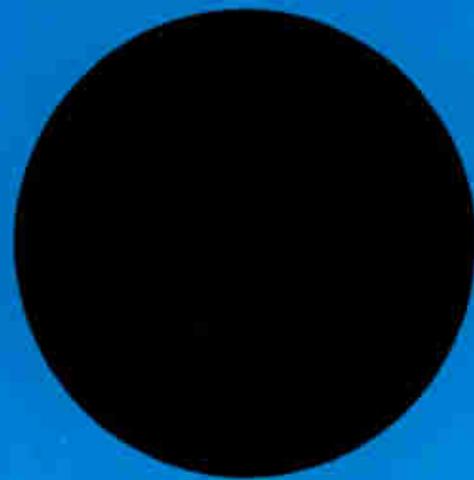


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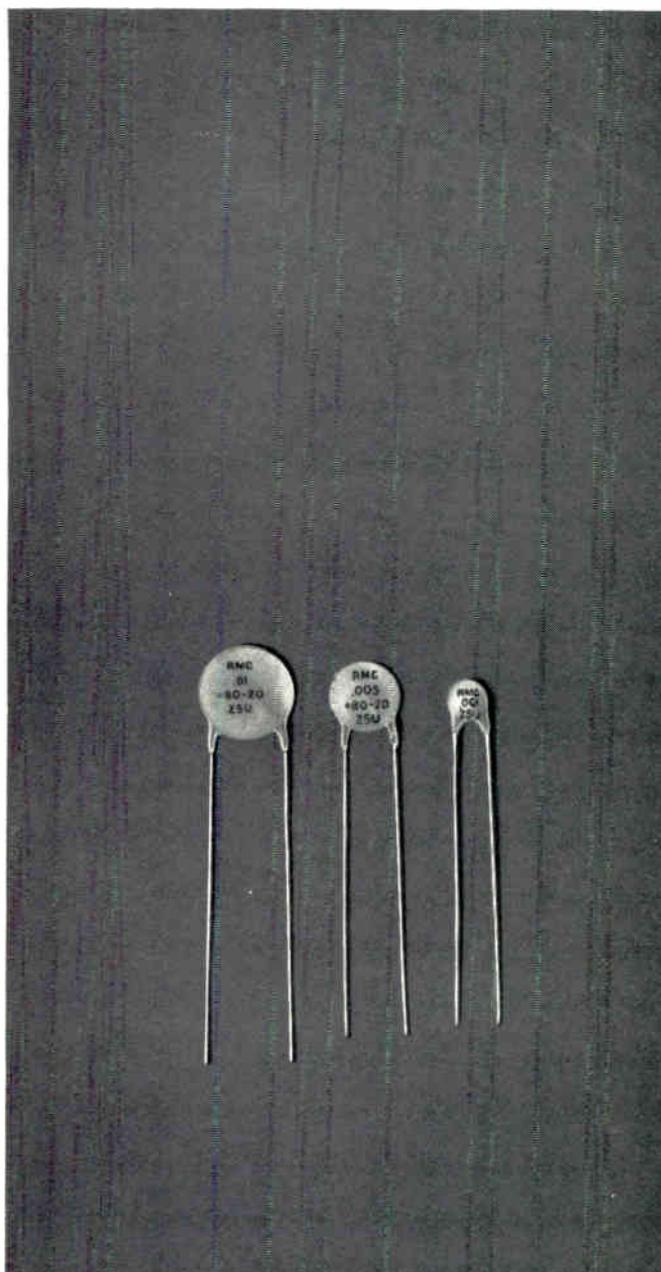
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We have no quarrel with the concept of basic research. But we cannot see purely blue-sky probings, completely removed from any practical, social, technological, military, commercial or industrial application. Necessary and justifiable research includes the discovery and exploitation of fundamental laws of nature, bearing upon some important problem whose solution could unlock the wheels of technological progress. By contrast, research without roots in some persistent problem is costly, wasteful in manpower and resources, and downright ridiculous to support.

One of government's big names said the same thing just last month. At ceremonies opening a multi-million-dollar research laboratory in a defense-oriented systems company, John H. Rubel, Asst. Sec'y For Defense, first noted that all such laboratories are supported (directly or indirectly) by substantial government funds. Then he observed that:

*Research should improve the company; what is good for the company is good for the country.*

*An outstanding research laboratory becomes a point of assembly, and an opportune doorway for the development of outstanding men and women.*

They are both good points, well taken. But Mr. Rubel's principal arguments were even more cogent. Because funds for these laboratories come from taxpayers, he said, the government has a right to expect certain things in return for its money. Among them:

*True research, and not just product improvement.*

*Research in areas of likely interest and subsequent reward.*

*The creation of an environment that brings out the most creative ability in each researcher.*

The Secretary is right. We can't afford to waste our best technological brainpower on research that has no prospect of practical results. Research should stop when it gets to be fruitless.

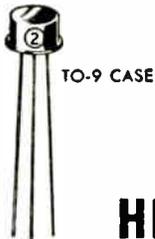
All research — yes, even basic research — should have a goal and a (fairly flexible) timetable. Let's not throw those research dollars down a bottomless test tube. No company can tolerate the luxury of waste in research where its own funds are employed. And neither can the government tolerate that kind of waste—if it is to keep faith with its citizens, and if democracy is to survive the inroading threats of those who would destroy it.

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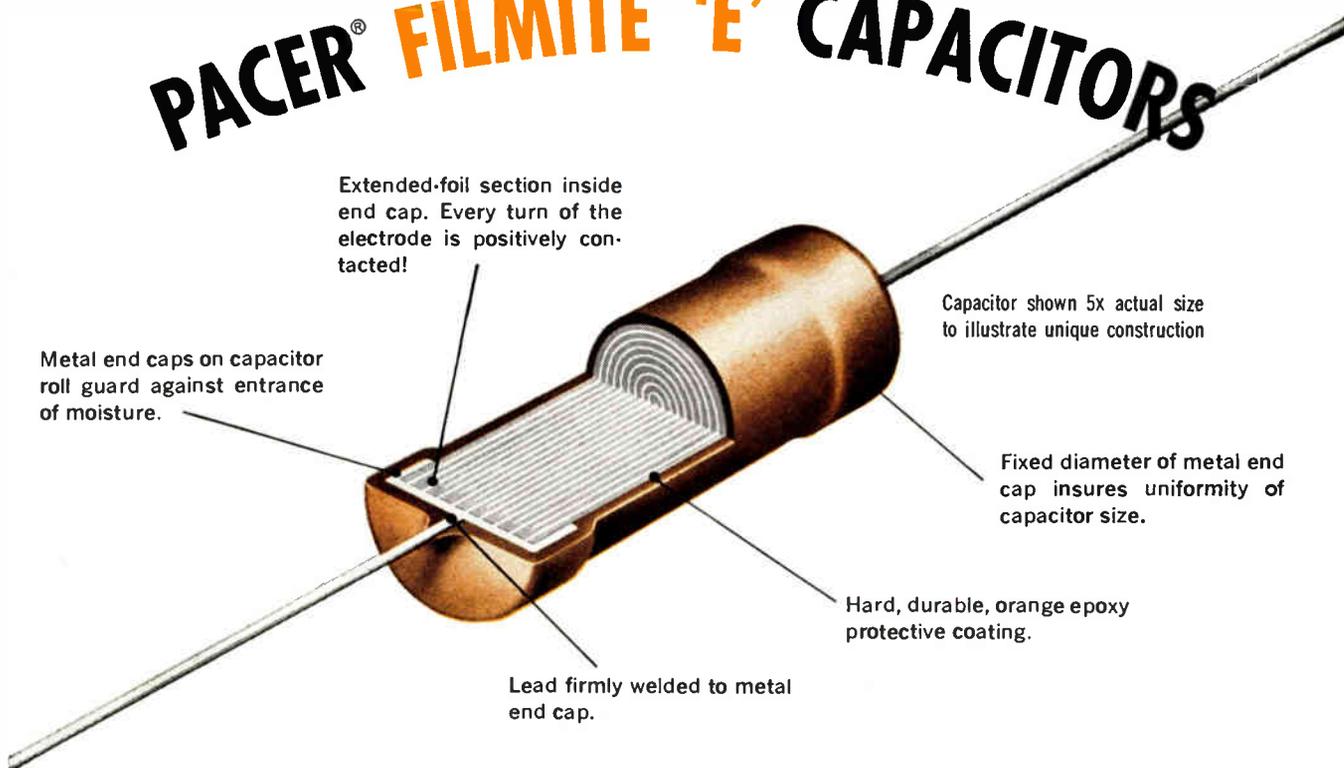


