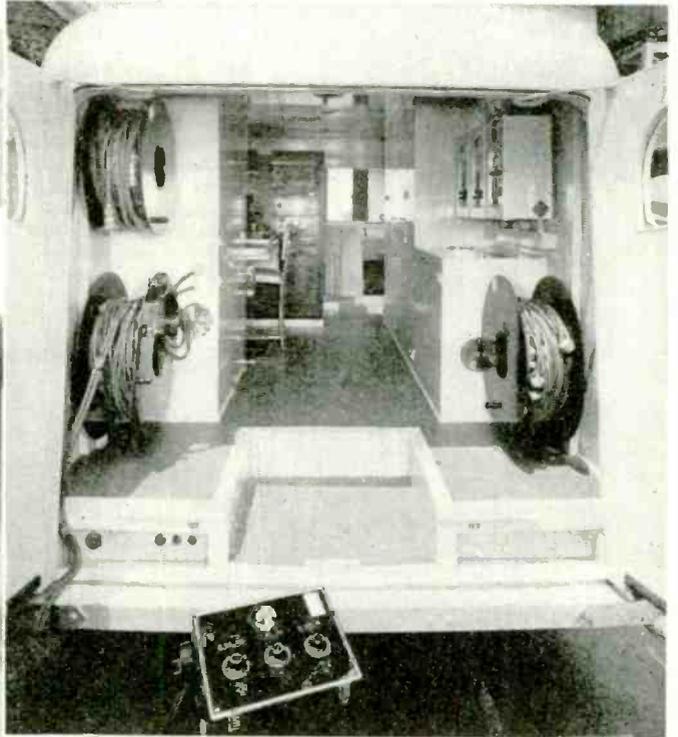
↓ **INDUCTION HEATING** scores a new success in metal-to-glass seals of Klystron tubes. Process soon to go on production line at a Long Island plant of the Sperry Corporation, New York City



# HOLLYWOOD



Battery compartment is located under the floor of the truck with batteries accessible through doors in side

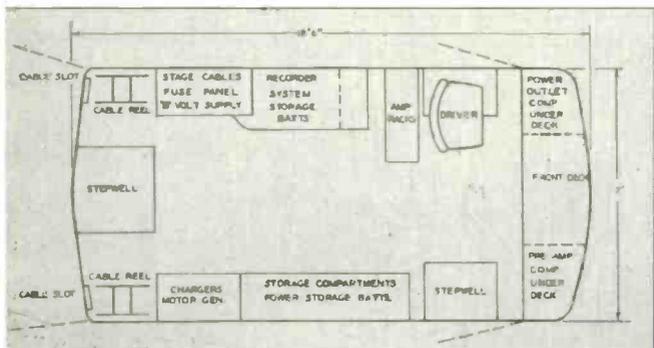
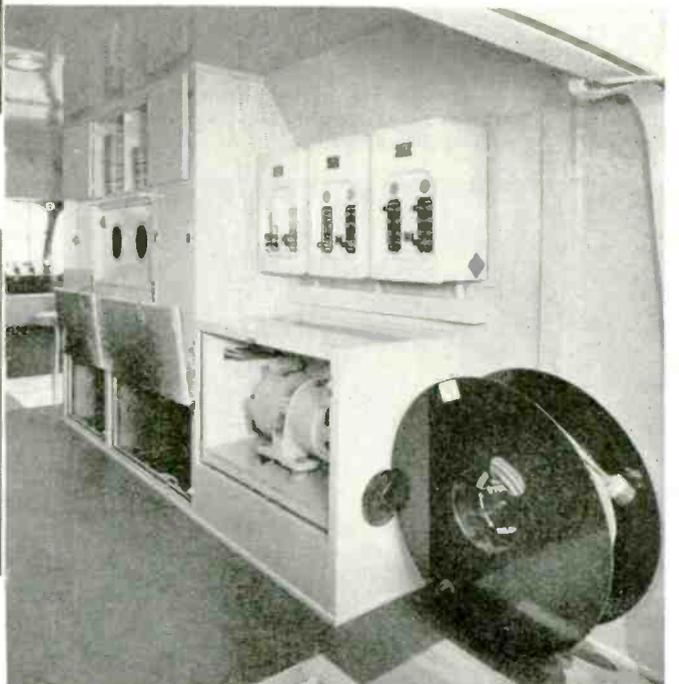


Interior view of the mobile studio showing stepwell, cable reels and general arrangement of the complete equipment



Cable reels, provided with brakes, are at the left rear with motor generator and B battery compartment just ahead

• Built on a cowl type Studebaker truck chassis with a wheelbase of 152 in., the latest type of mobile recording unit built by RCA Victor Division of the Radio Corp. of America is an unusually compact and complete studio on wheels. Several units have been built. Aside from the careful planning that went into the



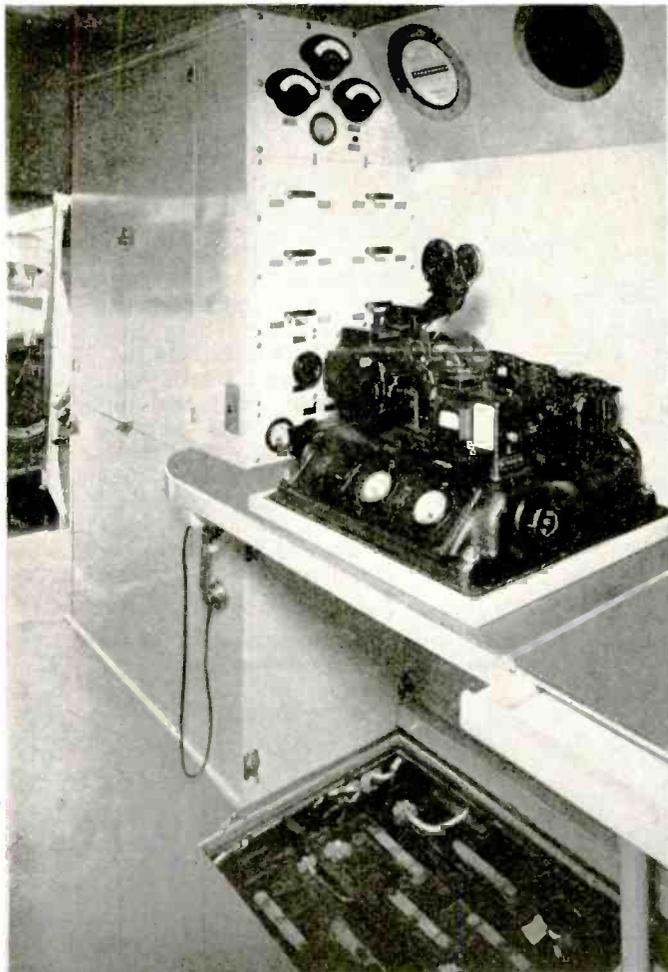
Plan of vehicle showing arrangement of batteries, power equipment and cable reels, etc. At right, the battery compartment from the inside with the soundproof motor-generator compartment adjacent

# ON WHEELS

design in order to provide for every conceivable recording necessity, a feature of the equipment is that it is completely self-contained, thus may be used anywhere. Design requirements called for an arrangement that would provide maximum accessibility both for use and for service maintenance. Among other unusual features, the driver's compartment and the recording compartment are combined in a single "room". A full six-foot headroom clearance is provided and the aisle type construction makes all the equipment instantly and easily accessible. Storage batteries for operating the motor-generator set, the B-voltage dynamotor, for filaments and for the recorder are located in compartments below floor level, accessible from outside.

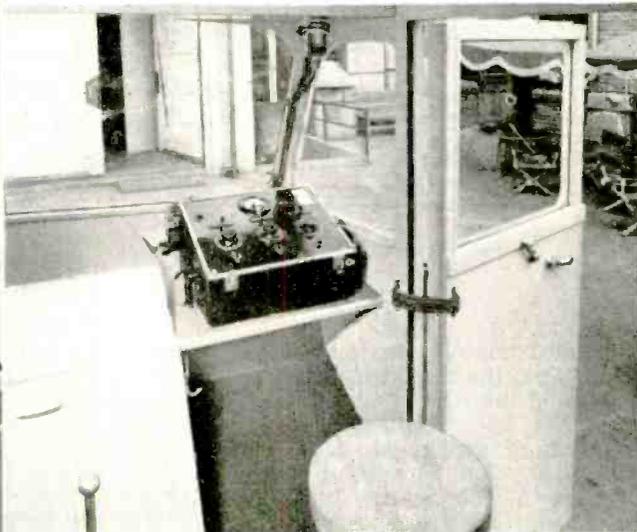


Front view of mobile studio showing position of the recording operator in a compartment alongside the driver



The sound film track recording equipment is mounted on a convenient shelf with its controls and meters built into the bulkheads adjacent to it. Beneath the machine one of the below-floor externally accessible battery compartments is shown with the floor up

Equipment storage compartments are built in above the power battery which is below the floor. Illustrated are spare tube and parts drawers, cupboards for holding raw film and film loading equipment



Recording operator's position from the inside in a wide compartment which he shares with the vehicle's driver

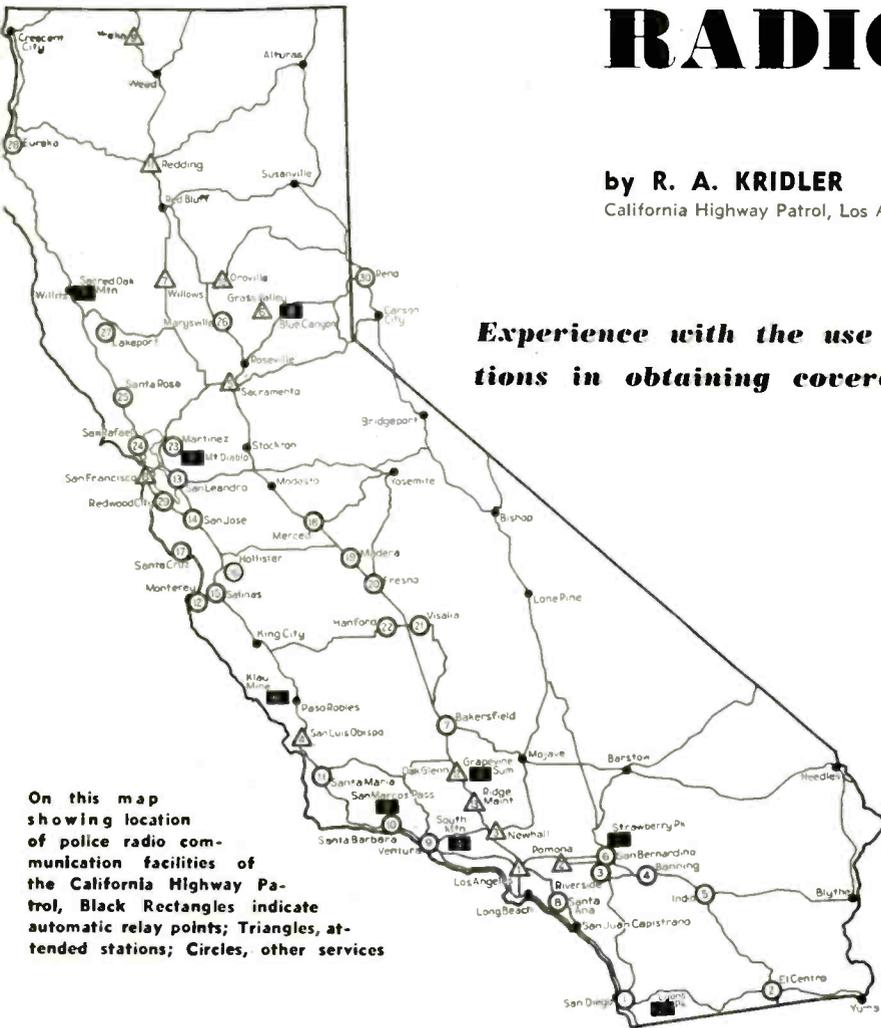


# RADIO RELAY

by R. A. KRIDLER

California Highway Patrol, Los Angeles

*Experience with the use of repeater station installations in obtaining coverage in mountainous country*



On this map showing location of police radio communication facilities of the California Highway Patrol, Black Rectangles indicate automatic relay points; Triangles, attended stations; Circles, other services

(U.S. 99); both of these highways are approximately 900 miles in length. These two major highways carry a great volume of the state's north-south traffic and it was necessary to give thorough consideration to an adequate two-way coverage of these routes.

Many portions of the state, particularly the northern section, are an almost continuous expanse of mountainous country with relatively small sections of valley territory which in turn are surrounded by high mountains ranging in elevation up to 8,000 or 9,000 ft.

We have the extreme in elevation variations here in California with Mt. Whitney 14,496 ft. above sea level and Death Valley 300 ft. below sea level; the highest and lowest locations in the United States. Many of the east-west roads and highways pass through such territory and the difficulty of providing radio coverage in such locations is readily apparent.

In addition California is divided

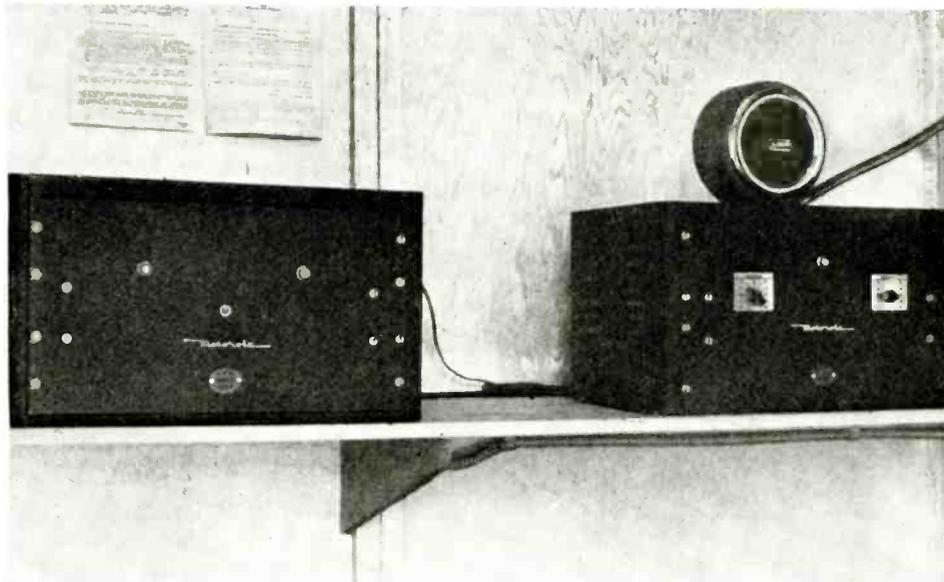
• Approximately two and a half years ago, the California Highway Patrol of the State Department of Motor Vehicles began an extensive program of expansion of its radio facilities. This work was commenced in recognition of the need for a more adequate and complete radio system in order that the department might better be equipped to fulfill its assignments and duties. Previous to this time the California Highway Patrol had maintained a few land stations in various locations, but with the exception of certain counties in scattered sections of the state, the department had no two-way equipment in operation.

California is traversed for almost its entire length by two major ranges of mountains, namely, the coast range and Cascade-Sierra Nevada range; the Coast range, in general, follows quite closely along the coast line and the Cascade-Sierra Nevada range is located at a distance varying from 100 to 300 miles inland.

For the entire length of the state, from the Mexican border to the Oregon line, there is a major highway between the Coast range

and the ocean (U.S. 101), and in between the Coast range and the Cascade-Sierra Nevada range there is still another major highway

Illustrated is the simple type of equipment, transmitter and receiver, used in each of the repeater stations for automatically receiving and relaying police communications



# LINKS IN POLICE WORK

into 58 counties, and many of these county lines extend completely through one or the other of the major ranges of mountains. In every instance it was necessary to plan on providing for two-way coverage from, as nearly as possible, all points in a given county to a given central county office or dispatching point.

While the California Highway Patrol is a unified state police agency, it is organized into county units or squads and in almost every one of the 58 counties of the state a separate local office is maintained. In effect, we found ourselves confronted with the problem of installing almost 58 separate communications systems.

To date the California Highway Patrol has installed 13 stations at strategic locations in the state. These are situated at Los Angeles, Pomona, Newhall, Oak Glenn, Ridge Maintenance (on Ridge Route) San Luis Obispo, San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, Sacramento, Redding, Oroville, Yreka and Willows. Most of these are 500 watt stations with the exception of the Sacramento station which is licensed for 5,000 watts. The 2 stations on the Ridge Route are 50 watt stations used for traffic control during winter months. In addition the Patrol has installed remote control facilities on approximately 27 county and municipally owned land stations in locations where they provided a satisfactory degree of coverage or where our own stations could not

be installed due to present wartime restrictions.

Our own stations operate on a frequency of 1682 kc and those owned by other governmental agencies operate on frequencies from 1600 kc to 2490 kc. We also operate approximately 400 two-way patrol cars throughout the state and 377 one-way motorcycles. Patrol cars are equipped with frequency modulated transmitters and operate on 39.78 mc. They are equipped with tunable receivers of the push-button station selector type and can thus be sent to any part of the state should an emergency arise.

## Automatic repeaters

In nearly every one of the 58 counties of the state we have installed at least one high-frequency 39.78 mc station receiver in order to provide for reception of these mobile units, and in many of the larger counties such as Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, etc., where more than one land station is installed, there are several receiving locations providing for communication with several different land stations. An extensive system of inter-land station monitoring is also established and, in an emergency, radio communications can be dispatched almost anywhere in California or the surrounding states.

In order to provide for greater coverage from our mobile units we have also installed 9 automatic radio relay stations in various parts of the state and six additional ones

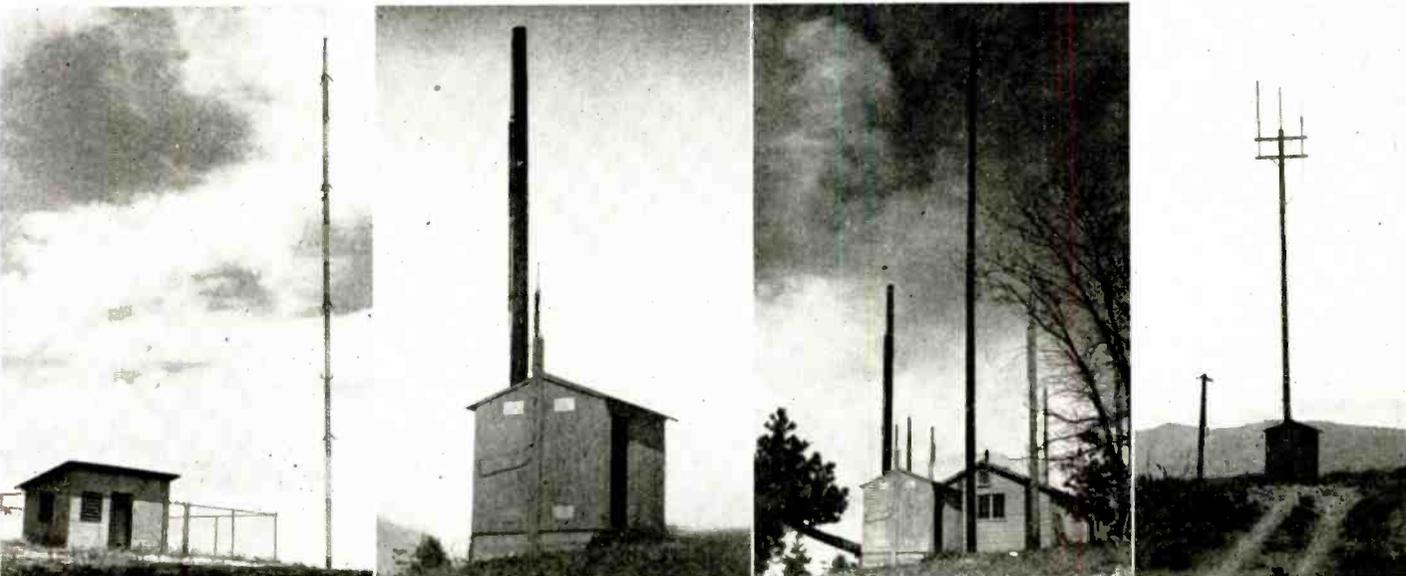
are now being placed in operation. When it is realized that the total area of the State of California is 158,693 square miles and there are some 117,760 miles of roads and highways in the state, it is readily appreciated that we were confronted with an enormous task in providing at least a fair degree of coverage for the entire state.

It was apparent that it would be necessary to place high frequency receiving locations at some high point in a given territory in order to expect any great degree of coverage from our mobile units; this in turn brought on the problem of returning the audio output of these receivers back to the dispatching point, as it was found in some instances that the best receiving location was from 5 to 55 miles from the squad office and telephone lines were usually not available. It was at this phase of our planning that it was decided to utilize a series of ultra-high frequency radio relay or repeater stations for this purpose. We were then confronted with the problem of securing locations that were reasonably accessible by road and where commercial power lines were within close proximity. It was also necessary to give consideration to the question of year around service of equipment and whether or not the location would be snowed in during the winter months.

At the commencement of this program the writer was given

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Various types of antennas used in the California Highway Patrol police system. Left to right: High frequency coaxial receiving antenna atop 1,682 kc transmitter tower; receiving and transmitting antennas on one of the automatic repeater stations; San Bernardino station which functions for a number of services (see text); installation near San Marcos Pass in Santa Barbara County



# ELECTRON MICROSCOPES

• Two quite new electron microscopes and considerable revision of a third appeared last month. General Electric and RCA are the sponsors. Two of the instruments, G-E's and the smaller of the RCA models, are of the console type, about the size of an office desk and are intended primarily for industrial uses. These are styled "simplified" versions, less powerful and lacking some of the adjustments found on larger models intended for research

where maximum flexibility is required.

The G-E desk model is essentially the same as the "war model" brought out about a year ago, except for the streamlined console. The fluorescent screen of this microscope is capable of producing images which can be magnified to about 10,000 times the size of the specimen.

The RCA console model type EMC is somewhat similar in appearance

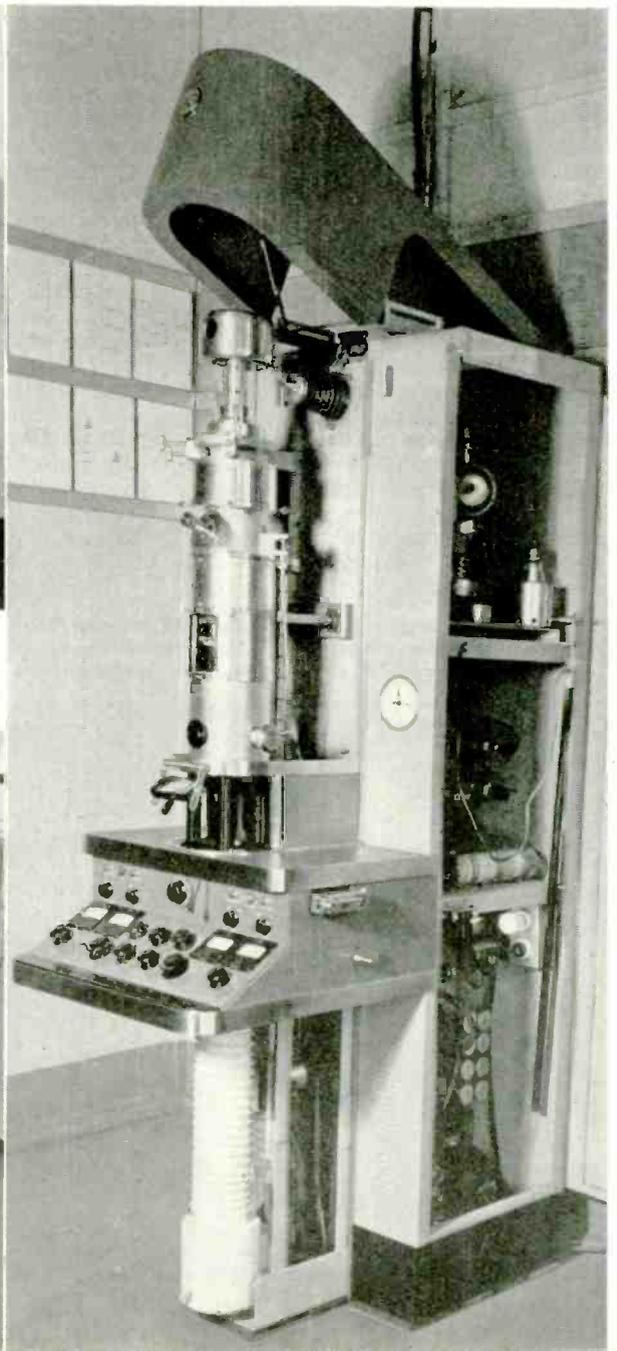
and arrangement. There are two magnification positions, 500 times and 5,000 times in the instrument providing useful photographs which can be enlarged up to several hundred thousand diameters. Single exposures on a 2 x 2 slide are made or visual examination is accomplished on a vertical fluorescent screen at eye level. Power consumption is 1,000 watts at 115 volts.

RCA's Universal research model  
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The new G-E instrument, intended for industrial laboratories, is a simplified unit housed in a console and provides only visual inspection



Type EMU is the universal RCA model, shown open, and has been considerably revised to simplify getting it into operation



RCA's type EMC electron microscope is a simplified version of the larger model in console form intended primarily for industrial use





Revolving door with photoelectric control, in the American National Bank, Vincennes, Indiana

# TUBES on the JOB

## Fishing via Ultrasonics

It's hard to say whether it's an industrial or a maritime application of electronic lore (or is it "lure"?), but a new ultrasonic note was struck on the sports page of the "New York Times" of April 28, 1944.

Not even the ungentle art of tuna fishing is going to escape the benefits of war's research and development if A. Paul King, who is active in New Jersey fishing circles, is right. The electronic age will descend upon sport fishing via ultrasonic detection, which will be used to locate fish just as it now locates our underwater enemies.

"Our tuna boats, manned with expert fishermen, will join the attack on game fish much in the same manner that our fighters now engage the enemy in battle at sea," says King. "We shall probably make agreements by inter-ship radio on just which boats will strike for the kill. But all this will be conducted with the highest regard for the principles of good sportsmanship and fair play," he hastens to add.

Mr. King thinks the deep-sea boats will be equipped with electronic detection units which will make it possible to determine the size of the schools within a 100-mile radius and will also tell the direction of their travel. He said that the Fish and Wildlife Service is testing the ultrasonic device for this purpose.

The contention is that to thousands of ardent young fishermen the use of electronic detection for fun will be a holiday after they learn it through the grim necessity of war.

Arrangements are now being made between the Office of the Coordinator of Fisheries and the Navy for a full-scale test of echosounding devices on surface vessels as a means of locating schools of fish, in waters off California.

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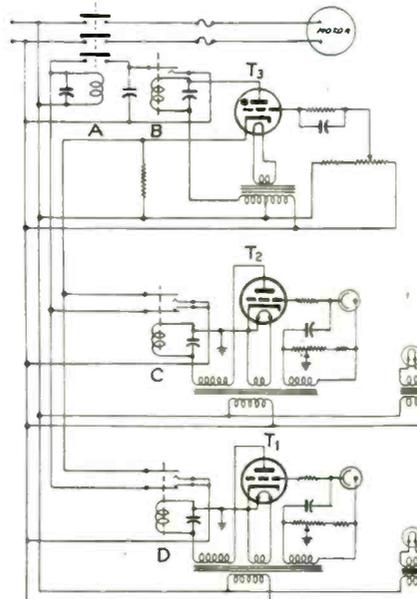
## Phototubes Revolve Doors

The latest in photoelectric door-openers is a system marketed by the Revolving Door Division of International Steel Co., Evansville, Indiana, covered by patents issued to Thurloe Hagenbook.

Near the floor on the right-hand side of each entrance to the door

infra-red light sources are installed. The beams are directed to phototubes mounted above the left-hand side of the entrances so that a signal to operate the mechanism is normally given only upon entering. The motor-drive mechanism includes a friction clutch designed to slip to avoid injury to a person or object, or to the mechanism itself, in the event that the doors are jammed. An overrunning clutch is also provided to make it possible to operate the doors manually if desired or if the automatic mechanism becomes inoperative for any reason.

Operation of the control may be visualized by referring to the circuit diagram, in which all elements are shown de-energized. With the circuits energized by the 115 volt ac line, triodes  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are conductive, maintaining relays C and D energized. When either light beam is interrupted, the corresponding triode assumes cut-off bias, de-energizing the relay in its plate circuit. One set of contacts closes, energizing relay A to start the motor which revolves the door. The other set of contacts opens, placing a plate potential on the thyatron,  $T_3$ , and energizing relay B to hold relay A for a period of time determined by the constants and adjustment of the thyatron grid circuit, actually 5 to 15 seconds, to allow sufficient operation of the motor for one person to pass through the revolving door. If the person is followed immediately by others, each interruption of the light beam renews the positive charge on the grid condenser to inaugurate a new interval. No cumulative effect is present, the last person in a long line having only the normal time interval in which to pass through the door.



Schematic of revolving door control system

## Machining Irregular Surfaces

A new automatic tracer mechanism, with the Westinghouse Silverstat regulator as its operating medium, has been applied successfully to jobs formerly requiring tedious hand work, such as propellers, dies, and cams. In operation, a probe mounted in connection with the Silverstat is used to follow the contour of an accurate model—either actual size or to scale. As the probe is moved across the model, it affects the position of the Silverstat. Through an amplifier, the cutting tool is moved correspondingly with respect to the work.

The accuracy of the tracer mechanism is such that, with a well designed machine tool and an actual size model, the contour of the model

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# CALIFORNIA ELECTRONIC

COMPANY & ADDRESS	CHIEF EXECUTIVES	ENGINEERS	TRADE NAME & PRODUCTS	POSTWAR PRODUCTS
*A. B. C. Products Co. 11952 Montana Ave. W. Los Angeles	Betty Wilson—P, GM	Arthur L. Wilson—CE	Lord shock mount holders, cord sets, radio assemblies	Lord shock mount holders, cord sets, radio assemblies
Advance Electric Co. 1260 W. Second St. Los Angeles	F. W. Falck—P Fred W. Falk, Jr.—GM F. Schaumburg—CPE	V. C. Huckabee—CE	ADVANCE—Relays	Relays
Aero Electric Corp. 6916 Romaine St. Los Angeles	E. B. Babcock—P R. E. Campbell—VP O. E. Davidson—GM R. H. Townsend—CPE	R. H. Townsend—CE F. M. Heidenry—OE	AERO—Cable connectors	Cable connectors
*Air Associates, Radio Div. 5827 W. Century Blvd. Los Angeles	H. I. Crow—P R. E. Acre—VP E. P. Gertsch—GM C. S. Knowlton—CPE	J. A. Rhoads—CE S. Cutler—DE C. Hicks—OE M. Eliason—OE J. Lewchuk—OE	Airport and aircraft transmitters and receivers, radio ranges, amplifiers, radio beacons	Airport and aircraft radio
Airtronics Mfg. Co. 5241 San Fernando Rd. Los Angeles	Ralph Hemphill—P Herman Harms—VP Paul Ivey—GM, CPE	V. Elconin—CE, DE F. O. Temple—OE	AIRTRONIC—Electronic heating units	Electronic heating units
*Altec Lansing Corp. 1680 North Vine St. Hollywood	G. L. Carrington—P A. A. Ward and J. B. Lansing—VP A. A. Ward—GM E. D. Zunker—CPE	J. K. Hilliard—CE E. B. Harrison—DE C. A. Campbell—OE A. K. Davis—OE	ICONIC AND DUPLEX—Speakers, horn systems, public address, audio amplifiers, transformers	Speakers, transformers, horn systems
*American Microphone Co. 1915 S. Western Ave. Los Angeles	F. A. Yarbrough—P	K. V. Martin—CE	A M E R I C A N — Microphones and accessories	Microphones
Applied Research Labs. 4336 San Fernando Rd. Glendale	M. F. Hasler—O R. W. Lindhurst—O G. Cooper—GM D. Moore—CPE	E. Schrotzberger—CE F. Cheatham—DE	A.R.L. DIETERT—Grating spectrograph, arc rectifier unit, ac arc unit, high-voltage spark unit, multi-source unit, projection comparator, densitometer, developing equipment, calculating board	Grating spectrograph, arc rectifier unit, ac arc unit, high-voltage spark unit, multi-source unit, projection comparator, densitometer, developing equipment, calculating board
Audio Products Co. 2101 W. Olive St. Burbank	A. J. Edgcomb—P		Commercial sound equipment	Commercial sound equipment
Avia Products Co. 7266 Beverly Blvd. Los Angeles	A. B. Norris—PT L. E. Stanley—PT G. B. Raymond—GM F. G. Perry—CPE	C. F. Booher—CE	Aircraft radio equipment, heavy duty resistors, indicator lamps	Electrical appliances
Aviola Radio Corp. 703 W. Ivy St. Glendale	John J. Ross—P W. K. Jackson—VP Paul Schmidt—CPE	R. P. Adams—CE Wm. Bone—M, FM	AVIOLA—Communication equipment	Home radio receivers, aircraft radio equipment, television & automatic record changers

\*Member Western Electronic Manufacturers Association.

P—President; VP—Vice President; GM—General Manager; CE—Chief Engineer; CPE—Chief Purchasing Executive; DE—Design Engineer; OE—Other Engineers; LE—Liaison Engineer; PT—Partners; O—Owners; LBE—Laboratory Engineer; ATP—Ass't to President; CPE-E—Chief Purchasing Executive—Electronics; CPE-A—Chief Purchasing Executive—Aircraft; DE-R—Design Engineers—Receivers; DE-T—Transmitters; PL SU—Plant Supt.; G.PT—General Partner; SD—Sales Director; PE—Product Engineer; PM—Production Manager; SM—Sales Mgr.; ME—Mechanical Engineer; M—Manager; SP—Sales Production; EE—Executive Engineer; FE—Field Engineer.

# INDUSTRY DIRECTORY

COMPANY & ADDRESS	CHIEF EXECUTIVES	ENGINEERS	TRADE NAME & PRODUCTS	POSTWAR PRODUCTS
*Bendix Aviation Corp. Pacific Div. 11600 Sherman Way North Hollywood	Palmer Nicholls—GM Mel M. Burns—AGM R. L. Galbraith—CPE	Dave Brown—CE Henry Winchel—DE W. C. Trautman—DE	ALTAIR—Hydraulic aircraft equipment units and systems, radio transmitters, receivers, and accessory equipment	Hydraulic aircraft equipment units & systems, radio transmitters, receivers and accessory equipment
Birtcher Corp., The 5087 Huntington Dr. N. Los Angeles	C. J. Birtcher—P G. S. Thompson—VP C. J. Birtcher—GM A. G. Babeaux—CPE	A. G. Babeaux—CE Hal. C. Mettler—DE	Relays and molded plastic components	Electromedical and electrosurgical equipment and allied electronic devices
Burnett Radio Lab., Wm. W. L. 4814 Idaho St. San Diego	Wm. W. L. Burnett—P	W. W. L. Burnett—CE	Radio frequency meters, crystals and holders, rf chokes, transmitters, receivers, temperature control ovens	Radio frequency meters, crystals & holders, rf chokes, transmitters, receivers, temperature control ovens
*Butte Electric Co. 124 Russ Ave. San Francisco	R. R. Armstrong—PT H. M. Armstrong—PT	R. W. Randolph—CE	Traffic counters, photo-electric alarms	Traffic counters, photo - electric alarms
Cannon Electric Development Co. 3202 Humboldt St. Los Angeles	James H. Cannon—P R. J. Cannon—VP, GM Richard Rowen—CPE	Edw. J. Niefing—CE Paul Foote—ACE	CANNON—Electrical connectors, cable terminals, solenoids, limit switches, signal systems	Electrical connectors, cable terminals, solenoids, limit switches, signal systems
*Cinema Engineering Co. 1508 W. Verdugo Rd. Burbank	A. C. Davis—O, DE Paul Keeler—GM, CPE	H. Woodbury—CE	VARITEN, VARITAP—Attenuators, wire wound resistors, potentiometers, tap switches, meter-multipliers	Attenuators, wire wound resistors, potentiometers, tap switches, meter-multipliers
Clark Co., Robert H. 9330 Santa Monica Blvd. Beverly Hills	Robert H. Clark—P Don L. Lenzi—GM John A. Stieber—CPE	L. A. Smith—CE, DE Harry C. Wilson—OE	CLARK "CC"—Adjustable hole and gasket cutters, surface facers, counterbores and flycutters, quartz orientation replacement table	Tools
*Communications Equipment Corp. 134 W. Colorado St. Pasadena	S. W. Cunningham—P R. Kimball—VP, GM Fred'k Griggs—CPE	Ralph Seiler—FE Ebert Mattson—DE Harvey Smith—OE	Transmitters, receivers, remote controls, power supplies, amplifiers	Transmitters, receivers, remote controls, power supplies, amplifiers
Consolidated Engineering Corp. 1255 E. Green St. Pasadena	Herbert Hoover, Jr.—P Philip S. Fogg—VP W. E. Spicer—GM R. W. Reid—CPE	E. E. Hoskins—CE B. F. McNamee—DE	Mass spectrometer, strain & vibration measuring instruments, seismic instruments	Mass spectrometer, strain & vibration measuring instruments, seismic instruments
Cook Research Labs. 950 Crane St. Menlo Park	Lawrence H. Cook—O	Leo W. Ruth—DE	Navy, Ordnance, C.W.S., tools and precision parts	Navy, Ordnance, C.W.S., tools and precision parts
Cryco, Inc. 1516 Mission St. South Pasadena	Walter N. Johnson—P H. E. Blaiser—VP Robt. W. Bethke—GM	Frank N. Wilcox—OE	Quartz crystal holders	
Cyclotron Specialties Co. Mcraga	D. R. Tibbetts—P, CE L. S. Tibbetts—VP	John L. Annis—DE	Geiger-Mueller counter, impulse registers, Geiger tubes	Geiger-Mueller counter, impulse registers, Geiger tubes

COMPANY & ADDRESS	CHIEF EXECUTIVES	ENGINEERS	TRADE NAME & PRODUCTS	POSTWAR PRODUCTS
*Dallons Labs. 5066 Santa Monica Blvd. Los Angeles	Oscar Dallons— PT, GM, CE	John Seiler—DE Franz Dallons—OE	Precision crystals, vacuum tubes	Precision crystals, electro-therapy equipment
*Dalmo-Victor, Inc. 620 York St. San Francisco	T. I. Moseley—P Earl S. Douglass—VP Harry E. Grant—CPE	Paul F. Byrne—CE	Loudspeaking telephone system, Inter-communi- cation telephone equip- ment	Inter-communica- tion telephone equipment
*Dine, F. E. Trustee for Higgins Industries, Inc. 2221 Warwick Ave. Santa Monica	F. E. Dine—GM, CE George J. Steil—CPE	F. Berberich, Jr.—DE Jim Henderson—OE	Crystals, frequency me- ters, radio transmitters and receivers	Radio transmitters and receivers, re- cording equipment
*Eitel-McCullough, Inc. San Bruno	W. W. Eitel—P J. A. McCullough—VP G.F. Wunderlich—GM E. F. Sanderson—CPE	G. T. Howes—CE H. B. Becker—LE	EIMAC — Transmitting tubes, vacuum condens- ers and switches, recti- fiers, vacuum tubes, dif- fusion pumps	Transmitting tubes, vacuum condens- ers and switches, rectifiers, vacuum tubes, diffusion pumps
Electrical Facilities, Inc. 4224 Holden St. Oakland	S. M. Gardner—P Geo. M. Thomas—VP	Harold Knapp—CE	Precision measuring and testing transformers, power rectifiers	Precision measur- ing and testing transformers, pow- er rectifiers
*Electrical Products Corp. 1128 Venice Blvd. Los Angeles & Oakland	H. R. Owen—P W. J. Vaughn—VP L. A. Rice—VP, CE M. R. Manshardt—VP G. C. Greenlund—GM D. E. Baldwin—CPE	G. W. Thunen—CE E. O. Erickson—LbE	Electrical aircraft parts, Midget relays, crystals	Relays
Electron Equipment Corp. 917 Meridian St. South Pasadena	D. B. Clark—P, CE, DE H. Matthews—VP Florence Klingel—CPE		ELECO—R.P.M. controls, rectifiers, battery charg- ers, converters, inverters, high-frequency changers, induction heating units, transformers	R.P.M. controls, rec- tifiers, battery chargers, convert- ers, inverters, high- frequency chang- ers, high-frequency induction heating units, electronic transformers
*Electronic Specialty Co. 3456 Glendale Blvd. Los Angeles	David A. Marcus—M	Stuart K. Babcock—CE	RANGER—Aircraft radio receivers, transmitters, interphones and related equipment	Aircraft radio re- ceivers, transmit- ters, interphones and related equip- ment
Excel Transformer Co. 2809 38th Ave. Oakland	J. Wasylina—P, CE		Special audio transformers	Special audio transformers
Federal Radio & Tele- vision Mfg. Co. 700 E. Florence Ave. Los Angeles	Geo. W. Berger— P, CE Gilbert A. Berger— VP Claude B. Andrews— GM L. V. Willat—CPE	Gilbert A. Berger— DE	Broadcast and police communications equip- ment	Communication equipment
*Fisher Research Laboratory 1961 University Ave. Palo Alto	Gerhard Fisher—O Curt Fisher—GM O. K. McCoy—CPE	J. Soderquist—CE Ed. Amsler—DE	Transmitters, receivers, M-scopes, antennas, pow- er supplies, leak detec- tors	Transmitters, re- ceivers, M-scopes, antennas, power supplies, leak detectors
Frazar & Hansen 301 Clay Street San Francisco	O. C. Hansen—PT E. W. Frazar—PT Wm. Morgan—CPE		(Export representatives)	(Export representatives)
*Gardner Elec. Mfg. Co. 4227 Hollis St. Oakland	S. M. Gardner—P, CE R. S. Wahlgren—VP C. R. Fisher—CPE D. G. Taylor— Sls.M, GM	M. G. Freeman—DE Ed. Mazzola—OE	GARDNER—Special transformers	Special transformers

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General Controls Co. 801 Allen Ave. Glendale	W. A. Ray—P, CE A. W. Ray—VP, GM J. Fudge—CPE	Don Lewis—DE H. J. Matteson—OE L. C. Biggle—OE	HYDRAMOTOR — TRIM-THERM—Automatic electronic controls	Automatic electronic controls
*Gilfillan Bros., Inc. 1815 Venice Blvd. Los Angeles	S. W. Gilfillan—P J. G. Gilfillan—VP J. A. Brown—S I. B. Sparks—A, VP J. H. Miles—E, VP C. F. Wolcott—ATP A. L. McDermott—CPE, E J. Forrest—CPE, A	H. G. Tasker—CE, DE Wm. Lindsay—SP C. L. Johnson—OE J. Stokes—OE Keith Mealey—OE Glen Gerken—OE George Edlen—OE Wm. Hargens—OE Albert Albrecht—OE	GILFILLAN—Inter-phone amplifiers, hydraulic valves, hydraulic pumps, strainer assemblies, wiring assemblies	Radios, refrigerators, television
*Girard-Hopkins 1000 40th Ave. Oakland	A. R. Stack—PT J. C. Hopkins—PT	Chas. Lasswell—CE	Oil and wax filled capacitors	Oil and wax filled capacitors
Glenn-Roberts Co. 1009 Fruitvale Ave. Oakland	Geo. G. Glenn—P, GM James L. Vosburg—VP J. C. Weaver—CPE	D. C. Girard—CE	Welding equipment, relays, fixed capacitors	Welding equipment, relays, fixed capacitors
Robert M. Hadley Co. 707 E. 61st St. Los Angeles	Robert M. Hadley—O, VP, GM	H. Howard Hill—CE	HADLEY — Radio sheet metal specialties, transformers and chokes	Radio sheet metal specialties, transformers & chokes
Harvey Machine Co., Inc. Electronics Div. 6200 Avalon Blvd. Los Angeles	Leo M. Harvey—P Lawrence A. Harvey—VP Herbert Harvey—GM E. Kretzman—CPE	Wm. C. Aboussleman—CE John Novak—DE	HARMAC—HARCRAFT—Radio transmitters and receivers	Radio transmitters and receivers
Harwood Co., The Div. of Los Angeles Corp. 540 N. La Brea Ave. Los Angeles	E. C. Simmons—P R. F. Ingold—VP G. J. Livingston—VP, GM F. A. von Baum—CPE	A. C. Pearson—CE E. R. Griffin—DE Jack Byrd—OE	Cable connectors	Cable connectors
*Heintz & Kaufman, Ltd. So. San Francisco	Jack Kaufman—P S. Dollar—CH, BD W. Noel Eldred—GM	W. C. Wagener—CE	GAMMATRON—Transmitting tubes	Transmitting tubes
*Henry Mfg. Co. 2213 Westwood Blvd. West Los Angeles	Robt. E. Henry—PT J. T. Henry—PT J. Ewing Irwin—GM	Walter C. Elleby—CE	Quartz crystals	Radio products
*Hewlett-Packard Co. 395 Page Mill Rd. Palo Alto	David Packard—P G. Zieber—GM, CPE	Brunton Bauer—CE Chas. L. Watson—DE	Laboratory and measuring equipment, automatic welding control equipment, resistance tuned audio oscillators, audio signal generators, vacuum tube voltmeter, harmonic wave analyzer, distortion analyzer, etc.	Resistance - tuned audio oscillators, audio signal generators, vacuum tube voltmeter, harmonic wave analyzer, distortion analyzer, attenuation & voltage-dividers, etc.
*Hoffman Radio Corp. 3430 So. Hill St. Los Angeles	H. L. Hoffman—P, GM W. S. Harmon—VP, CE P. L. Fleming—CPE		HOFFMAN — MITCHELL — HUGHES — MISSION BELL — Communication equipment	Radios, phono combinations
Hollywood Transformer Co. 645 N. Martel, Hollywood	Ed. O. Woodward—O Jas. D. Corbett—CPE	Louis Katz—DE	HOLLYTRAN — Audio transformers and filters	Audio transformers and filters
Howard Pacific Corp. 932 N. Western Ave. Los Angeles	T. W. Keller—P L. E. O'Neil—VP, GM D. L. Keller—S, T E. V. Bialik—PA R. Atterbury—PA	W. F. Frankart—CE C. A. Briggs—PE M. Glatt—PE	Military radio equipment, special transformers	Home receivers, test equipment, amateur equipment

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*Jennings Radio Mfg. Co. McLaughlin Rd. San Jose	J. E. Jennings—PT F. W. Gillmeister—PT		Vacuum condensers and tubes	Vacuum condensers and tubes
*Kaar Engineering Co. 619 Emerson St. Palo Alto	J. M. Kaar—O, GM, CE E. W. Mersereau, Jr.— CPE	N. C. Helwig—R, DE S. P. French—T, DE Geo. Callander—OE Carl Schneider—OE Carl S. Chambre—OE	KAAR—Receivers, transmitters, marine radiotelephones, quartz crystals, microphones, variable air condensers, vibrator power supplies, mobile antennas	Receivers, transmitters, marine radiotelephones, quartz crystals, microphones, variable air condensers, vibrator power supplies, mobile antennas
Lake Mfg. Co. 2323 Chestnut St. Oakland	H. H. Edgar—O, GM J. Aletoo, Jr.—CPE, CE		VOYCALL — Intercommunicating equipment, amplifiers and paging equipment, electric signal bells, lamp annunciators, telephone relays, special signaling devices	Intercommunicating equipment, amplifiers and paging equipment, electric signal bells, lamp annunciators, telephone relays, special signaling devices
Lenkurt Electric Co. 1138 Howard St. San Francisco	L. G. Erickson— PT, CE, DE K. E. Appert—PT, OE F. I. DuFrane—PT		LENKURT — Carrier telephone and telegraph equipment for wire lines and radio	Carrier telephone & telegraph equipment for wire lines and radio
*Lewis Electronics 16 Lyndon St. Los Gatos	M. Shaw—P, GM, CPE Weldon G. Drew—VP	Garrett W. Lewis—CE N. V. Bramley—DE Eldred Hodges—OE	Transmitting tubes, repair and rebuilding, transmitting tubes	Transmitting tubes, rebuilding tubes
*Littelfuse, Inc. 200 West Ong St. El Monte	E. V. Sundt—P, CE Ashford M. Wood— VP, GM W. J. McKay—CPE		Circuit protecting fuses, signal lights	Circuit protecting fuses, signal lights
*Litton Engineering Labs. Redwood City	Charles V. Litton— O, CE J. G. Copelin—GM L. K. Bolender—CPE	Charles V. Litton—CE	Glassworking lathes, sealing machines, vacuum pumps, tube parts	Relating to radio and radar
*Marine Radio Service, Inc. 330 Broad Ave. Wilmington	Paul F. Wisner—P, DE E. T. Wisner—VP R. Lewis—GM E. Smith—CPE	G. M. Urey—CE J. W. Elliott—OE	SEAPHONE—Communications equipment	Marine electronic equipment
McColpin-Christie Corp. 4920 S. Figueroa St. Los Angeles	S. L. Christie—P, DE H. R. Jaenecke—PM R. E. Sanderson—CPE		C&C—Battery chargers & testers, rectifiers, industrial boiler water analyzers	Battery chargers and rectifiers
Megard Corp. 1601 So. Burlington Ave. Los Angeles	J. D. Funderberg— P, GM	C. E. Taylor—CE	Communication equipment, amplifiers, home radio	Communication equipment, amplifiers, home radio
*Memovox, Inc. 9242 Beverly Blvd. Beverly Hills	Walter M. Fagan—P Peter C. Bryce—VP W. J. Hopkins—CPE	Geo. P. Brubaker—CE T. E. Graham—DE P. B. Ugrin—OE	MEMOVOX — MEMO DISK—Recording equipment	Recording equipment
Lee J. Meyberg Co., Inc. 70 10th St. San Francisco	A. H. Meyer—P E. E. Young—VP W. J. Lancaster—SM J. H. Moulthrop—CPE	H. D. King—CE B. Barney—DE A. Grenn—OE	Commercial sound systems, crystal holders	Commercial sound systems, crystal holders
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*Monitor Piezo Products Co. 815 Fremont Ave. South Pasadena	H. E. Blasier—P, CE Dwight H. Reay—VP J. G. Rasmussen—VP W. N. Johnson—PL, SU A. G. Wallsworth—CPE		Quartz crystals	Quartz crystals
National Technical Labs. 820 Mission St. South Pasadena	A. O. Beckman—P C. A. Mason—GM E. H. Polkinghorne—CPE	H. H. Cary—CE R. E. Vaniman—DE	pH meters, Spectrophotometers and Helipots	Spectrophotometers and Helipots
Newcomb Audio Products Co. 2815 S. Hill St. Los Angeles	Robert Newcomb—P		ROBOTROL — Commercial sound systems	Commercial sound systems
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Pacific Sound Equipment Co. 1534 Cahuenga Blvd. Hollywood	R. G. Metzner—P, CE Andrew Charles—GM Wm. L. Maas—CPE	A. B. Rotenberg—DE C. B. Stegman—OE	PORTELEC — Transcription players, combination P-A system & transcription players	Transcription players, combination P-A system and transcription players
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*Peerless Electrical Products Co. 6920 McKinley Ave. Los Angeles	John O. Aalberg—P L. W. Howard—VP John E. Tippie—GM E. P. Curtis—CPE	E. M. Keillor—CE Ray Davidson—OE	PEERLESS — Transformers, radio and radar, solenoids & motor windings, fluorescent ballasts	Transformers — radio & radar, solenoids and motor windings, fluorescent ballasts
Plastic Fabricators Co. 440 Sansome St. San Francisco	I. M. Montalto—P		DURASHIELD — Plastic nameplates, panels, directional signs, aircraft label plates, dial faces	Plastic nameplates, directional signs, aircraft label plates, dial faces
Precision Specialties 210 No. Western Ave. Los Angeles	J. Rabinowitz—PT, SD L. H. Glaser—PT, GM G. I. Taylor—CPE	Z. Goodman—CE H. C. McLean—DE	Sockets and terminal strips	Home radios, recorders
*Remler Co., Ltd. 2101 19th at Bryant San Francisco	E. G. Danielson—P, GM Robt. C. Gray—VP Geo. Coleman—CPE	H. E. Greene, Jr.—CE, DE H. L. Parker—OE, SE	REMLER — Battle announcer equipment, marine amplifiers, microphones, signal cords, plugs and connectors, custom plastic molding of electrical and electronic parts	Radio broadcast receivers, electronic intercommunications, radar and present merchant and navy announcing equipment

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*Rieber Inc., Frank 11916 W. Pico Blvd. West Los Angeles	Chas. Griffith—P, GM Richard G. Leitner— VP, CE, DE R. Stanley Clarke—VP J. Cherrett—CPE	Wm. K. Rieber—OE Frank Gilbert—OE	CGS—Caltron, recorders and reproducing equipment, airplane instruments, radio equipment, meteorological instruments, amplifiers, ammeters and voltmeters, frequency meters, photoelectric devices, public address systems	Recording and reproducing equipment
Robinette Co., W. C. 802 Fair Oaks Ave. South Pasadena	W. C. Robinette— P, O, CE, DE V. A. Robertson—GM C. F. Tinsman—CPE	L. R. Pugh—OE	MOTRON—Electronic devices and controls, relays	Electronic devices and controls, relays
*Sargent Co., E. M. 212 9th St. Oakland	E. M. Sargent—P	L. C. Ragment—CE	SARGENT—Communications equipment	Communicating equipment
*Schott Co., Walter L. 9306 Santa Monica Blvd. Beverly Hills	Walter L. Schott—P Arnold Schott—GM P. D. Molen, Jr.—CPE	Frank Wilburn—CE	WALSCO—Cord assemblies and component parts, radio parts and chemicals	Cord assemblies & component parts—radio parts and chemicals
Searle Aero Industries Orange	M. O. Searle—P, CE G. M. Marco—VP M. W. Kiphart—CPE	F. Harrington—OE Fred Aves—OE	AMERFLEX—Searle indicator light, conduit, aircraft radio	Searle Indicator Light, Amerflex conduit, aircraft radio
Selenium Corp. of America 1719 W. Pico Blvd. Los Angeles	C. O. Rich—P Eric Lidow—VP, CE M. Burlin—GM Ellwood Reich—CPE	Marc Holzman—DE Alfonse Quindry—OE	SELCO, EMBY—Photocells, instrument & relay rectifiers, power rectifiers	Photocells, instrument & relay rectifiers, power rectifiers
Signal Electric Supply Co. 234 9th Ave. San Francisco	N. P. Kafoury—P, GM	Philip Garner—CE, DE	Electrical-electro mechanical devices for Armed Forces	Electronic & signal equipment, interphones, induction heating
*Sound Equipment Corp. of Calif. 6245 Lexington Ave. Hollywood	Norman S. Lawson—P Wm. A. Lower—VP Delmar Wright—GM E. J. Kershner—CPE	D. H. Jones—CE, DE Joe E. Turner—OE Lawrence Rector—OE Clarence Addis—OE	Test equipment, aircraft radio & interphones, control panels, interference filters, radio frequency coils, chokes and transformers, custom built portable radio, communication equipment, custom built phantom antennas, audio amplifiers & accessories, public address systems, super-sonic amplifiers & accessories	Test equipment, aircraft radio & interphones, control panels, interference filters, radio frequency coils, chokes and transformers, custom built portable radio, communication equipment, custom built phantom antennas, audio amplifiers and accessories, public address systems, super-sonic amplifiers and accessories
*Speedex Mfg. Co. 530 Gough St. San Francisco	Leslie Logan—P		SPEED X—Telegraph keys and practice sets	Telegraph keys and practice sets
Stoddart Aircraft Radio Co. 6630 Santa Monica Blvd. Hollywood	R. R. Stoddart—P Sam Timbrell—GM	Paul J. Holmes—CE C. L. Fleissner—OE W. G. Hodson—OE Nathan R. Silk—OE Orrin Bowers—OE	Aircraft transmitters and receivers, power supplies, remote control antenna tuning units, dummy antenna type DA-3, VHF transmitters, VHF receivers, microvolter	Aircraft radio and equipment
*Thermador Electrical Mfg. Co. 5119 So. Riverside Dr. Los Angeles	H. H. Fogwell—P	H. Bolderson—CE	Transformers, laboratory equipment	Transformers, laboratory equipment

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*T. W. T. Co. 6127 So. Western St. Los Angeles			Receivers, transmitters, amplifiers	
Ungar, Inc., Harry A. 615 Ducommun St. Los Angeles	Sidney Ungar—P, CE		Space wound coils, rf coils, soldering pencils	Space wound coils, rf coils, soldering pencils
*Universal Microphone Co. Centinela & Warren Lane Inglewood	James L. Fouch—P Cecil L. Sly—VP LeRoy Hannan—PM Karl Mautz—CPE	L. A. Willyard—CE H. S. Baumgarten—ME Floyd Long—TE Gerrald Kane—TE	UNIVERSAL — Micro- phones, plugs, jacks, switches, cord assemblies	Microphones, elec- tro-acoustical, elec- tro-mechanical components
Vaidaphone Co. 1323 Venice Blvd. Los Angeles	J. E. Vaida—O A. M. Hyne—CPE	K. Wennenwetch—CE Paul Rowe—DE	VAIDAPHONE — Electrical connectors, voice powered telephones	Detector unit headsets, plastics
*Wellman Mfg. Co. 7122 Melrose Ave. Los Angeles	W. N. Wellman—GM	Carl Eliassen—CE H. Nesbit, Jr.—OE	Crystal hardware, solenoids, switches	Solenoids and phonette music boxes
Western Electro- Mechanical Co. 300 Broadway Oakland	W. J. Foster—P, GM W. W. Scherer— VP, CE		Electrical instrument equipment, transformers, meters, special applica- tions	Electrical instru- ment equipment, transformers, me- ters, special applica- tions

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## **Dielectric Constants and Power Factors at Centimeter Wavelengths**

**C. R. Englund (Bell System Technical Journal, January, 1944).**

A resonance method has been developed to determine the power factor and the dielectric constant of various dielectrics in the centimeter wavelengths range. The underlying theory is explained, method and apparatus used described and results tabulated.

## **Dielectric Constant of Ionized Air in a Tube**

**Nurul Alam and S. R. Khastgir (Indian Journal of Physics, Calcutta, August, 1943).**

The effective dielectric constant of ionized air in a discharge tube has been measured for wavelengths from about 80 cm to 1,500 cm. The discharge tube was inserted between two capacitor plates connected to the input terminals of a pair of Lecher wires. A conventional oscillator was used to induce oscillations in the system and a short-circuiting bridge moved until resonance was indicated by a detector, also coupled to the input terminals of the wire system. The resonance lengths for discharge and no discharge condition of the tube are required to compute the dielectric constant.

Three distinct minima in the value for the dielectric constant at 175 cm, 310 cm and 370 cm were established, as will be seen from the diagram. The minima are closely connected with resonant oscillations in these frequency ranges which could be detected when the oscillator was not working. Further, layers of different electron density were observed in the plasma, justifying a theory which attributes a

resonant frequency to an ionized medium and gives a relation between this resonant frequency and the electron density. The resonance oscillations explain the unusual minima in the curve of the dielectric constant as a function of frequency, so that all three experimental phenomena are tied up by the theory.

## **Ground and Cloud Scatter of Electromagnetic Radiation**

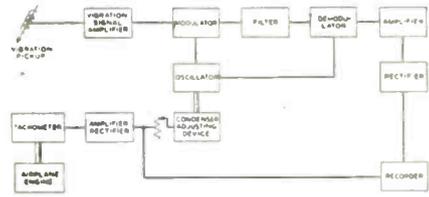
**T. L. Eckersley, G. Millington and W. Cox (Nature, London, March 18, 1944).**

Experiments in the frequency range of from 7 to 20 megacycles have been carried out to investigate whether the echo phenomena observed are due to scattering by clouds in the E layer or by the ground. The shortest possible delay time for both cases was calculated and comparison with the experimental results definitely showed cloud scattering to be responsible. However, it is not proved that ground scattering does not exist and, as the cloud scatter will diminish for higher frequencies, it is thought possible that ground-scatter will predominate at frequencies greater than 30 megacycles.

## **An Automatic Vibration Analyzer**

**F. G. Marble (Bell Laboratories Record, April, 1944).**

The device is designed to measure the power plant and airplane vibration characteristics in flight. Speed in obtaining the data and in their analysis to locate the source of the trouble is of great importance. For rapid evaluation of the data, it is necessary to determine the amplitude of vibration at a frequency equal to a number of selected multiples of engine rpm, when the engine speed is continuously changed. The device can be used with a recorder to draw curves of the amplitude of vibration of selected multiples of engine rpm as a function of engine speed, which is assumed to range from 500 to 3,000 rpm. It is desired to cover a frequency range from 3.33 to 500 cycles per second, but because of the difficulty



in separating very low frequencies, the full accuracy of the analyzer is not guaranteed below 5.5 cycles.

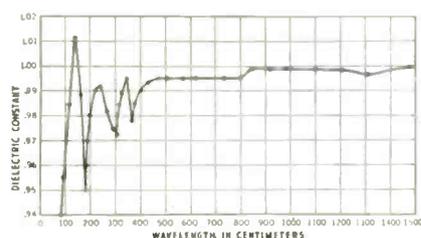
The nature of vibration at some point on the engine or airplane is indicated by the electrical output of a pickup device attached at that point. The output of the tachometer is amplified and rectified and controls the motion of the chart on the recorder so that it takes a position that represents the engine speed. The oscillator and its accessory equipment is designed and adjustably controlled by the tachometer output to have a frequency of  $92,000 + F$ , where  $F$  is equal to the particular multiple of the engine rpm to be measured. It will be seen that the oscillator, modulator, filter, demodulator combination will pass only the frequency  $F$ , provided the filter has a narrow pass band around 92,000 cycles per second; the pass band of the crystal filter used is 4 cycles wide. The output of the amplifier and rectifier controls the position of the recording pen.

## **Expander Circuit**

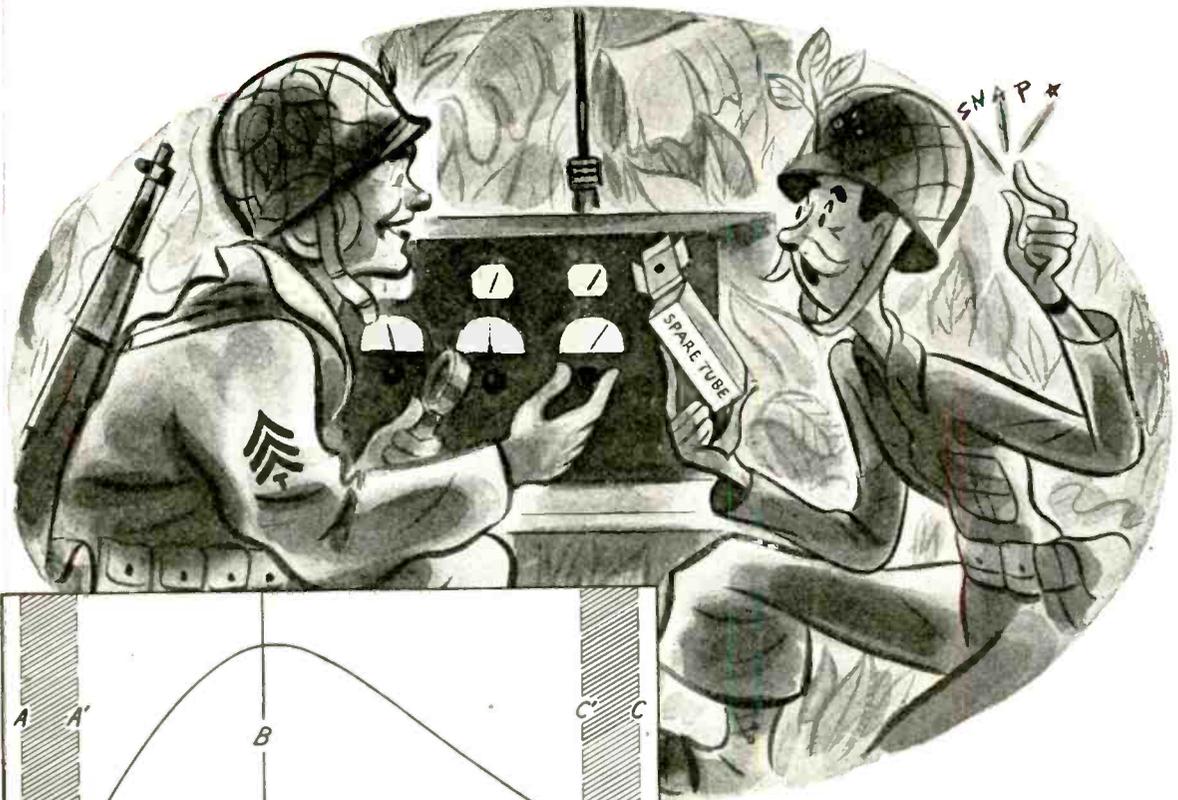
**M. O. Felix (Wireless World, London, March, 1944).**

A volume expander (reduced before high amplitudes (reduced before transmission or recording) is suggested. In the cathode follower circuit shown, the variable mu-tube is connected in parallel with output resistor  $R_2$  and if its impedance—the inverse of its mutual conductance—is negligibly small compared to  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , the output voltage will be proportional to the tube impedance; this will be seen if only the circuit components  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and the tube, considered as an impedance in parallel to  $R_2$ , are studied. With the type of tube used in the figure,

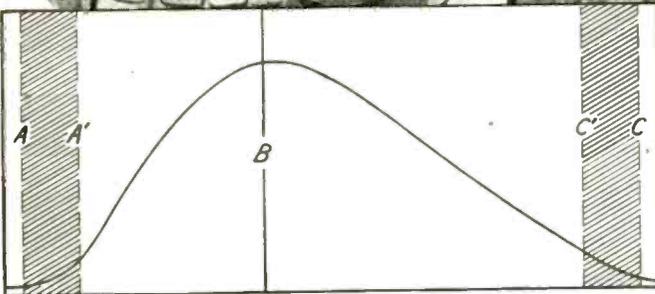
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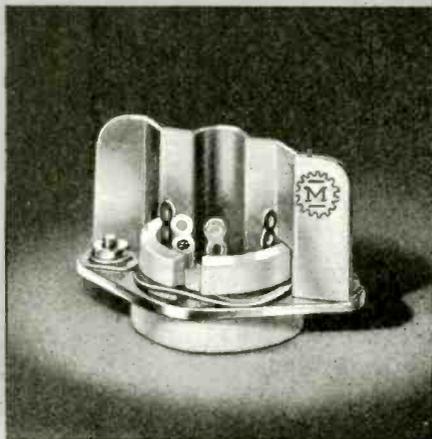
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## RCA Plastic Preheater

RCA Victor Division of the Radio Corp. of America has put in production for June deliveries an automatic electronic oven for pre-heating plastic materials to ready them for the molding process.

The new unit, model 2-B Electronic Power Generator, is a compact, self-contained package item. Proportioned somewhat along the lines of a small electric refrigerator, the cabinet is designed with a built-in, easy-to-reach heating electrode assembly in a chamber at the top. A wire mesh lid is closed over the heating chamber when in use, insuring safety without shielding the work material from view. The cover of the heating chamber opens automatically and shuts off the power at the expiration of a pre-determined heating interval.

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The generator delivers up to 2000 watts of power, or 6800 BTU per hour, into a dielectric load of average characteristics, with an input of approximately 4.5 kw maximum and a line voltage of 200-240 volts, 50-60 cycle, single phase. Ultra-high operating frequency (approximately 27.4 megacycles) insures rapid heating of a wide variety of materials without danger of arc-over between plates. The unit is equipped with two RCA 833A oscillator tubes, four RCA 8008 rectifier tubes, and two RCA 2050 control tubes.

Automatic overload relays guard against tube overloads, and an automatic time-delay

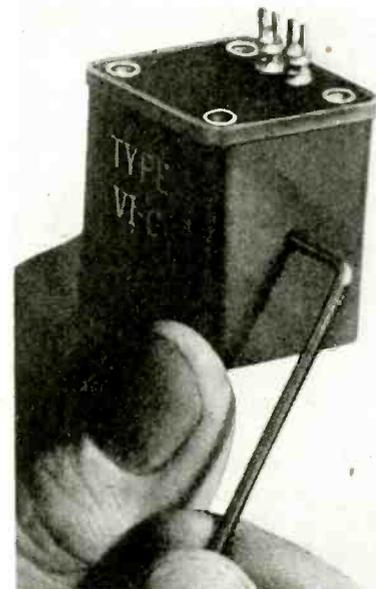


relay prevents damage which might otherwise result from starting the unit without an adequate filament warm-up. The unit is completely shielded to minimize the possibility of radio interference. An automatic filament voltage regulator, capable of handling a line voltage range of 190 to 260 volts, supplies constant voltage to tube filaments.

An additional ingenious feature consists of two Infra-red lamps installed in the heating chamber, providing auxiliary radiant heat to prevent cooling of the preform surfaces by the surrounding air. The entire mechanism is cooled by filtered air from a built-in blower system. Dual filters are used in order to insure maximum cleanliness of the cooling air.

## Variable Inductor

This new VI-C inductor, developed by United Transformer Co., 150 Varick St., New York, has an adjustable inductance variation of plus 90 to minus 50 per cent from a mean value. It is thus suitable for

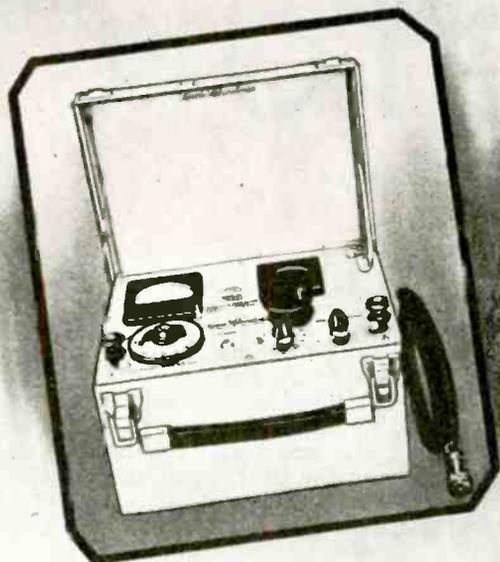


use in oscillators, (a model with 30 per cent tap for Hartley circuits is available), tuned amplifiers, equalizers and filters. It is housed in a die cast case, weighs approximately 5 oz. and the inductance is varied by means of an Allen wrench. There are nineteen standard types, from .0085 to 33.0 henries.

## Orientation Table

A new type of quartz orientation table has been developed by the Robert H. Clark Co., 9330 Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., with which standard X-ray readings may be duplicated accurately. The table can be rotated 360 degrees and has a plainly visible scale and pointer for indicating X-ray corrections. Adjustments are provided which automatically compensate for wear; spring-loaded gears eliminate backlash. The table and mechanism are cast bronze, chromium plated. Simple micrometer cross adjustments are provided for horizontal travel in both directions and these together with the 10½-in. 360 degree primary rotation scale make possible a simple and positive orientation method.

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## **AIRBORNE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT UP SHARPLY**

—Airborne electronic equipment production is rising very steeply and as projected over the latter half of 1944 will be nearly double the requirements of last year, but at the same time, the schedules for ground radar and ground radio, fixed and mobile, as blue-printed by the armed services will dip downward sharply for the remainder of this year. The Signal Corps' requirements up to now have been the chief indicator for the radio-electronic industry, but the Navy's increased scheduling of production is at present above the Army and is expected to advance substantially in the next few months.

**NAVY REQUIREMENTS A CUSHION**—The Navy's requirements are viewed definitely as a cushion to maintain the high level of radio-electronics production that has been the fare of the industry for the past 18 months. Radio and electronic equipment requirements, as revealed by the Army and Navy, as of March 1 constitute 4 per cent of the total munitions needs of the armed services.

**PLAN TO REMEDY DISLOCATION**—Because of the sharp shift to airborne equipment the WPB Radio and Radar Division is endeavoring to cooperate with the manufacturers and armed services to have the airborne electronic producers on a voluntary basis and as far as is feasible subcontract portions of their Army-Navy orders to the plants which have been specializing in ground radar and ground radio.

**BEST USE OF FACILITIES**—This subcontracting move is aimed to get the best possible maximum use of all existing production facilities and to give the armed services greater flexibility in the scheduling and fulfillment of their equipment orders. It likewise is aimed to extend subcontracting both for end-products and for components. It is felt that this plan will aid in preventing dislocations of production by the ground radar and ground radio manufacturers. It also will bring to the forefront in the minds of the management of the latter branch of the industry that reconversion to civilian production is not "just around the corner."

**STUDY RESEARCH TRENDS**—The WPB Radio and Radar Division Director who has achieved such a notable record in his government career in the coordination of military electronic production made an extensive inspection of the research trends, the types and quantities of products being manufactured in Russia and the organization and facilities of the Soviet radio and radar industry. The results of his observations are most important for the American industry in its planning for the immediate future of the next two years.

**SOVIET REQUIREMENTS**—The two months' study of Soviet electronic equipment requirements, made by Director Ray C. Ellis of the WPB Radio and Radar Division, brought out the forecast that Russian requirements for radio tubes and parts are expected to

increase in 1944 and 1945. It was stressed that if these Soviet requirements are to be met by the American industry it is essential that Russian orders to the American industry cover products currently being produced and not items becoming obsolete. Mr. Ellis visited representative radio and radar laboratories and factories in Moscow and the Ural region and discussed at numerous conferences with Soviet officials the general production plans of the industry in the United States so that the Soviet requirements could be synchronized as much as possible with the manufacturing program in America.

**SURVEY OF TUBE STOCKS**—A most important study to determine what can be released from Army and Navy stocks of vacuum tubes, featured by a stock control survey of the Signal Corps' inventory at the Philadelphia Signal Depot, has been launched. The Signal Corps is planning a control of both its inventories and future scheduling so as to secure tubes on the basis of actual requirements and not on estimates.

**ANALYSIS OF TUBE REQUIREMENTS**—The vacuum tube industry, the WPB and the Office of Civilian Requirements, in addition, are planning an analysis of the complete and true tube requirements of the armed services and civilian users. For the immediate present there is to be no upturn in the production quotas of civilian home receiver tubes. In regard to future surplus tubes, released by the armed services, the tube manufacturing industry has made a most important recommendation that it should assume the responsibility of testing and reconditioning such tubes before their sale to civilian users and services—this seems to be an excellent pattern for all industry to follow in the disposal of surpluses from the armed forces.

**CHANGE IN DRAFT**—Until the fortunes of war clearly define the requirements of the armed services, the radio-electronic industry can keep its key workers in the age group from 26-30 until next December 1 and the men from 30 to 38 will remain in essential civilian war work untouched by induction indefinitely. It is hoped that Selective Service can maintain this policy; of course, General Hershey and his aides are in a most difficult spot to forecast the Army-Navy manpower needs. The armed forces cannot take any chances in fighting such tough foes and, if the policies for the draft have to be continuously changing—as witness the situation which prevailed before the May issue of **ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES** went to press—it can only be chalked up to another situation of "C'est la guerre."

**MISCELLANY**—The WPB requires its advance written permission before critical electronic components and parts can be sold to jobbers and distributors for civilian use; prime contractors and component manufacturers must heed carefully the early May warning of Radio and Radar Division Assistant Director John S. Timmons . . . FCC has launched comprehensive study of use of radio communications by railroads, will take two years to complete.

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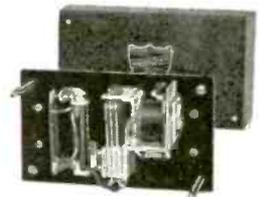
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# ASSOCIATION NEWS

## **Municipal Signal Assn. at Boston, in October**

The 49th annual meeting of the International Signal Association, Inc., will be held at Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass., October 2-3-4-5, 1944. Theme of the meeting will be "Today's Work—Tomorrow's Plans" and outstanding authorities will deliver papers on all phases of municipal signaling work — fire alarm, police telegraph, radio communication (for both fire and police depts.), traffic signals, etc. There will also be open forums participated in by members of the association for discussion of various divisions of the work. It is expected that leading manufacturers in this field will have displays and demonstrations of equipment.

All those interested in, or affected by, municipal signaling work, whether members of the association or not, are cordially invited to attend this annual conference, by Irvin Shulsinger, secretary, 8 E. 41st St., N. Y.

## **Chicago "Electronic Hub" —sez Pres. Ill. Mfrs. Assn.**

Chicago's postwar role as the leading production center of electronic, radar and radio equipment was forecast during an April statement by J. C. McKeever, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association and head of The Gerlach-Barklow Co. of Joliet, Ill.

"More than 100 plants, large and small, are planning for big expansion in this relatively new industry," he said. Growth of radio and radio tube manufacturing in the Windy City, McKeever observed, has vastly exceeded the 1939 figure of \$70,000,000. He cited Western Electric, the largest electronic plant in Chicago with a personnel of 29,000, which had rolled up estimated war sales for last year amounting to \$575,000,000.

Envisioning a tremendous postwar market for home radio sets alone, McKeever declared that, due to the shortage of skilled servicemen, the rate at which radio sets have been discarded and thrown out of service has increased from 10 per cent a year to about 18 per cent.

"That gives us a two-year backlog of 25 to 30 per cent," he computed, "plus the normal 10 per cent of the current year in which production is resumed. That means 30 to 40 per cent, if production were to be resumed this Spring.

And there were an estimated 60,000,000 radios in service at the outbreak of the war."

## **Conventions and Meetings Ahead**

**Society for Measurement and Control** (New York Section Meeting), June 6, Newark, N. J.

**Radio Manufacturers Association** (B. Geddes, 1317 F. Street, Washington, D. C.), 20th annual meeting, June 6-7, Chicago, Ill.

**Institute of Radio Engineers** (330 West 42nd Street, New York City), June 7, September 6, October 4, New York.

**Radio Club of America** (11 West 42nd Street, New York City), June 8, New York.

**American Society of Mechanical Engineers** (Ernest Hartford, 29 West 39th Street, New York), Semi-Annual Meeting, June 19-20, Pittsburgh.

**American Physical Society** (K. K. Darrow, Columbia University, New York City), June 23, 24, Rochester, N. Y.

**American Society for Testing Materials** (260 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia), June 26-30, New York City.

**American Institute of Electrical Engineers** (H. H. Henline, 29 West 39th Street, New York); Summer Technical Meeting, June 26-30, St. Louis, Mo.; Pacific Coast Technical Meeting, Aug. 29-Sept. 1, Los Angeles.

**Electronic Parts and Equipment Industry Conference** (Herb Clough, Beldon Mfg. Co., Chicago), October 6-9, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago.

**Electrochemical Society** (Collin G. Fink, Columbia University, New York City), Fall Meeting, October 13-14, Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y.

**American Welding Society** (G. Sykes, 30 East 42nd Street, New York City), October 16-19, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio.

## **Speeds War News**

Difficulties in transmitting war news—ofttimes a plague to press correspondents—have been overcome on the Italian front by the first American wholly-owned commercial radio station on the continent of Europe. Reports reaching offices of RCA Communications, Inc., in New York, tell of a remarkable feat in which engineers of the company installed the station from scratch in less than one month and now are flashing on-the-spot news accounts at a rate as high as 240 words a minute.

## **NEMA Electronic Section Discusses Tubes, Charts, etc.**

Reports by committee chairmen of the National Electrical Manufacturers' Association Electronics Section occupied the meeting held by the section at NEMA headquarters in New York April 13. Henry J. Hoffman, sales manager of Machlett Laboratories, Inc., Norwalk, Conn., chairman of the section, presided.

Charles A. Rice, vice-president of the United Electronics Co., Newark, N. J., discussed the work of the RMA-NEMA tube coordination committee, which is headed by O. H. Caldwell, editor of "Electronic Industries" as impartial chairman.

N. A. Woodford, electronic-tube commercial manager of the North American Philips Co., chairman of the section's business development committee, presented a detailed report on the activities of his group, including industry-diagram charts, which the NEMA Section has proposed to prepare in cooperation with the electronic magazines.

D. Y. Smith, of the Radio Corporation of America, reported on a section prospectus.

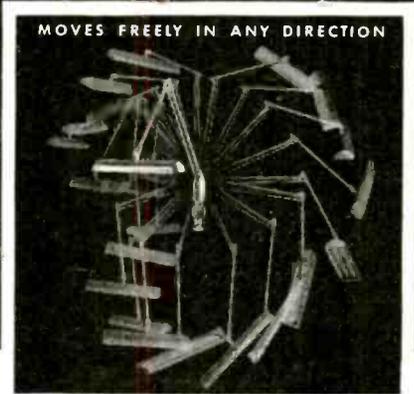
Next meeting of the NEMA Electronics Section will be held the first week of June at the Sagamore Hotel, Bolton Landing, N. Y.

## **Trade Meeting in October**

The Electronic Parts and Equipment Industry Conference will be held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, October 6th to 9th inclusive (instead of in June), and will be attended by the Sales Managers Club (Eastern Group), the Association of Electronic Parts and Equipment Manufacturers (Western Group), the Representatives Club, and the National Electronic Distributors Association and other parts distributors. Herb Clough of Belden Mfg. Co., has been elected chairman of the conference, heading the conference committee consisting of: Robert P. Almy (Sylvania), Charles Golenpaul (Aerovox), Harry Kalker (Sprague), Roy S. Laird (Ohmite), A. E. Schaar, (Talk-a-Phone), Jack Berman (Shure Brothers), A. H. Petersen (Amphenol), A. E. Akeroyd (Raytheon), and Jesse Fishel (Federal Mfg. Co.).

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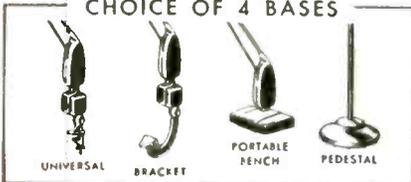
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## News Developments in the Video Field

### Columbia Urges Immediate Television Improvement

Documenting its decision to urge and work for an early adoption of better standards for postwar television with an elaborately printed report, Columbia Broadcasting System late in April drew together a large gathering of representatives of the press, technical experts and station executives to set forth the CBS position and policy. The report makes plain that CBS believes technical advances have reached the stage where greatly improved standards for both black and white and color television are possible now and that a year's intensive study of the few remaining problems undertaken immediately and pushed to fruition by the nation's laboratories would save fully five years and bring a far better grade of postwar television just that much nearer.

But no matter what else is done, it is believed that the 18 narrow television channels now available will never be adequate and that at least twice this number, obtainable by "moving upstairs" should be provided. When these things are done CBS envisions "large pictures in

color or in black and white which do not 'go to pieces'; a broader field of vision, more distant views clearly seen; better close-ups with a realistic showing of details, texture of clothing and of small lettering on packages, and finally a television picture that can be viewed with no more eye fatigue than going to the movies."

### TBA stands pat

It is the considered opinion of the Television Broadcasters Association, however, according to a statement from that body that "the present standards, based on sound engineering judgment, provide an excellent basis for commercial television in the postwar era." The public statement issued by CBS, it is claimed by TBA "is contrary to the carefully considered recommendations of engineers of the industry comprising the television panel of the Radio Technical Planning Board. The CBS statement deals in the realm of speculation and is not based on experience or sound technical principles. It is a reflection upon the competence and in-

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### How Many Televisors in Use in East, Now?

To get up-to-date information on the present operating status of the television receivers now in the hands of the public, NBC recently made a survey during which 4,590 questionnaires, in letter form, were mailed to the NBC television mailing list. Of this group, 189 were returned by the post office indicating that the addressee had moved.

From the 4,401 valid mailings, 1,412 returns—some 32.1 per cent—were tabulated.

The first question asked was—"What make of television receiver do you own?" Reports on 1,434 receivers (22 returns reporting more than one receiver), indicated:

	Per cent
870—RCA .....	60.7
149—DuMont .....	10.4
146—G-E .....	10.2
84—Andrea .....	5.9
21—Westinghouse .....	1.4
157—Other Makes .....	10.9
7—Don't Know and No Answer .....	0.5
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## RTPB PANEL SUGGESTS VHF TELEVISION ALLOCATION

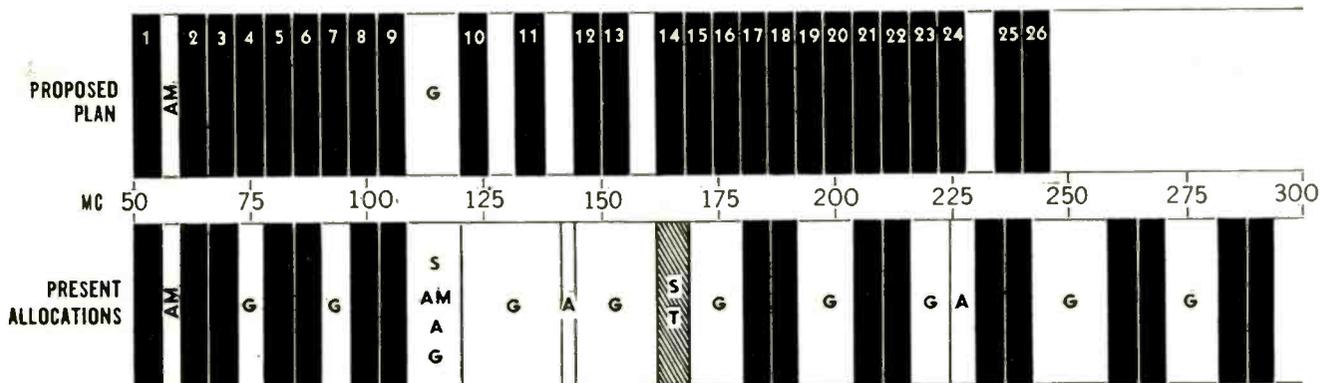
A preliminary layout of the VHF portion of the spectrum that involves television was tentatively reported by Sub-committee of Committee 4 Panel 6 RTPB. This report represents only preliminary studies, and is illustrated by the allocation diagram below, compared with the presently assigned frequencies. In certain locations, as for instance,

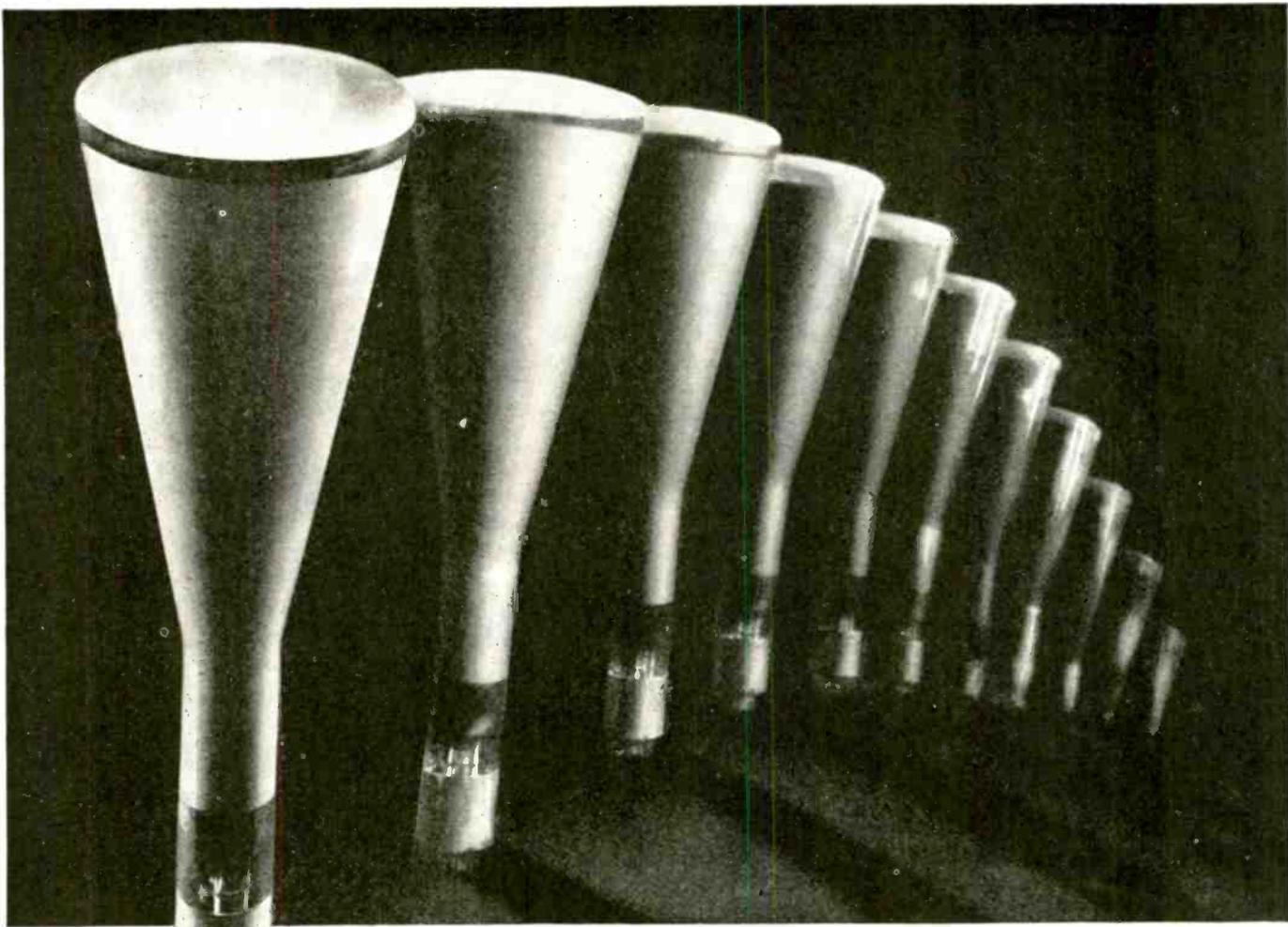
Philadelphia and New York, where television signals from each area might overlap, a division of the 26 bands between the two localities is suggested. Each of the bands would have a nominal width of 6 mc.