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## New Electronic Areas of U.S. page 46

Ever since Sputnik the U.S. electronics industry has been accelerating rapidly. Now, with almost overnight velocity, technical advances and sprouting aerospace and defense markets are causing hundreds of firms to relocate, add-on, divide, merge or start anew, clear across the nation. And coming with this industrial and educational shuffling is a dispersal of opportunity.

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## Project Apollo's Command and Control page 58

Control requirements for our early space flights were quite simple compared to those of the Gemini and Apollo programs. Controlling the spacecraft in the lunar mission will require techniques used by the master chess player. Here's how and with what the Integrated Mission Control Center will do this.

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## An Evaluation of Environmental Testing page 70

This rapidly expanding field is plagued with serious problems that threaten its long-term growth. Shortage of trained personnel is the most pressing; some effort should go into setting up specialized training courses. And the accuracy of measurements still leaves much to be desired.

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## Random-Motion Testing of Electronic Components page 82

Equipment must now function under conditions that were hard to visualize a few years ago, and even more strenuous operating environments are ahead. The only way to make sure that products can withstand these levels is to test them under conditions that duplicate the actual operating environment. Methods of vibration testing are covered—particularly random-motion testing—the most vigorous of them all.

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## Improving the Accuracy of R-F Voltage Measurements page 87

Measurements that were difficult in the past can now be made easily and accurately with modern test instruments. Four types of measurements are described here—Q, bridge & null network, r-f filter, and harmonic distortion. The methods described will benefit the expert as well as the casual user.

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## Encapsulating to Military Specifications page 92

A wide range of considerations must be reviewed by the systems engineer before the encapsulation processes are specified. The resins considered for use should undergo wide study. Many of the restrictions on the encapsulating process are dictated by the electrical characteristics of the component involved.

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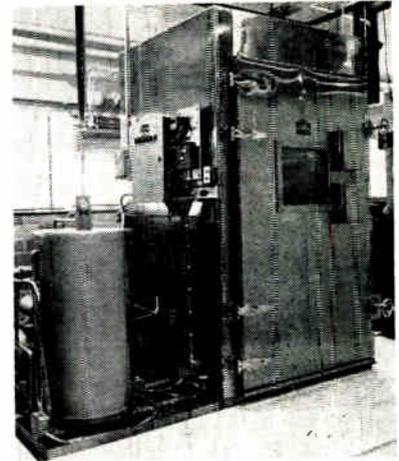
## Resistors for Precise Temperature Measurements page 97

The advancement of guided missile and aerospace programs depends more and more upon the analysis of materials, components and fuels. For this analysis, precise temperature measurements are essential. The role that resistors play in making these measurements is described here.

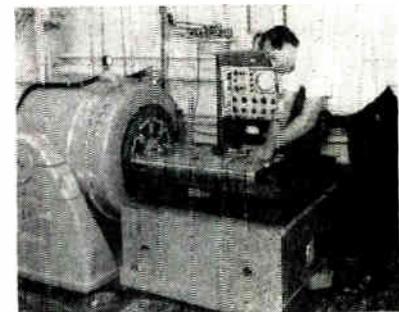
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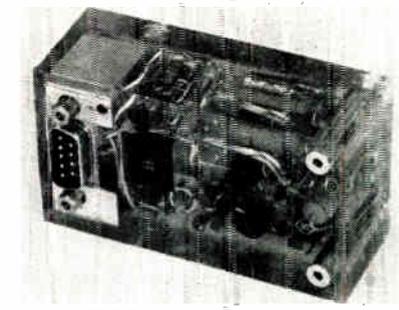
Low frequency, narrow band filters are often needed in control systems. Since passive filters are unwieldy at low frequencies, either active filters or demodulator-filter-modulator systems are used. A simple active filter is described here along with graphical design techniques.



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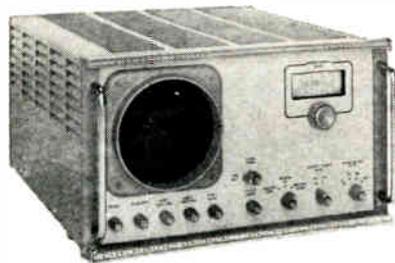
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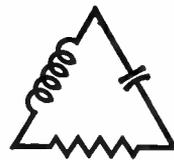
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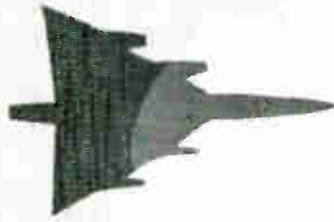
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## ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION.

speaking through Norman A. Triplett, Distributor Relations Committee chairman, has voiced concern over a proposed change in the Small Business Administration's definition of the "small business non-manufacturer" for government procurement. Triplett, vice president of Triplett Electrical Instrument Co., said that the proposed \$2,000,000 annual volume limit is unrealistic to distributors. Many who qualify under the current 500-employee rule would be disqualified, and the smaller distributors doing less than \$2,000,000 business would be unable to give the large inventories and quick service now available to Government contractors.

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## INTEGRATED CIRCUITRY MARKET

should reach \$1.2 billion by 1970, according to Dr. Robert L. San Soucie, vice president of Emerson's Electronics and Space Division. "Recent estimates place the integrated circuit market in 1970 at \$780 million; but they do not include thin films. It is reasonable to assume that the problem of depositing active devices will be solved by then." He listed three main challenges facing systems designers and developers in the next 10 years: (1) develop and train engineers to invent circuits using unexploited substrate material features. (2) to integrate or not? Large firms will provide their own circuits. Small firms will buy blocks. The medium-sized firm will face a dilemma. (3) to develop component and subsystem test equipment philosophy, procedure and quality, giving customers assurance on over-all system reliability.

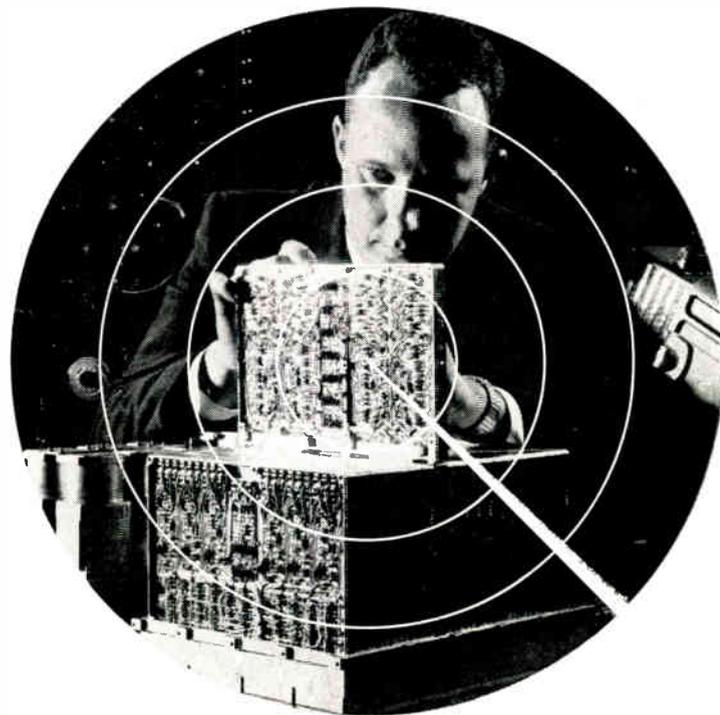
**RADIO THROUGH ROCK** is being pushed hard by DOD. Scientists at Air Force Cambridge Labs and in industry are stepping up efforts to perfect an underground radio system to link below-ground-level command posts with missile sites. Military planners admit that such posts are useless unless they can receive orders without jamming. Plans include a system of antennas buried a mile or more down to transmit RF signals through rock strata of the earth's crust. One scientist remarked that given suitable insulating rock, highly resistant and moisture-free, communications could be maintained half-way around the world. Signals would be much harder to jam and almost impossible to intercept. They would be immune to bombs.