It is generally agreed among engineers of industry that engineers of television must be allocated frequencies in the lower portion of

the VHF band if television is to become immediately available to the general public as a broadcast service. The RTPB as a whole has not yet made any formal recommendations with respect to television's place in the frequency spectrum however, because the work of the television panel of the board has not yet been completed.

Here television bands are in black; AM—indicates amateurs; A—aircraft; G—government services; S—special services





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## KLYSTRON CHARACTERISTICS

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for the TM (transverse magnetic) modes where  $k$  is defined by:

$$J_n(k) = 0$$

$$n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$m = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

For the TE (transverse electric) modes the resonant wavelength is determined by Bessel function derivatives,  $J'_n(K')$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \left(\frac{m}{2b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{k'}{2\pi a}\right)^2 \quad (2)$$

$$J'_n(k') = 0$$

$$n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$m' = 1, 2, 3, \dots (m' \neq 0)$$

### Resonator characteristics

Shape and size obviously determine the resonant wavelength of a cavity resonator. The losses in the inner wall of the metal cavity and the ratio of volume to surface area determines  $Q$ , so that in general a shape which provides an increased ratio of the volume to the surface area improves the  $Q$  of the cavity. It is also true that the same shape with larger dimensions and longer resonant wavelength has a higher value of  $Q$ . A sharp reentrant point in a resonator may increase the current concentration tremendously and greatly reduce the  $Q$ .

The electron beam passing the grids of a Klystron resonator also influences  $Q$ . Since the space charge between the resonator grids depends on both current and velocity, both the beam current and the acceleration voltage affect the amount that  $Q$  is reduced by the presence of an electron beam in a resonator. Secondary electrons, if present, may have a considerable effect on the  $Q$  of a resonator.

Losses in a resonator are not only introduced by the resistivity of the conducting material of which it is constructed, but may be introduced by circuits coupled to the resonator and by losses in the load and input coupling loops. Losses in the conducting material are not proportional to the first power of the resistivity of the conductor, since rf resistance depends on the depth of penetration of the current, or the skin depth, as well as the resistivity itself.

Actually, losses in a cavity resonator of nonmagnetic material are proportional to the square root of resistivity. A resonator of brass with a resistivity four times that of copper may have a  $Q$  one-half as great if no other losses are

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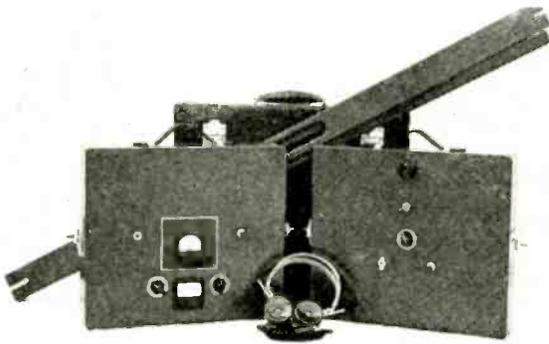
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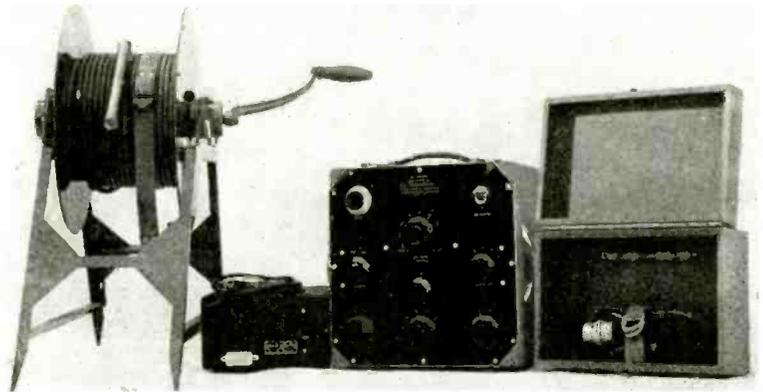
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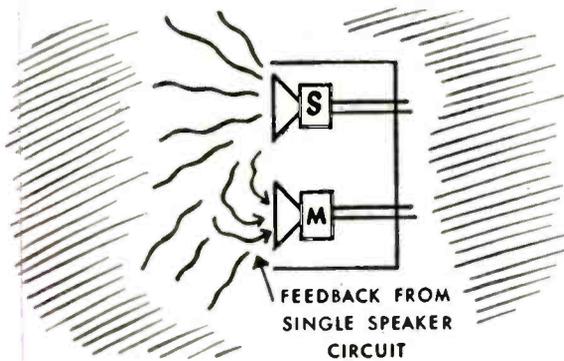
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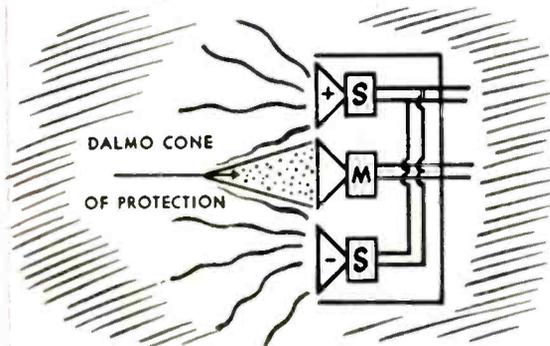
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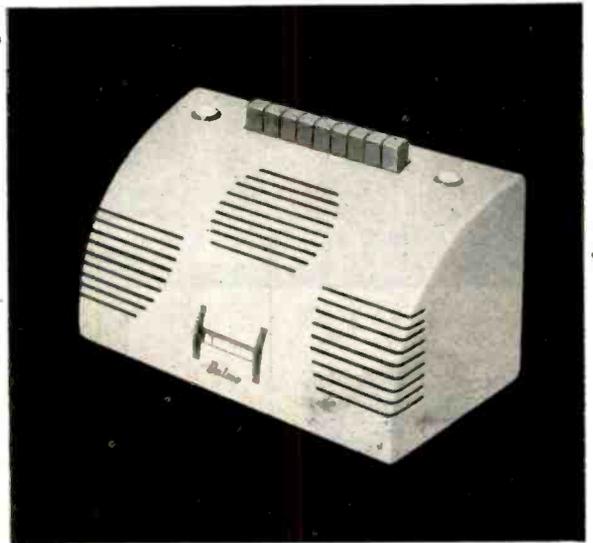
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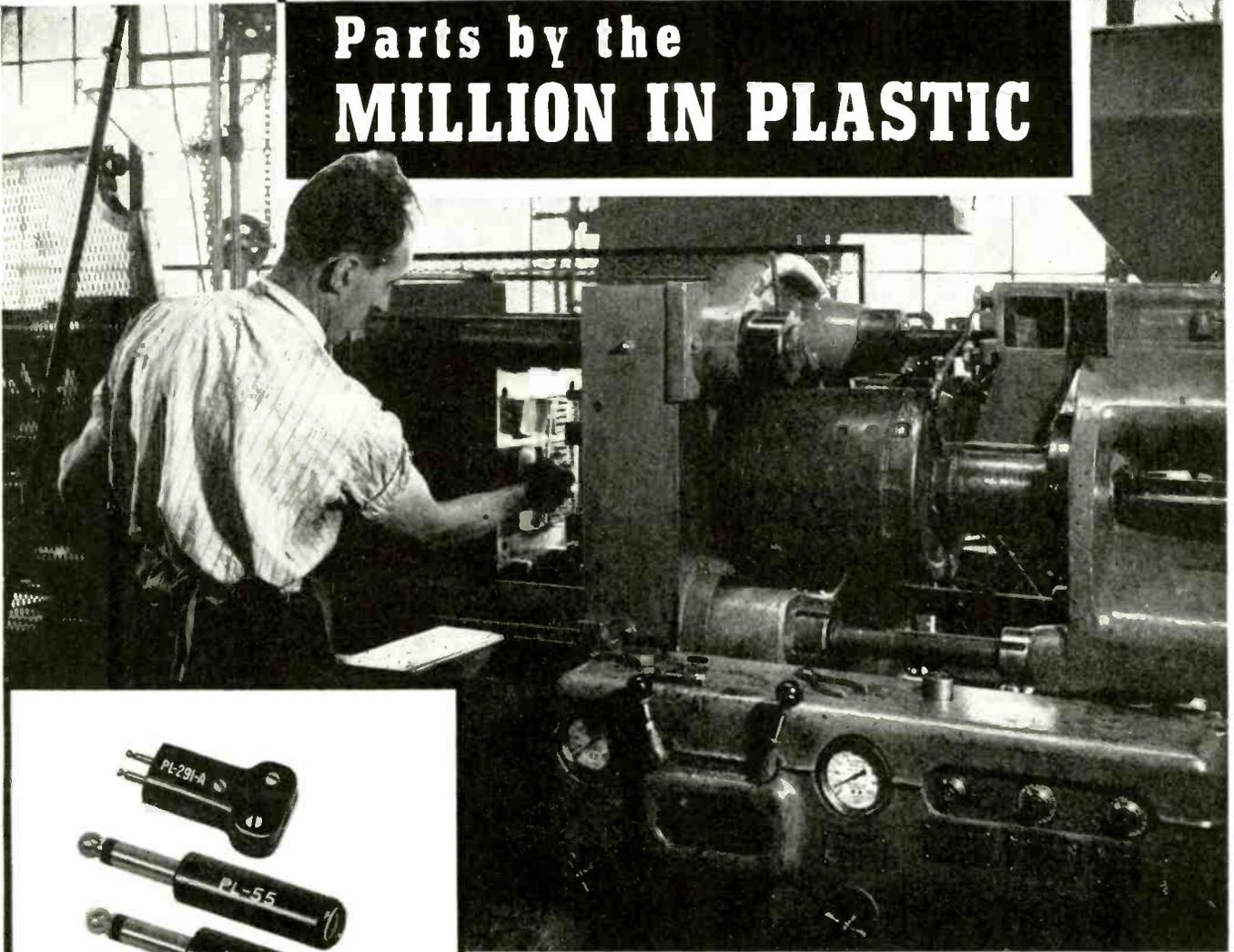
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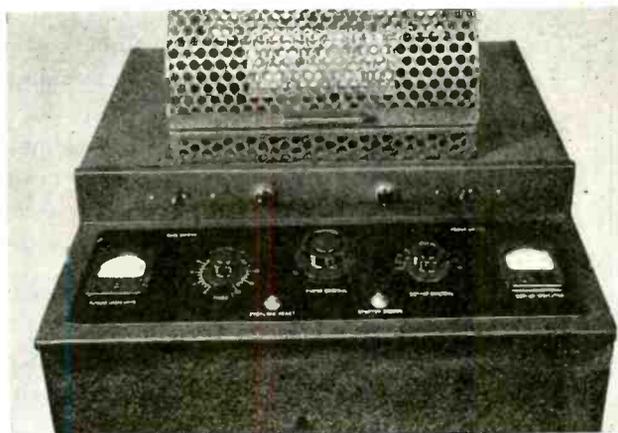
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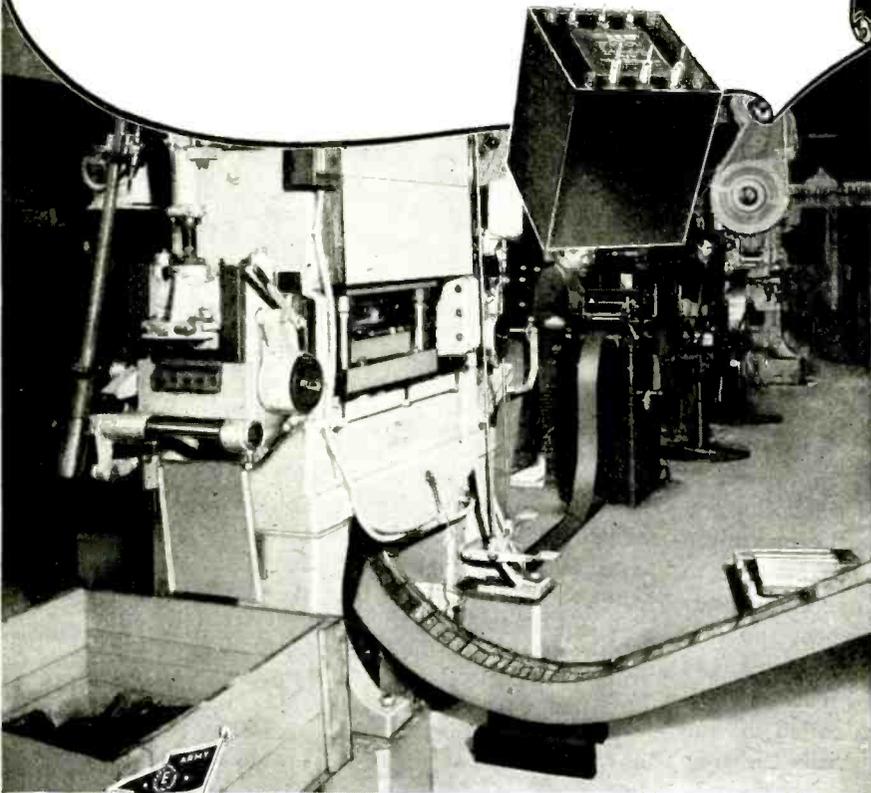
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Two factors affect the tuning range of a Klystron using variable grid spacing to control frequency. The electrons must traverse the electric field between the Klystron grids in less than one-half cycle. This transit time limitation governs the minimum electron velocity and maximum grid spacing which can be used. The other limit to the tuning range is imposed by the fact that a Klystron fails to operate if the grids are spaced too closely. An additional practical limitation is introduced by the fact that tuning becomes too critical before the failure to produce proper bunching is effective. These factors limit the practical tuning range to several per cent of the average wavelength. Considerably greater tuning range is easily obtainable at reduced output.

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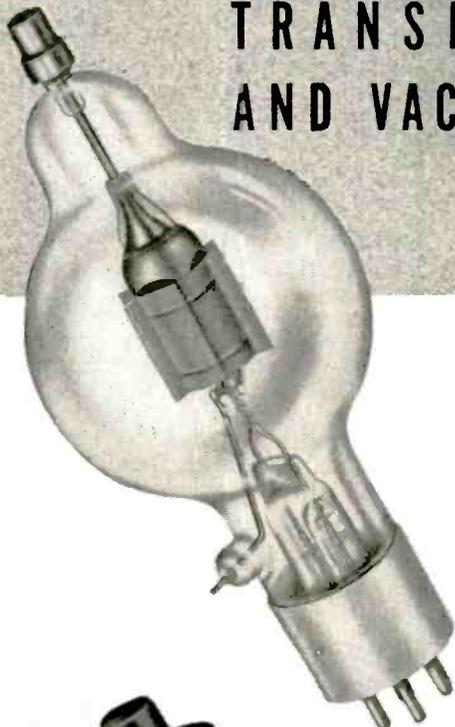
In order to explain the action of the Klystron, consider that it is being used as an amplifier and that a voltage of the resonant frequency of the cavity is injected into the buncher by means of the antenna seal and loop. This voltage may be extremely small but because of the Q of the cavity (1000 or more) an intense electric field will exist between the buncher grids at resonance.

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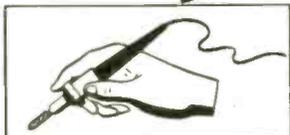
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Fig. 5 (A) shows two cycles of the electric field in the buncher. The half cycles are labeled accelerating and decelerating to indicate the action on the electrons during that particular interval. Thus when the electric field is operating against the forward motion of the electrons they will be decelerated and when the far buncher grid is positive with respect to the grid nearest to the cathode the electrons will be accelerated. In the following analysis, the velocity change due to the buncher is small compared to average electron velocity.

As an example, consider the electrons which enter the buncher at some time  $t_1$  which corresponds to the instant when the buncher electric field is maximum "negative," i.e., acting to decelerate the electrons. These electrons will pass through the buncher grids in less than one-half cycle and will, therefore, leave at some time approximately  $t_2$ . These electrons will be decelerated during one-quarter cycle and accelerated for one-quarter of a cycle and their velocity on leaving the buncher will be the same as the velocity at which they entered the chamber.

Electrons which entered the buncher at some instant  $t_0$  before  $t_1$  will be decelerated for a greater amount of time than they are accelerated and will emerge from the buncher at some time  $t_3$ . This group of electrons will have a final velocity beyond the buncher less than their initial velocity and will thus tend to fall back and meet the group which went through at time  $t_1$ .

Consider another group of electrons which entered the buncher at time  $t_2$  after  $t_1$ . This group will be decelerated for a short portion of the first half cycle and accelerated for a large portion of the second half cycle and emerge from the buncher at approximately  $t_0$ . This group which went in the buncher after the group at  $t_1$  will have a velocity greater than their initial value and thus catch up with those that went through just before them.

It is seen that during the half cycle that the buncher field is opposing the motion of the electrons, bunching will take place since those which go in first will be slowed down and those which go in later will be accelerated. The electrons



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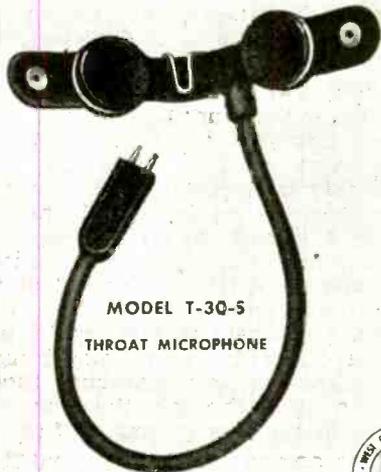
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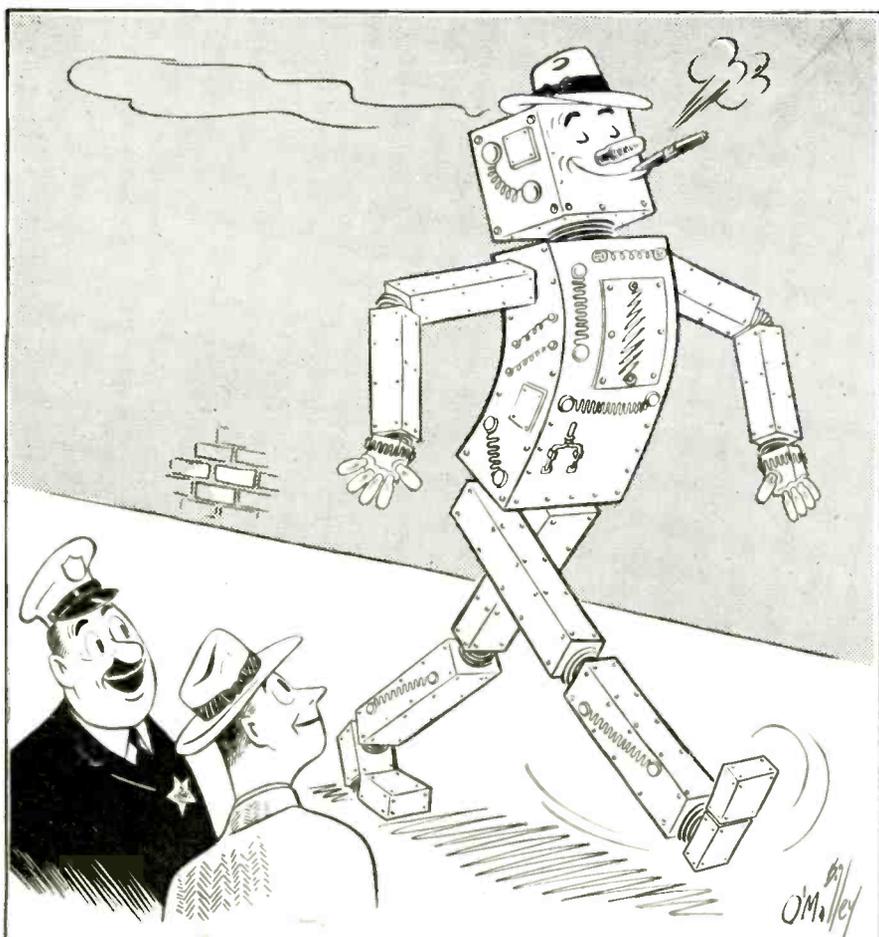


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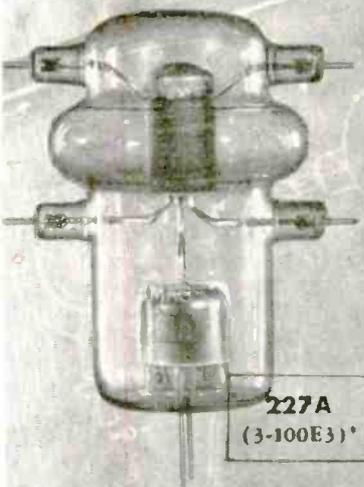
On the next half cycle, i.e., when the electric field in the buncher is accelerating the electrons, a de-bunching action will take place. Those electrons which entered the buncher at time  $t_5$  when the field is maximum accelerating, will emerge with their velocity unchanged. However, those electrons which enter the buncher before  $t_5$ , for example  $t_4$ , will be accelerated for a considerable part of that half cycle and decelerated for a fraction of the following half cycle and emerge from the buncher with an increased velocity at approximately  $t_7$ . Electrons entering the buncher after  $t_5$ , as  $t_6$ , will be accelerated for a short part of the half cycle and decelerated for a considerable portion of the following half cycle emerging with their velocities reduced at approximately  $t_8$ .

### Velocity increased

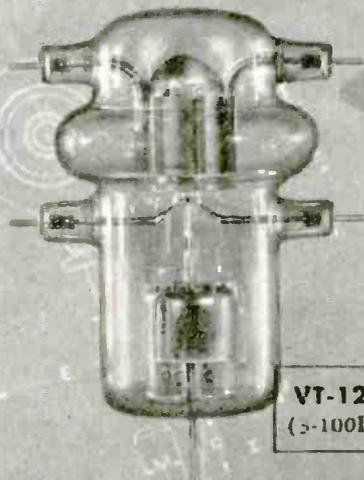
It is thus seen that for electrons which enter the buncher during the time when the field is acting to accelerate them, those which go in first will have their velocity increased and those which go in late will have their velocity reduced. In the drift space these electrons will tend to separate since those that went in first are going still faster and those that went in late have been slowed down. It is probable that the accelerated electrons during the de-bunching time will catch up with the previously bunched group and likewise the slow electrons may fall back into the oncoming bunched group. During this half cycle the electron stream is thinned out and, therefore, the bunching of the electrons takes place only once each cycle of the signal frequency.

While the bunching action has been described on the basis of the electrons passing through the buncher in approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  cycle, the transit time for actual tubes is from a  $\frac{1}{4}$  cycle to  $\frac{1}{16}$  or less. The bunching action will then center around some time  $t_2$  instead of  $t_1$ . As the transit time through the grids becomes shorter with increased accelerating voltage, groups of electrons form around those which pass through the buncher later in the decelerating half cycle.

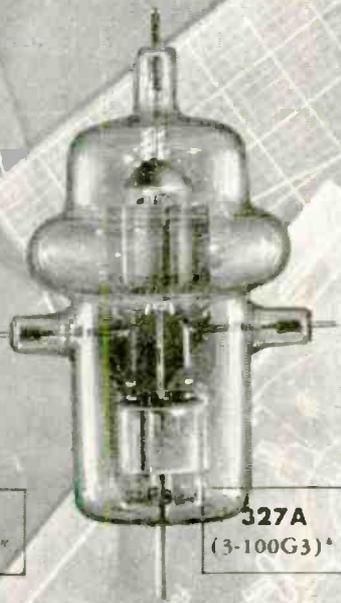
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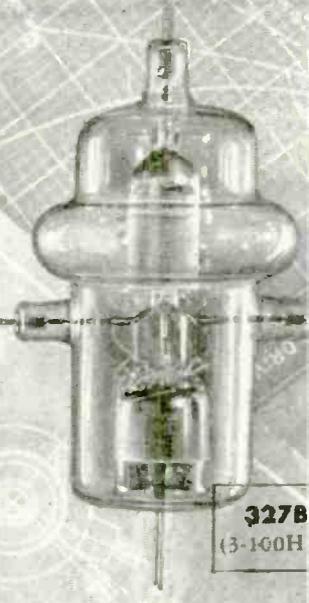
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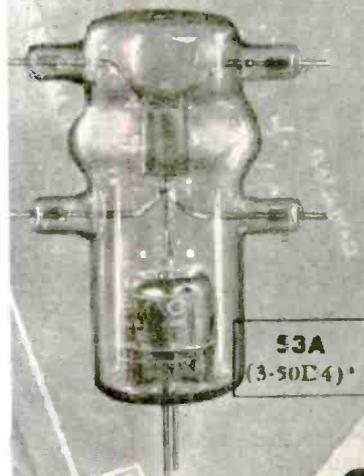
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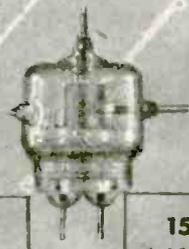
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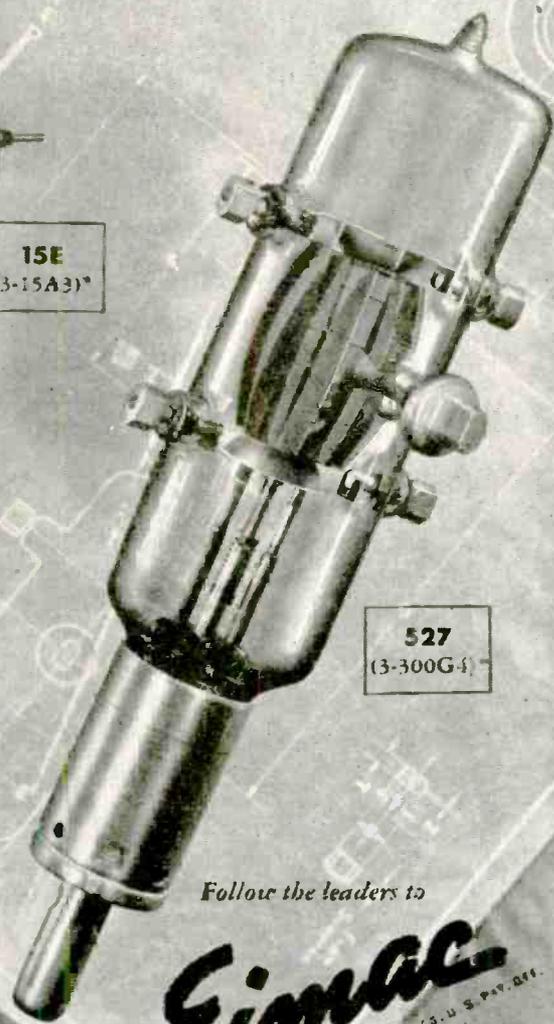
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necessary to limit the required buncher driving power.

Another diagram for showing the bunching action is the so-called Applegate diagram of Fig. 5 (B). In this diagram the slope of the lines indicate the velocity of the electrons. The velocity is constant up to the buncher and through the action of the buncher the velocity is modified as represented by the changed slope of the lines. These lines converge at a point shown which is the center of the catcher. The distance along the horizontal axis is time and the intersections of the sloping lines repeat at intervals which are the periods for a fundamental frequency. The vertical distance on the diagram represents the distance between buncher and catcher and the concentration of sloping lines on any vertical intercept shows the current density at any point in the tube at any instant.

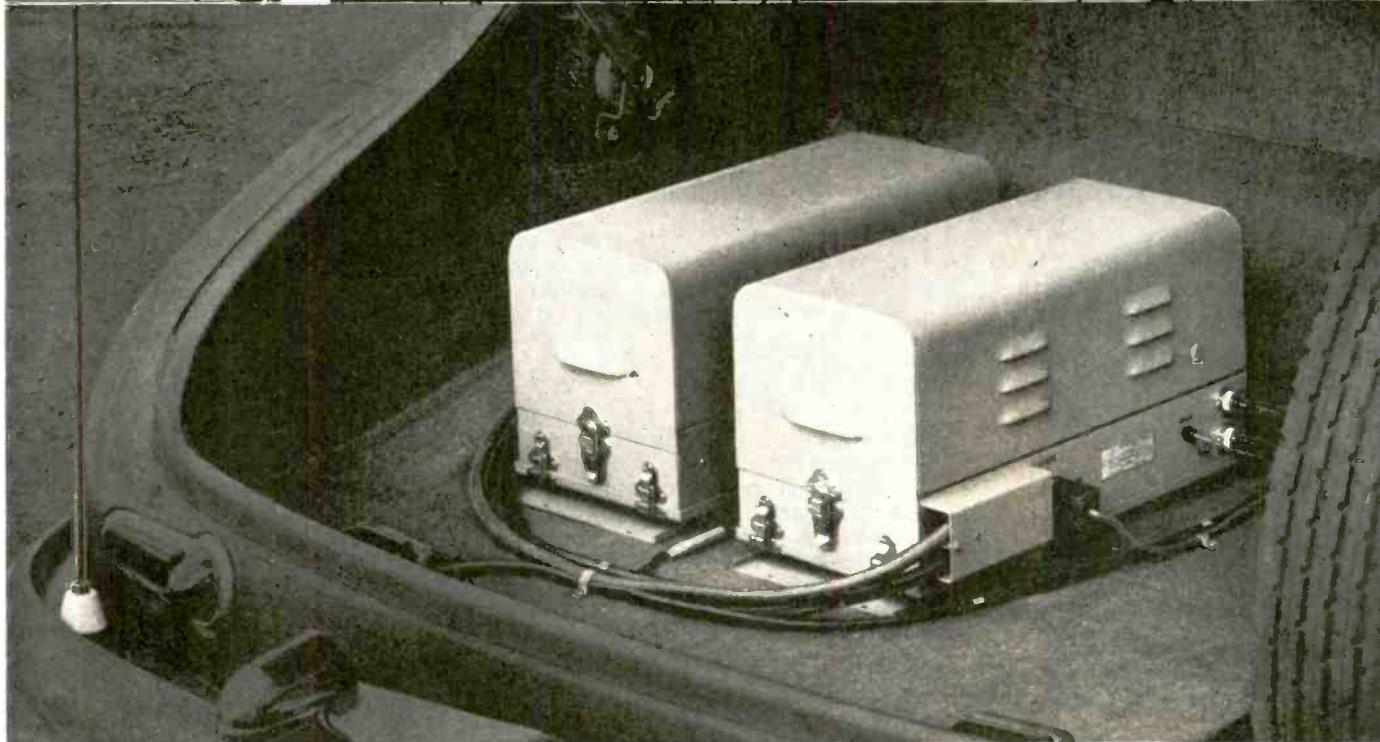
The bunches of electrons which form at the catcher excite that resonant circuit and set up oscillating electric and magnetic fields inside. This is caused by the electron bunches, which are groups of negative charges, that in their periodic passage through the catcher induce charges on the walls of that cavity. The kinetic energy of the moving electrons is transformed into magnetic and electric field energy within the cavity because the bunches of electrons are slowed down during their passage through the catcher.

One approximate explanation of catcher action may be as follows: The first bunch of electrons passing through the catcher will cause a large positive charge to appear on the inside cavity wall and grid nearest the cathode. Free electrons in the cavity wall will be forced by the proximity of the group of electron charges around the inner surface of the cavity toward the far wall and grid. The first bunch will induce a similar positive charge in the far wall of the cavity as it approaches, but the original shock excitation starts the field in the cavity. The electric field produced in the cavity acts to decelerate the oncoming bunches since they are approaching the far wall which is negative. The electron bunches are slowed down and their loss of kinetic energy is translated into the fields within the cavity.

Once the oscillating field is started within the catcher, succeeding bunches of electrons will each be slowed down by that field and thereby deliver their quota of energy. The catcher field must lag the buncher field by 90 degrees in time phase. That is, the catcher field must be starting its "decelerating" half cycle when the buncher field reaches the peak of its decelerating half cycle. The electron bunches



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The affect of variation in buncher rf voltage can be shown by figure 6. The bunching parameter X is given by,

$$X = \pi N \frac{V_1}{E_b} \quad (3)$$

where N is the number of cycles which occur during transit between buncher and catcher;  $V_1$  is peak rf voltage across buncher grids; and  $E_b$  is acceleration voltage of the beam (direct voltage on cavities)

$$N = Tf \quad (4)$$

where T is transit time (sec.) from buncher to catcher and f is buncher frequency in cycles.

Fig. 6 gives the catcher current in arbitrary units in terms of the bunching parameter, X. The curve (a Bessel function of first order and kind) shows maximum catcher current for  $X = 1.84$ . Increased buncher rf voltage will reduce the catcher current to zero. A further

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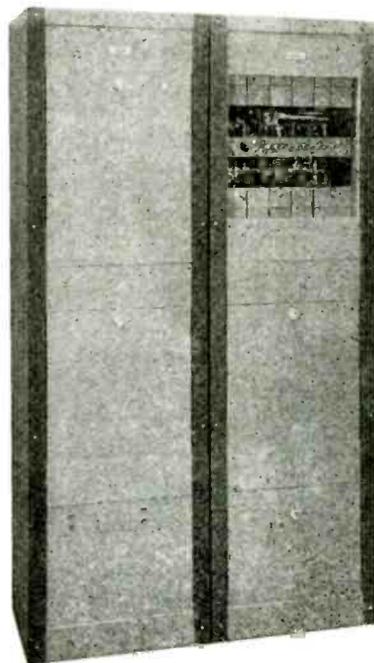
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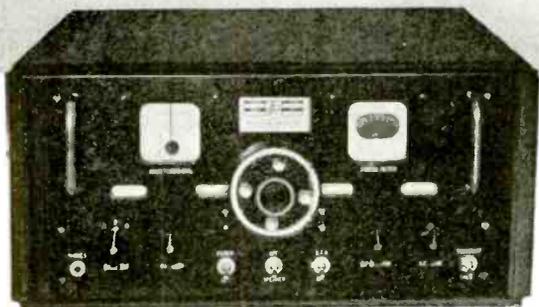
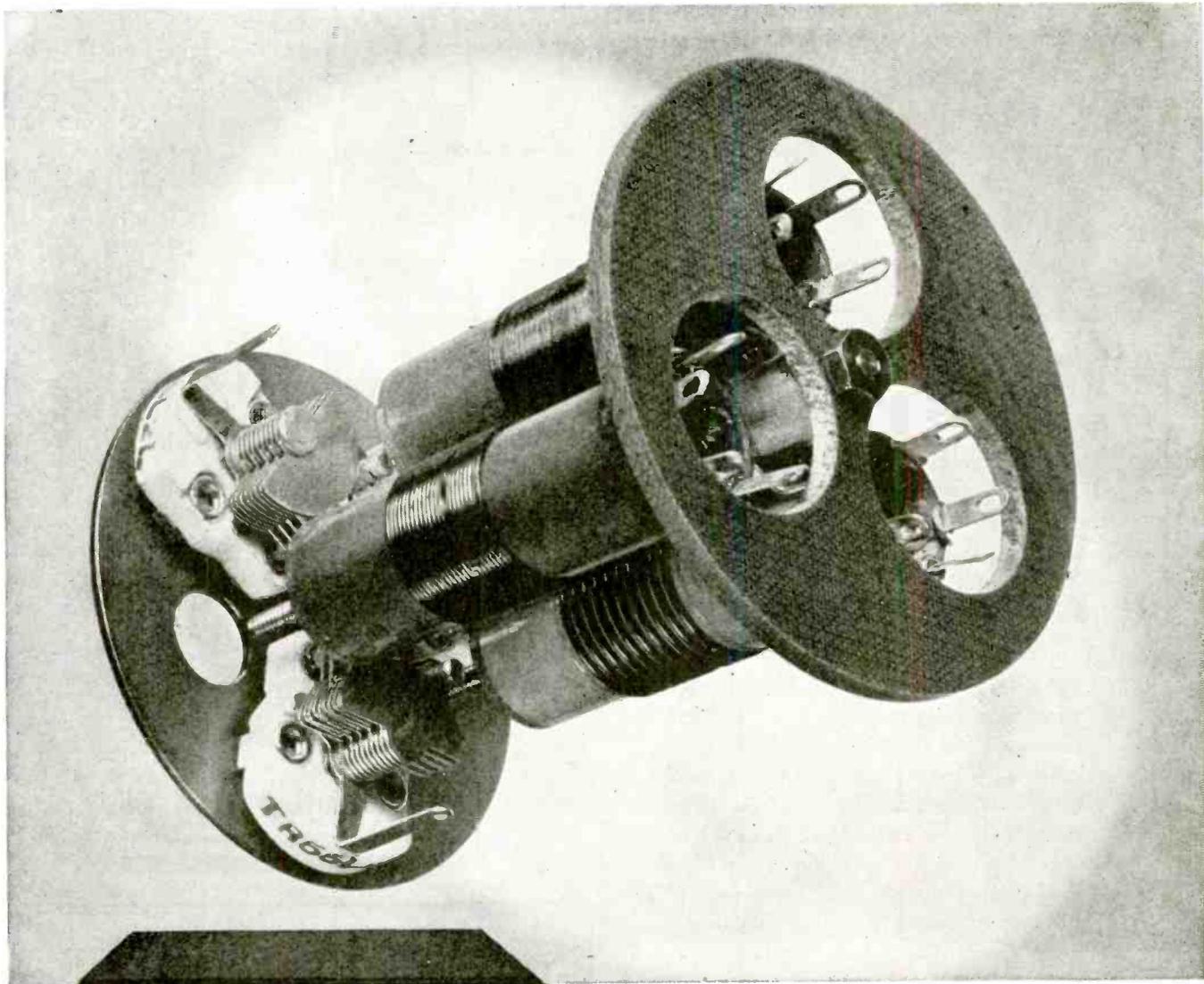
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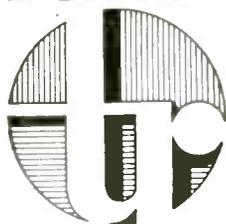
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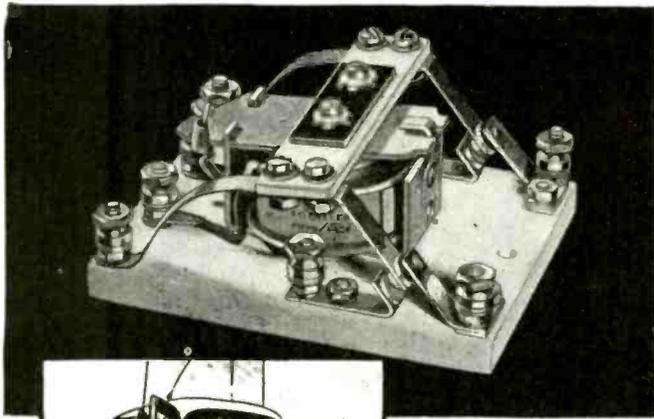


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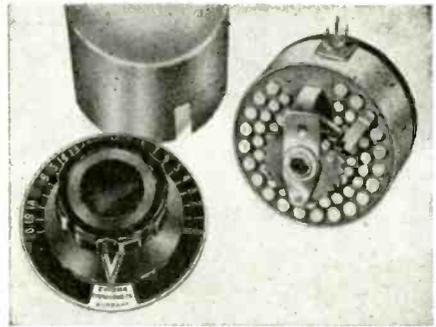
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$$X' = \pi \frac{N_2 V_1}{M E_b} \quad (5)$$

where  $N_2$  is number of cycles during transit time from buncher to catcher calculated for the catcher frequency.  $M$  is frequency multiplication factor,  $V_1$  and  $E_b$  are as in (4).

For  $M = 3$ ,  $X'$  should be 1.4 and for  $M = 10$ ,  $X'$  should be 1.2. In practical tubes, the bunching voltage  $V_1$  must be increased approximately by the frequency multiplication factor to give optimum bunching parameter. The Klystron is theoretically about 50 per cent efficient, operating at 10th harmonic as compared to operation on fundamental; however, this efficiency is not obtained in practical tubes.

**Klystron oscillators**

When the Klystron of Fig. 1 is operated as a feedback oscillator, a short coaxial cable is connected from catcher to buncher. This cable is shown connected to the tube in Fig. 2. The oscillation is started by random impulses and fly-wheel action of the resonant cavities.

In any feedback oscillator the total phase shift around the circuit must be  $2n\pi$  radians. Where  $n$  may be any integer but zero. Zero is excluded because of time required for bunching in the drift space.

In the Klystron, three phase shift factors are present. The largest phase shift is that due to the transit time in the drift space. In Fig. 7A a basic diagram is shown, and  $s$  is the distance from center of buncher to center of catcher. Fig. 7B is an equivalent circuit using a pentode amplifier tube. As in a Klystron, only electron stream coupling exists from input to output. The dimension,  $s$ , is approximately 2.54 cm. in the 410R. The transit time in this space for simple bunching is

$$T_1 = \frac{s}{v_0} \quad (6)$$

where  $s$  is bunching distance in cm, and  $v_0$  is average velocity of the



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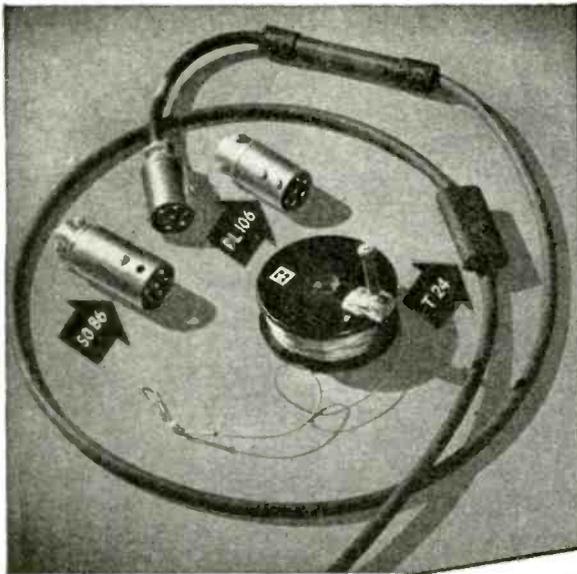
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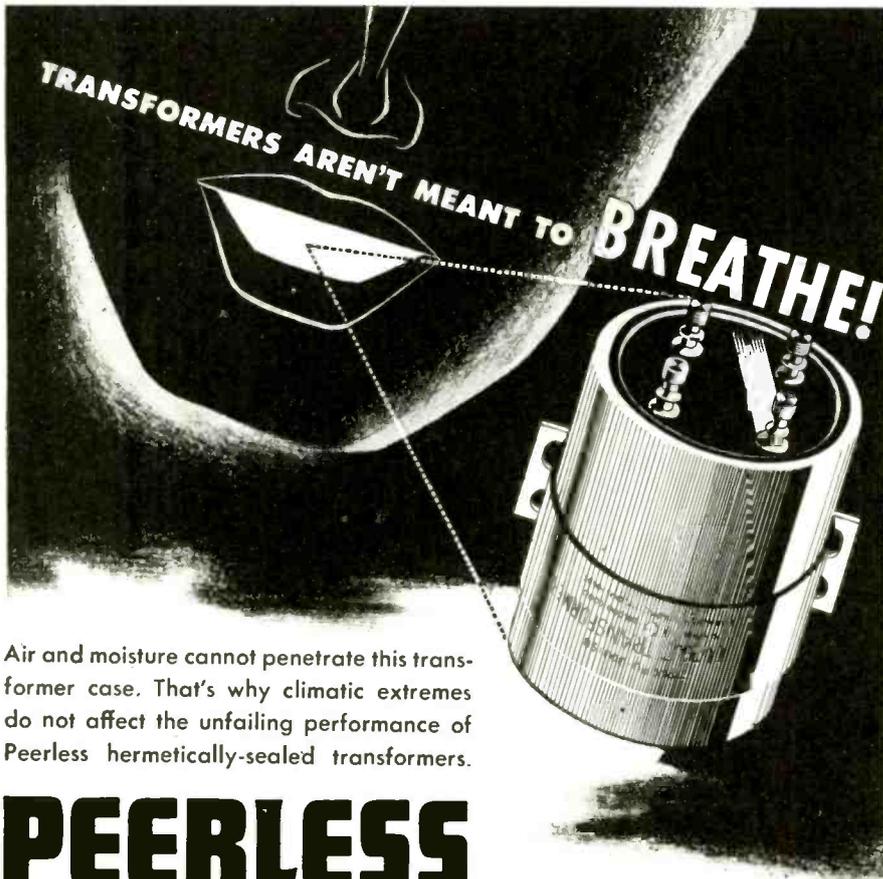
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$$V_0 = 6 \times 10^7 \sqrt{E_b} \text{ cm/sec (7)}$$

$E_b$  is direct accelerating volts and (7) is correct to approximately 7000 volts.

As an example, in the 410R  $s=2.54$  cm. and for an accelerating voltage  $E_b=900$ , the transit time  $T$  is,  $2.54/6 \times 10^7 \sqrt{900} = 1.41 \times 10^{-9}$  sec.

The equivalent phase shift in practical cases is approximately 1500 degrees.

With an accelerating voltage of 900, the average time for electrons to pass through the buncher or catcher grids for spacing of 0.03 in. is,

$$\frac{0.03 \times 2.54}{6 \times 10^7 \sqrt{E_b}} = 4.22 \times 10^{-11} \text{ sec.}$$

This corresponds to about  $\frac{1}{8}$  cycle in practical cases.

$$\frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{c}{V_0} = \frac{500}{\sqrt{E_b}} \text{ (8)}$$

where  $c$  is velocity of light. Let  $\phi_F$  be phase angle between catcher and buncher voltages, then

$$2n\pi = \frac{500}{\sqrt{E_b}} \frac{s}{\lambda} \cdot 2\pi + \frac{\pi}{2} + \phi_F \text{ (9)}$$

The  $\pi/2$  factor is due to the 90 degrees relationship which must exist between catcher and buncher fields for operation as described before. Note that phase shift in the drift space is the only factor influenced by direct accelerating voltage  $E_b$ .

From (9) it is apparent that the Klystron will oscillate at only discrete values of  $E_b$ , i.e., those values which satisfy (9).

Equation (9) may be written,

$$\frac{500s}{\sqrt{E_b} \lambda} = \frac{s}{\beta \lambda} = n - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\phi_F}{2\pi} \text{ (10)}$$

If values of  $1/\beta$  (for values of  $E_b$  at which oscillation occurs) are plotted against a series of integers  $n$ , alternate values will yield a pair of straight lines as shown in Fig. 8. These lines have a slope equal to  $\lambda/s$ . The two lines are displaced horizontally by  $\frac{1}{2}$  unit of  $n$  which is 180 degrees in the total phase shift. The presence of these double oscillation points at half units of  $n$  is due to double resonant peak characteristic of closely coupled cavities.

The frequency of the voltage generated by the Klystron is a function of  $E_b$  and frequency modulation may be easily accomplished by injecting a signal voltage in series with  $E_b$ .

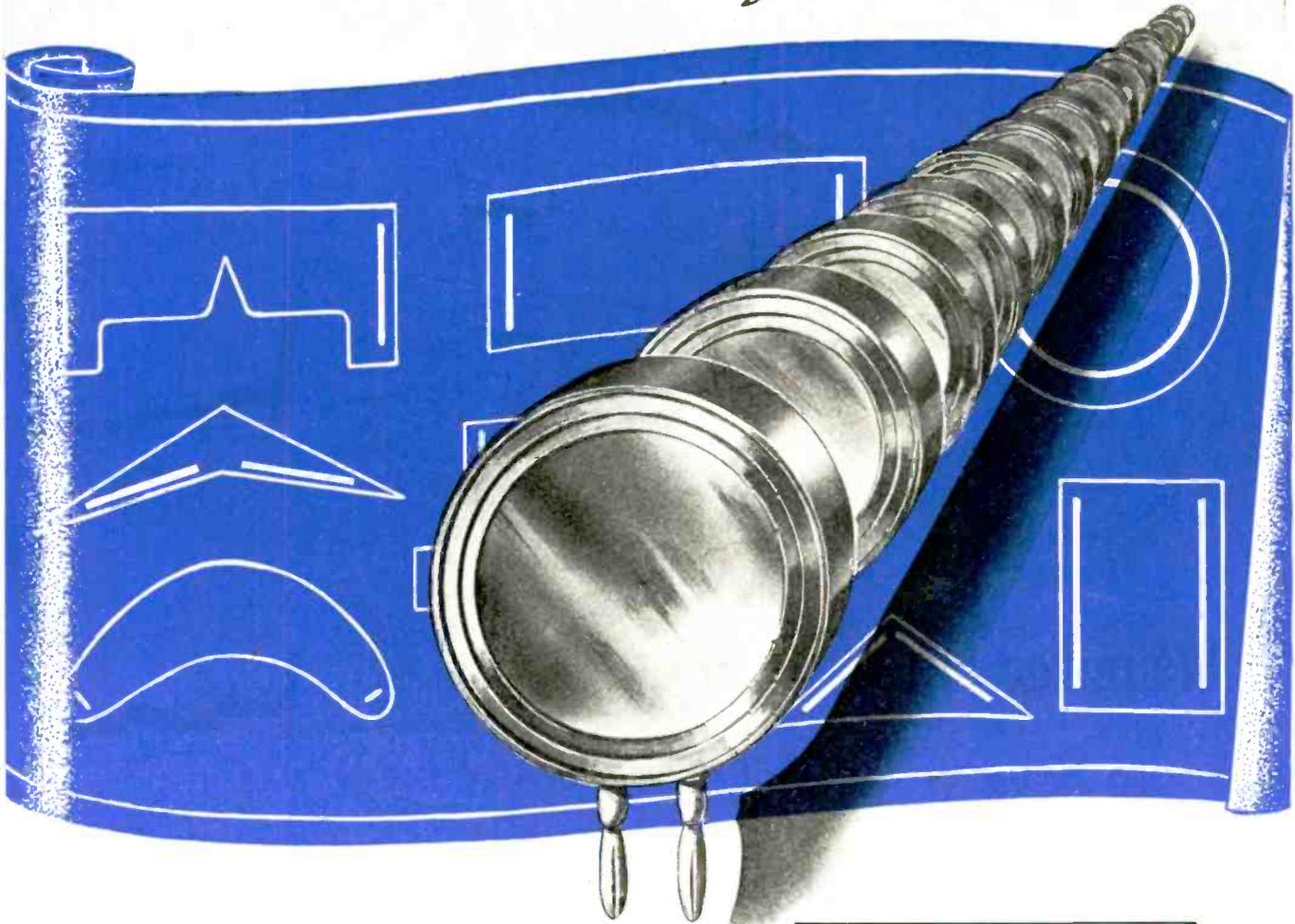
It can be shown that the frequency change per volt of  $E_b$  is,

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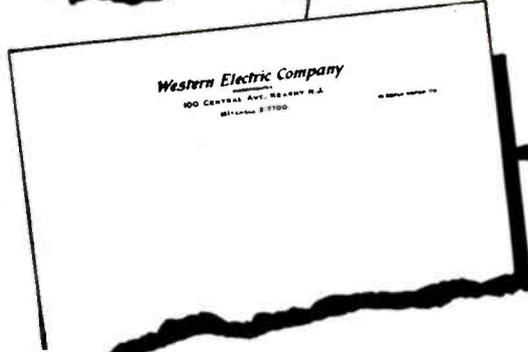
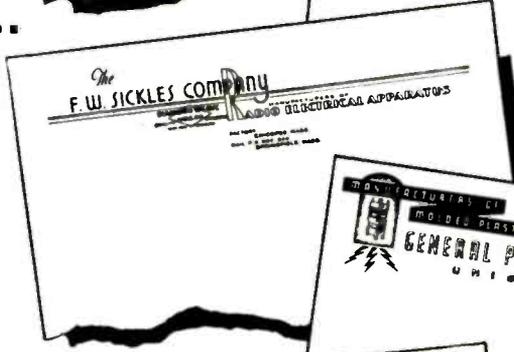
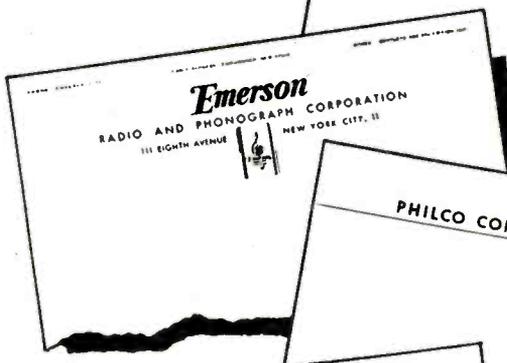
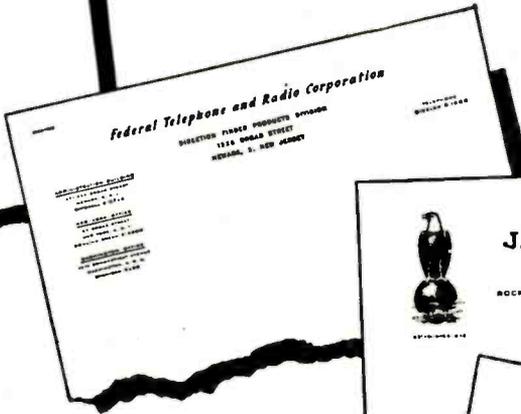
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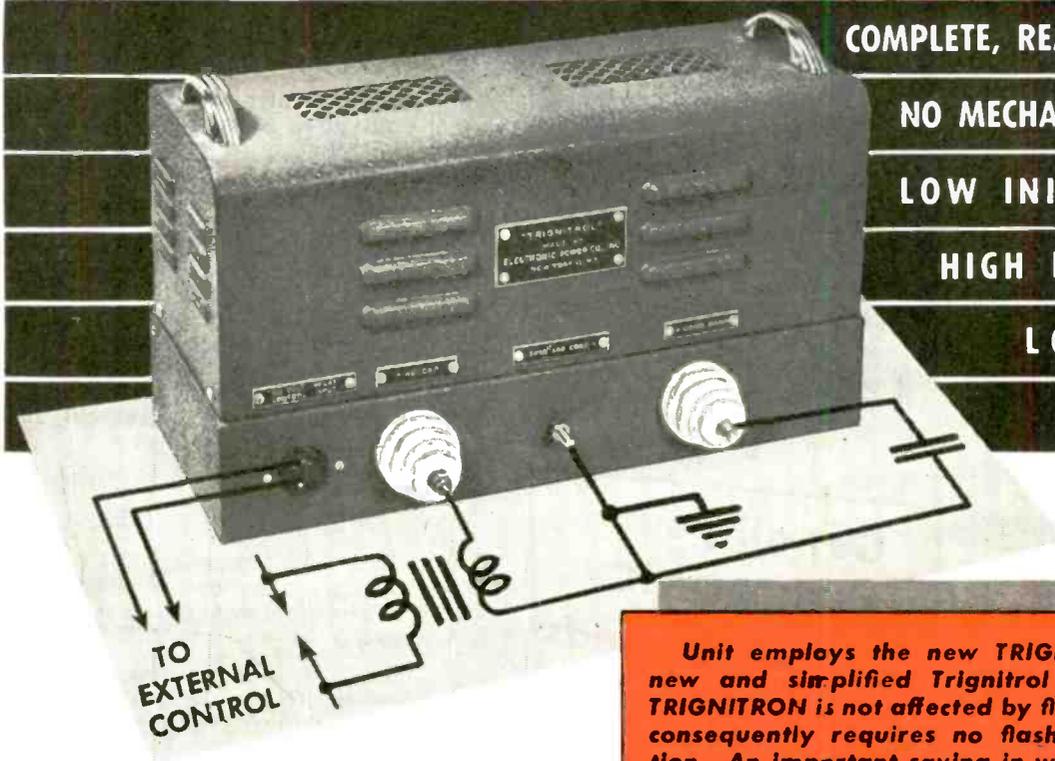
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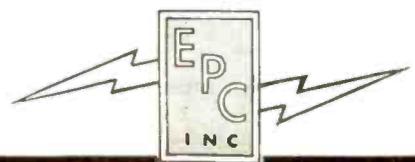
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frequency shift vs. beam voltage  $E_b$  for a 410R. The slope at a beam voltage of 950 volts is 20 kc/volt. From (11) the calculated deviation is 19.6 kc/volt. In the experimental curve of Fig. 9, thermal drift is also included.

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$$Q = \frac{f_0}{2\Delta f} \quad (12)$$

where  $\Delta f$  is frequency shift required to bring current down to 0.707 value.

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**Channel Transmitting Circuits—Channel No. 1:**—Speech currents arrive from the telephone line or switchboard and pass through a .2 kc high-pass filter and the hybrid

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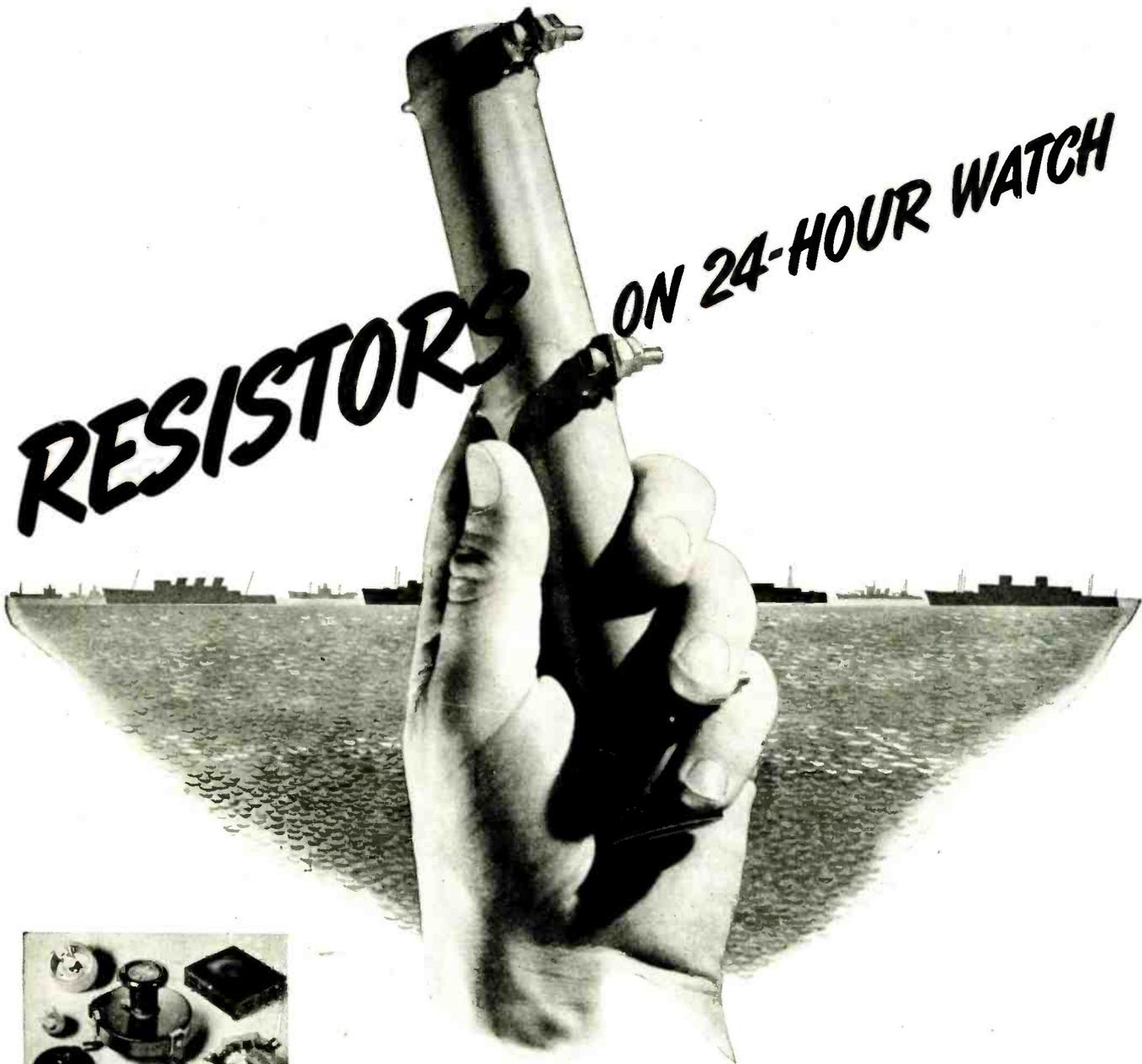


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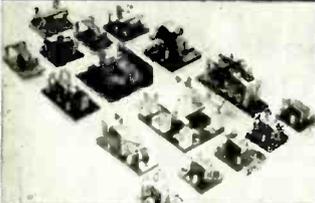
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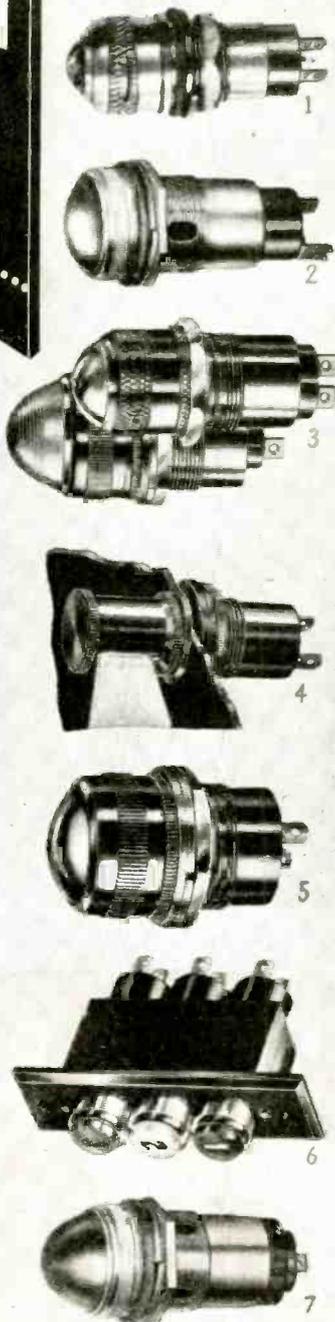


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**Channel Transmitting Circuits—Channels Nos. 2, 3 and 4:**—These channels differ from Channel No. 1, in that, the speech currents are shifted to other frequency bands for transmission over the radio link. At the input to the modulator 6N7 tube a low-pass filter-equalizer corrects for losses at the band filter edges and assists in attenuating frequencies transmitted above 2800 cycles. Used in conjunction with the band filter, frequencies are prevented from overlapping to another channel.

An oscillator common to both the transmitter and receiver provides the carrier frequency, which, combined with speech frequencies in the modulator tube, produce upper and lower sidebands. The band filter suppresses the unwanted components and transmits only the lower sideband.

The modulator tube is arranged in a balanced circuit and no carrier frequency appears in its output. Limiting is inherent in the transmitting branches and protects the radio transmitter from overload.

The oscillator frequency is determined by a tuned circuit consisting of a coil and capacitor and is pre-adjusted. A vernier capacitance is provided for fine frequency adjustment.

The table below gives the carrier frequencies and the carrier bands transmitted:

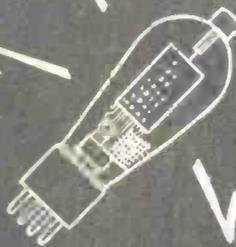
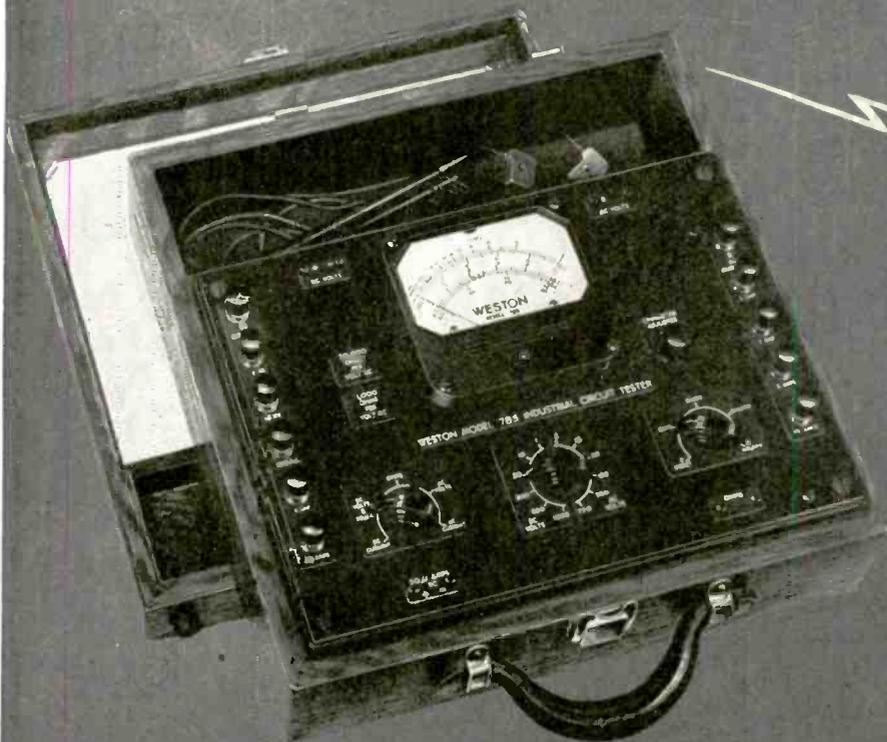
Channel No.	Carrier & Signal Frequency	Band
1	3.15*	.25 to 2.75 kc
2	6.3	6.0 to 3.5 "
3	9.4	9.1 to 6.6 "
4	12.5	12.2 to 9.7 "

**Channel Receiving Circuits—Channel No. 1:**—The low-pass filter selects the frequencies of Channel No. 1 and rejects the other frequencies common to the input lines as fed from the radio receiver. The voice speech amplifier following this filter raises the output level for application to the hybrid coil. A gain control is incorporated with

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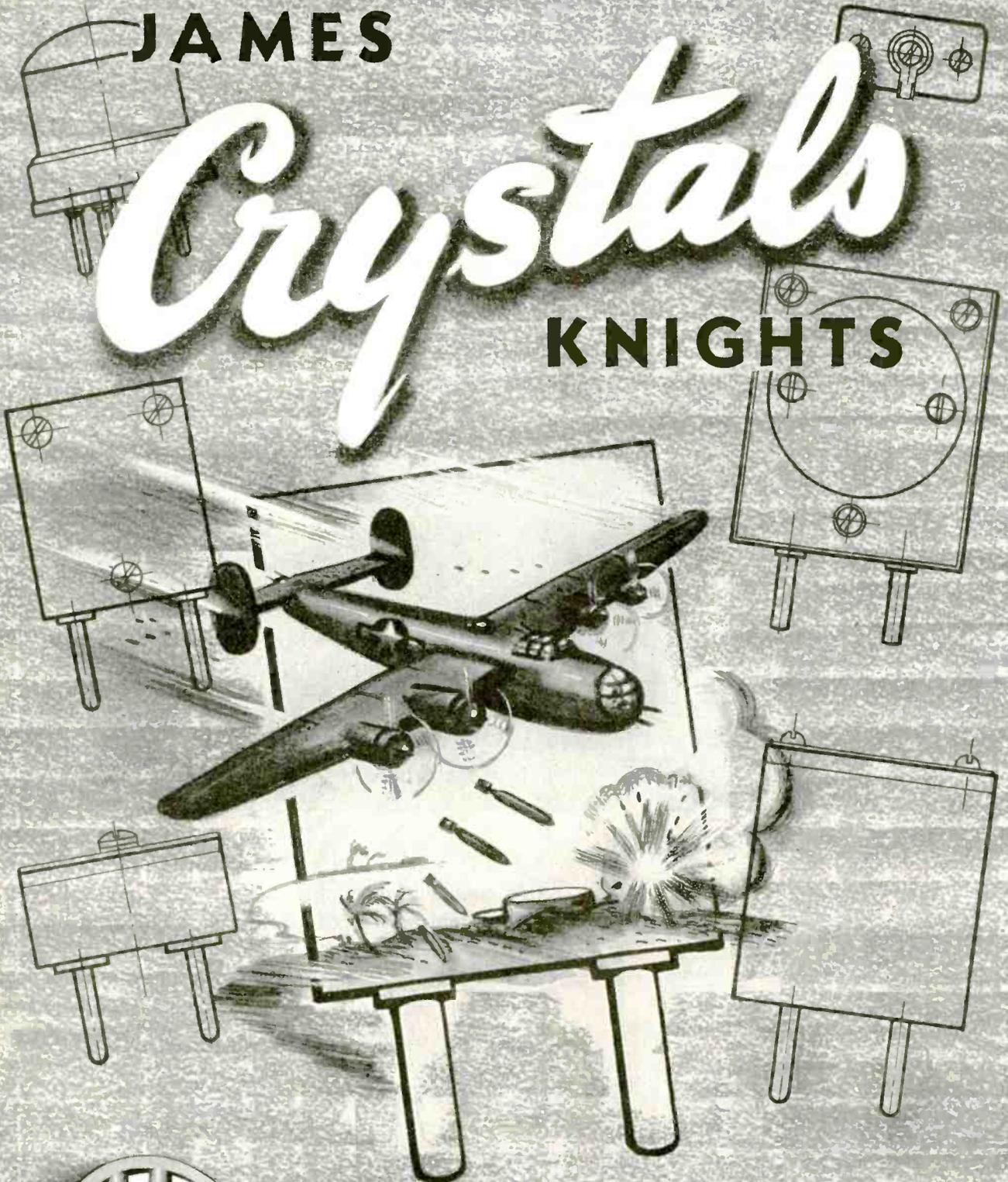
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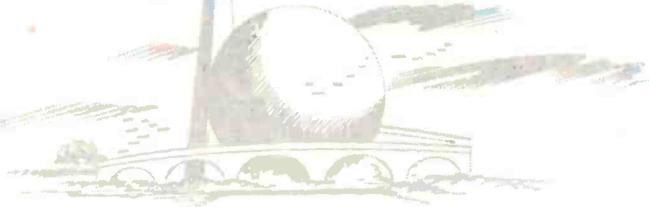
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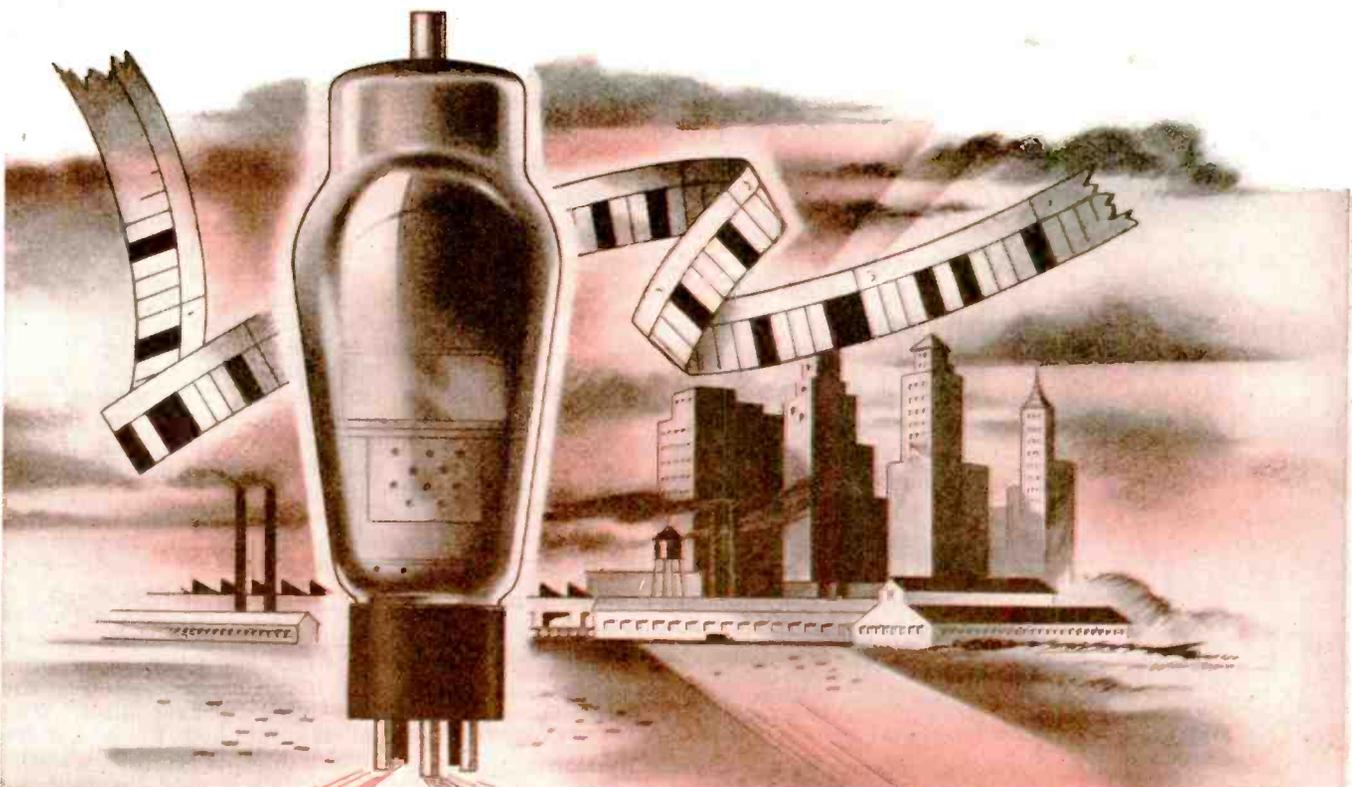
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the amplifier tube and filter so that the channel receiver gain may be adjusted independently.

**Channel Receiving Circuits—Channels Nos. 2, 3 and 4:**—In Channels Nos. 2, 3 and 4 the receiving filter is a band filter of the same type as is used in the corresponding transmitting circuit. Each channel filter selects the required band and rejects all others. Following the band filter is a gain control and the balanced demodulator tube. This tube is supplied by a carrier voltage of the same frequency as used at the transmitting terminal. Two sidebands are again produced as in the modulator; one sideband of which corresponds to the original voice frequency band. This demodulator is followed by a low-pass filter-equalizer which partially removes the unwanted products. This filter-equalizer also corrects the audio frequencies for transmission losses at the edge of the receiving band filter. An audio amplifier 6N7 tube is employed to raise the gain to a suitable level for application to the hybrid coil. This tube is followed by a low-pass filter which eliminates the unwanted products.

The oscillators are extremely stable but an occasional adjustment is required to maintain the synchronism of the carrier frequency at the sending and receiving stations. If the sending and receiving oscillators differ in frequency by more than 25 cycles, the naturalness or quality of the speech transmitted over the system will be degraded. Maintaining the synchronism in these limits is relatively simple with suitable oscillator design.

Ring current entering the telephone connections of a channel unit is blocked by the high-pass .2 kc filter but causes the ringing relay to operate. This applies plate voltage to the plates of the ringing amplifier tube, a 6N7. The power of the carrier frequency emitted to the line is controlled by a gain control. The signal is fed through a narrow band signal transmitting filter which removes noise or harmonics generated in the amplifier.

This carrier frequency signal is transmitted over the radio link to the receiving end where the carrier ringing frequency is selected by the proper signal receiver filter. The signal is amplified by a 3-stage audio amplifier, is rectified and the resultant voltage used to block the grids of a control tube to operate the ring-down relay. This relay transmits 20 cycle ringing current to the telephone line. The diode rectifier in the ringing receiver is back biased approximately 25 volts and in conjunction with a 7 mfd capacitor strapped across the diode resistor, offers discrimination and delay to prevent false rings on random noise pulses.

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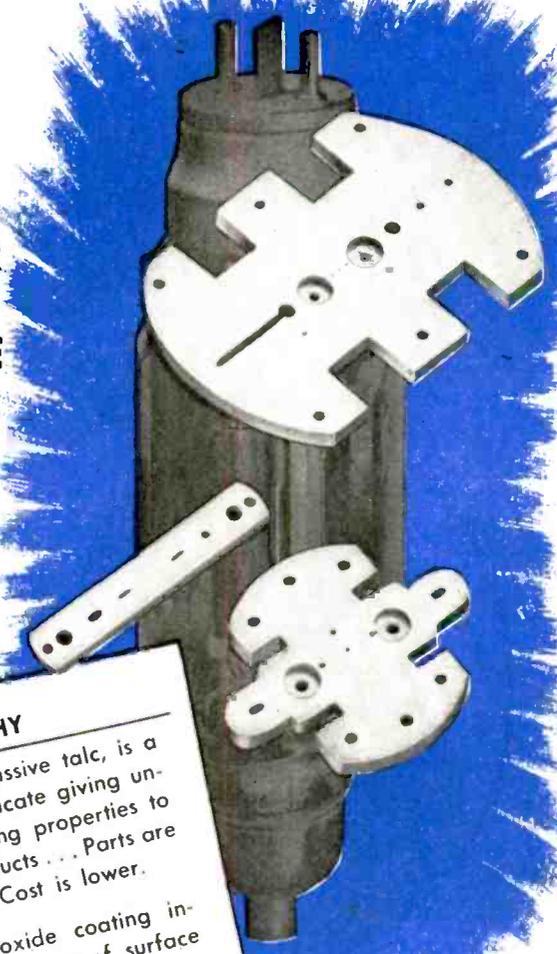
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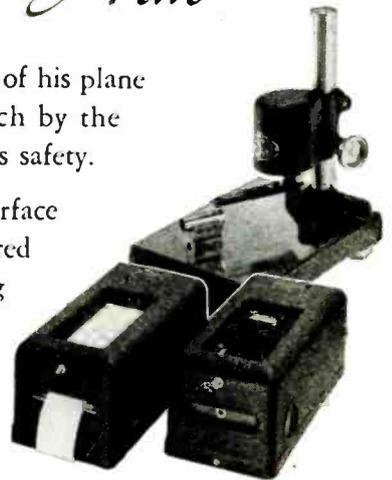
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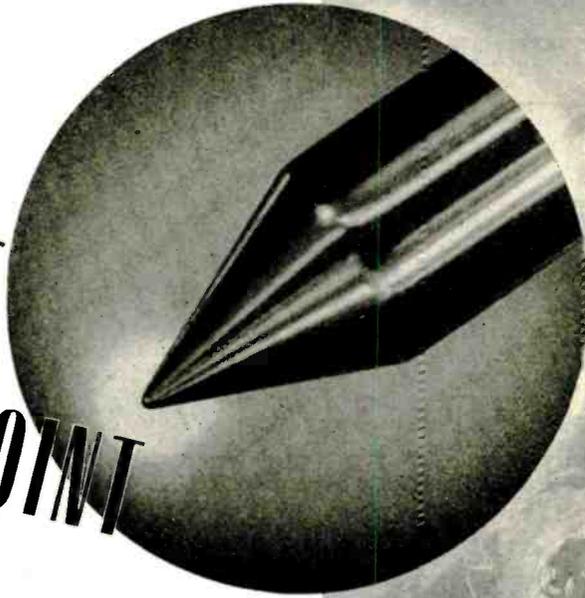


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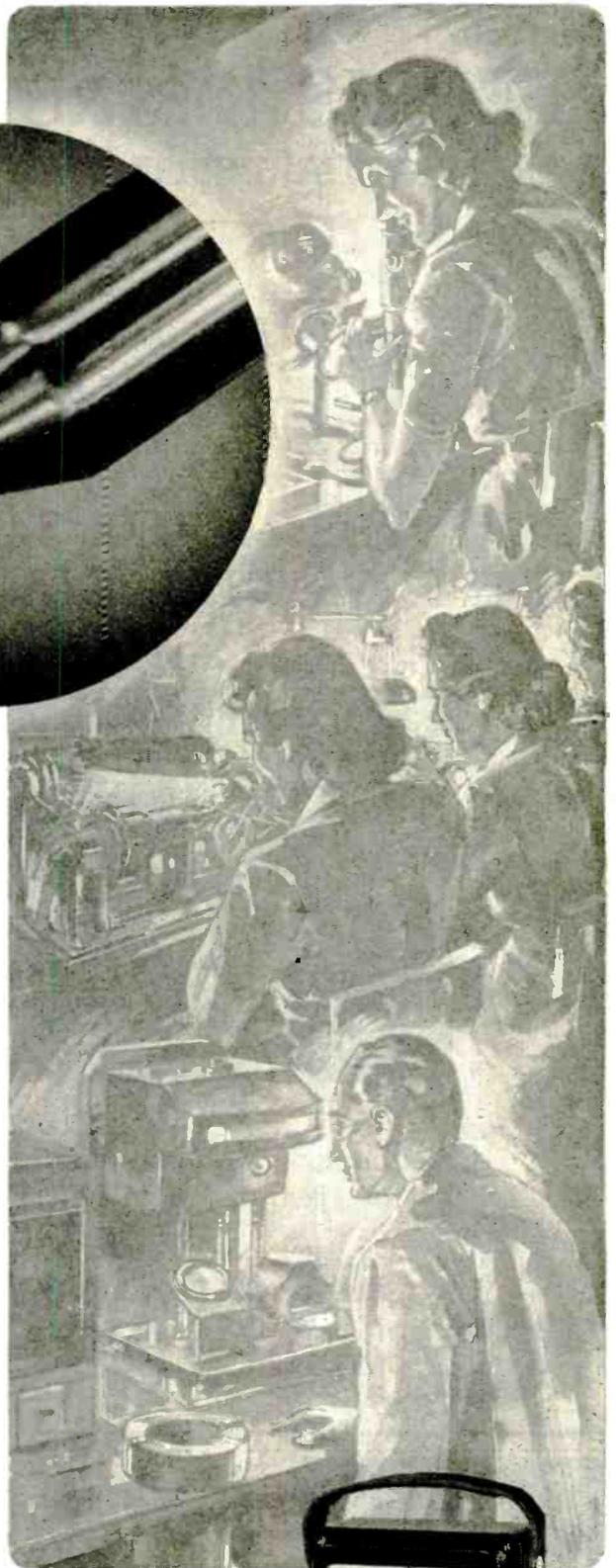


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Illustrated, schematically, are three carrier channels—Nos. 1, 2 and 3—derived from a pair of wires over which is routed the normal voice frequency circuit. Directional filters separate the east to west, or lower portion of the carrier spectrum, from the west to east, or higher frequency portion. At the terminals the receiving portion and its three carrier channels are equalized. The transmitting channels are all amplified as a unit. Equalization is necessary to offset the line attenuation slope which varies for each wire line over which the carrier operates.

The output level of the radio carrier apparatus described is 1 mw into 600 ohms. For use on wire lines an output level of plus 18 db is recommended as the nominal spacing between terminals or repeaters may be in excess of 30 db. This output level affords a higher signal-to-noise ratio at the receiving end and is a good compromise to reduce interference to other wires on the same telephone lead. For this reason the transmitting amplifier is used in the common transmitting branch.

Since it is possible that carrier telephone currents may be repeated many times, consideration must be given to attenuation losses of line facilities which vary widely with moisture conditions and appreciably with temperature and other factors.

In multi-channel carrier systems the large variations due to weather, require continual adjustment of the gain of the carrier amplifiers. This is done automatically by a pilot channel regulator. For each direction of transmission the pilot channel oscillator supplies to the line a current of constant amplitude which is emitted through a narrow band filter between channels. At the repeaters and terminals this pilot channel oscillator is separated from the other frequencies and amplified. This amplified current is used to control relays which automatically adjust a motor-driven variable attenuator to compensate for line losses. These pilot channel regulators are designed to maintain the level on the carrier system.

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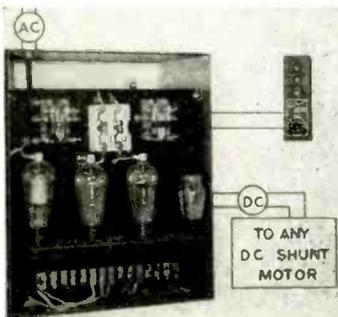
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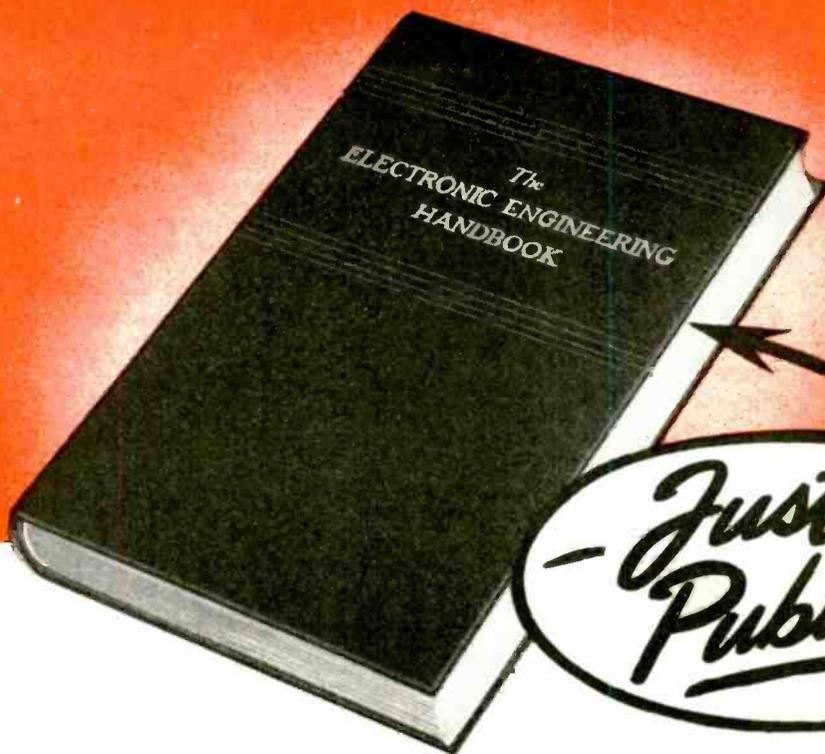
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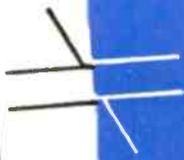




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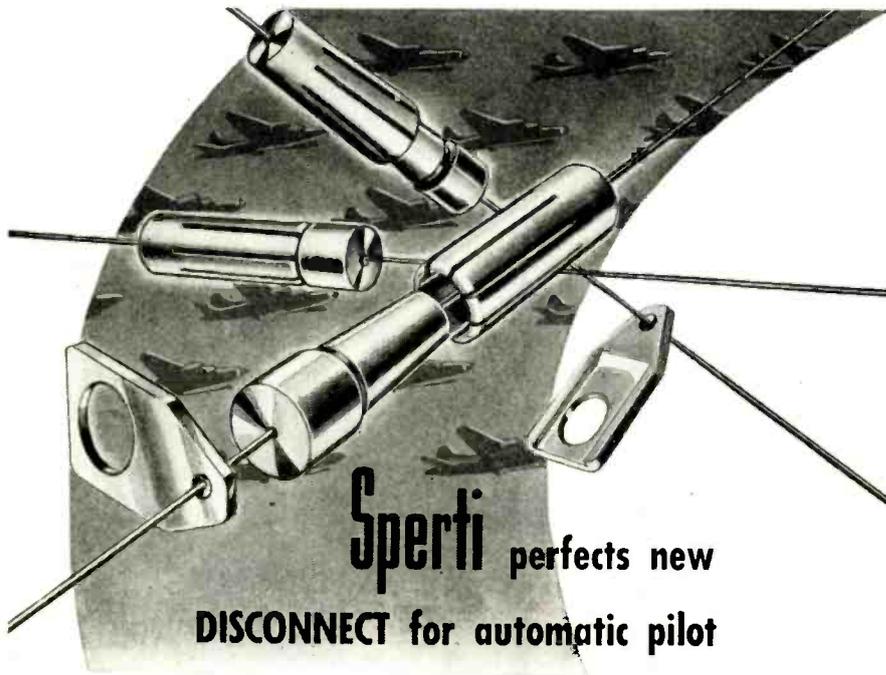
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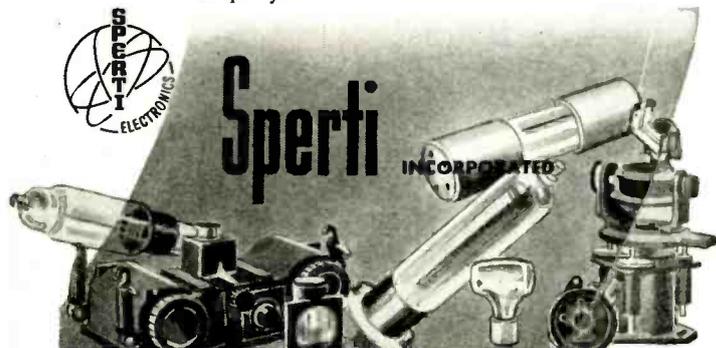
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## MASS SPECTROMETER— NEW INDUSTRIAL TOOL

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Various methods of producing ions have been used in the past. The best method for use with the light gases considered here is that of electron bombardment. An electron gun of more or less conventional nature shoots a thin ribbon of electrons, with energies of the order of 100 volts, through the gas (Fig. 2). A small number of these electrons strike gas molecules and knock an electron from each, or in the case of complex molecules knock off an electron and sometimes an atom or group of atoms. The ionization chamber, as well as the analyzer tube, is in a uniform magnetic field, and the electrons move parallel to the lines of force. The action of the magnetic field is to prevent any electrons from straying off to the side; this is similar to magnetic focusing in cathode ray tubes.

### Gas analysis

At the low sample pressures used, roughly  $10^{-4}$  mm. Hg, the rate of formation of any particular kind of ion is directly proportional to the partial pressure of the gas which yields the ion, and directly proportional to the electron current. If two or more kinds of gases are present, each behaves as though the others were not there; thus linear superposition results and the analysis of gas mixtures is possible. This will be discussed more fully later.