**MEDICAL ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT** of many types is being viewed for increased usefulness and application by St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, N. J., and DuMont Laboratories, division of Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp. An agreement between DuMont's Medical Instrumentation Department and the hospital includes meetings, consultations, investigating and testing of new devices. Among specialties in the joint effort are artificial organs (total replacement of and supportive devices for), monitoring and stimulation of body functions, data storage and retrieval, diagnosis, and closed-circuit TV for communications and training.

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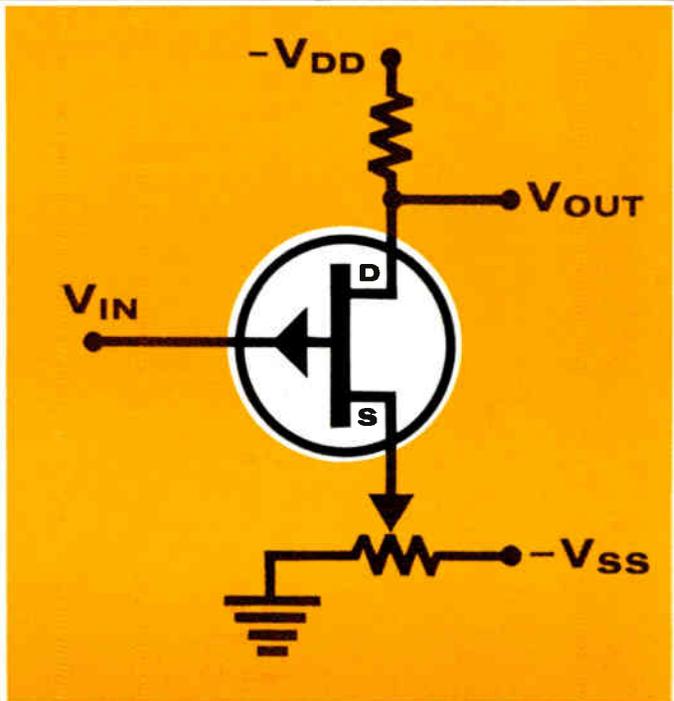
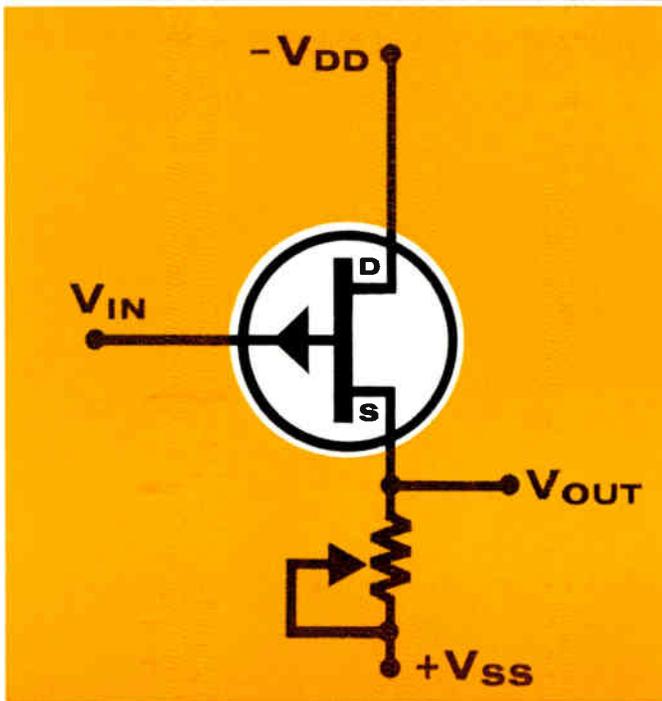
Technician checks circuit card of computer for NASA's Centaur spacecraft. The computer, gold-plated to minimize effects of extreme temperature change, is produced by General Precision. A \$1.5 million contract with NASA calls for six solid state flight computers to guide Centaurs in planned space flights.

**ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY** has been challenged to invent a new home product which, comparable to radio and television, would make life easier, more pleasant and up our standard of living a notch. The challenge was made by L. Berkley Davis, G.E. vice president, who declared that the industry can offer the consumer something else that the American home will need—something entertaining, as educational or as useful as radio and television. "I don't know what it is but I challenge you to find it." With this new product the electronics industry could "see a future in the consumer market every bit as exciting as television has made it in recent years."

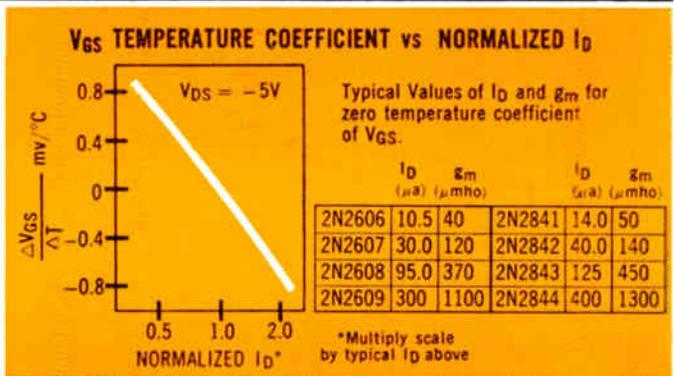
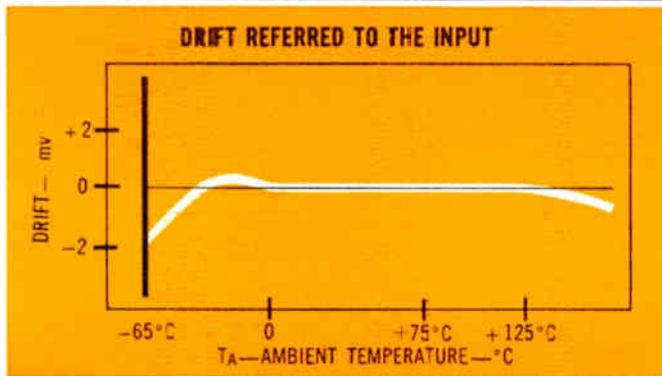
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**TWO-DIMENSIONAL COMPUTERS** — high-speed, modular machines—are forecast by Walter W. Finke, president of Honeywell Electronic Data Processing. Computer role will remain important but total system, the new way of handling data, will be of greater importance. Computer “families,” expandable vertically and horizontally to meet growing needs, will appear. High modularity and compatibility will permit small starts and easy expansion vertically. Horizontally, peripheral units will grow in importance in providing data. Job content will change at various management levels. New and unusual applications are creating new EDIP management units. Managers will have more time to pursue creative and intangible aspects, as data collection, handling and interpretation functions are relegated to machine systems.