### Commercial design

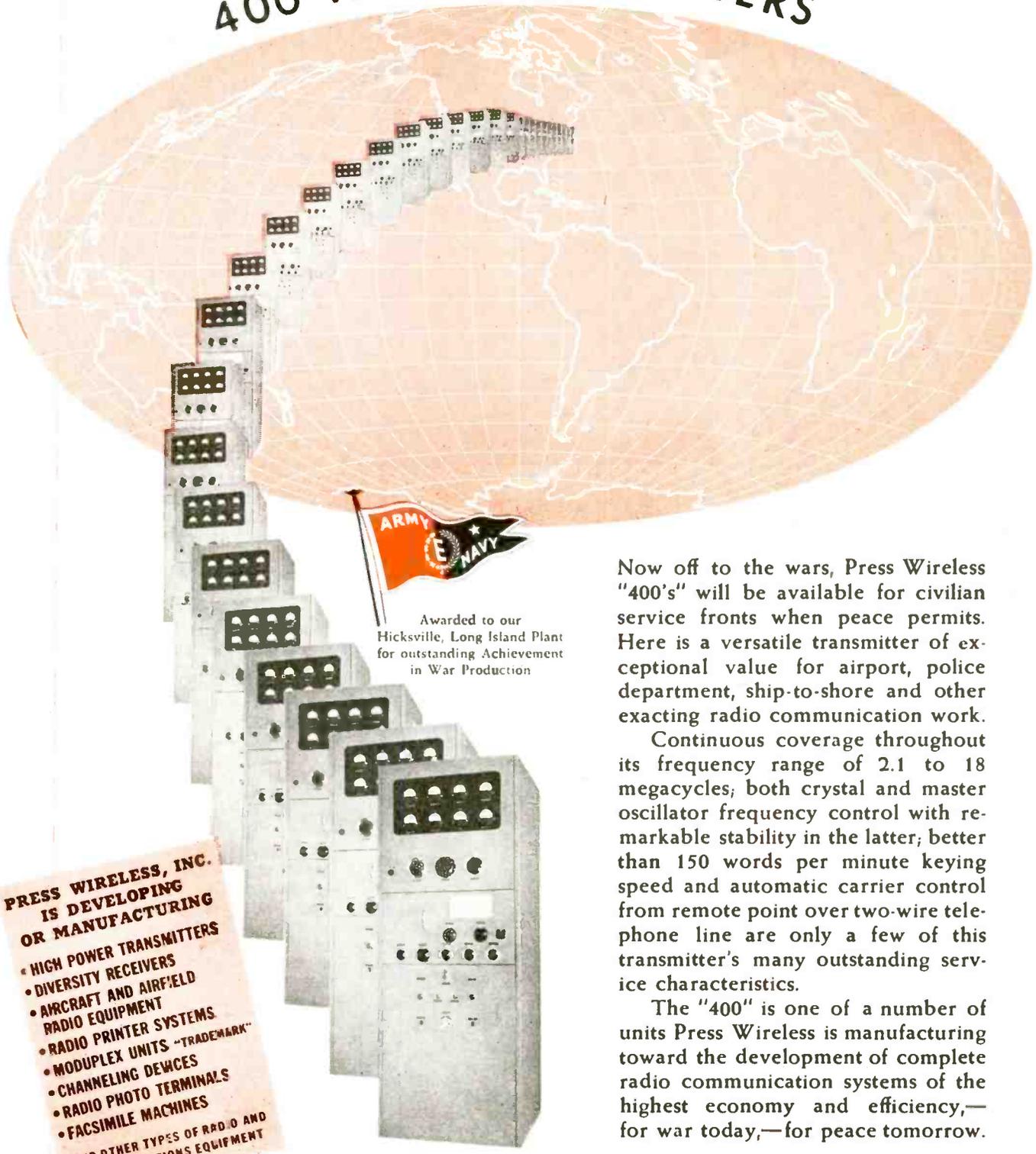
The design of a mass spectrometer naturally centers around the ionization chamber-analyzer tube combination, which is the heart of the instrument. Fig. 3 is a schematic diagram of the commercial mass spectrometer manufactured by Consolidated Engineering Corp. In the center is the magnet with the ionization chamber and analyzer tube enclosed in a glass envelope between the pole faces. The directions of the arrows indicate the relation of the "M.S. tube" to the other components of the system. We will consider the various elements in turn.

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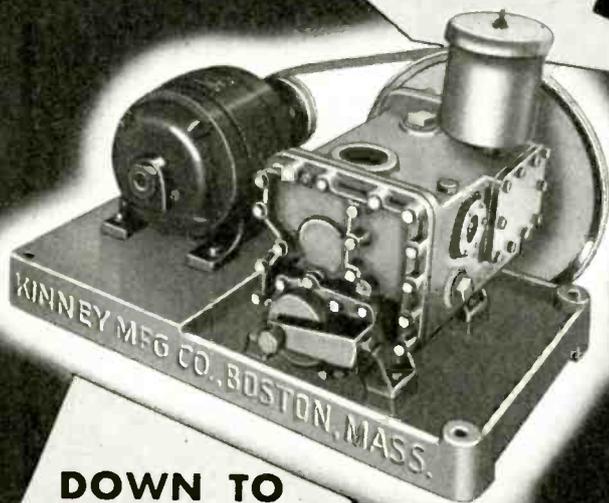
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The high voltage for accelerating the ions is derived from a conventional high-voltage power supply. This voltage is automatically varied over any desired range, so that any portion of the mass spectrum can be scanned in a continuous manner. Thus, all masses within the range selected will be brought in succession to a focus at the collector and recorded. This naturally is a much faster and more accurate method than the older point-by-point method of plotting each peak separately.

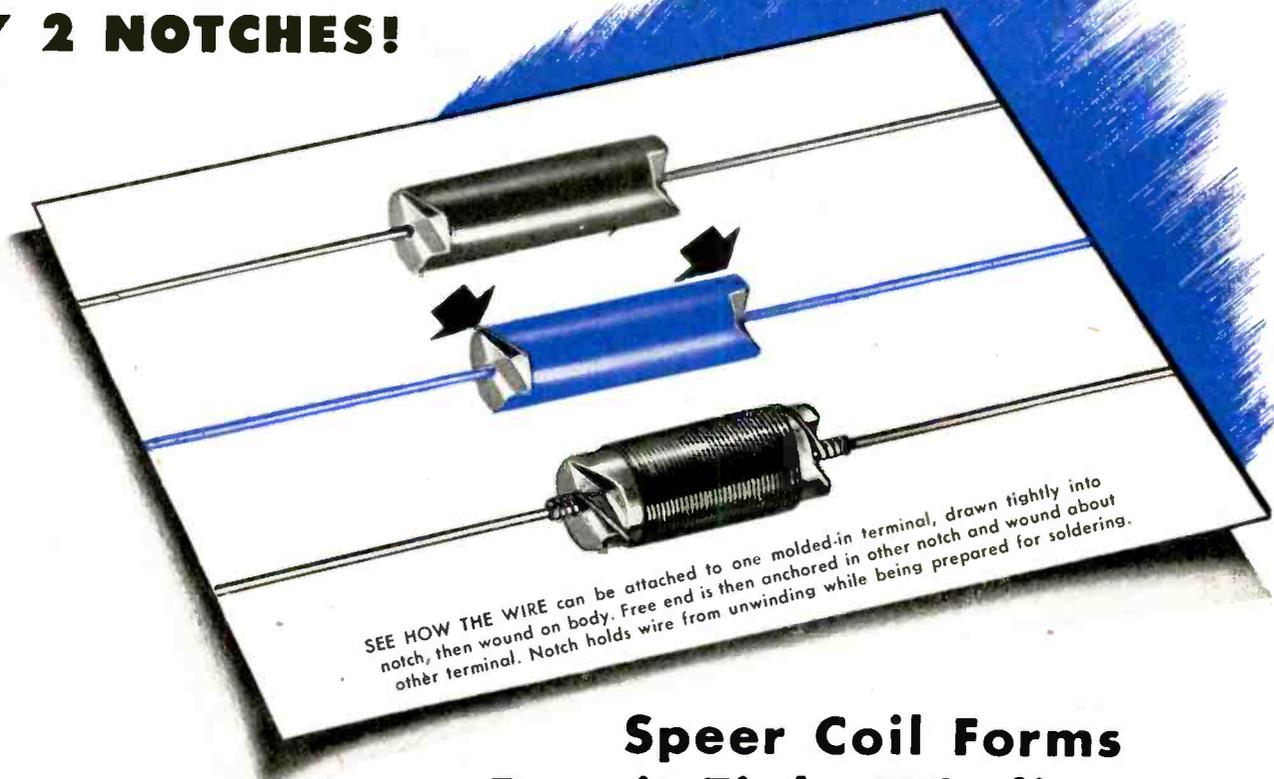
The magnet power supply uses two 872 rectifiers. Two stages of dc amplification ahead of the series tubes in the regulator are necessary to secure sufficient regulation. Twenty-two 6A3's in parallel serve as the series tubes, providing regulated current up to 1.5 amperes. Normally, a current of about .5 amperes is used when scanning the spectrum from mass 12 to mass 70. For the heavier mass range a somewhat larger current is used, and for masses 1 through 4 a current of about .15 amperes is used.

### DC amplifier

A 3-stage dc amplifier amplifies the ion current striking the collector. Since this current is very small, ranging from  $10^{-15}$  to  $10^{-10}$  amperes, extremely high grid-leak resistance must be used in the input stage of the amplifier. The range of grid-leak values used from  $10^9$  to  $10^{12}$  ohms. This requires that the input tube be operated under conditions which give rise to low grid current; namely, low filament current and low plate and screen voltages. In addition, in order to prevent surface leakage due to moisture films on the grid-leak and the envelope of the input tube, the tube and resistor are enclosed in an evacuated shield which is mounted on the end of the MS tube assembly. Heavy inverse feedback is used in the amplifier to give high stability and a linearity of  $\pm .1$  per cent.

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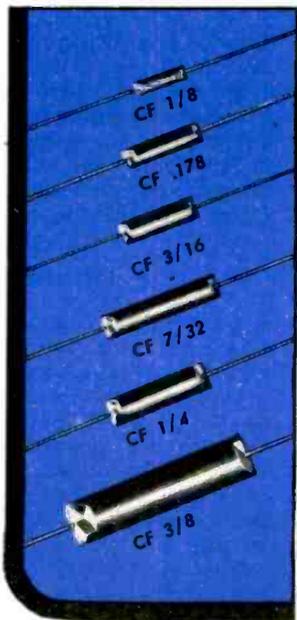
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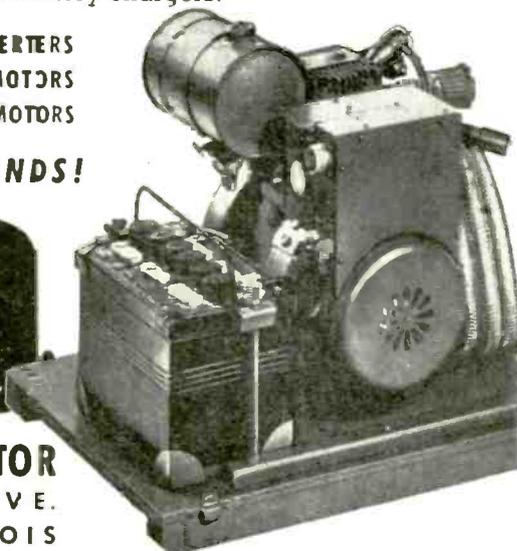
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and the scale lines are photographed simultaneously with the galvanometer traces, so that paper shrinkage has no effect on reading accuracy. The oscillograph has a removable magazine which contains 200 ft. of paper. After each run the paper is cut by a knife in the camera and the exposed portion is transported to the darkroom in a lightproof "sleeve." This method of recording has great merit in providing accurate, permanent records. The oscillograph can be seen in Fig. 4 in the upper left hand part of the control cabinet.

The system for continuously evacuating the MS tube consists of a two stage mercury diffusion pump backed by a small mechanical pump. This arrangement produces a vacuum of less than  $10^{-6}$  mm. Hg. An ionization gage of the type well known to vacuum tube engineers is used for measuring the degree of vacuum. Backing pressure is measured with a Pirani gage. The two lower panels in the left-hand rack in Fig. 4 contain the pump controls and the vacuum-measuring circuits.

### Introduction system

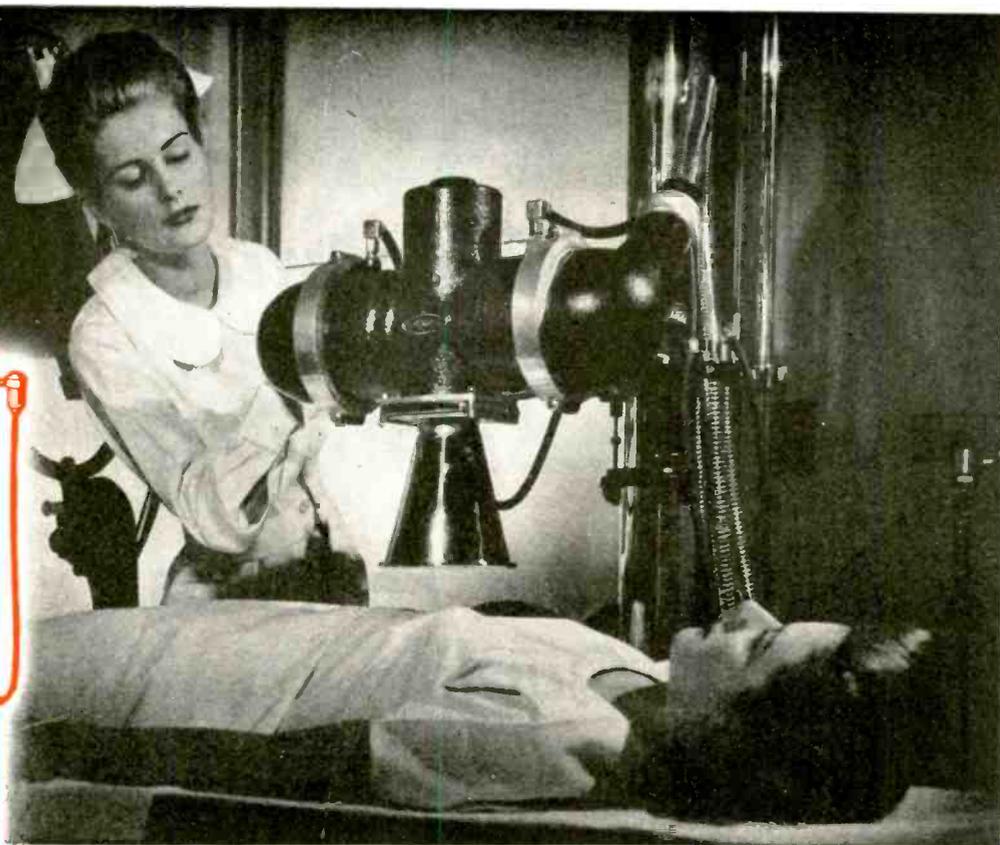
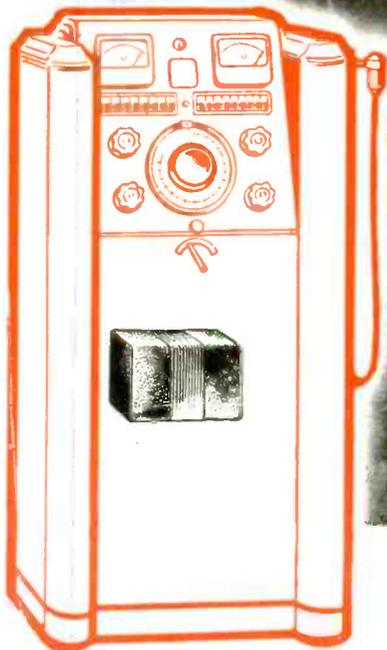
In the upper portion of the left-hand rack in Fig. 4 is the sample introduction system. This system has its own vacuum pumps, a two-stage oil diffusion pump, and a mechanical backing pump. Their purpose is to pump out those parts of the introduction system into which a sample is to be introduced, so that there will be no contamination from preceding samples or from air.

The sample is bled from its container into an evacuated chamber in the inlet system. From here the flow of gas to the ionization chamber takes place through a capillary leak, so that when the sample arrives at the ionization chamber, its pressure has been reduced to roughly  $10^{-4}$  mm. Hg. The amount of sample required is usually less than 0.1 cc. at atmospheric pressure.

### Chassis construction

An unusual chassis construction has been used throughout the instrument: Fig. 5 shows the inside of a typical chassis and the rear view of its panel. The panels can be removed and hooked on to the cabinet at right angles, thus permitting operation of a unit in place, at the same time allowing ready access to wiring and parts for testing and servicing. Design of the instrument is conservative, on the basis of 24-hour-a-day operation.

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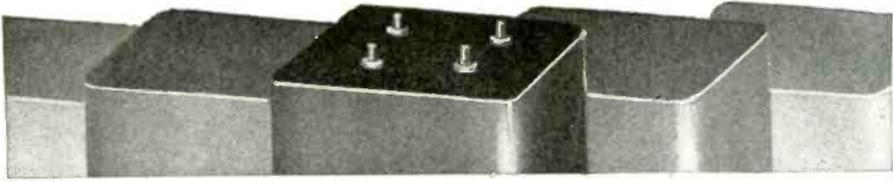
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ent, however, the primary commercial application of the mass spectrometer is in the analysis of the hydrocarbon mixtures encountered in refining operations. Here the mass spectrometer is being used both as an aid to the development of new processes and as an instrument for routine control work.

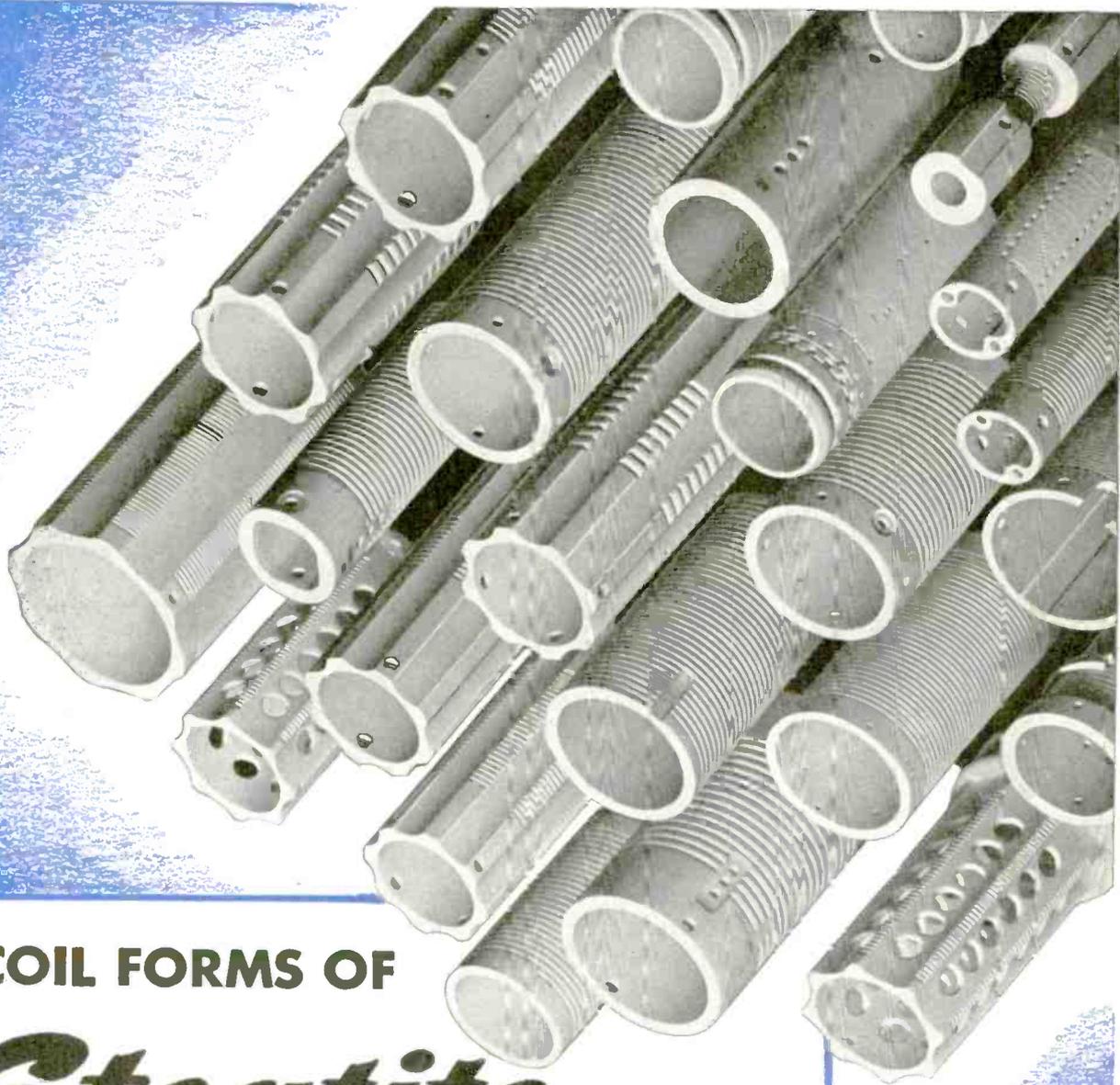
When a hydrocarbon gas is admitted to the ionization chamber, ions are formed not only with the mass of the molecule, but with many lower masses as a result of "cracking" by the electrons. Thus, in the case of methane,  $\text{CH}_4$ , the following ions appear:  $\text{CH}_4^+$ ,  $\text{CH}_3^+$ ,  $\text{CH}_2^+$ ,  $\text{CH}^+$ ,  $\text{C}^+$ . The relative numbers of these different ions are constant no matter what the pressure and no matter what other gases are present. By running a sample of pure methane these numbers are determined, and are called the pattern of methane.

Similarly, other hydrocarbons are found to crack into various ions, each substance having a distinctive pattern of its own. In mixtures of gases the various patterns often contribute to the same mass peaks, but because of the linear nature of the ionization chamber, mixture patterns are linear superpositions of the component patterns. The amount of each component is thus readily found by solving a set of simultaneous equations. Readers interested in the details of computing mixtures and in the patterns of a number of materials are referred to the literature cited at the end of this article.

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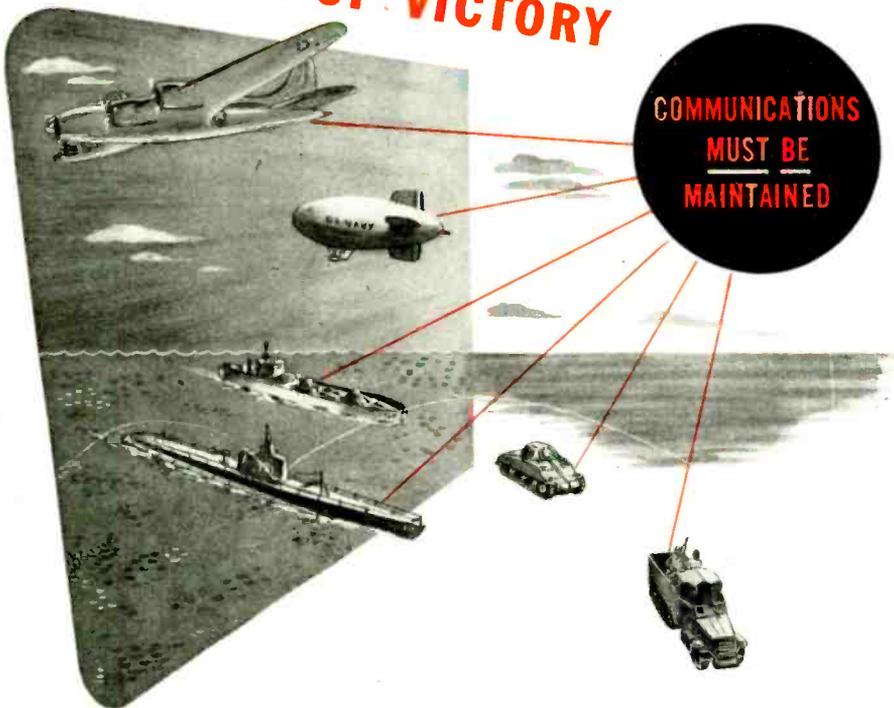
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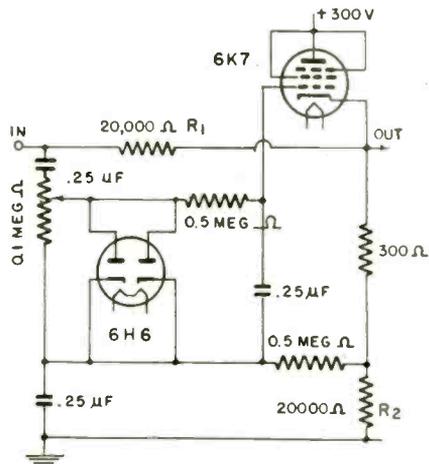


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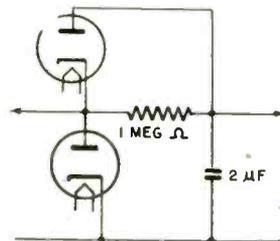
**WIDE READING**

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a change of 10 volts in grid bias varies the tube resistance from 0.5 to 5 volt/mA, corresponding to a change in output by 18 db. The variable grid bias is supplied by the



Expansion unit diagram



Modified rectifier circuit

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**Pressure Gage**

J. Yarwood (Electronic Engineering, London, April, 1944).

Color and structure of the electric discharge in a tube depend on the type of gas in the tube and on the pressure. This fact may be used to indicate the pressure in a system undergoing evacuation by the processes in a discharge tube sealed to a side-tube of the system.

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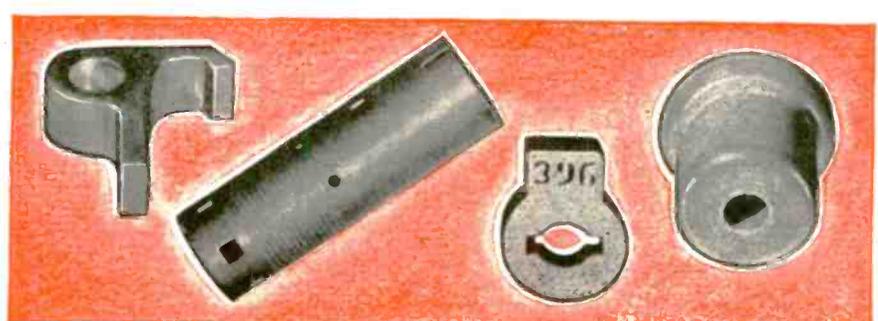
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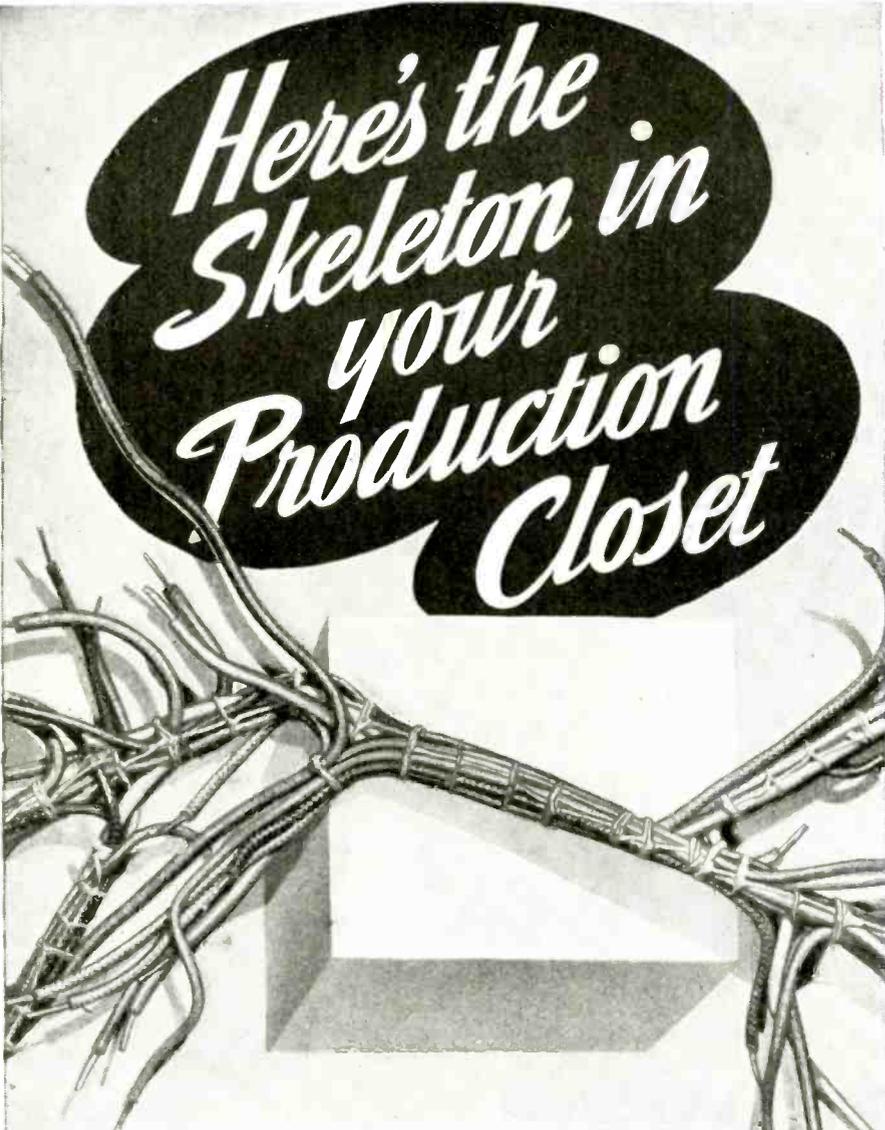
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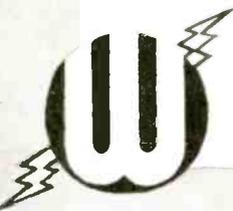


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inally in the vessel is air are shown, as well as colored pictures for several other gases. It is also possible to trace impurities in the form of condensable vapors, for instance, water-vapor or grease-vapor from stop-cocks.

### Capacitor Charging

V. Wouk (*Communications*, April, 1944).

The energy balance during the charging of a capacitor by a constant emf is investigated. Mathematical analysis shows that an amount of energy, equal to the amount finally stored on the capacitor, is expended in  $I^2R$  losses during the charging process; this is true for any circuit provided no tubes are incorporated and the resistance is neither zero nor negative.

Charging of a capacitor through a resistance and through a resistance plus inductance, as well as an open circuited RC cable are shown to obey the theorem. It also applies to non-linear systems where the resistance is a function of the current.

### Photometer

J. McG. Sowerby (*Journal of Scientific Instruments*, London, March, 1944).

A photoelectric photometer for measuring the light scattered by the surface of a transparent plastic has been designed in connection with the study of abrasion of plastics, the amount of light scattered before and after a defined abraiding process being a measure of the resistance of the surface to abrasion.

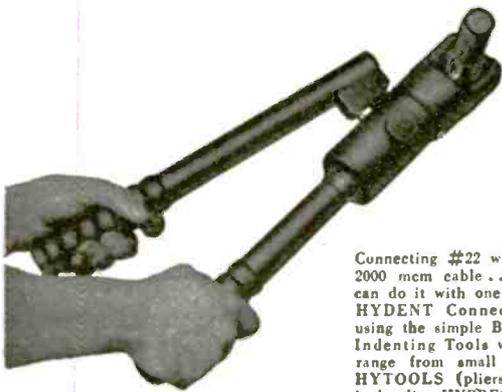
The output of the photocell is amplified in a cathode follower stage connected to the control grid of a tuning eye indicator. Dimensions of the circuit elements are given and discussed. The results were reproducible to within 2 per cent.

### Determining Water Vapor Content in Fuel Gases

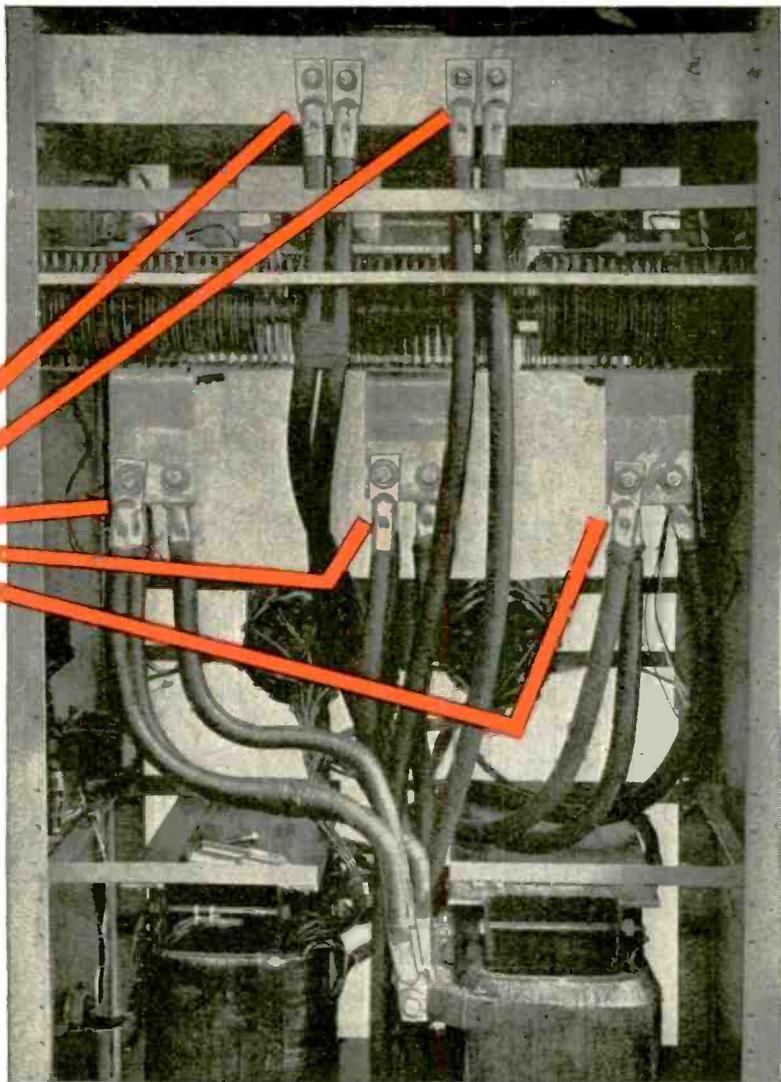
R. J. Pfister and D. J. Kerley (*Bulletin of the American Society for Testing Materials*, March, 1944).

A technic is described for determining moisture in fuel gases, using a change in the light transmission of a 0.1 per cent solution of cobaltous bromide in butanol. A sample of condensed water is frozen out from a measured volume of gas, added to the solution and the transmission measured with a photoelectric calorimeter. Results from both field and laboratory tests indicate that water contents may be determined to within  $\pm 3$  per cent of the amount of moisture present.

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## FISHING

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Tests of echo-sounding devices in locating schools of herring were begun by the British in the North Sea just prior to the war. Similar tests made in waters off British Columbia during the past fall gave promising results. The series of tests planned for the west coast will be the first large-scale experiment in American waters.

Echo-sounding equipment has been of great value to vessels engaged in fishing for species known as "bottom fish" by permitting easy exploration of the floor of the ocean, thus protecting nets from rocks and locating undersea valleys where some bottom fish congregate.

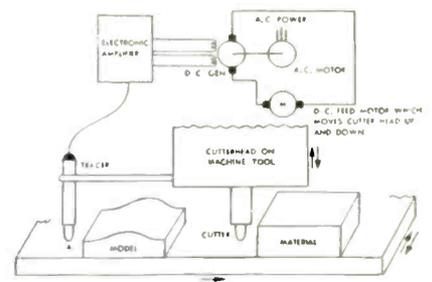
With sensitive equipment and trained operators it is believed possible not only to locate schools of fish but to determine the size and direction of the schools. As soon as arrangements have been completed, representatives of the Fish and Wildlife Service will be allowed to make tests aboard the Navy's patrol vessels during their routine operations.

Chief purpose of the experiments is to aid fisherman in catching pilchards, or California sardines. The pilchard season closed this week and will not be reopened until August 1. It is hoped that by then the experiment with the sounding devices will be far enough along for effective use during the next season.

## AUTOMATIC TRACERS

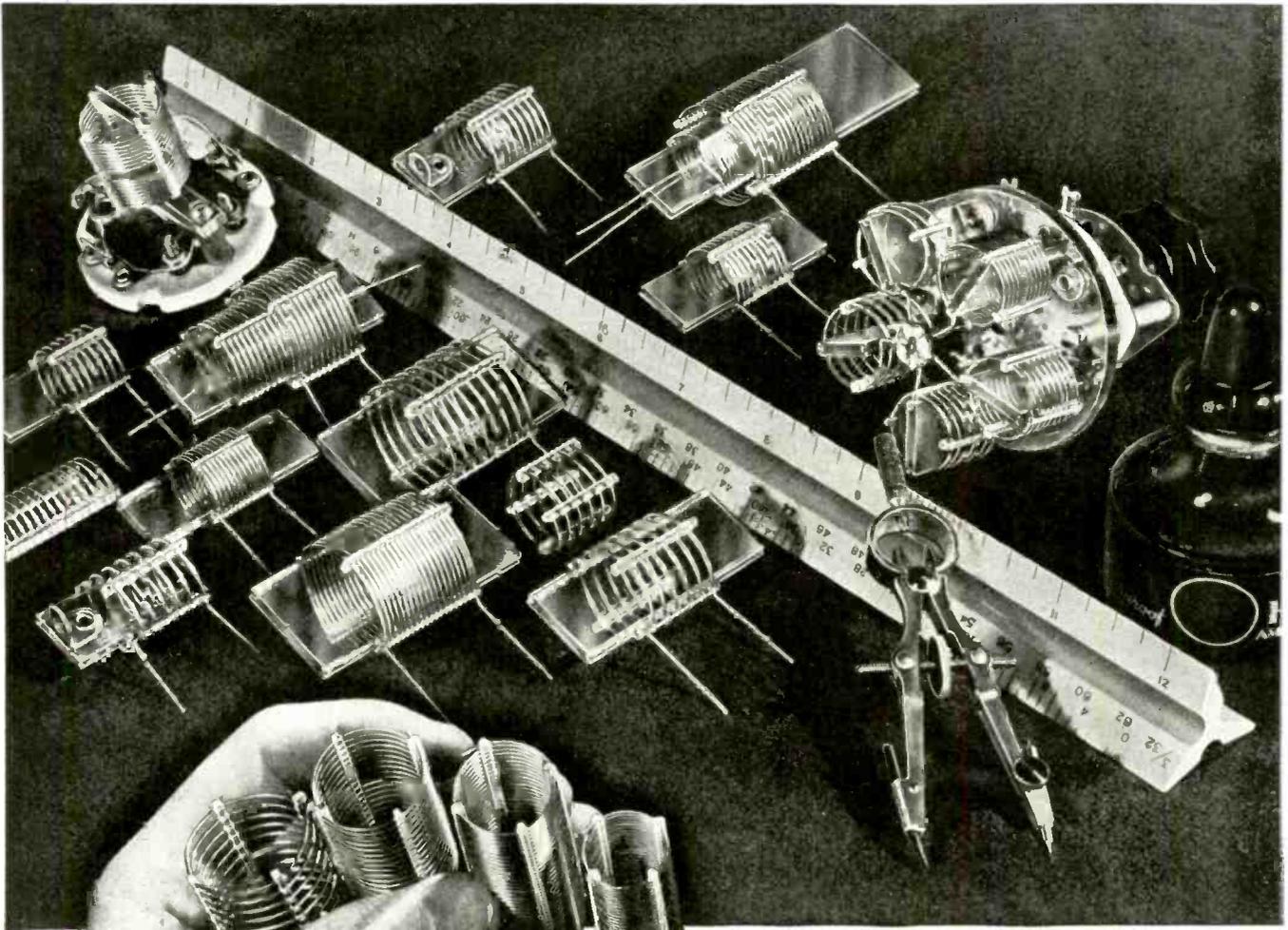
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can be duplicated within two or three thousandths of an inch when feed speed of twenty to thirty inches per minute is used. The schematic drawing illustrates operation with a full-scale model. As the probe A moves up and down in passing over the model, the cutterhead is moved correspondingly by its feed motor, controlled by the signal from the amplifier.



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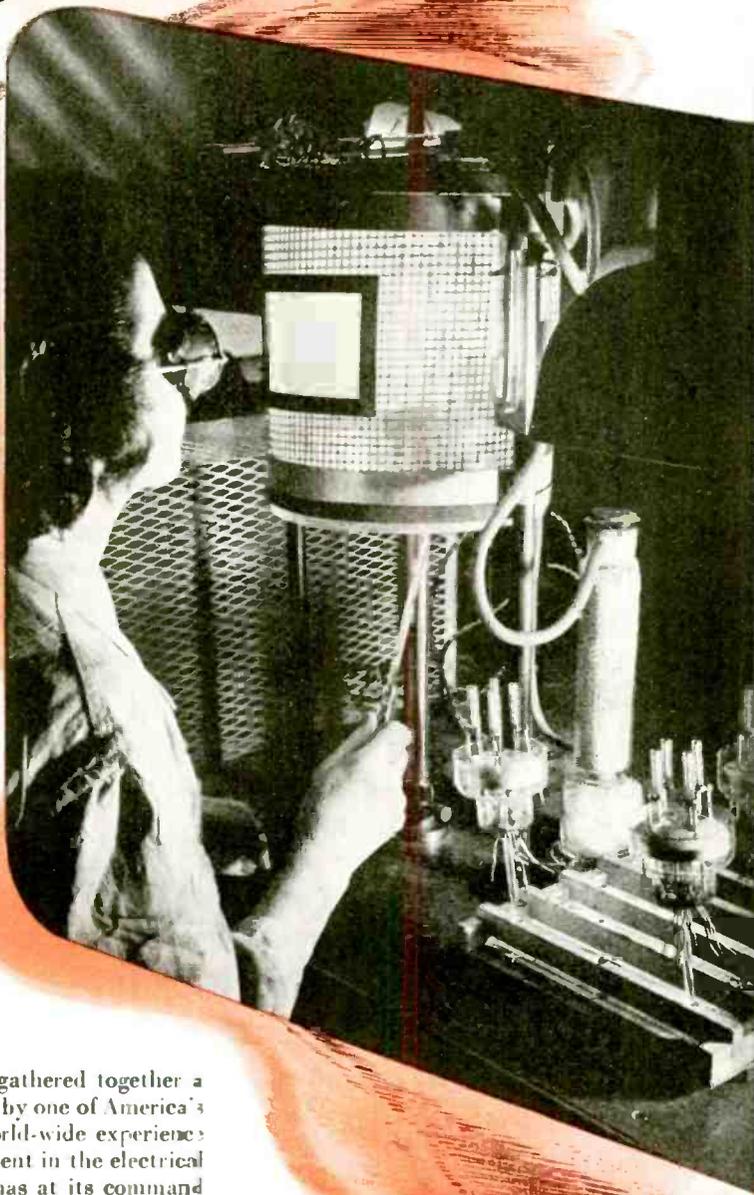
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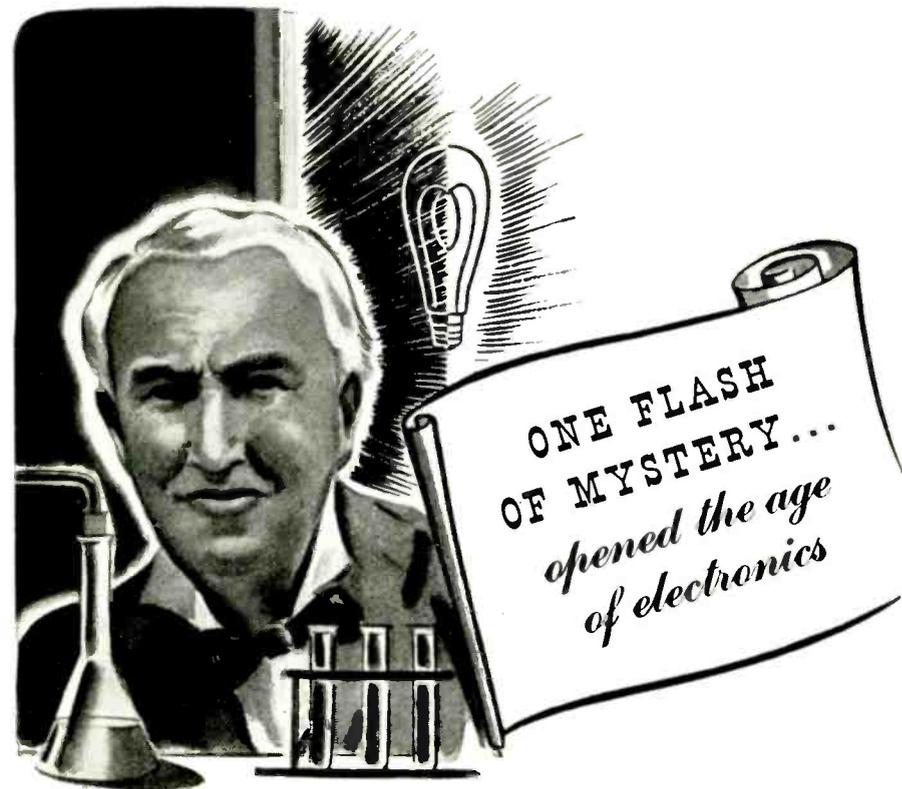
supervision of the radio communication facilities in the southern part of the state which includes the counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Imperial, Riverside, San Bernardino and Kern. Conditions in each of these counties are typical of those in almost the entire part of the state and for the purposes of this article it is deemed advisable to limit the discussion to this section, since it will adequately illustrate all points. This part of the state embraces some of the most mountainous sections as well as some of the more level parts of the state and an average communications problem is thus presented.

To date six repeater stations have been installed in the above ten counties; San Luis Obispo County near Cambria, elevation 2700 ft.; Santa Barbara County near San Marcos Pass, elevation 2600 ft.; Ventura County near Santa Paula, elevation 3000 ft.; Kern County near Lebec, elevation 5200 ft.; San Bernardino County near Crestline (Strawberry Peak), elevation 6150 ft. and San Diego County, on Lyons Peak near the Mexican Border, elevation 3700 ft. All of these automatic radio relay stations operate on 118.55 mc which is our uniform relay frequency throughout the state.

These stations provide an excellent degree of coverage for mobile units operating in their respective counties and in many instances provide inter-county coverage from mobile units as some of the repeater stations are received at several different locations.

Experience has shown that 118.55 mc channel transmission definitely is not limited to line-of-sight distances. In the case of the installation in Santa Barbara County the 118.55 mc receiving location at the dispatching point is not within optical range and the intervening terrain is quite rugged and mountainous and rises from 50 to 100 ft. within about two miles of the repeater station location. The total distance, in this instance, between the repeater location and the dispatching point is approximately 8 miles. Similar variations have also been noted in the 39.78 mc band although to a greater extent. In some instances it has been possible to receive from mobile units operating on this frequency and separated from the receiving location by mountain ranges with an elevation of 2,000 to 5,000 ft., the mobile units being as much as 60 or more miles distant.

An accompanying photograph illustrates our installation in San Bernardino County. The equip-



*Edison*, experimenting with the incandescent lamp in 1883, noted that the hot carbon filament emitted an electric charge. When he put a positively charged electrode in the bulb, negatively charged particles were attracted to it from the filament. Later on, Fleming, intrigued by this mystery, invented the first electronic valve—all of which led to De Forest's invention of the Audion Tube.

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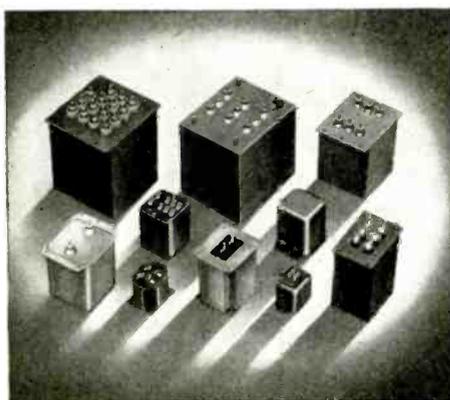


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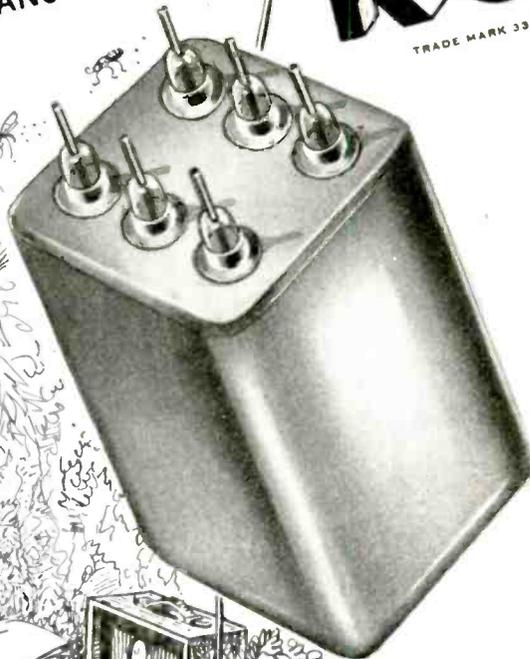


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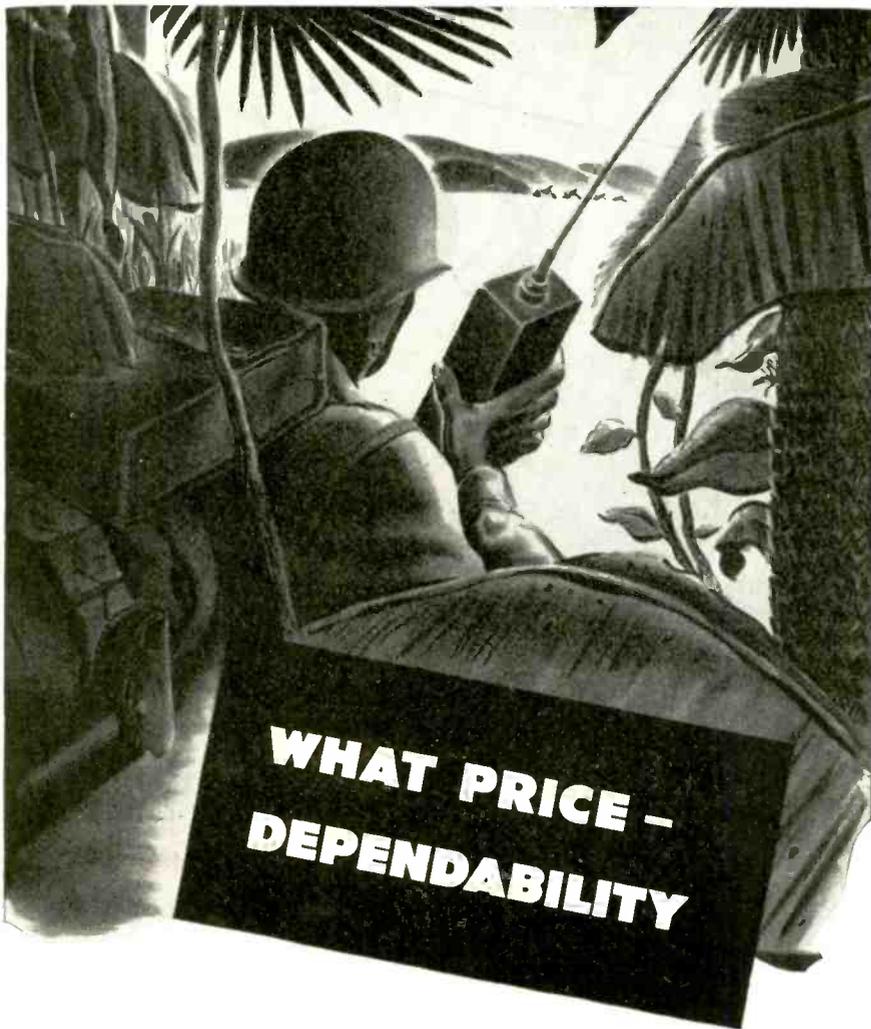


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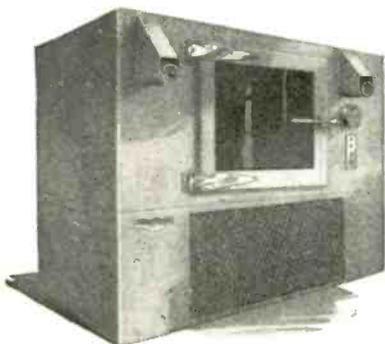
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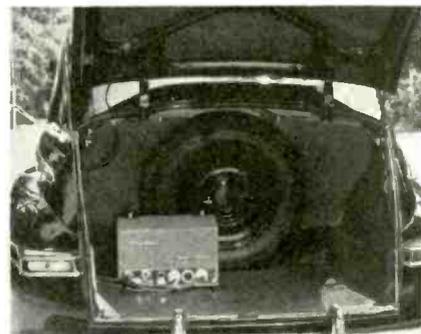
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The whip portion of the 39.78 mc antenna is supported at two points on its length by stand-off insulators. This was done to prevent breakage of the whip for at this elevation extreme icing conditions have been experienced. Due to the relatively shorter length of the 118.55 mc antenna, no support was used and no trouble has been encountered with it. The equipment at this location has been in operation for about two years and to date there have been no failures.



Method of mounting the FM transmitter in one of the California Highway Patrol cars

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All equipment is housed in an 8 x 8 ft. pre-fabricated type wooden building erected on a concrete floor and foundation. While this type of structure presents some advantages in its ease of original installation, its use is not recommended to anyone planning a permanent installation. This Department had several of these on hand and due to priority requirements, etc., they were used with the thought in mind of replacing them at a later date with a structure of concrete or brick.

It will be noted from a study of the photographs that there are several antenna systems in evidence at this location. In addition to our repeater installation, the County of San Bernardino has installed a repeater in our same building; their ultra-high frequency transmitting antenna is on the short pole immediately to the left of the highest pole and their receiving antenna is on top of the higher pole. There are also two additional repeater

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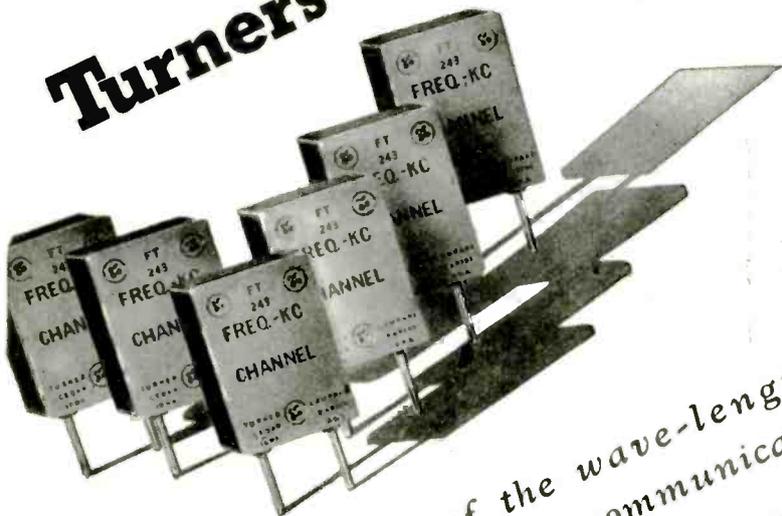
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Recent tests, made at our Sacramento office, indicate the desirability of utilizing a 60 degree corner reflector with a single directive element ahead of the coaxial element proper. Other types of conventional directive arrays are also effective and their use is definitely recommended, especially in cases where the repeater location is at considerable distance from the 118.55 mc receiving location or dispatching point.

### Length of radio link

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Particular attention should also be given in the selection of a suitable receiver\* with which to receive the repeater station signal; in all our installations we use a conventional type high-frequency station receiver with a converter ahead of it to provide for ultra-high frequency reception. These receivers are designed with an "off" signal noise silencing circuit and are entirely free from noise when the repeater is not in operation.

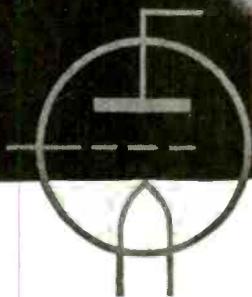
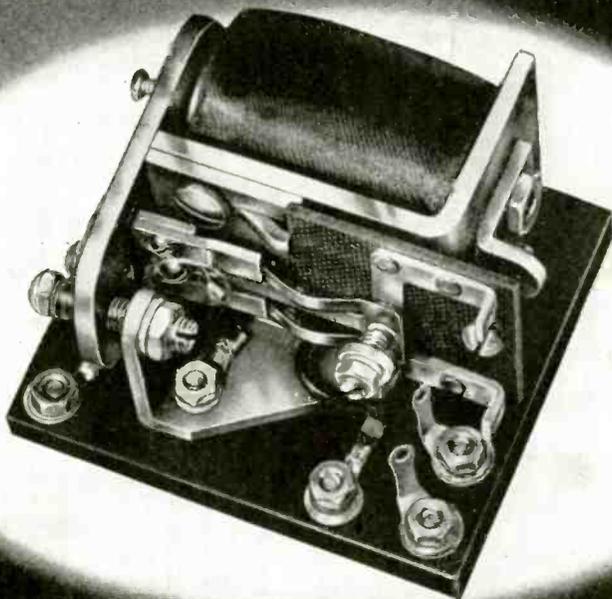
At the present time the greatest distance at which any of our repeater stations is received is in the installation above described in San Bernardino; in this respect it is surprising to note the relatively small degree of signal attenuation between Riverside, 20 miles from the repeater station and Los Angeles, 55 miles away.

At each of the above locations the repeater station is within line-

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of-sight distance which further illustrates the importance of selecting a good location for the installation wherever possible. It should be noted here that a stronger signal is received in Los Angeles from the San Bernardino repeater than is received in Santa Barbara from the repeater transmitter installed in that county in which latter case the length of the radio link is only 8 miles. However, it is not line-of-sight distance.

In each of the six counties mentioned, where we have installed these relay stations, they have provided almost a blanket coverage of the entire area for which they were designed and when it is realized that some of these counties, particularly San Bernardino County with an area of 20,131 square miles, are larger than some entire states, it can readily be appreciated what a valuable addition they are to a communications network. Results have definitely demonstrated that our mobile units can be received through these repeater stations at distances up to 100 miles.

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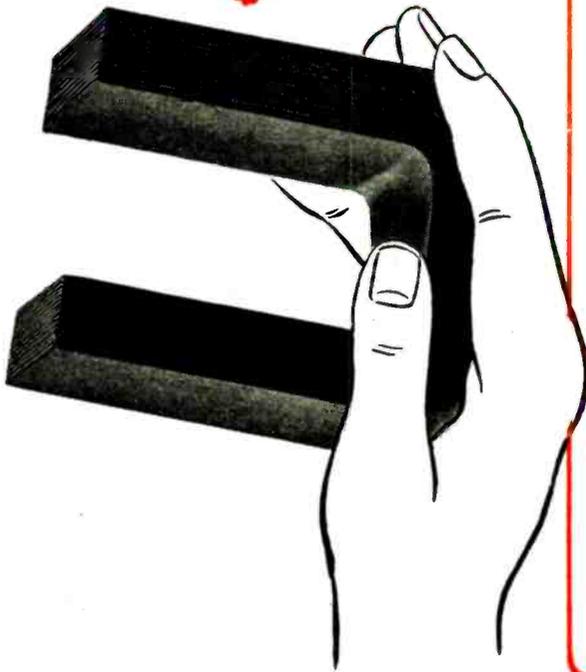
Pomona land station, which is one of the control points of the California Highway Patrol

Once a relay station is properly installed, service and maintenance is usually limited to routine checking of tubes and minor tuning adjustments. Some service has been required on control relays and in one or two instances failures have developed in the 7/8 in. concentric lines, but as a general rule such failures can be minimized by a good original installation. In this respect I should like to point out the necessity of preventing antenna supporting structures from swaying and thus causing fractures in these concentric lines where they leave such antenna masts or towers and enter the transmitter house.

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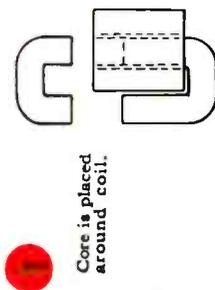
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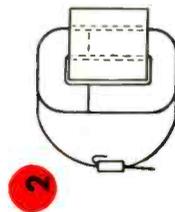
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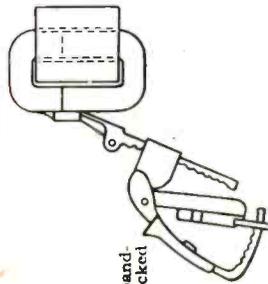
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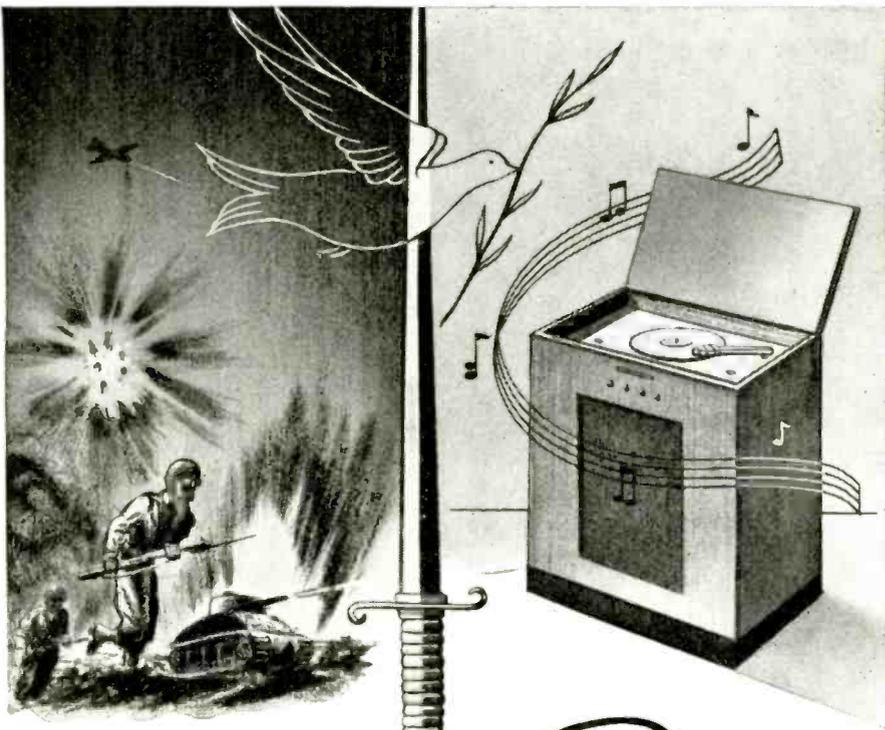
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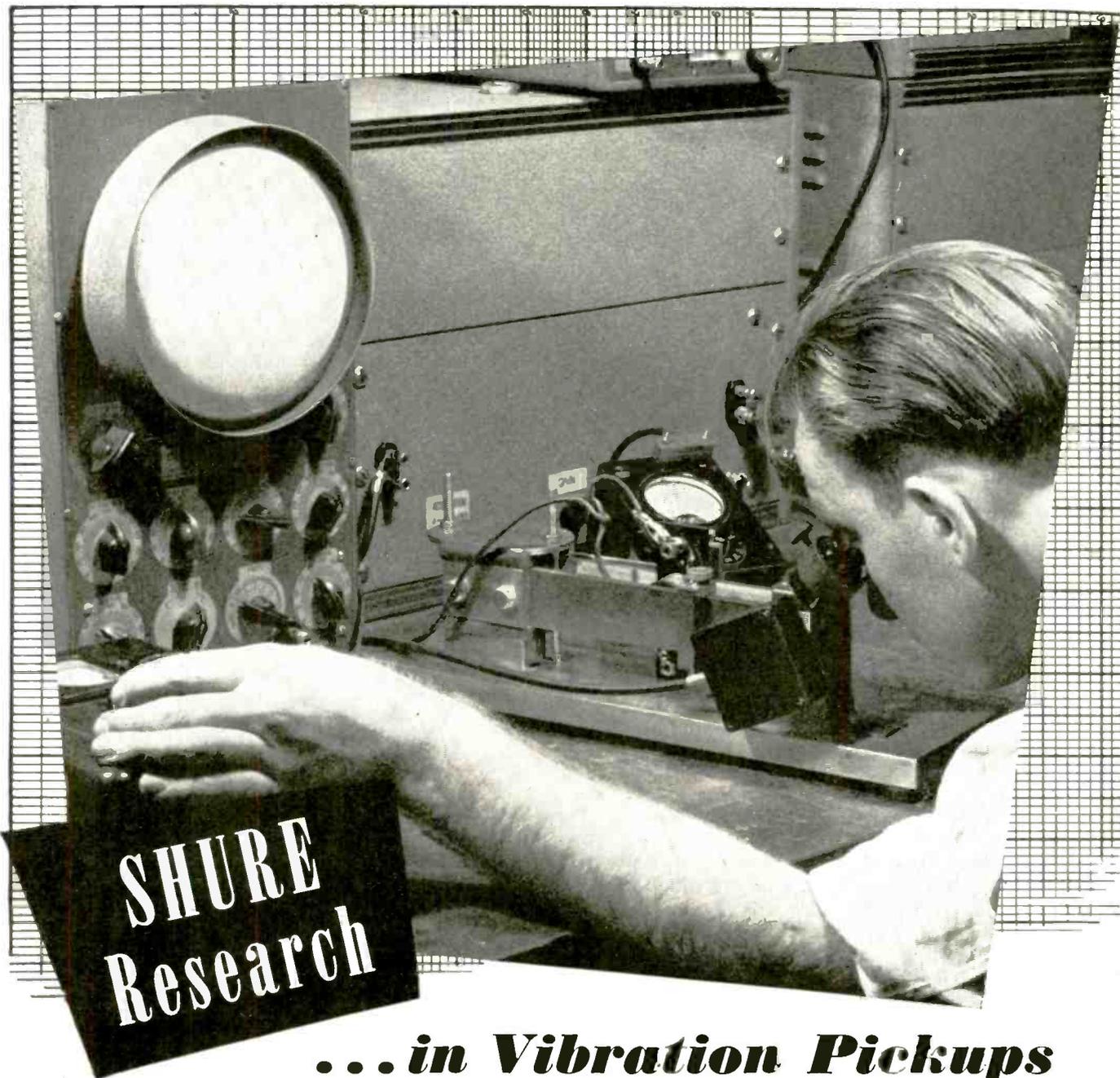
All our repeater stations in these ten counties have been installed during the past two years and the equipment should be considered as relatively new; during this period we have averaged about one service call per month to each location. Due to distances involved and other factors beyond our control, it has been impossible to maintain a regular schedule of maintenance calls to all the locations, but it is felt that if a regular 30-day schedule could be maintained on these stations, it would rarely be necessary to make emergency trips in between.

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#### **Relay advantages**

The advantages to be derived from the installation of such automatic radio repeater stations are many and varied, but they all make for a more satisfactory communications network, especially where large rural areas are to be served. If sufficient care is taken in the design and installation of the radio link, the quality of the repeated signal is such that it is superior to many otherwise borderline signals that one might attempt to read on some local receiver placed in a mediocre location. In mountainous sections of the country which are traversed by roadways it seems the repeater station is the only solution to the problem of providing a fair degree of coverage from mobile units. In such terrain the location of a repeater station at some high point generally overlooking the lower mountainous sections eliminates many of the usual "dead" spots found in such territory.

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turbances, etc. Such locations permit the adjusting of receivers for operation on lower signal levels and many transmissions are thus received which otherwise might not open the squelch circuit of a locally installed receiver.

The installation of a repeater station further relieves a radio network from entire dependency on land lines and their possibility of being out of service during storms, floods, earthquakes, fires, etc., and just when all communication facilities are most needed. In most instances, except where small areas are served, a remote receiving location of some type is used and a radio link often proves to be a valuable safeguard. Even where the distance between remote receiver and control point is relatively small, the radio link, as a standby, is valuable; land lines can normally be used for returning receiver outputs and proper provisions made to have the radio link go into operation when a line failure occurs. It is readily apparent, however, that entire dependence should not be placed on a repeater station as a means of covering a given area with two-way radio communication; in every instance possible a local receiver should be provided even though the coverage through it is limited. This will be a valuable safeguard during such times as the repeater may be out of service and will at least permit limited operation.

## SPECTRA ANALYSIS

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Thus, analyzing for copper in an aluminum alloy, the intensity of an aluminum line is first determined to obtain the relative exposure and then the copper line is determined to obtain its relative intensity. This latter intensity then will be an indication of the amount of copper present as the intensity of the lines are in proportion to the number of atoms present. The above procedure is called the internal standard of quantitative analysis as opposed to the older method by comparison of standard plates.

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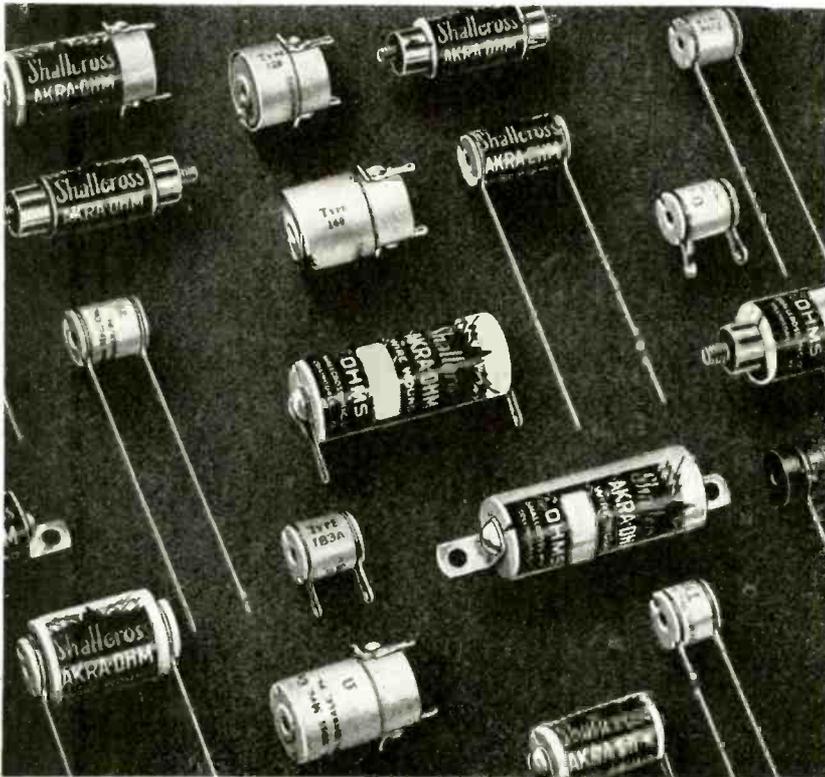
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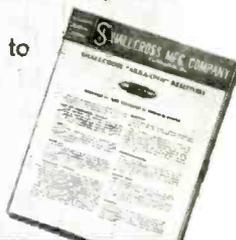


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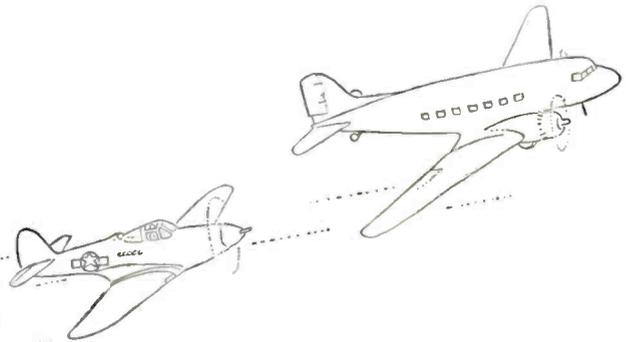
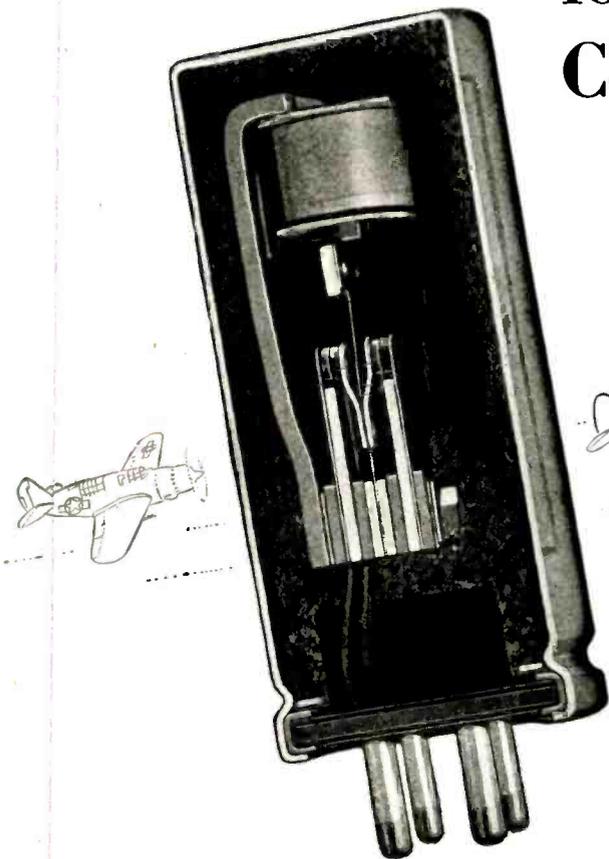
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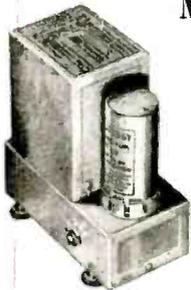
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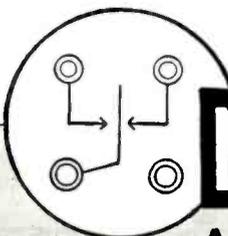
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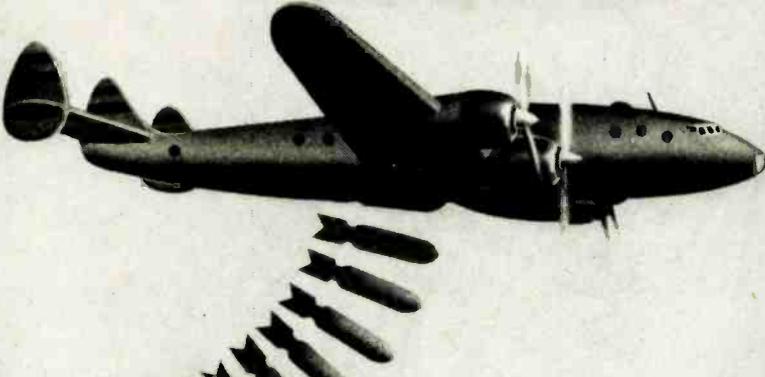
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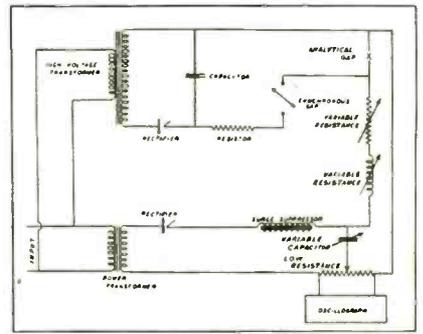


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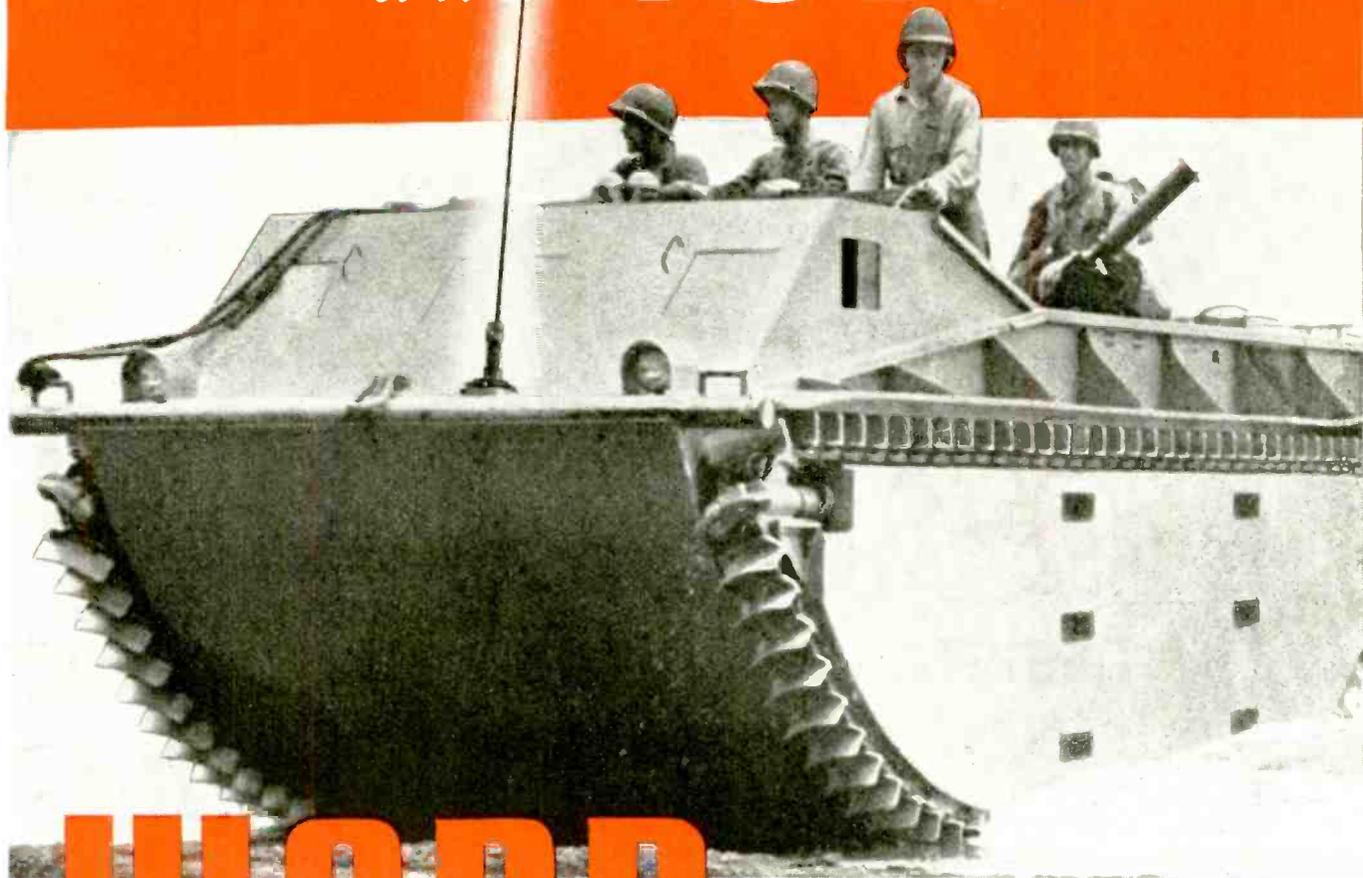


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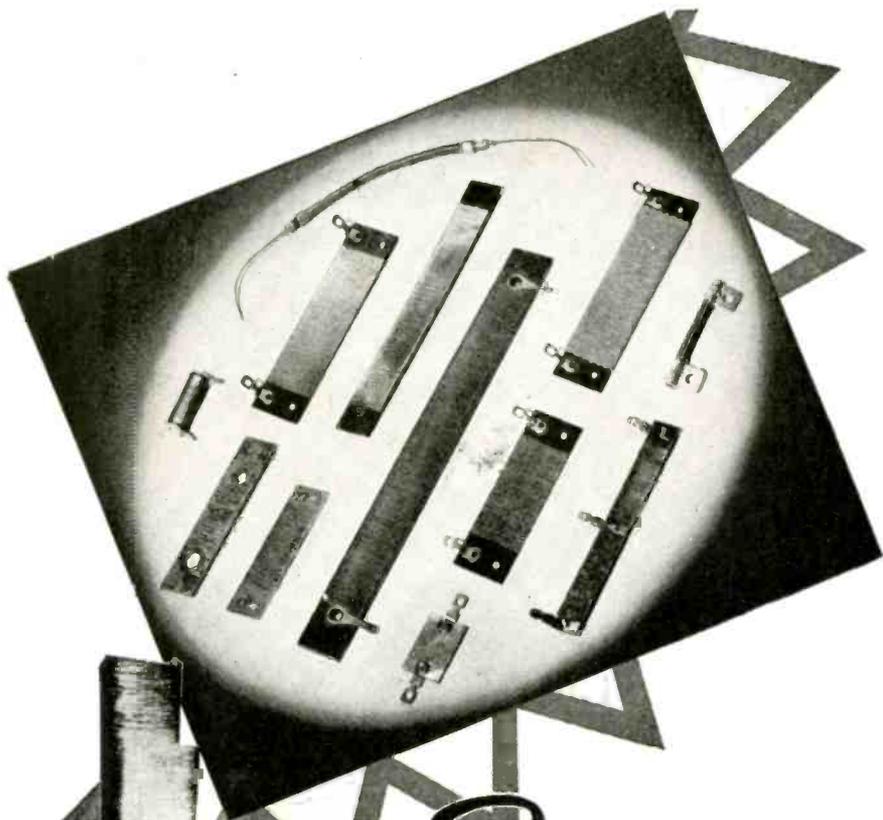
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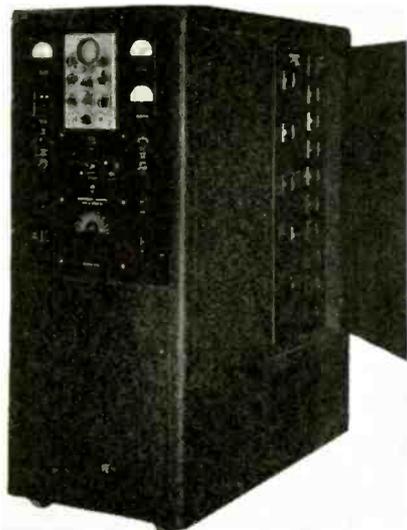
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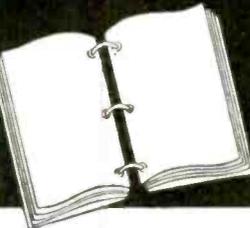
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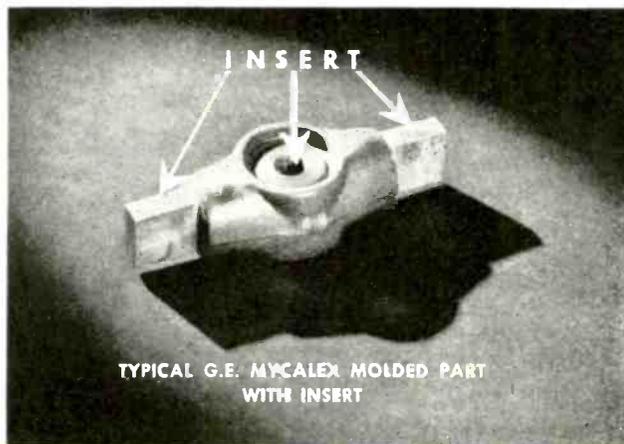
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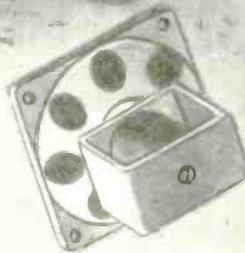
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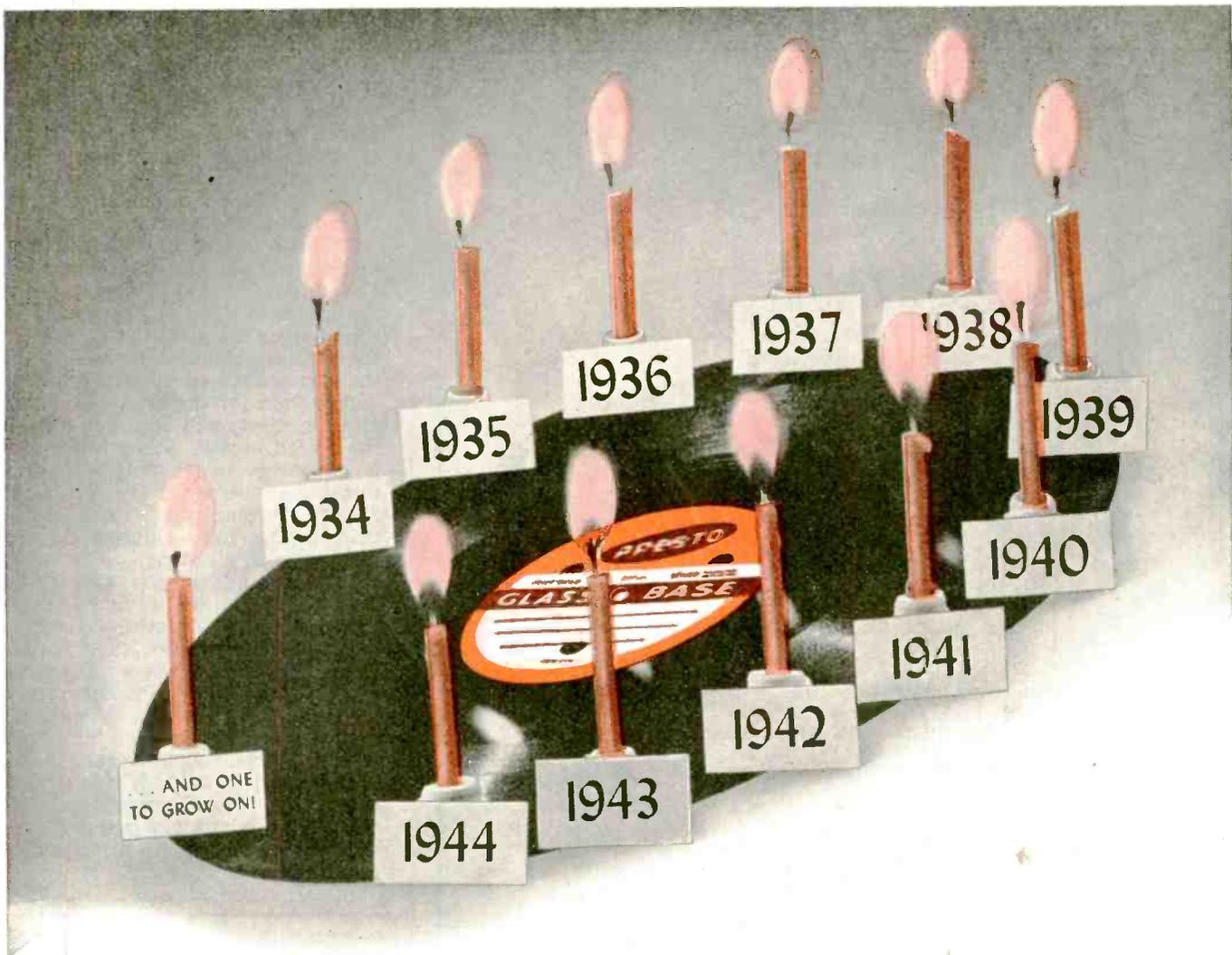
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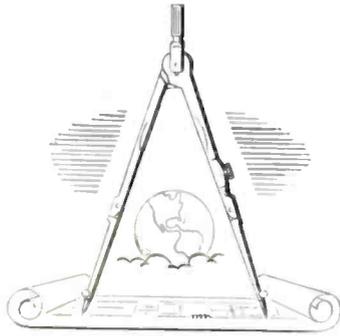
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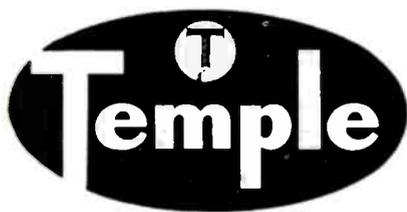
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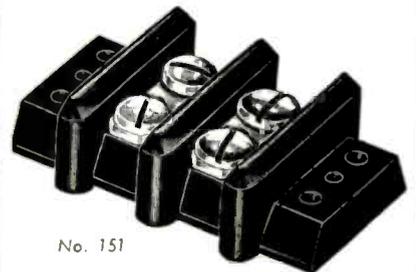
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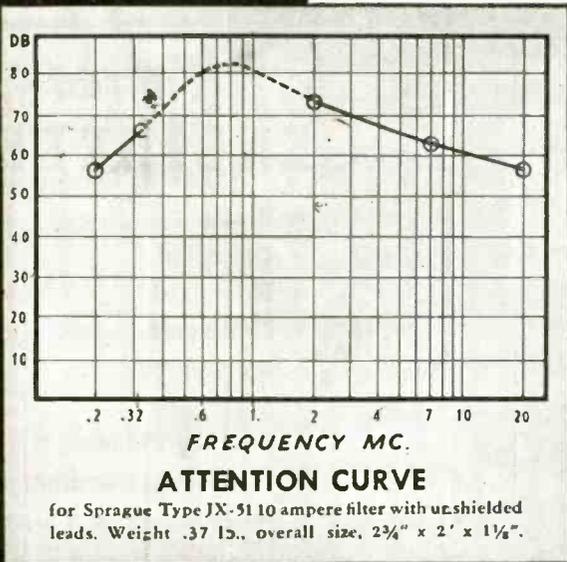


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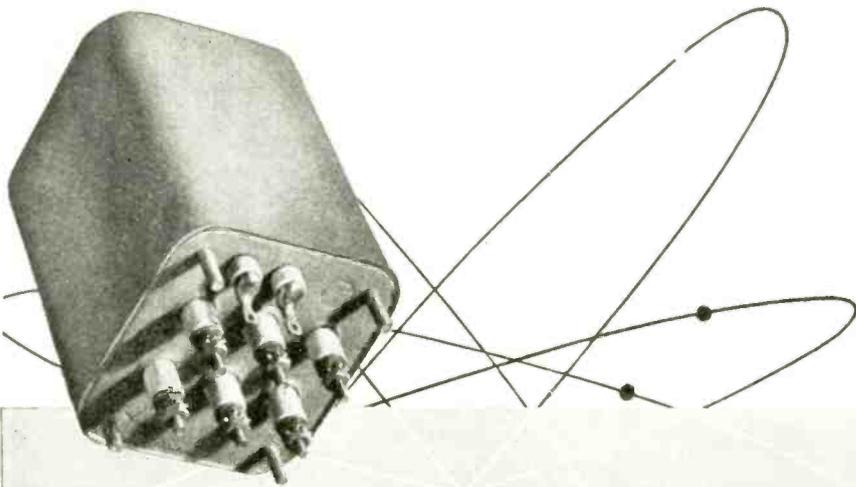


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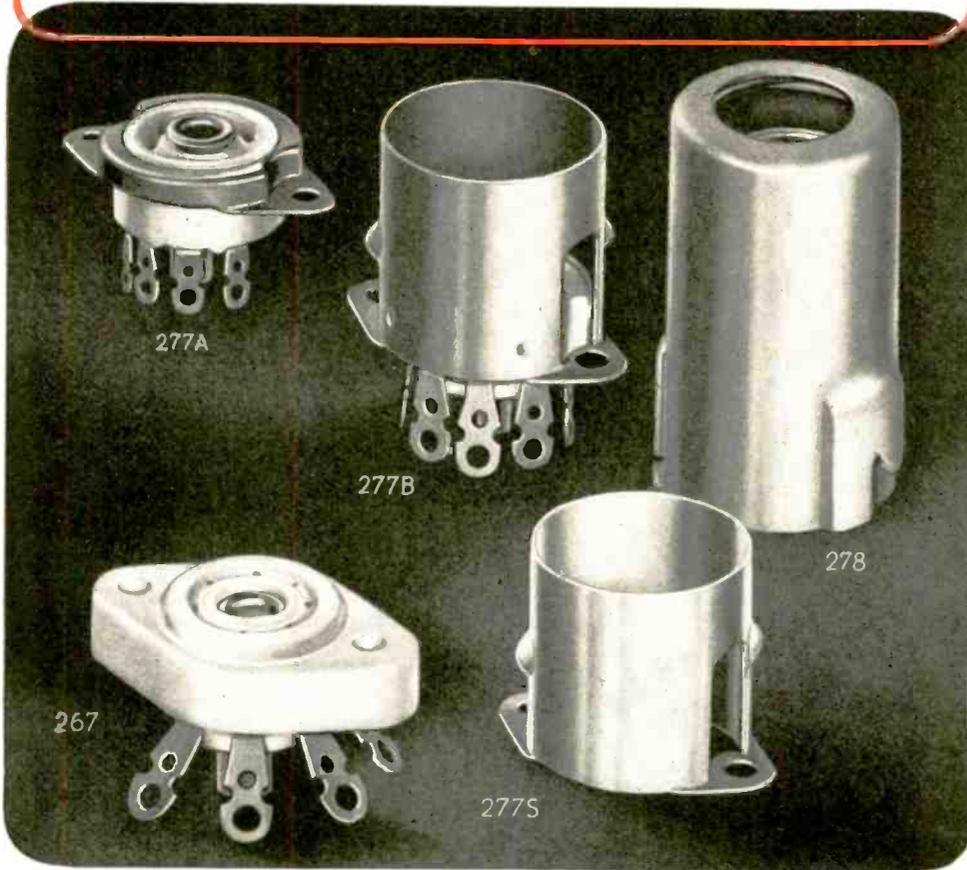
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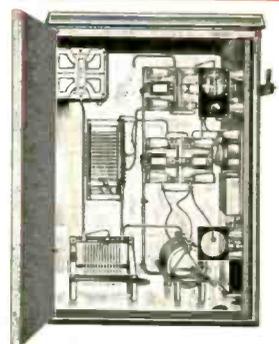
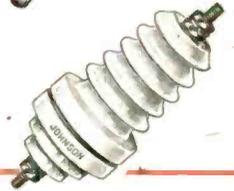
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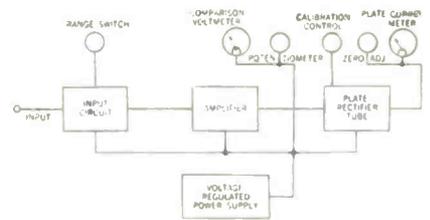


Fig. 3. Block diagram of the vacuum tube voltmeter designed to measure very low frequencies

pedance cathode follower which has the range switch as its load impedance. The range resistor operates into a stabilized amplifier which feeds the plate rectifier voltmeter. Dc voltages for the unit are obtained from a voltage-regulated power supply which maintains consistent operation of the circuits with variation in line voltage.