**COPPER SPACE NEEDLES**, 400 million of which are forming a radio space reflector 2,300 miles above us, will be destroyed within the next five years, says the Air Force. Project officials believe the orbiting belt of tiny copper fibers eventually will be “pushed” back into the atmosphere by sunlight and will burn up. Air Force hopes the short-life prediction will calm fears of “contaminating” space. According to predictions from astronomers, the needles, orbited in May, will completely circle the earth and become thoroughly intermixed by the middle of July. Designed for experiment with extremely short radio waves between two points on earth, some sources believe that the needles will not appreciably absorb incoming radiation of interest to astronomers.

**ALTERING OF LASER FREQUENCIES** by passing laser’s beam through liquids and crystals has been achieved in the Ford Laboratories. The discovery allows laser beam control for communications and underwater radar in varied frequencies, since laser beams alone operate only in the red and infrared ranges. When a beam is passed through liquid nitrogen the frequency drops. When passed through a crystal the frequency is raised. By using various liquids it may be possible to produce beams of almost any desired frequency. Some scientists believe that a laser beam altered to green or blue frequencies may be used for underwater radar. To amplify laser signals, scientists suggest passing laser beam photons through a liquid with symmetrically shaped molecules, benzene for example.

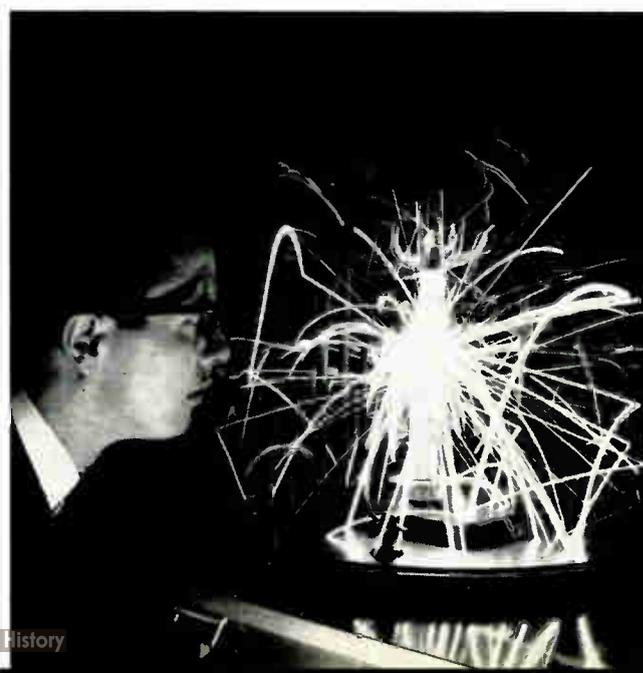
**MICROPOWER-LEVEL EQUIPMENT** is forecast in a report from NASA’s Lewis Research Center. A complete logic system with a power consumption of 10 microwatts per stage can be built for space craft using two newly developed micro-power transistor logic circuits. Operating ranges of the circuits range from one to 100 Kc. and at power levels from one to several hundred microwatts. Microminiaturization problems, especially from heat, can be reduced with the micropower circuits. The report describes circuit analysis, parameters, design criteria, limitations and a variety of logic elements.

**THERMIONIC CONVERTER**, designed by RCA, has been tested successfully in the nuclear reactor at the Babcock & Wilcox Nuclear Development Center in Virginia. The converter, with an emitter area of 60 sq. cm., delivered a total of 38.5 Kw-hrs. during its 305-hour test, just over the 300-hour life required in the Navy Bureau of Ships contract. A brief peak 157 watts was reached as heat from nuclear fuel was converted into electricity at 10% efficiency. The converter, operated at 1350°C, advances progress in practical nuclear-thermionic power for many applications, such as a compact, reliable power source in an ocean bottom environment.

(More RADARSCOPE on Page 13)

## COMBUSTION EXPERIMENTS FOR APOLLO

Some 115 materials that may be used in Honeywell-developed Apollo stabilization and control system are being tested for ease of ignition, duration and effect of burning, and toxicity of burn-products in a space capsule atmosphere. Here, technician observes overheat effect on an epoxy adhesive.





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A little over a year ago, when Reeves first announced the production of Size 23 Synchros and Resolvers with 30 second accuracy, they were hailed as a major design breakthrough. Today, 20-second units are available in production runs in the new HI-AC series of data transmission resolvers and synchros... 0.01% functional accuracy in the HI-AC compensated computing resolvers.

These instruments permit the design of highly accurate, yet greatly simplified, data transmission systems. Elaborate two speed synchro systems, or equally complicated digital encoder systems, can be dispensed with, because the desired accuracy is inherent in the HI-AC synchros themselves. Reliability is immeasurably improved, maintenance cut to a minimum; and space, weight and cost greatly reduced.

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**DATA BITS DISPLAYED IN COLOR**, known as Color-Data, was unveiled for the first time by ITT in test transmission by telephone wire. Huntsville, Ala., queried ITT 7300 ADX System, in Paramus, N. J., which searched its memory and sent back data using Bell's Data Set 402, which transmits 8 levels of 600 bits per second. The data were fed into a datachrome projector and converted to alpha-numeric form in seven colors; query to color took mere seconds. The projector uses 35 MM black and white film; colors are had by separating white light with mirrors and recombining the prime colors. The heart of the whole set-up is the 7300 ADX.

**MICROCIRCUITRY COMPETITION** is now impossible to predict in view of the tremendous possibilities for further invention in both thin film and solid state silicon circuit techniques, reports Dr. C. G. Thornton, advanced development manager at Philco's Lansdale (Pa.) Division. New technology is appearing so rapidly that any talk about relative merits of one approach must include its impending changes. To remove limitations of thin films and solid silicons, Philco has found a way to insert active chips over substrates with electrodes alloyed directly to the thin film lands. A longer range project involves thin film active elements, such as field effect transistors and "hot electron" amplifiers, made directly from thin film materials. Dr. Thornton noted that hybrid construction is a partial solution to silicon's problem of changing electrical characteristics as temperature varies.

**ATOMIC POWER TECHNOLOGY** has turned the economic corner, making nuclear-reactor-produced electricity competitive with standard fuel plants. Developing mostly within the past six months, the gradual switch to nuclear power, using the water-cooled type of reactor, has been growing across the nation. Late in 1962, four major power companies contracted with Westinghouse for reactors to produce a total of 2,135,000 kw. Up to that time, the greatest civilian output capacity, building or built since 1954, was 1,516,000 kw among 23 reactors! Utility companies in many states, among them Hawaii, Minnesota, Nevada and several east coast states, are now looking into the atom and its potential.

**NEW COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUE**, demonstrated by MIT's Lincoln Laboratory, can transmit digital messages on toll-grade telephone circuits at rates three to four times as fast as current high-speed digital data transmission systems. Even at these high rates of speed, the technique affords almost complete protection against errors in transmission and reception. Known as SECO, the technique depends on equipment designed and built at Lincoln. The actual technique is sequential coding and decoding by which SECO can automatically detect and correct message errors and adjust its own transmission rate.