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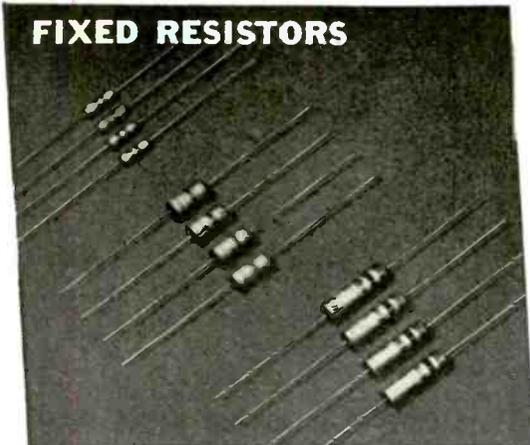
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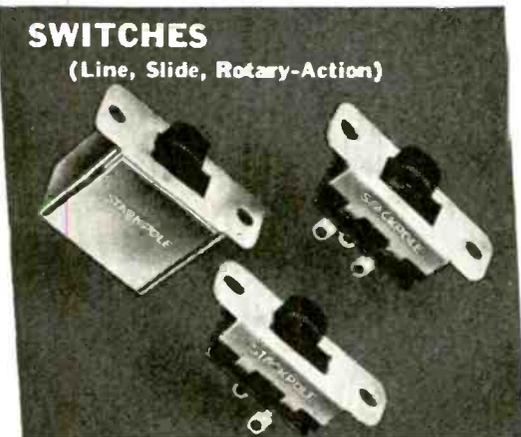


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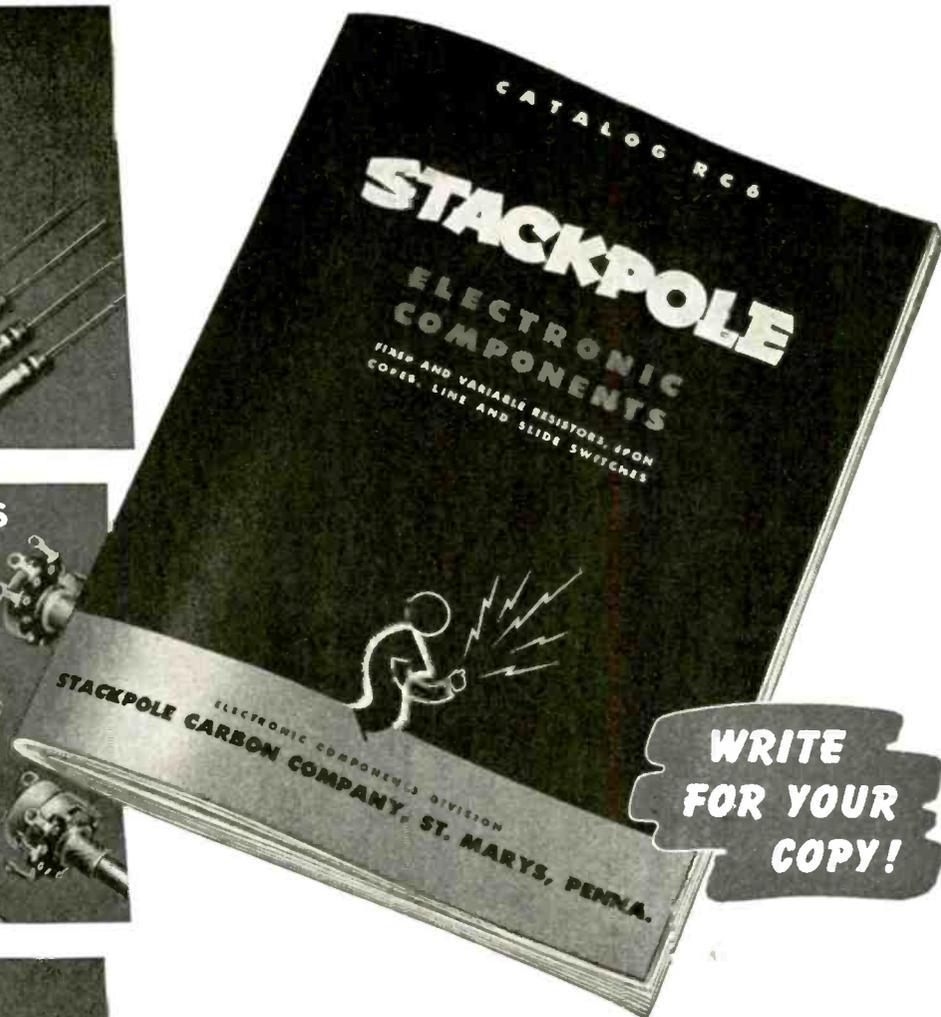


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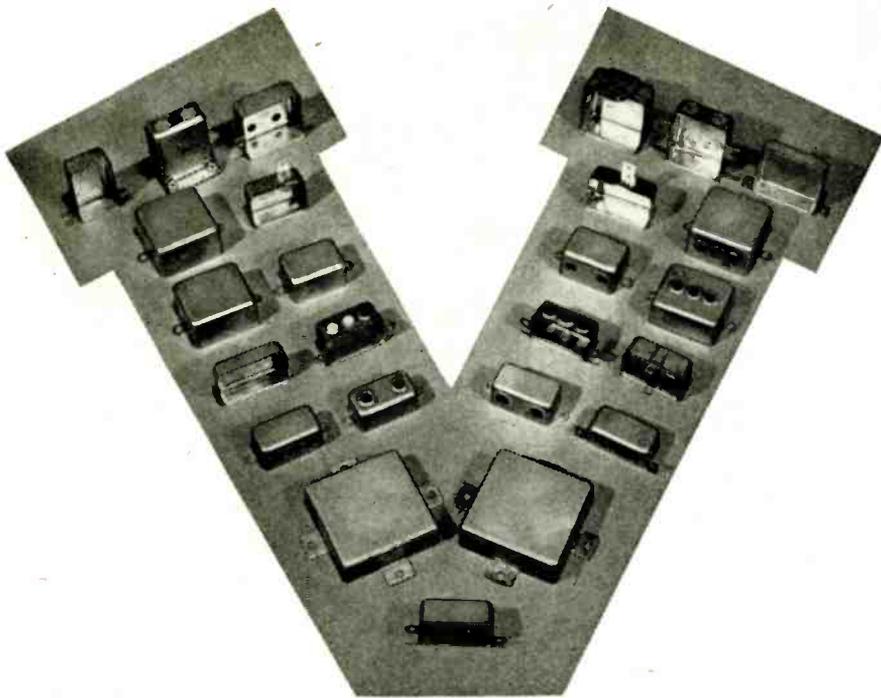
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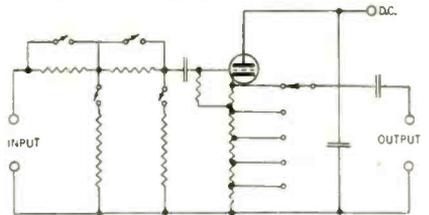


Fig. 4. Input circuit of the low frequency VTVM, which uses a ladder type divider

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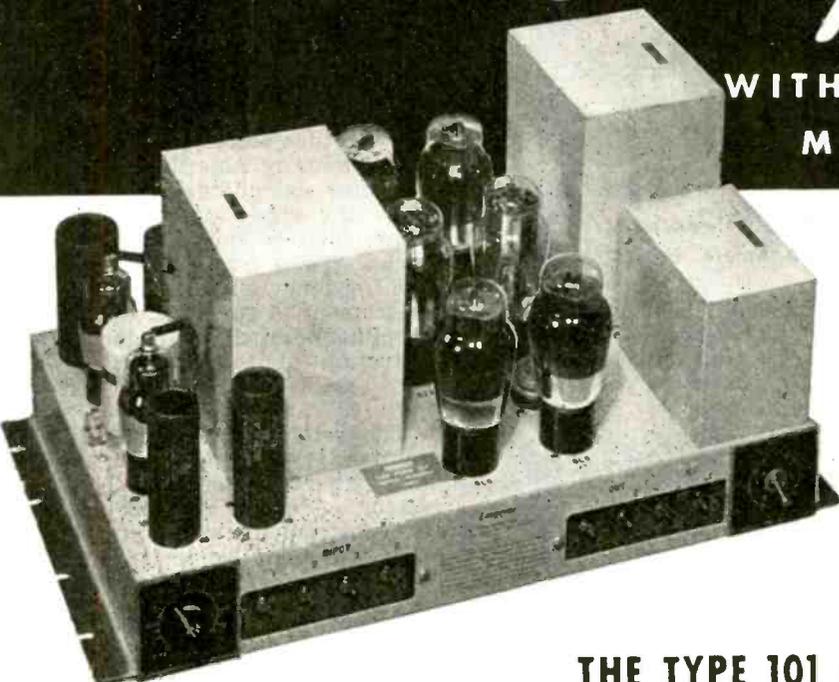
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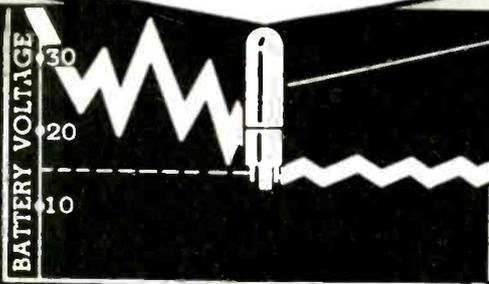
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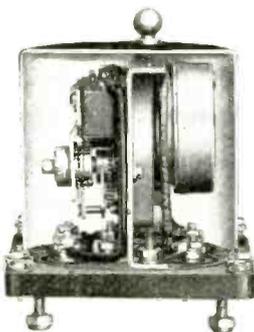
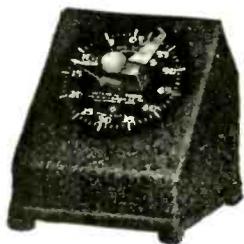
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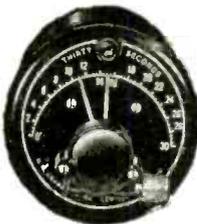
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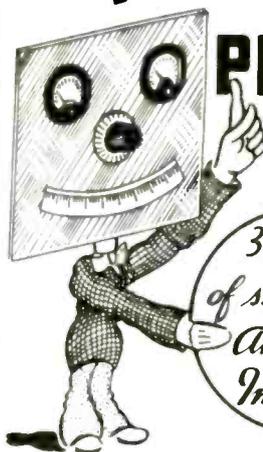
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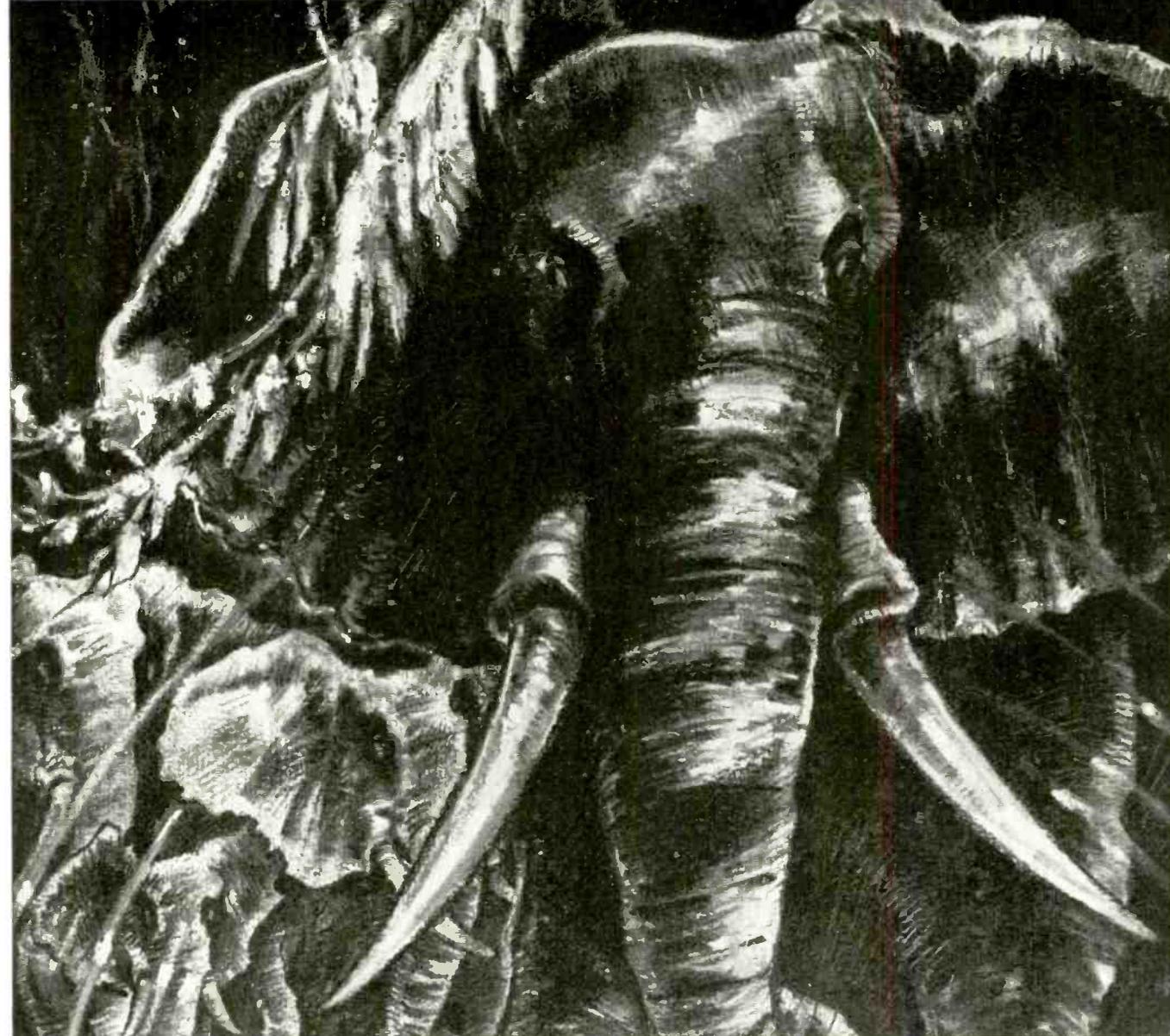


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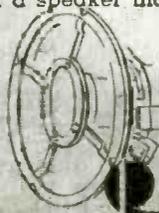
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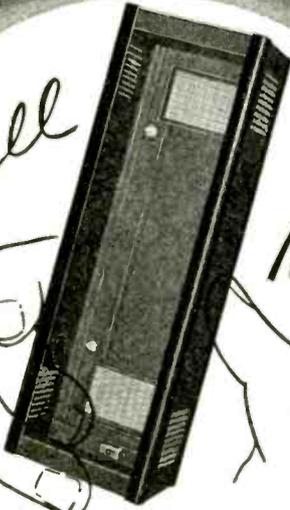
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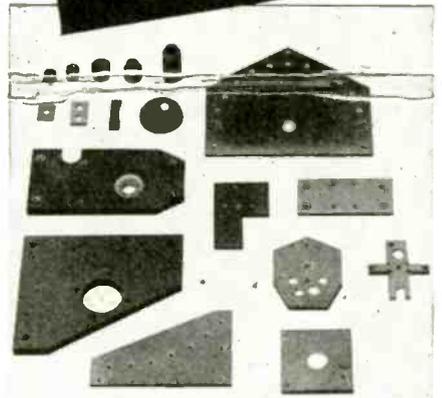
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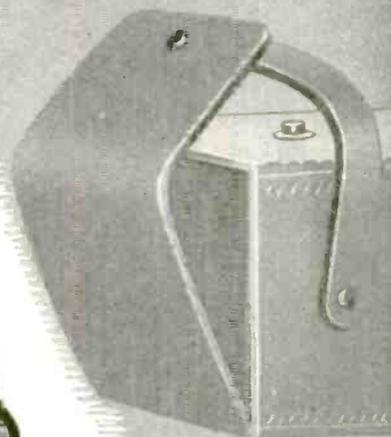
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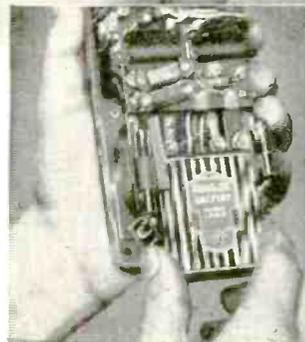


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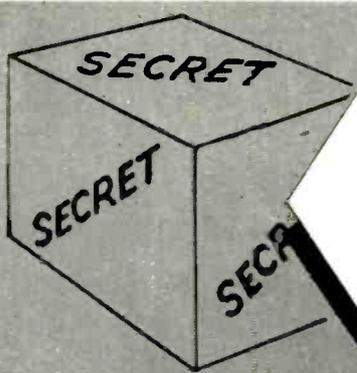
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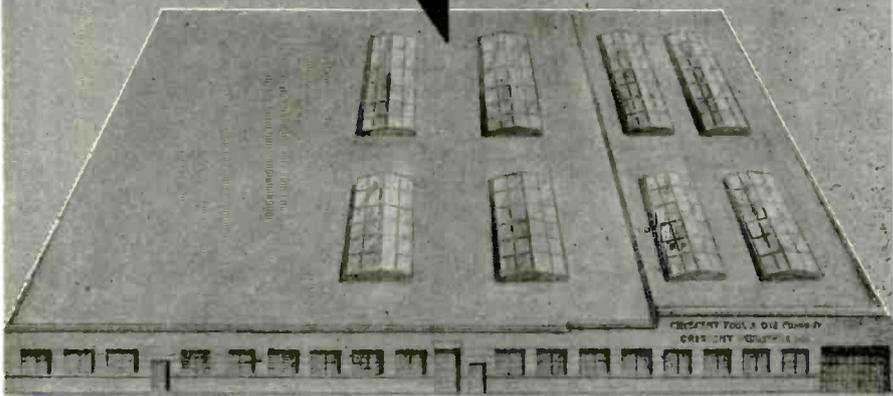
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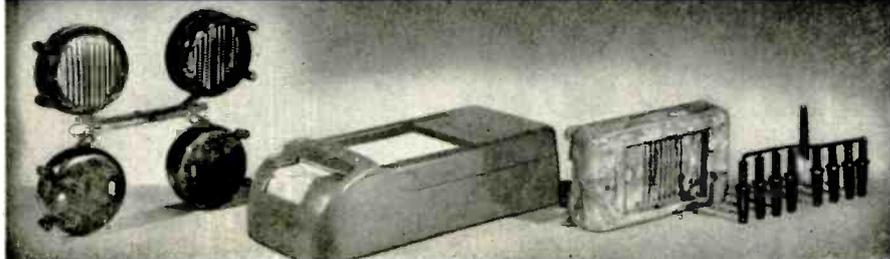
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frequencies. However, these were initial advantages only and merely gave a headstart to the acceptance of this family of tube types. Many shortcomings of the early designs were to show up as the demands of operating conditions in the higher frequencies became greater. As equipment designers and operators became adjusted to the new realm they expected performance better than that of just being able to do the job at all.

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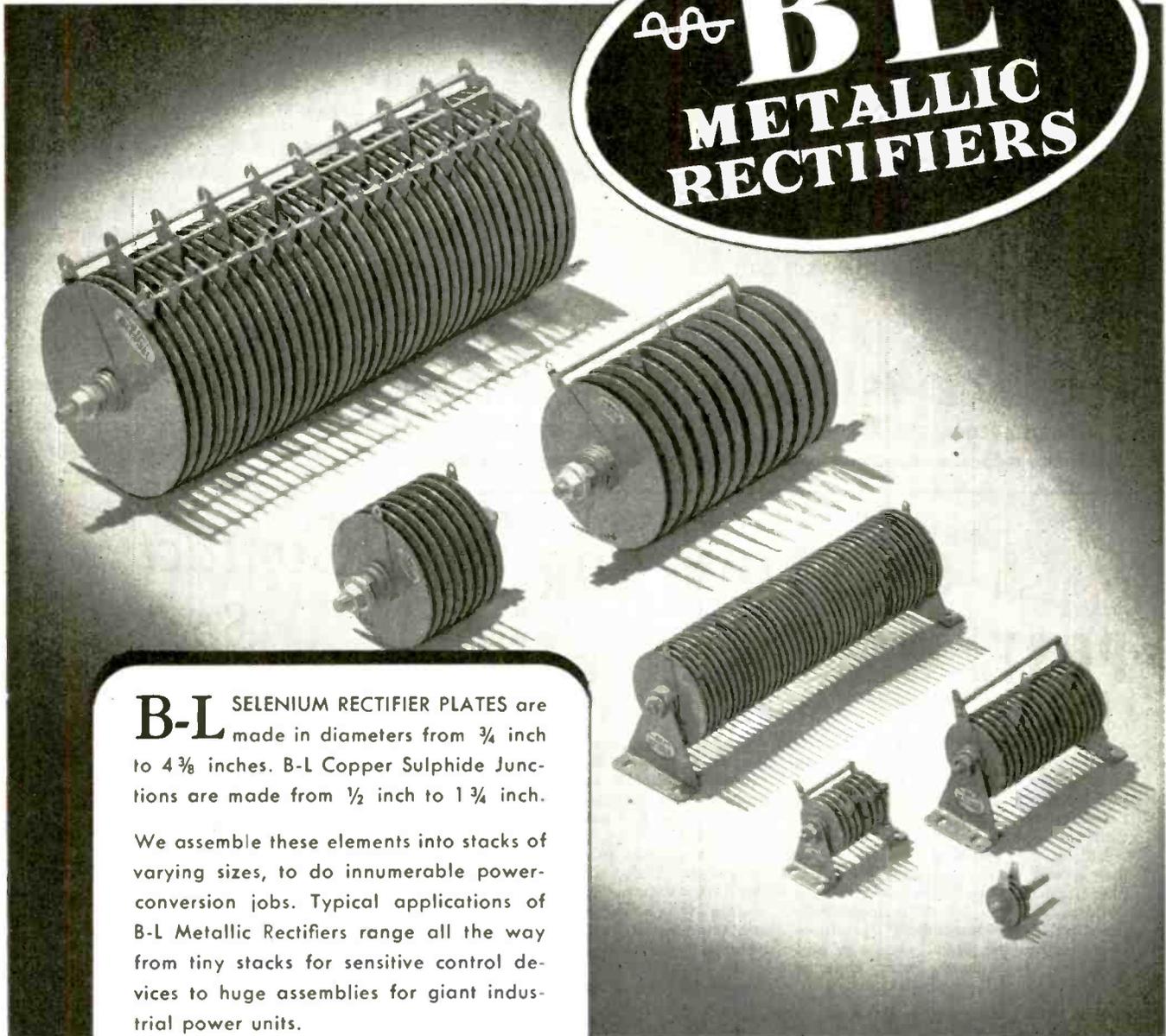
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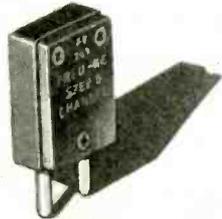
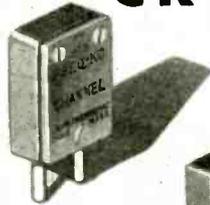
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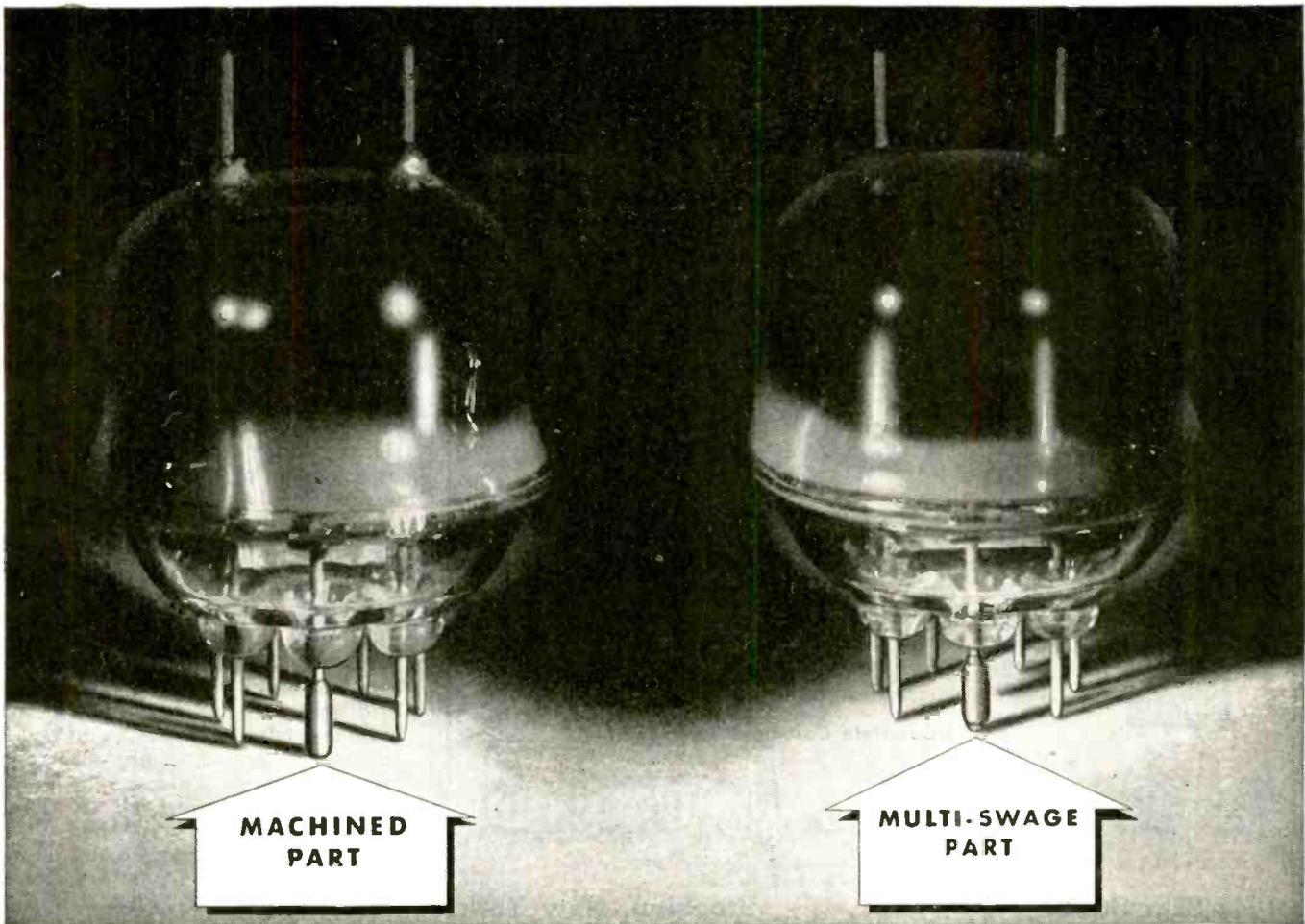
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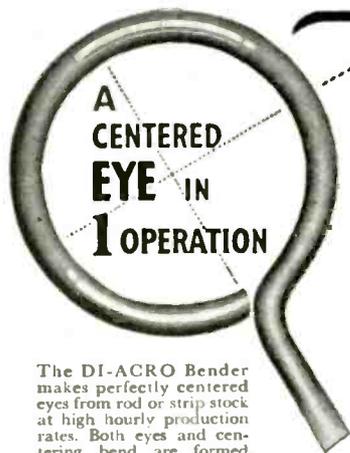
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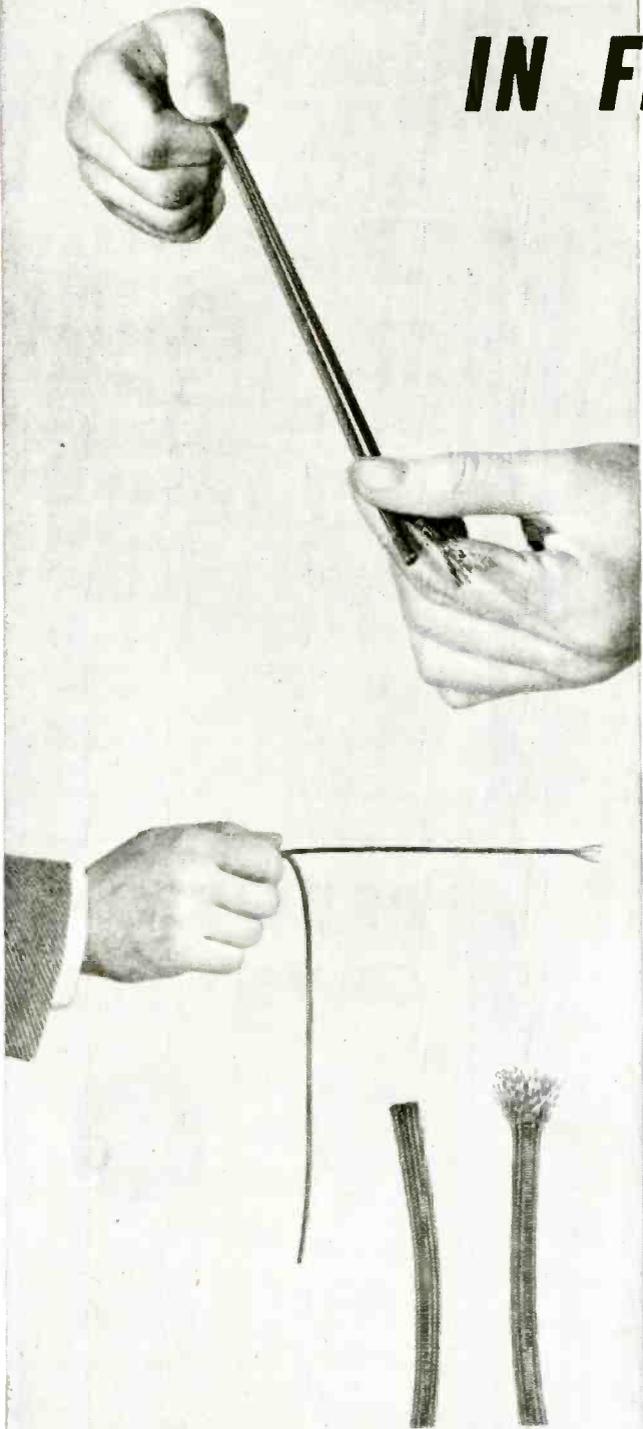
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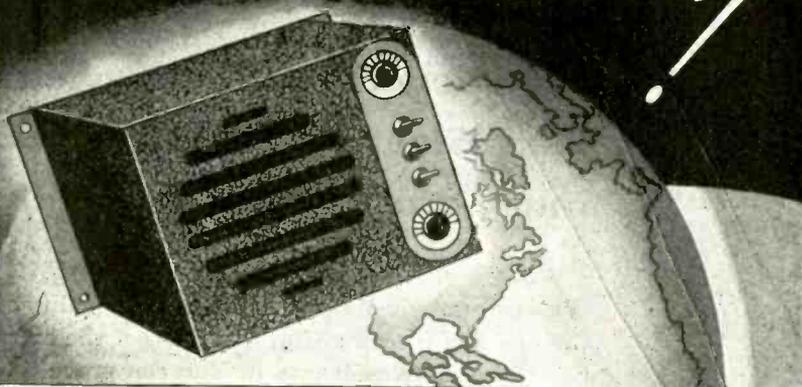
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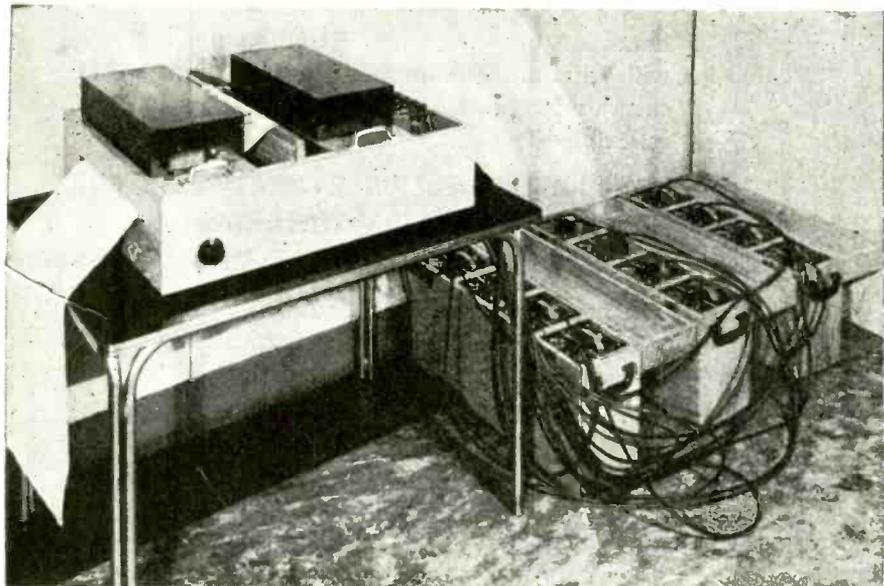
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Proof of the effectiveness of these corrective contributions in the evolution of the tantalum-type tube for very high frequencies has been demonstrated repeatedly on life tests at 60 and 125 megacycles and in field service conditions.

These generalized comments do not mean that all tube seals fail at very high frequencies. They do mean that where particular designs result in such failures, that corrective means can be applied to preserve the otherwise advantageous design. Or as a corollary, it means that more compact tube designs are possible where seals are subjected to severe strains or temperatures. More latitude of design is opened to the tube engineer with benefits accruing directly to the radio art.

This discussion of the tantalum-type tube does not presume that it is the only generic group which can operate satisfactorily in the very high frequency region. Nor does it presume that the general structural configurations constitute the optimum design of tubes for the frequency region discussed. The intention has been to discuss an aspect of a particular design arrangement which has become known lately as the "Tantalum-type" of tube. The "Tantalum-type" need not necessarily employ the metal Tantalum, though the use of that metal permitted, or even forced, the features described above which are generally taken as definitive of this family of tubes.

By reviewing the evolution of one family of tube types one has an interesting picture of the impact of the requirements of very high radio frequencies on tube designs. Even within that family further evolution was desirable to remain ahead of the demands of the advance into higher and higher frequencies. This within-the-family evolution is vividly brought out by comparing Fig. 1 with Figs. 2 and 3.

No one person is responsible for such an evolution. A group of persons united in a common co-operative effort have considerable to do with it. The background, of course, is laid by the work of many engineers and scientists who have contributed their efforts over many years. It should also be recognized that many more contributions lie hidden under the cloak of war security and someday will form an interesting sequel to the story.



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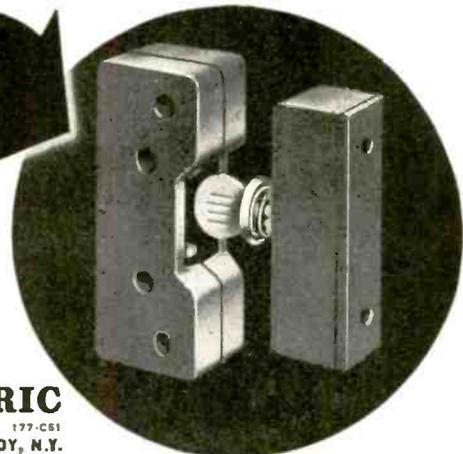
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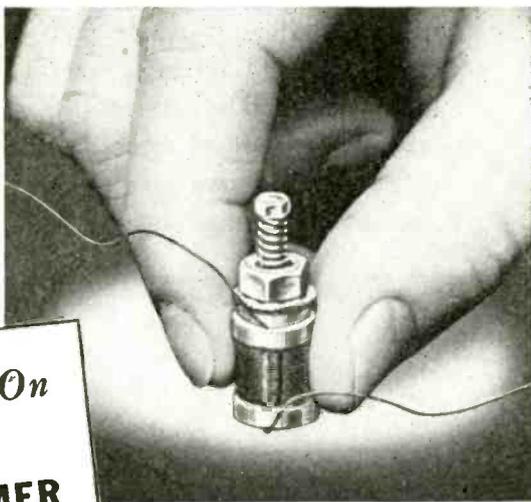
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Disagreeing with the predictions and fears of a few principals in the current dispute that the granting of licenses for broadcasting 525-line pictures might discourage future research and development, Dorman Israel, vice-president in charge of engineering of the Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corp., New York, declares that television sets made according to present standards definitely would not become obsolete if and when specifications for more detailed black and white or color images were established, nor would the broadcasting equipment already installed have to be scrapped.

"By the simple expedient of using two or more transmitters for the same programs," he suggests, "just as more than one transmitter is presently used by radio broadcasting studios for standard broadcasts and FM, the earlier 525-line receivers can continue to receive the same programs as those which might later be televised for reception by later models. There are three important phases of television presentation when carrier frequency is considered. Present 525-line television pictures require a band width of 6 megacycles for combined sight and sound. To



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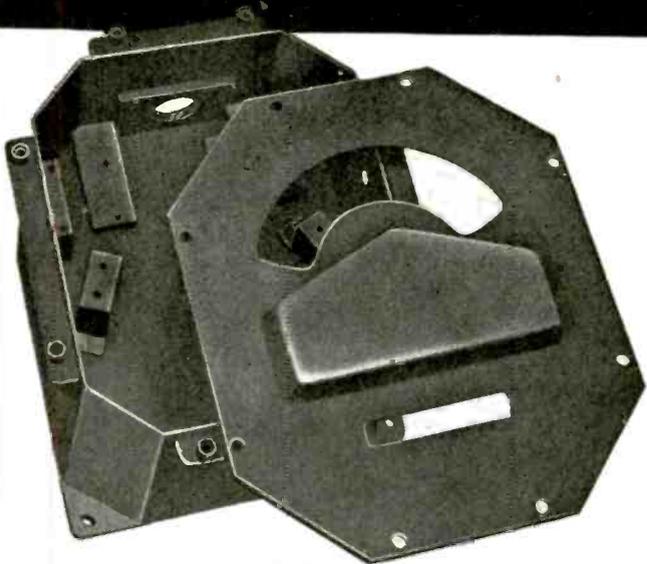
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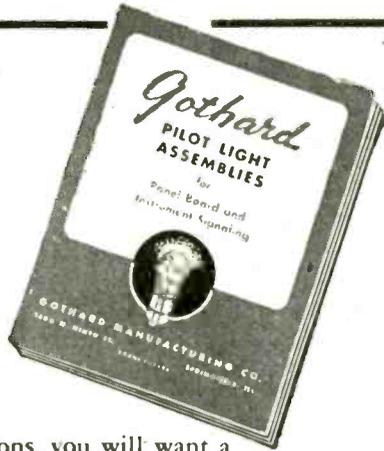
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"Two other classes of television presentation," says Mr. Israel, "should also be considered and provision made for their future allocation. First, it has been determined that an 1800 to 2000-line picture is the maximum definition under any and all conditions. Such a picture requires a greatly expanded band. The carrier frequency should, therefore, be above 200 megacycles. We suggest that suitable plans for allocation be made for such a high definition system in the region of 500-1000 mc.