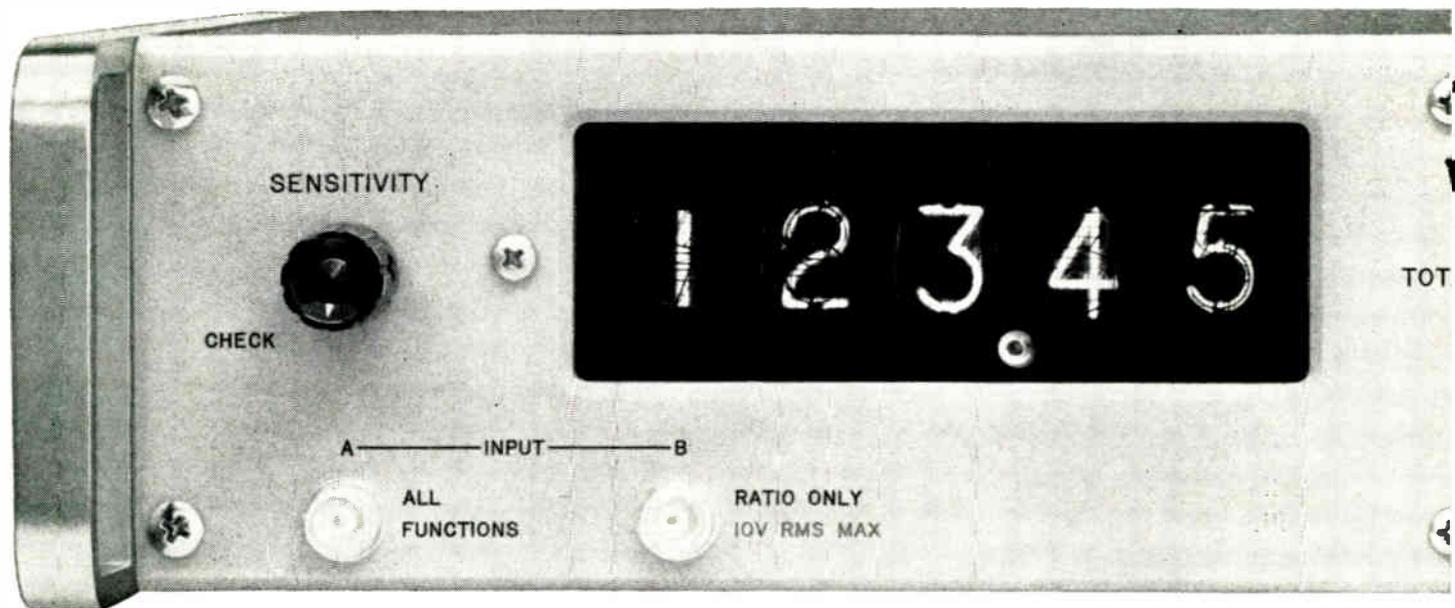
**IMAGE ELECTRONICS** is becoming one of the most useful tools in the hands of man, and in time will overshadow all other purposes, according to Dr. Elmer W. Engstrom, RCA president. In referring to opportunities, Dr. Engstrom said, in effect, that no field is more useful potentially than visual electronics, and there is no corner of the universe that can not one day be explored by electronic eyes. He also cited a pressing need for "inexpensive and inexhaustible energy sources," electronic experiments in plasma and other areas may one day tap unlimited powers of nuclear fission.

## **SUPER-ACCURATE YARDSTICK**

An advanced GE tracking system — MISTRAM (Missile Trajectory Measurement) — gives Cape Canaveral greater ability to predict missile impact down Atlantic Missile Range. It also improves Air Force performance evaluation. The system is a huge "L" with one leg 19 miles long and includes 5 stations.



# Direct readout in: gpm, rpm, psi...



## Measure, normalize, control... with the new

*Today's most versatile electronic counter, in addition to measuring frequency and period and totalizing:*

- measures normalized rate**
- measures normalized time (period)**
- measures ratio**
- measures normalized ratio**
- measures time for N events to occur**
- counts N events, providing an output pulse at the start and end of the count**
- N may be set to any integer from 1 to 100,000**

Gallons per minute, pounds per hour, revolutions per second or minute — any event that can be converted to an electrical pulse can be measured in the exact units that are most helpful to your application. The ability to select gate times on the hp 5214L Preset Counter permits normalizing of any measurement.

For example, connecting a tachometer generator to a rotating shaft produces an output which is applied to the counter. Presetting the counter gate permits direct measurement of rps or rpm. Thus, if the tachometer generator produces 100 pulses per revolution, the gate would be set at  $N = 1000$  (0.01 sec) to measure rps or  $N = 600$  (0.6) sec to measure rpm.

Besides making measurements common to most universal counters, the 5214L measures N periods;

measures ratio; measures normalized ratio; measures time for N events to occur; counts N events. This versatility is achieved by using two sets of decades, one of which registers the signal being counted, the other, which may be preset to any integer from 1 to 100,000 by front panel thumb-wheel switches, controls the gate. The number N also may be remotely programmed. Separate output signals are available to operate external equipment whenever the gate opens or closes. Since the 5214L can count N events, it is particularly useful in batching.

The 5214L measures ratio over a wide range of frequencies and with a wide choice of normalizing factors. The reading displayed is  $N \times A/B \times \text{Multiplier}$ . Hence, input B can be used as an external time base input for extending gate time or for normalizing an input signal so that percent change of input signal A may be read directly. The 5214L measures the time in milliseconds for N events to occur—period and multiple period measurements are made easily.

The solid state 5214L incorporates display storage, for continuous display of the most recent measurement and a flicker-free presentation on long life rectangular Nixie tubes. The four-line BCD code output with assigned weights of 1-2-2-4 is convenient for systems use.

Call your Hewlett-Packard representative for assistance in applying the remarkable 5214L Preset Counter to your particular measuring, recording and control problem. He will offer a demonstration at the same time.

# you name it!



## hp 5214L UNIVERSAL PRESET COUNTER

### SPECIFICATIONS

#### FUNCTIONS

**Totalize (input A):** Range, 2 cps to 300 kc; sensitivity, 0.1 volt rms sine wave; 1 volt negative pulse, 1  $\mu$ sec minimum width; gate time, manual control; input impedance, 1 megohm, 50 pf shunt; capacity, 99,999 counts x Multiplier (1, 10 or 100); check, counts 1 kc, 100 cps or 10 cps

#### Rate (input A):

10  $\mu$ sec to 1 sec, 10  $\mu$ sec steps  
100  $\mu$ sec to 10 sec, 100  $\mu$ sec steps  
1 msec to 100 sec, 1 msec steps

**Preset (input A):** Input frequency range, 2 cps to 100 kc; preset range, 1 to 99,999; outputs, -30 volts to -1.3 volts transition at gate opening and gate closing; check, 100 kc counted, reads N

**Time (input A):** Input frequency range, 2 cps to 100 kc; reads, time for N events in msec; period and multiple period, reads time in msec for N periods; time base, 10  $\mu$ sec, 0.1 msec, or 1 msec; accuracy,  $\pm 1$  count  $\pm$  time base accuracy  $\pm$  trigger error\*; check, 100 kc counted, reads time in msec for N cycles

#### Ratio (input A & B):

Input A: Frequency range, 2 cps to 300 kc  
Input B: Frequency range, 2 cps to 100 kc; sensitivity, 0.1 volt rms sine wave; input impedance, 1 megohm; reads,  $\frac{N_A \times \text{Multiplier}}{B}$   
reads  $N \times \text{Multiplier}$  (requires an input to B)

#### TIME BASE STABILITY

##### Internal:

Aging rate,  $< \pm 2$  parts in  $10^6$   
 $+15^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+35^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $< \pm 20$  parts in  $10^6$   
 $-20^\circ\text{C}$  to  $\pm 65^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $< \pm 100$  parts in  $10^6$   
Line Voltage  $\pm 10\%$ ,  $< \pm 1$  part in  $10^6$

#### GENERAL

**Maximum Counting Rate:** 300 kc\*\*

**Registration:** 5 long-life rectangular Nixie tubes with display storage

**Sample Rate:** Time following a gate closing, during which gate cannot be reopened, is continuously variable from less than 0.2 sec to greater than 5 sec in rate mode

**Operating Temperature:**  $-20$  to  $+65^\circ\text{C}$

**Dimensions:** 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide, 3-13/16" high, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " deep

**Printer Output:** Output, 4-line BCD (1-2-2-4); 1-2-4-8 code on special order; print command, step from -29 volts to -1 volt

**Price:** \$1475

\*Trigger error (sine wave) =  $\frac{0.3\% \text{ of one period}}{\text{number of periods}}$  for 40 db signal-to-noise ratio. Trigger error decreases with increased signal amplitude and slope.

\*\*See detailed specifications under Functions

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# PROGRESS REPORT on ALSiMAG<sup>®</sup> CERAMICS

## MINIATURES

### held to close tolerances without grinding

These ALSiMag parts are from present volume production without grinding. Significant dimensions and tolerances are indicated.

Continued gains in this area of precision production are of special interest to engineers working on micro-miniaturization. These are four primary advantages:

1. Steady, large volume production is possible.
2. Cost.
3. In many applications, the virgin surface of the ceramic has favorable electrical characteristics which would be modified by grinding or lapping.
4. Some intricate or difficult designs now become practical, though precision may not be of primary importance.

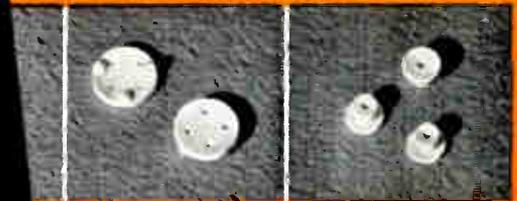
There are so many size and design configurations that it has not been possible to develop general statements covering the exact tolerances obtainable without grinding. These actual examples seem to be the best indicators.

Cooperation between your designers and our production engineers has often resulted in developing dimensional specifications acceptable to both groups. A complete statement of operating requirements is essential.

### PRECISION METALLIZATION

Encouraging progress is being made on certain types of close tolerance metallization particularly in small sizes. If you have a requirement in this field, we suggest current inquiry.

Illustrations approximately actual size.



Holes  $.022 \pm .002$   
Hole Centers  $.200 \pm .005$



Shank O.D.  $.127 \pm .001$   
Hole  $.043 \pm .001$



O.D.  $.275 \pm .005$   
Length  $.140 \pm .005$



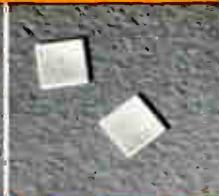
O.D.  $.475 \begin{matrix} +.000 \\ -.004 \end{matrix}$   
Thickness  $.080 \pm .002$



O.D.  $.325 \pm .002$   
Thickness  $.100 \pm .002$   
Hole  $.253 \pm .002$



Shank O.D.  $.118 \pm .002$   
Hole  $.035 \pm .003$   
Hole Centers  $.200 \pm .003$



$.250 \pm .003$  Square  
Thickness  $.020 \pm .002$



O.D.  $.205 \pm .002$   
Hole  $.043 \pm .001$



Thickness  $.040$   
Slot Width  $.020 \pm .002$   
Slot Depth  $.020 \pm .002$



Length  $.251 \pm .002$   
Width  $.124 \pm .002$



O.D.  $.275 \pm .0015$   
Holes  $.020 \pm .0005$



Thickness  $.089 \pm .001$   
Hole  $.125 \begin{matrix} +.0015 \\ -.0000 \end{matrix}$



O.D.  $.150 \pm .005$   
Thickness  $.020 \pm .002$



Thickness  $.030$   
Width  $.170 \pm .005$   
Length  $.280 \pm .005$



O.D.  $.120 \pm .005$   
Thickness  $.032 \pm .005$   
Counter Bore Diameter  $.090 \pm .005$   
Counter Bore Depth  $.012 \pm .002$



O.D.  $.211 \pm .002$   
Holes  $.031 \pm .002$   
Thickness  $.055 \pm .005$



O.D.  $.235 \begin{matrix} +.000 \\ -.250 \end{matrix}$   
Holes  $.020 \pm .002$

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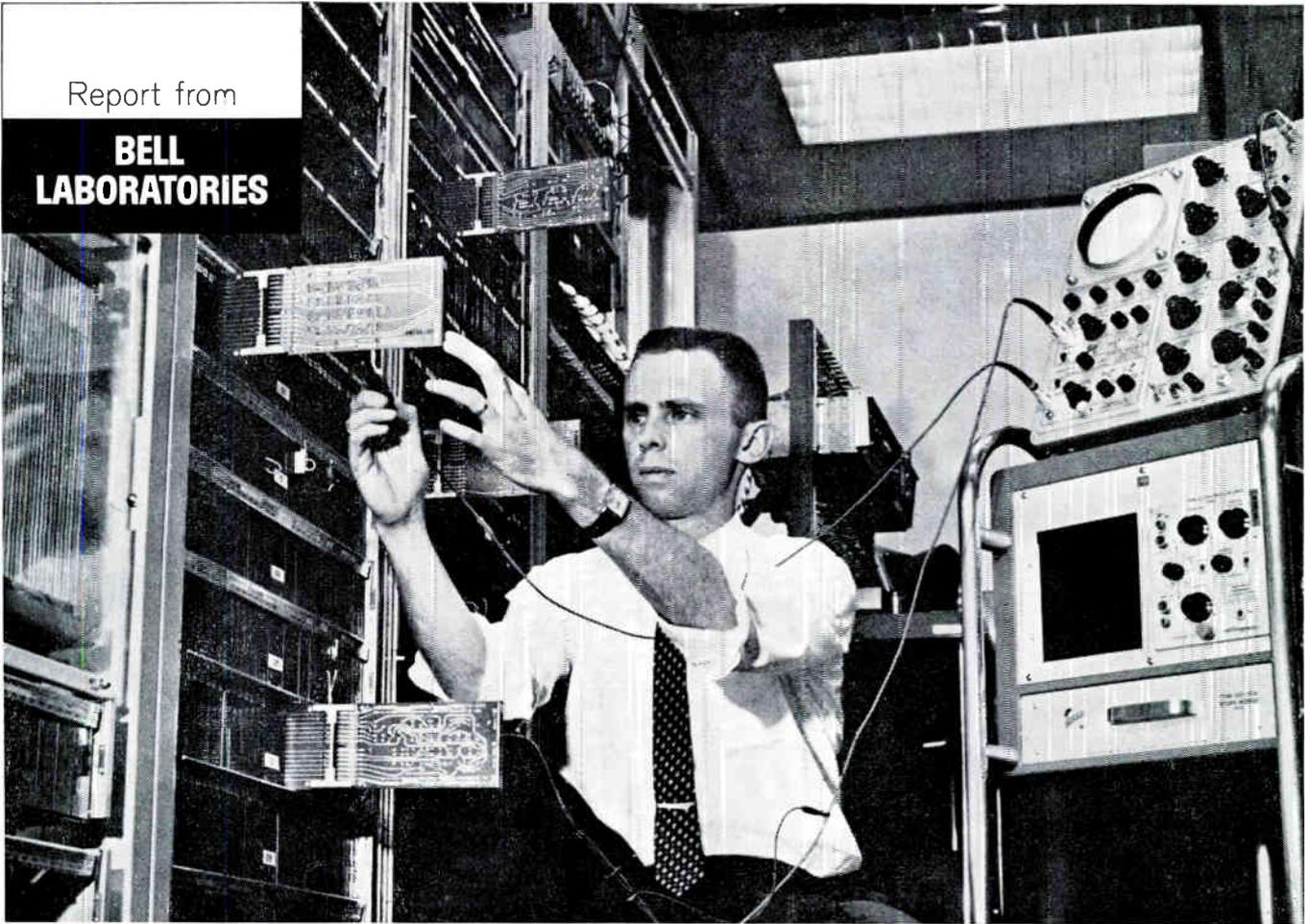
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Bell Laboratories' E. G. Hughes tests printed circuit boards in experimental central office control equipment for 101-Electronic Switching System. The system automatically detects trouble, switching out a defective unit and switching in a duplicate unit so service is not interrupted.