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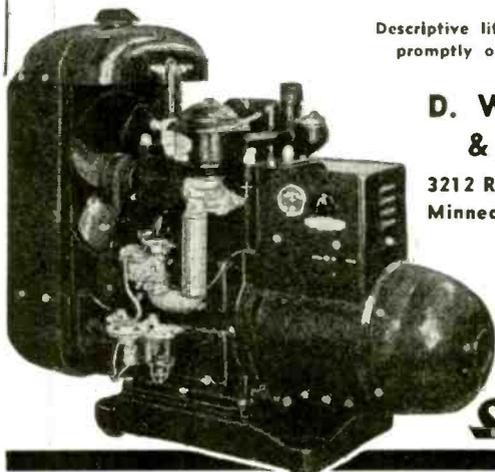
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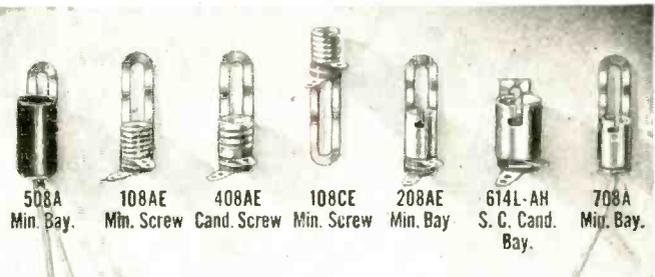
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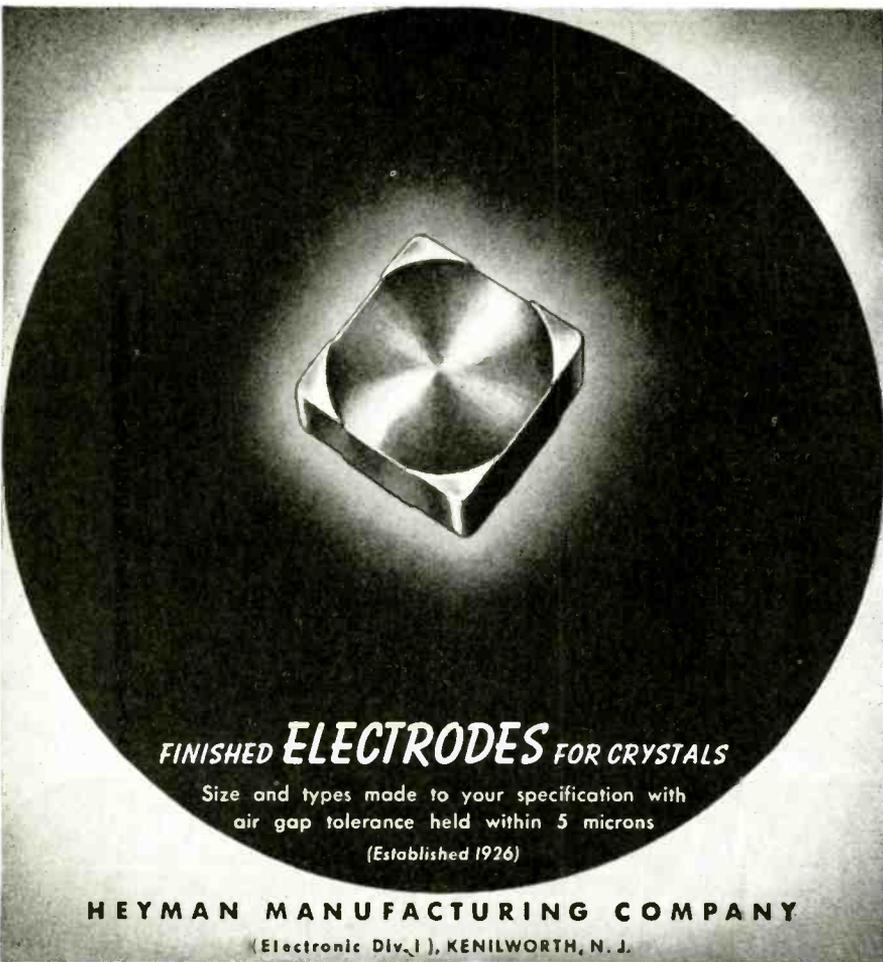
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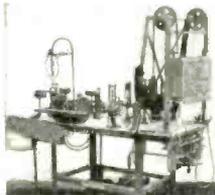
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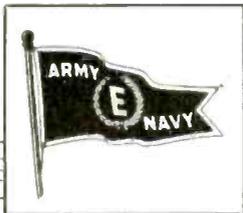
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Question 2 read—"What size screen does your receiver have?" The same 1,434 receivers indicate screens of the following size:

	Per cent
56—Over 12 inches	3.9
721—12 inch	50.2
292—9 inch	20.5
323—5 inch	22.5
42—Don't Know and No Answer	2.9
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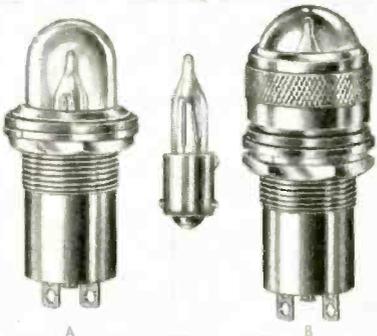
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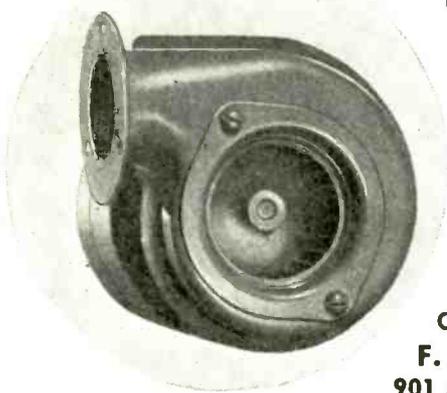
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155 public places, 78.3 per cent of all those public places returning their questionnaires, reported an average audience of 46 individuals viewing the programs at their receivers. This group is composed of approximately 31 men, 11 women, and 4 children.

Today's audience is limited to the use of television receivers manufactured mainly during 1941 and prior to that date. There are approximately 5,000 receivers in the New York City area. Some 800 receivers are in the Philadelphia area, and approximately 400 in the Albany-Troy-Schenectady area.

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tegrity of television engineers who have carefully considered all these matters. The present-day television system is capable of reproducing pictures of equivalent or even better quality than 16 mm. home movies. Television receivers will be available in the postwar period to fully utilize the potential quality of the present transmission system."

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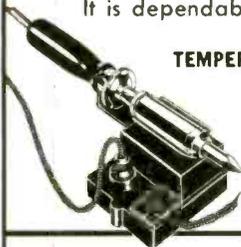
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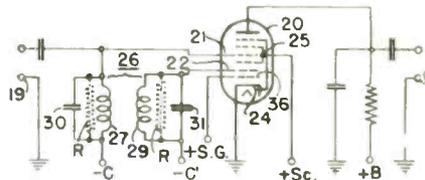
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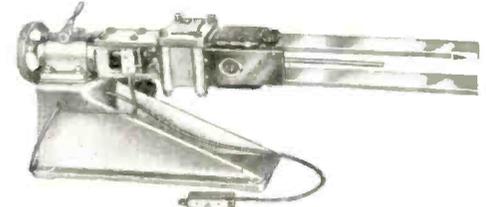


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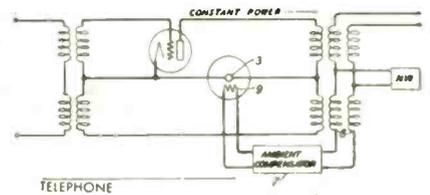
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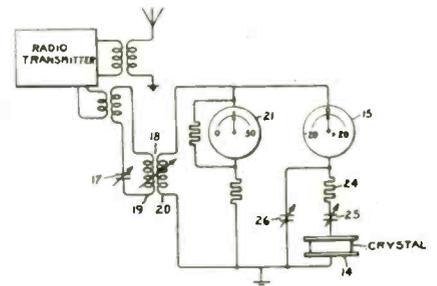
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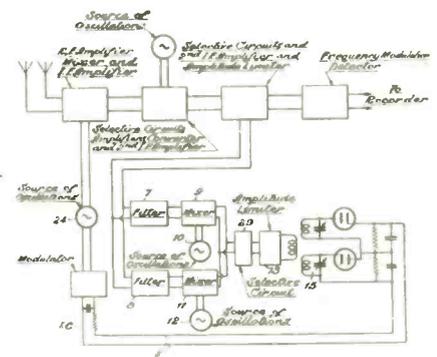
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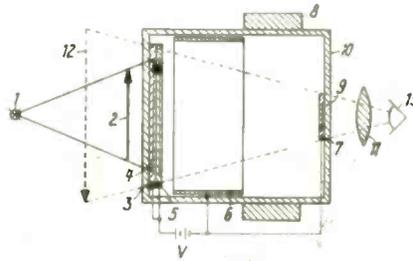
which the crystal may be used, variable capacitor 25 is inserted; the resonant frequencies of the quartz, and consequently the useful frequency range, is lowered when its capacitance is increased. The sensitivity of the device, or the slope of the impedance-frequency curve within the useful range, may be regulated by varying capacitor 26; an increase in capacitance will cause an increase in sensitivity. C. F. Baldwin, General Electric Co., (F) Oct. 7, 1941, (I) March 7, 1944, No. 2,343,633.

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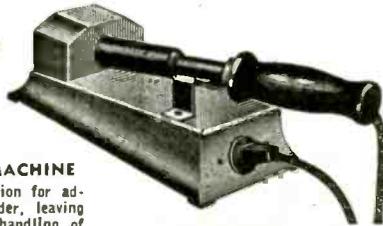


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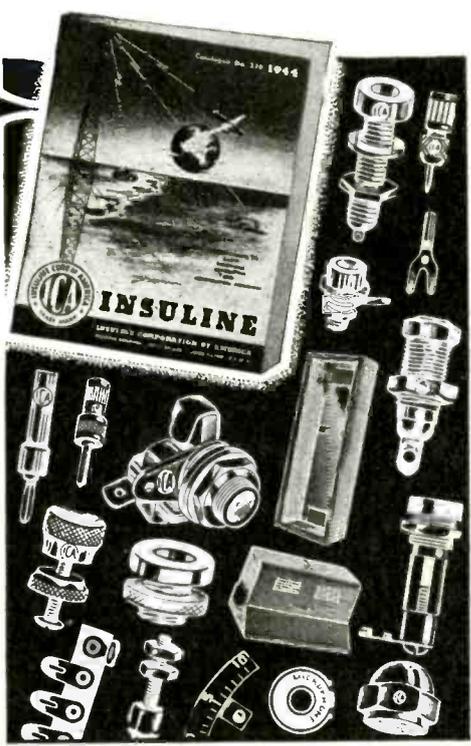
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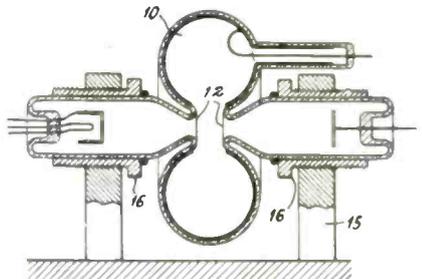
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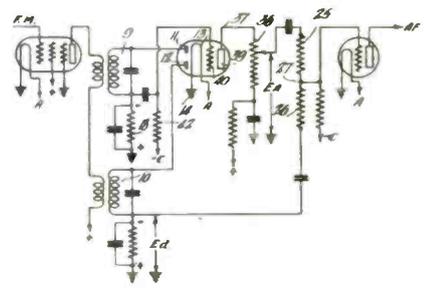
The resonant chamber 10 consists of a toroidal shell of metallized glass which is connected to an axial glass tube traversed by the electron beam. The manufacture of



this type of tube from a glass pipe is extremely simple. To tune the resonator, pressure is exerted by turning screw 16 so that the two openings 12 come closer together. The glass yields sufficiently to permit tuning of the circuit within limits. Several resonant chambers may be blown consecutively in the same glass pipe. E. Steudel, General Electric Co., (F) Aug. 30, 1941, (I) March 7, 1944, No. 2,343,487.

**Discriminator Circuit**

The balanced discriminator is designed to permit the cathodes of the tubes in the circuit to be at ground potential. Diode rectifiers, 11,13 and 12,13 are connected to frequency discriminator circuits 9,10, tuned slightly above and slightly below the mean intermediate frequency, respectively. Output of diode 11,13 is applied to grid 40 of phase inverter tube 13,40,39 and over the gain



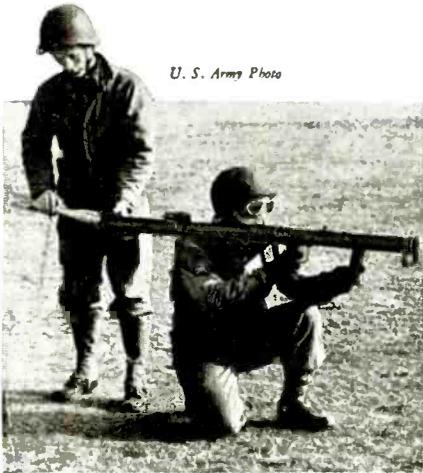
adjusting resistor 36 to output resistors 25 and 26. Output of diode 12,13 is connected directly to the other terminal of resistors 25,26. It will be seen that for suitable adjustment of the tap on resistor 36 amplitude modulation signals will be balanced out, while frequency modulation may be taken off point 27 between resistors 25 and 26. W. R. Koch, RCA, (F) July 31, 1941, (I) Feb. 8, 1944, No. 2,341,047.

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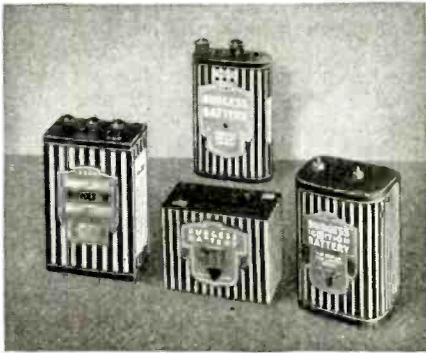
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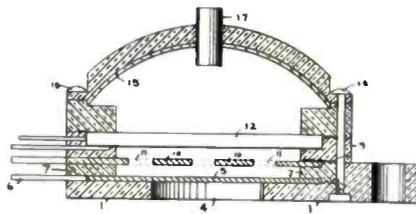


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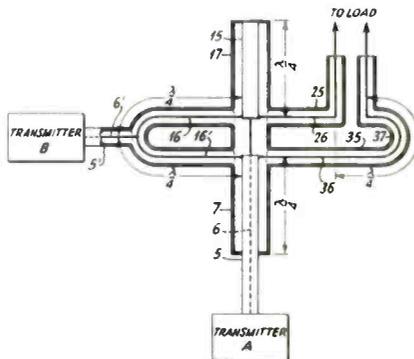
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after a second exhausting of air, or replaceable if threaded into the cap 16. A. Binneweg, (F) Aug. 8, 1942, (I) March 7, 1944, No. 2,343,849.

### Antenna Feed System

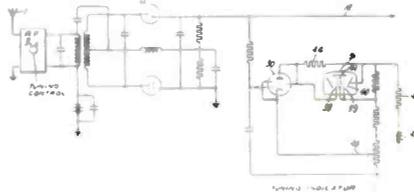
The two transmitters operate at different frequencies; their output is fed to the antenna in such a manner that there is no reaction between the transmitters over a wide frequency range. A transformer converts from single-sided circuit 5, 6, to the circuit 26, 36 which is balanced with respect to ground. Energy from transmitter B is introduced into the balanced or "push-pull" circuit in a "push-pull" relationship. To obtain a phase quadrature relationship at the output, line 36, 37 is made a quarter wave longer than line 25, 26. The energy on one conductor at the point of connection



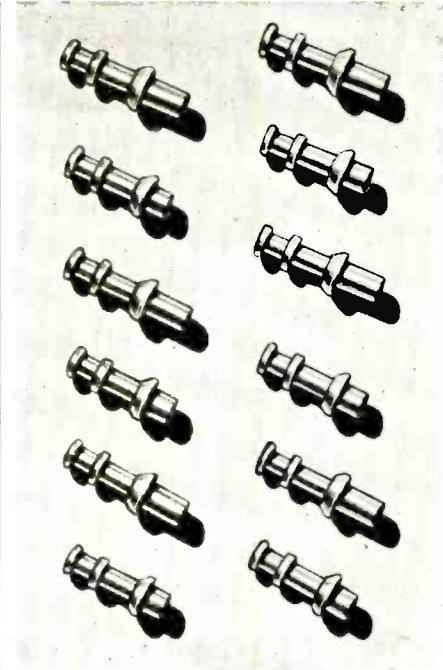
of the load has, therefore, a relationship with respect to the other, carrying phases  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  from the two transmitters, of  $P_A \pm 180^\circ \pm 90^\circ$  and  $P_B \pm 90^\circ$ . Line 15, 17 counterbalances any reactive component introduced into the lines due to the connection between the single-sided and push-pull circuits. Nils E. Lindenblad, RCA, (F) May 31, 1940, (I) Feb. 8, 1944, No. 2,341,408.

### FM Tuning Circuit

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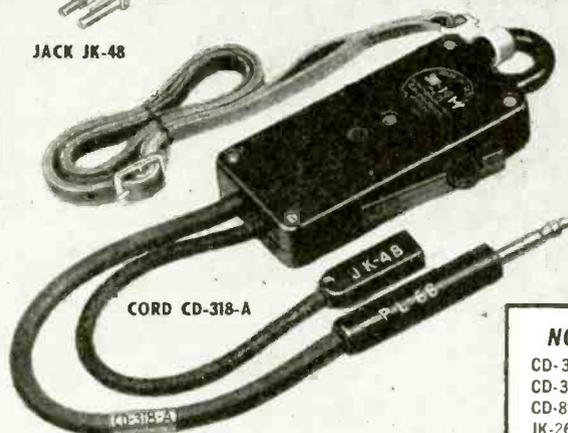
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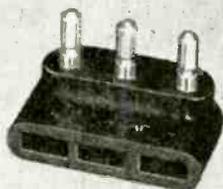
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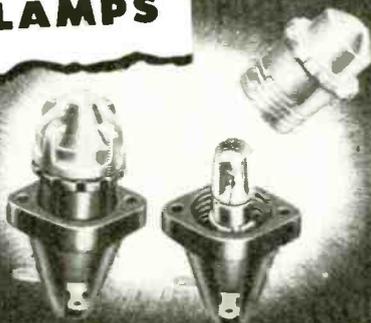
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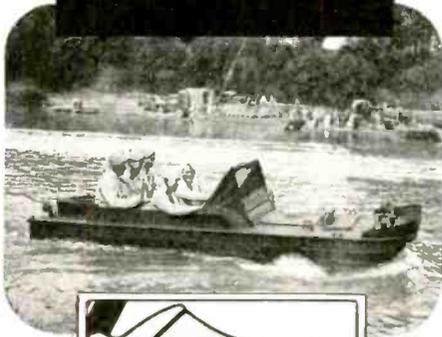
The planning and the training procedures for the Western Signal Aviation Unit Training Center are formulated by the Assistant Chief of Air Staff Training in cooperation with the Office of the Air Communications Officer. The Center itself is under the command of Colonel William H. MacDonald and it falls under the jurisdiction of the Fourth Air Force, of which Colonel D. Schelenker is Signal Officer.

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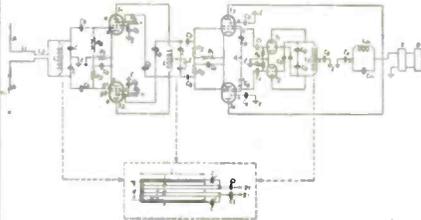
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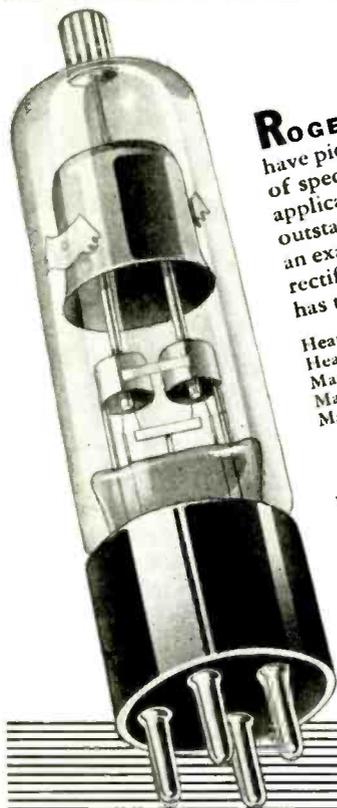
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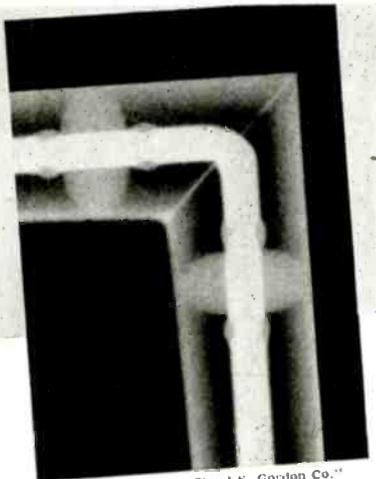
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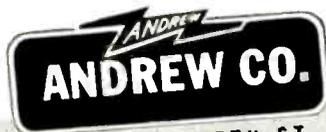
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It will be seen that the book describes a number of tubes and circuits not in common use in this country, and which may be of considerable interest for development work in high frequency communication and in television.

**Infrared Spectroscopy**

By R. Bowling Barnes, Robert C. Gore, Urner Liddel, and Van Zandt Williams, Stamford Research Laboratories, American Cyanamid Company, Stamford, Conn., published by Reinhold Publishing Corporation, New York, April 10, 1944. 236 pages, \$2.25.

No small part of the remarkable production records that have been attained in synthetic rubber, high octane fuels, etc., has been due to the development of infrared spectroscopy. Almost all organic substances introduce absorption effects at certain frequencies. Those frequencies in the infrared range with wavelengths as long as 300,000  $\text{Å}$  are particularly useful in this art.

This book surveys the presently used principles of operation and analysis, and is followed by charts showing the infrared spectrum curves of 363 common organic compounds. A bibliography on this subject of some 2,700 items is included, cross referenced for easy use. It is of interest to note that these curves are recorded according to so-called frequency units (or  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) where  $1,000 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 10 \mu$ .

The pictured curves cover the range 800-2,000 frequency units (12.5  $\mu$  to 5  $\mu$ ).

**Control of Electric Motors**

By P. B. Harwood, Manager of Engineering, Cutler-Hammer. Second edition 1944, published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York. 479+VIII pages. Price \$5.00.

This book is devoted to methods whereby the characteristics of various types of motors can be most effectively utilized. All types of motors: shunt, series, squirrel-cage, wound rotor, synchronous, etc., are discussed, from the viewpoint of adapting the proper starting and regulating equipment to it. This is a practical book for operating engineers and designers, and is also useful as a text for engineering classes. Many of the less complicated types of electronic motor control processes are described.



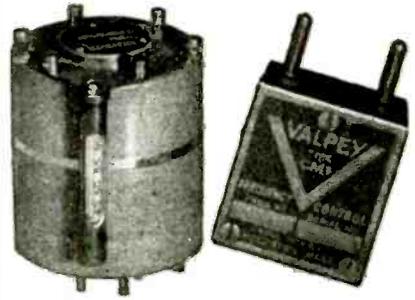
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The article is the ninetieth in the series of popular, ten-cent pamphlets published by the Public Affairs Committee, Inc., a non-profit, educational organization at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

### Capacitors at Work

Solar Mfg. Co., 285 Madison Ave., New York, has published a 40-page booklet that contains 16 pages of Signal Corps equipment in use in the field of battle, reproduced in full color. Reason for the pictures is to illustrate a few of the ways in which capacitors are used. In addition there is considerable information on capacitor uses as well as a long list of where these small but important components are being used.

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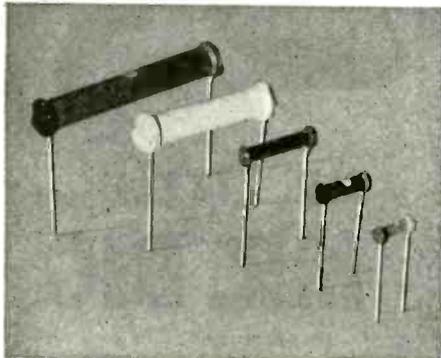
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766-CX	2	1 to 47 Ohms	1 1/8"	1/4"
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### "OK Methods"

The first issue of a unique series of booklets, "OK Methods," has been released by the American Phenolic Corp., Chicago. American Phenolic plans to assemble from all possible sources the best methods of handling and using materials and products that go into electrical and electronic work, including anything from practical shop hints to time and motion studies.

In this first number considerable attention has been given to efficient and neat methods of soldering. There is a page on safety wiring and another on the ferruling of flexible conduit. There are descriptions of neat, effective ways of stripping cable and wires. And there is a valuable explanation on avoiding damage to beaded insulation in tinning the braided copper jacket of coaxial cable.

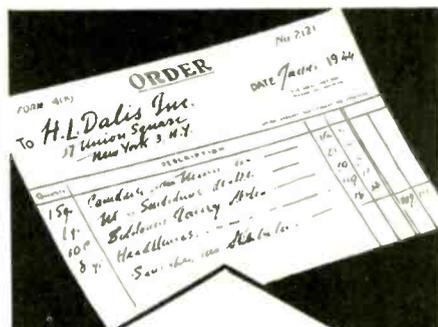
There are twenty-four pages of this sort of information in this first book. How-to-do-it pictures run up to six or seven per page.

### Production Stamping

"Metal Stampings in Small Lots", published by the Dayton Rogers Mfg. Co., 2835 South 12th Ave., Minneapolis, describes in 12 nicely illustrated pages the company's process of producing die cut metal stampings in small lots where the cost of conventional dies would be prohibitive. The process differs from the usual method of using "permanent" type dies. In their place, so-called "temporary" dies, inexpensive and permitting alterations at small cost during development, are used. The process is particularly adapted to small-lot production.

### Crystals and Holders

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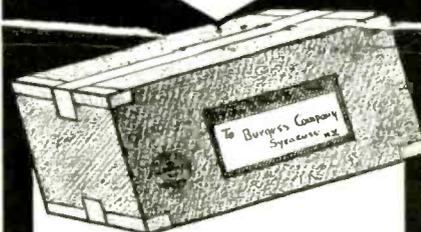


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## WHAT'S NEW

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### Vacuum Capacitor

The new Jennings VC-250 vacuum capacitor, though of the same physical dimensions as the 50 mmfd unit, has five times greater electrical capacity, with a 20,000 volt peak rating. The capacitor is a plug-in unit, thus permitting its use interchangeably with others and giving a wide selection of capacities. Features are low corona loss, unity power factor and high current rating. The manufacturer is Jennings Radio Mfg. Co., San Jose, Calif.



### HF Welding Component

A commercialized design of the mercury discharge tube for capacitor storage welding systems is illustrated by the Trignitrol unit of the Electronic Power Co. Inc., 19 West 44th St., New York 18, N. Y. This circuit contains a two-pool mercury tube of the external capacitive field triggered type, capable of discharging bank of welding capacitors of a value up to 1400 mfd, charged to 4000 volts. It is based on the welding principles of Alfred Vang and in a properly designed welding circuit, the process produces an instantaneous weld (or the high frequency welding system) as described in the Nov. 1943 "Electronic Industries"—page 101.

### Hermetic Seals

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### Vacuum Tube Voltmeter

Model 400A vacuum tube voltmeter, one of a number of laboratory instruments developed by Hewlett-Packard Co., Palo Alto, Calif., is a wide band feedback amplifier which operates a diode voltmeter of the average reading type. The circuit is independent of line voltage variations and tube characteristics to a high degree. A special input amplifier circuit is used to provide

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### Relay-Contactor

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### Meter Rectifier

Selenium Corp. of America, 1719 West Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, has developed a new meter rectifier styled type N-6, consisting of six selenium rectifying elements enclosed in a tubular plastic case. Rating of the rectifier is 1.5 ma, and the maximum voltage to which it may be subjected is 150 volts ac. Frequency response is flat to 6000 cycles and at 20,000 cycles efficiency is 35 per cent of rated value. The rectifier may be used within a temperature range of -40 to +70 degrees C.

### Improved Attenuator

An improved line of attenuators, featuring a new detent gear, new materials and new type steel cover, has been developed by The Daven Co., 191 Central Ave., Newark 4, N. J. The new detent gear provides more positive action, greater degree of accuracy, more uniformity in operation, longer life and a stronger stop

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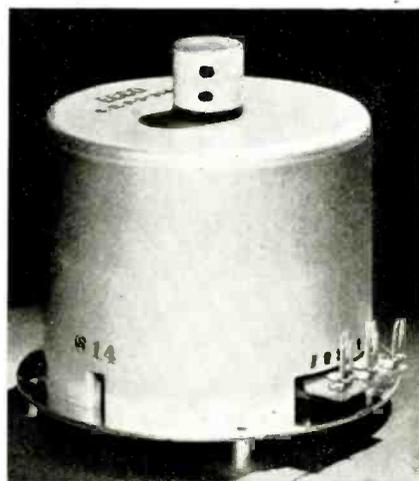
### "Magic Moisture Meter"

A "Magic Moisture Meter", developed by engineers of the Friez Instrument Division of Bendix Aviation Corporation, is revealing the secrets of the stratosphere more accurately than was ever before possible. The new element, known as an electric hygrometer strip, replaces human hair in the Ray Sonde, an instrument which is attached to a free balloon and radios weather information to an automatic recorder on the ground, from heights up to ten miles above the earth. Human hair, the best previous conductor, is still relatively slow in reaction to moisture changes. The electric hygrometer, immediately sensitive to such variations, gives a more accurate picture of weather conditions high in the sky when the Ray Sonde passes rapidly through different strata of clouds. The electric hygrometer strip was developed by Friez engineers and engineers of the Bureau of Standards under the sponsorship of the Navy. It is now being used by the Navy, Army and Weather Bureau.

Basically, the difference between the new strip and human hair is that the latter varies in length with changes in humidity while the former varies in electrical characteristics. It is made of a plastic and is, roughly, about five inches long, an inch and a half wide, and about an eighth of an inch thick. The edges are specially treated so as to provide electrical conducting surfaces and the surface is so treated that the electrical resistance between the edges varies with the amount of moisture in the air.

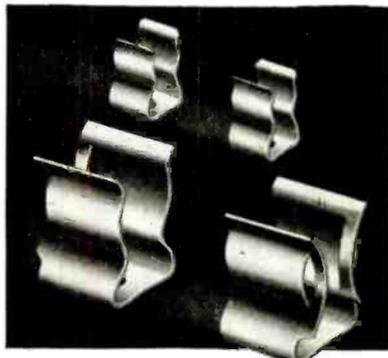
### Continuous Ring Pot

A continuous ring potentiometer having a total resistance in the active winding of 50,000 ohms, has been developed by Electronic Components Co., 423 North Western Ave., Los Angeles. The pot is a precision device having dual wiper arms spaced 180 degrees apart and equipped with building out resistors on each 120 degree tap. Similar units can be produced having taps at 60 or 90 degrees and these various sections can be connected through Y-type resistor arrangements.



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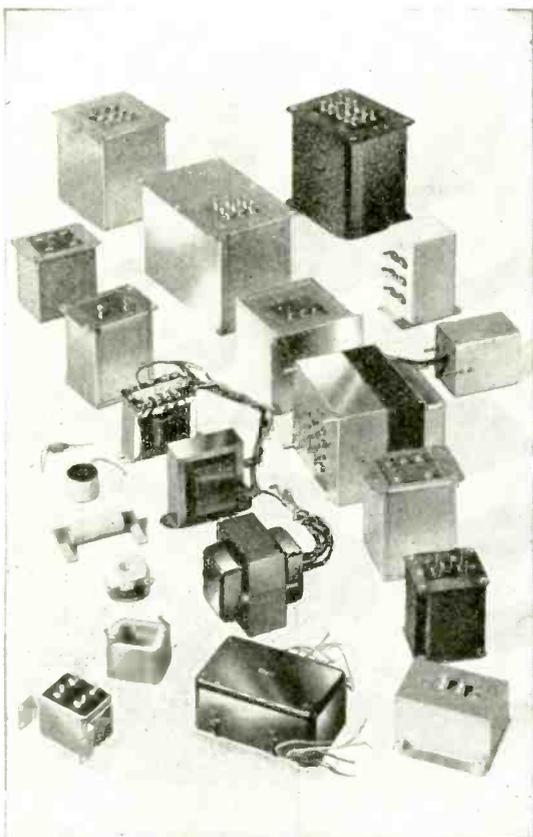
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## McIntosh Leaves WPB; Will Become Consultant

Frank H. McIntosh, Assistant to the Director of the WPB's Radio and Radar Division, who has had charge of civilian radio requirements, both broadcasting and communications since the creation of the Division, has submitted his resignation to become effective June 1 or June 15, so that he can establish a consulting engineering practice in electronics and radio. In his engineering practice, Mr. McIntosh will engage in broadcasting, radio, both studio design, acoustics and frequency allocations. He also is going to enter the electronic induction heating field.

Mr. McIntosh plans to establish his radio engineering practice in Washington during the Summer, after he has engaged in conducting some private affairs during a period of 30 or 45 days following his retirement from the WPB. His assistant, John Creutz, is expected to serve as acting chief of the civilian radio section of the Division until a successor is named.

Mr. McIntosh joined the WPB in April, 1942, as Chief of the Radio Section then under the Communications Branch, which is headed by Leighton H. Peebles. In March, 1943, his Section was shifted to the Radio and Radar Division under Director Ray C. Ellis. Mr. McIntosh is credited with having kept broadcasting operations on an even keel through careful allocations of critical materials and in his blueprint of wartime broadcasting which enables stations to obtain maximum use of component parts. Before coming with the WPB, he had been technical adviser to the Fort Industry broadcasting stations for two years.

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### CORRECTION

The curves shown on page 112 listing the number of bands available between certain limits are based on the relation

$$n \log (1 + 0.02X) = R,$$

where X indicates the band width, or tolerance, in percentage as shown, and R the range assumed. However, in the curves shown a misplaced decimal point places the number of bands available at only 10 percent of the actual total. The number of bands should be multiplied by ten.

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That the dissolution of the Army-Navy Electronics Production Agency by May 15, with its functions being absorbed and carried on by the Army, Navy and WPB, do not alter the rules of Limitation Order L-183-a (Electronic Equipment) nor weaken the force and importance of the Precedence List as the basic schedule for the military electronics program was emphasized in a letter to all prime contractors and component suppliers in the electronics-radio field by L. R. Boulware, Operations Vice-Chairman of the War Production Board. The letter stressed the importance of keeping the expanded military electronics program at its highest production level throughout 1944.

The L-183-a Order and the Precedence List had been two major functions in which ANEPA took part in expediting electronic-radio production. The Precedence List is defined in L-183-a as the schedule, issued and amended from time to time by the Joint Army-Navy Communications Board which sets forth the relative urgency for deliveries of equipment. Manufacturers were advised by Mr. Boulware to guard against any impressions that the discontinuance of ANEPA means the Precedence List schedules and the L-183-a requirements may be disregarded. They were advised to observe particularly the L-183-a requirement of purchase order being identified with Precedence List designations and schedules applicable to them. This identification information on purchase orders for the purposes of expediting and scheduling is increasingly important.

If all electronic equipment manufacturers conform to the basic principles of these regulations, schedules will be met to keep production at its highest level in conformity with the requirements of all Claimant Agencies. These organizational changes, Mr. Boulware stated, in no way indicate production needs have leveled off and, in fact, this program demands still greater production than in the past. Electronic equipment manufacturers and component part suppliers were urged by Mr. Boulware to note Interpretation 1 to Order L-183-a, setting forth the relation of the Precedence List to Scheduling and the rules of Priorities Regulation 18 relating to frozen schedules.

### **WCEMA Meets**

The Los Angeles Council of the West Coast Electronics Manufacturers Association held its monthly meeting May 10 at the Chapman Park Hotel with Robert Young, acting deputy director of the Los An-

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In this month's issue of THE CREI NEWS, appears Part II of the article on Iconoscopes. This section deals with the construction of the Iconoscope and a preliminary discussion of its action when scanned in the dark. In the next issue, the action of the Iconoscope when a scene is imaged on its mosaic will be analyzed.

We believe that this material will be of interest and value to the radio engineer, whether or not he is at present engaged in television, because television promises to be one of the major post-war activities.

Once again, permit us to remind you that THE CREI NEWS, the house organ of the Capitol Radio Engineering Institute, publishes each month a technical article of interest to the radio engineer.

Write today for the June issue of THE CREI NEWS and the second interesting technical article on "The Iconoscope." You may secure your copy free and without any obligation merely by writing to the Capitol Radio Engineering Institute. We shall be pleased to mail you all future copies thereafter without cost or obligation.

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The subject of "The Iconoscope" is but one of many that are being constantly revised and added to CREI lessons by A. Pretzman, Director of Engineering Texts, under the personal supervision of CREI President, E. H. Rietzke. CREI home study courses are of college calibre for the professional engineer and technician who recognizes CREI training as a proven program for personal advancement in the field of Radio-Electronics. Complete details of the home study courses sent on request. . . . Ask for 36-page booklet.

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geles War Manpower Commission, as principal speaker.

Other speakers included Capt J. T. Asbury, head of the new office in Los Angeles for the Army Signal Corps labor, procurement and production, and his assistant, Lieut. E. C. Williams; and Navy Senior Lieutenant Ben Swartz, of the industrial incentive division. Dick Leesman, marine corporal who was decorated with the silver star, the purple heart and other honors for action at Tarawa, gave a stirring account of the battle.

Following the speakers and a general round table discussion, films were shown by the Citizens Manpower Commission. H. L. Hoffman, president of the Association and of the Hoffman Radio Corp., presided. Bill Goody, new statewide secretary for the Association, was presented to the group.

### Replogle in New York

D. E. Replogle & Co. has opened a New York office for consulting engineering in electronics in the transmitting and radio fields. Location is 1819 Broadway in the Manufacturers Trust Building.

### Two to Great American

Great American Industries, Inc., 247 Park Ave., New York, has made two additions to its staff. Langdon H. Roper, recently released by the War Department after serving two and one-half years as principal production engineer, first with the U. S. Signal Corps and later with ANEPA, has been made assistant to the president; Ovid Riso has been appointed advertising director and will be responsible for public relations of all divisions of the company, including Connecticut Telephone & Electric Co., Meriden, Conn., Rutland Electric Products Division, Rutland, Vt., and Ward La France Truck Division, Elmira, N. Y.

### Hoffman Adds Engineers

Hoffman Radio Corp., Los Angeles, has appointed William W. Wells a senior engineer. He went west several years ago from the Colonial Radio Corp. and became a department supervisor with the Universal Microphone Co. and, more recently, with Marine Radio at Wilmington. He has been assigned to engineering duties on war contracts. William J. Green is another new senior engineer. He was an engineer with the Radiobar Co. for six years. When Radiobar was merged with Philco he was with their Philadelphia plant for six years before going west to Los Angeles. Roy Deane has also joined the Hoffman staff as a production supervisor.



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## "E" to Price

Price Brothers Co., manufacturers of relays and magnetic controls at Frederick, Md., was awarded the Army-Navy "E" on April 28th. The company is engaged exclusively in the manufacture of relays and sensitive controls for the communications branches of our military services.

## Thermex in New York

The Thermex Division of the Girdler Corp., Louisville, Ky., has opened a New York office at 150 Broadway with Hugh Cameron as eastern representative. Cameron has had extensive experience as an engineer and as a consultant, and was formerly with General Electric in Fort Wayne, Ind.

## Schott Expands

Walter L. Schott Co., 9306 Santa Monica, Beverly Hills, Calif., has taken over another factory in W. Hollywood of 2,000 sq. ft., for the manufacture of radio and radar equipment for the government.

## Muniz Heads Espey Engineering

Harold Shevers, president, Espey Manufacturing Co., of New York, announces that Ricardo Muniz has joined the company's engineering staff as director. Mr. Muniz was until recently chief engineer and plant manager, Radio Navigational Instrument Corp., and before that electronic consultant, Teletor division of International Business Machines Corp.

Graduate of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, 1930, he taught radar at Brooklyn Tech, and at Hunter College directed classes in design, development and production.

## Craven Leaves FCC

Winding up some 30 years of government service, FCC Commissioner T. A. M. Craven has resigned, effective end of this month, and will return to private enterprise. He joined FCC in 1935 as chief engineer; two years later he became a commissioner. He will join the Cowles interests which operate broadcasting stations in Des Moines and Minneapolis and own "Look" magazine.

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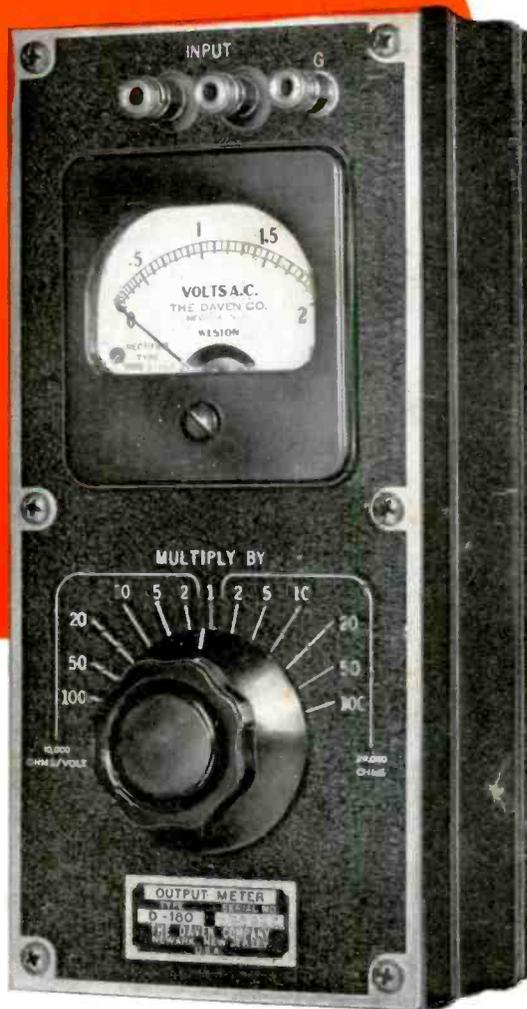
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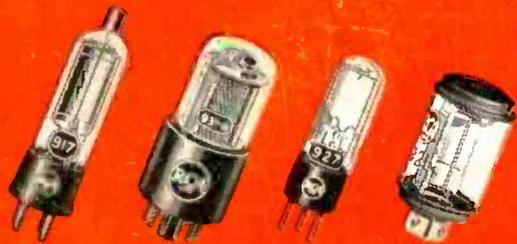
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# HOW TO SELECT PHOTOTUBES



**P**HOTOTUBES have found such a wide variety of applications that many types have been developed to meet special needs. The complete RCA line includes both gas-filled and high-vacuum phototubes, with various spectral responses and a variety of sizes and shapes. And for applications requiring extreme sensitivity, RCA supplies multiplier phototubes.

A phototube acts as a light-actuated electric valve. (It does not convert light energy to electrical energy, but acts only as a control device.) The current passed is in proportion to incident light. Some phototubes are "high-vacuum" types; some are filled with an inert gas (such as argon) to increase current-carrying capacity.

A multiplier phototube contains additional electrodes (dynodes) which emit secondary electrons and thus greatly increase sensitivity and output current as compared to 2-electrode phototubes.

**Color Sensitivity:** The cathode coating material and the envelope glass determine color sensitivity. RCA phototubes fall into five "color groups":

Use	Tube Types	Maximum Color Sensitivity
With incandescent lamps	High vacuum: 925, Gas-filled: 868, 920, 924, 927*, 928	Red and infra-red
With incandescent lamps—and for infra-red application	High vacuum: 917, 919, 922*, Gas-filled: 918, 921*, 923, 930*	Similar to above, but sensitivity extended further into infra-red
With light source for colorimetry application	High-vacuum: 926	Blue light. Approximates the human eye
With daylight, carbon-arc, or mercury-vapor light source	High-vacuum: 929*, 934. Multipliers: 931-A*, IP21	Blue light. Very sensitive to incandescent light at a color temperature above 2700° K.
For ultra-violet measurement	High-vacuum: 935, IP28	Same as above, but special glass envelope permits high ultra-violet sensitivity

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Color response curves are available on all RCA phototubes.

**Vacuum- or Gas- or Multiplier-Type?** Several important factors to be considered in selecting the general type of phototube for a service are given in the following table. Specific values should be considered in selecting the actual tube type.

Characteristic	High-Vacuum type	Gas-filled type	Multiplier type
Sensitivity	Low	Medium	Very high
Current Output	Low	Medium	Very high
Amplification factor	1	Up to 10	Up to 1,000,000
Relative signal-to-noise ratio (including amplifier stage)	Low	Intermediate	High
Anode Volts	Up to 500	Not over 90	Up to 1250
Distortion (audio)	Negligible	Appreciable in some cases	Negligible
Frequency Range	Limited largely by circuit	Limited by tube performance	Limited largely by circuit

Gas-filled phototubes are, at present, extensively used for sound-on-film reproduction and for relay work. Vacuum-types are widely used where high sensitivity is needed; for precision measurement where stability of calibration is essential; and for high-speed work.

**Sensitivity:** The sensitivity of a phototube may vary according to whether the light change is abrupt or continuous. *Static sensitivity* is the ratio of anode direct current to constant light flux. *Dynamic sensitivity* is the ratio of the variation of anode current to the variation of light input. The sensitivity of gas-filled phototubes drops off as light-source frequency increases.

**Optical Systems:** The use of phototubes usually involves some sort of optical system. The fundamentals of optics must be carefully considered in the successful application of phototubes.

**Mechanical Features:** As illustrated at left, several types of tubes are available. Size, vibration, directional requirements, etc., all may influence the choice of one of the many RCA phototubes.

**Phototube Life:** Phototubes are inherently sturdy, long-lived tubes and when operated under recommended conditions, give extended reliable service.

**Application Hints:** Here are a few general suggestions on applying phototubes:

1. In relay and measurement circuits where tubes must respond to very small amounts of light, avoid leakage currents outside tube. Keep tube terminals and sockets clean. Erratic leakage currents will affect results.
2. In amplifiers where low leakage is important, select top cap types such as 917, 919, or 935.
3. Shield phototube and leads to amplifier or relay tubes when amplifier gain or phototube load resistance is high.
4. Where high-frequency response is important keep phototube leads short to minimize capacitance shunting of output.
5. For constant calibration of high-precision vacuum phototube devices, keep anode voltage at or below 20 volts. Keep incident light spread over wide cathode area.
6. Design or circuit constants should be based on tests with the equipment operating over the expected range of line-voltage variation.
7. RCA voltage-regulator tubes can improve phototube circuit performance.
8. Anode characteristic curves on phototubes can be used to predict performance under given operating conditions.

## What Phototube Do You Need?

Due to space limitations, the suggestions presented here are brief and in a condensed, summary form. If you have a specific application problem or wish to discuss your phototube requirements with us, write to RCA, Commercial Engineering Section, 714 S. Fifth Street, Harrison, N. J. For further published information on RCA Phototubes and how to use them, send the coupon at left.



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