## High-Speed Switching System Provides New Telephone Services for Business

A new electronic switching system designed to meet the special needs of business customers has been developed at Bell Telephone Laboratories. This system provides many new telephone services such as a way for reaching a seven- or ten-digit number by dialing only three digits, setting up conference calls by dialing other customers into the conversation, and automatically transferring incoming calls from your phone to another by predialing special codes.

A notable feature of the new system is a high-speed control unit. Operating from a telephone switching center, the unit scans—thousands of times per second—all the telephone connections in dozens of business offices that may be located many miles apart. It spends only two-thousandths of a second in

each office, but in that time it determines what has to be done and arranges for the necessary actions.

Another feature of the new system is the high-capacity memory. From this, the control unit can draw, in eight-millionths of a second, such specific instructions as how to handle a certain call.

The new switching system operates compatibly with existing electromechanical switching systems in the Bell System. Such Bell Laboratories inventions as the transistor are indispensable to its compactness and the high reliability of its operation. The system was developed for use by businesses as a private branch exchange, and a model has been installed by Western Electric for trial by two New Brunswick, New Jersey, companies.



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The 225-series has remarkably low contact resistance, too. For the solder terminated style, it's under 25 millivolts at 5 amperes.

The bellows-type contact on the 225-series is split down the middle. You get two contact points for every interconnection. This helps keep the contact resistance low, of course, but it also conforms readily to irregular mating surfaces.

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## AND, FURTHERMORE

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The 225-series has twice the flexing range that you'll find on other bellows-type contacts. This means you can rock the board twice as far with no danger of contact distortion.

The 225-series does not waste valuable contact space with a polarizing key. The key is sandwiched in between contacts.

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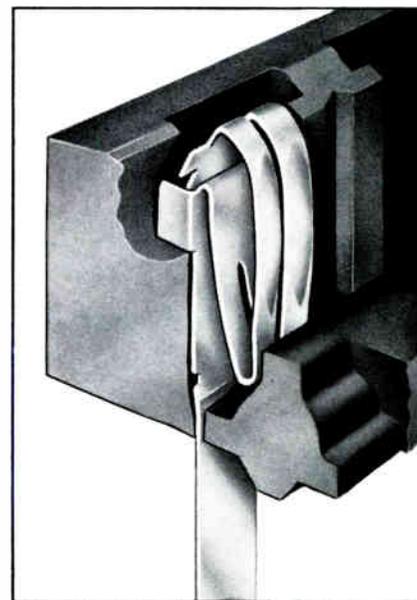
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**Problem:** To make contacts that give an extremely low millivolt drop, yet do not mar printed circuit conductors, even after thousands of insertions.

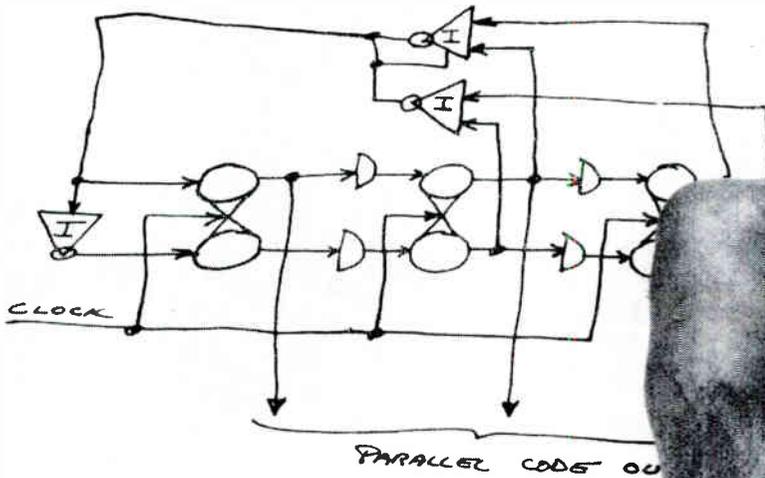
**Solution:** Bifurcated, convex faces for sure contact. Double spring action with wide flexing range. Then double-plate and polish so smooth they caress the mating surface.

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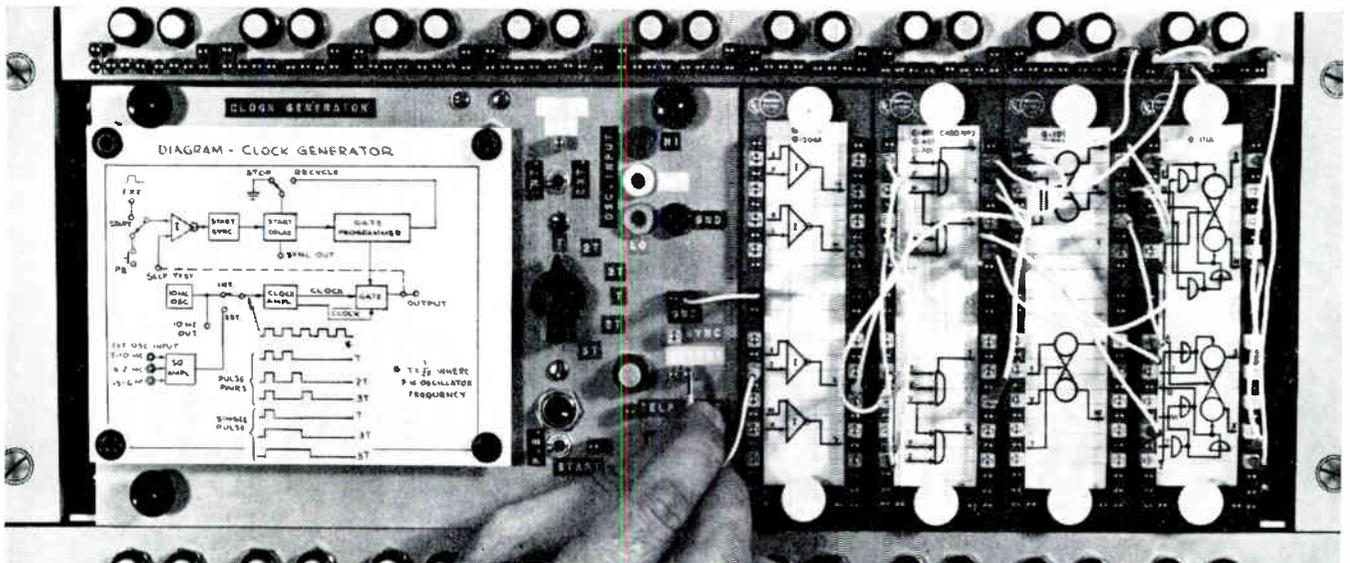


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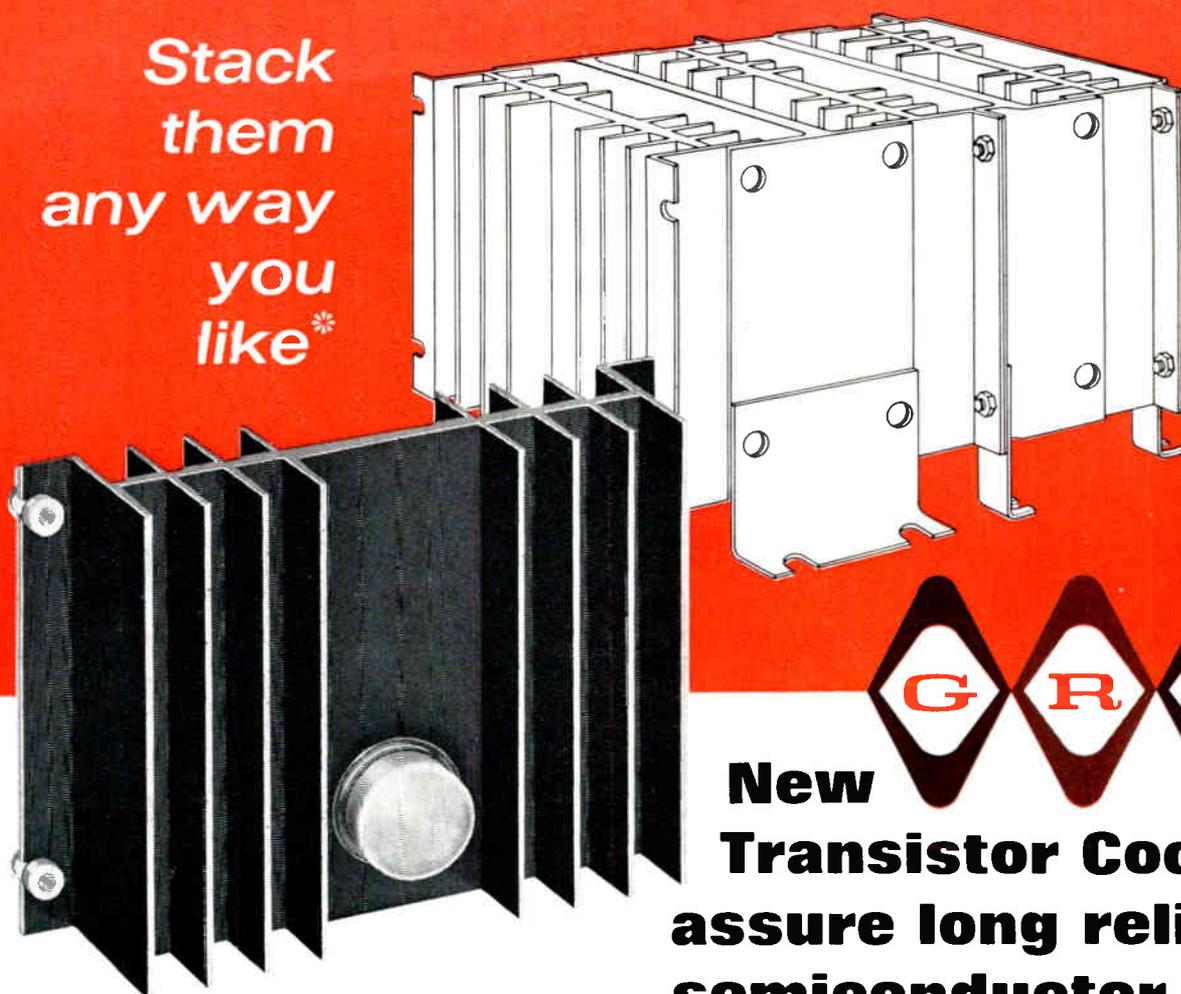
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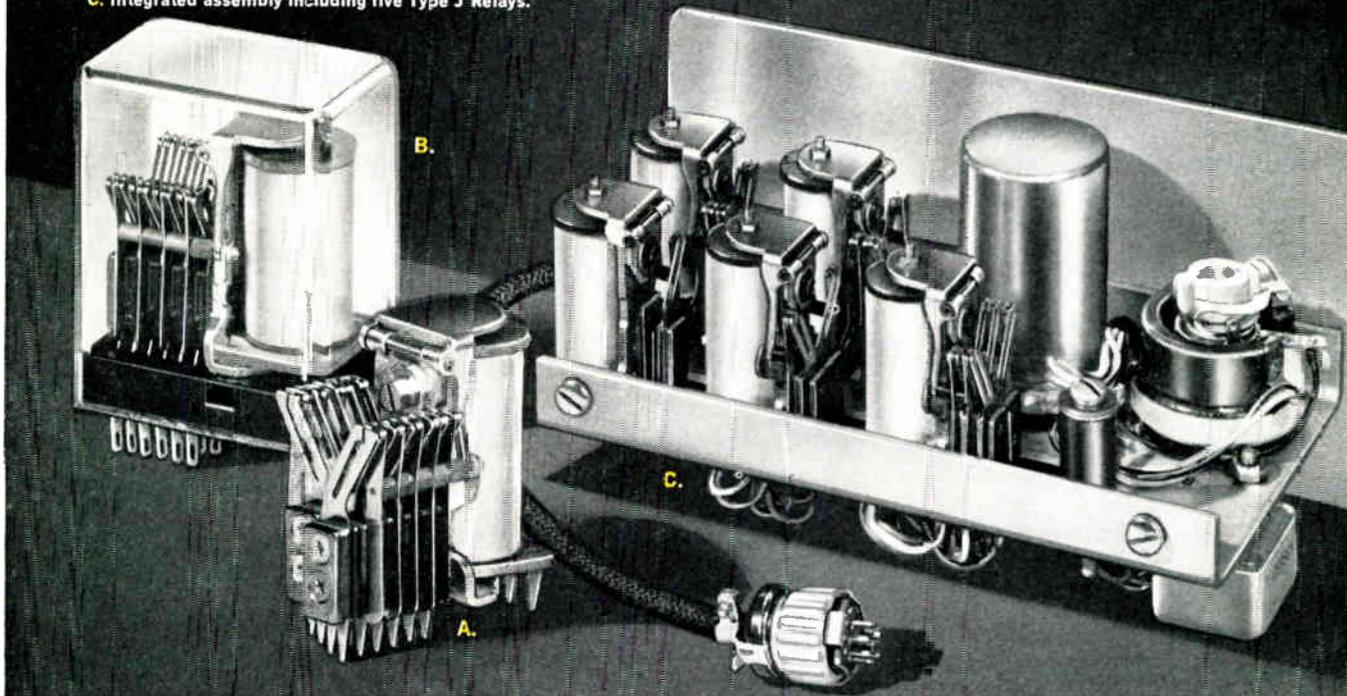
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**Typical Configurations:**

- A. Type J Telephone Type Relay.
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Forms A,B,C,D,E, up to 24 contact springs max.	Low level to 5 amps, 500 watts	Up to 21,000 ohms	Up to 300 vdc Up to 220 vac, 50-60 cps	Fast operate: 5 ms min. Delayed operate: 60 ms max.	Fast release: 5 ms min. Delayed release: 125 ms max.



# WASHINGTON TRENDS

**ANTI-TRUST POLICY CHANGES PONDERED**—New look for Justice Dept. anti-trust policy is expected under William H. Orrick, Jr., new head of the Antitrust Div. But there is some question over what it will be. Most observers say former anti-trust chief Lee Loevinger (now on FCC) was replaced because he concentrated on volume of prosecutions, didn't pay enough attention to detail. Others believe Loevinger was let out because he didn't push hard enough for volume. Whatever the reason, Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy wants something new. It may be he wants to concentrate on a few top cases. From these cases could come guidelines for the rest of industry.

**DEW LINE SECRETS LEAKED**—News that AT&T gave the Russians maps showing undersea cables to U.S. DEW line sites drew sharp rebuke from at least one outraged congressman. Rep. Dan Flood (D., Pa.), hinting the matter could be criminal, demanded the cables be relaid and maps cancelled. Flareup came during recent hearings before a House defense appropriations subcommittee. Pentagon spokesman Brig. Gen. J. F. Raulor, Jr., told lawmakers it would do the Reds no good to cut the cables which provide communications links between U. S. Distant Early Warning radar stations. Raulor said recent cuts in the cable caused by Russian fishing trawlers were accidental.

**SMALL FIRMS HOLD OWN**—Small manufacturers are still getting about 16% of all prime contracts awarded by DOD. Congress has been trying to make it easier for them to bid successfully on more primes. But percentage remains the same. Reasons: Inability to perform on certain contracts, lack of capital, lack of manpower.

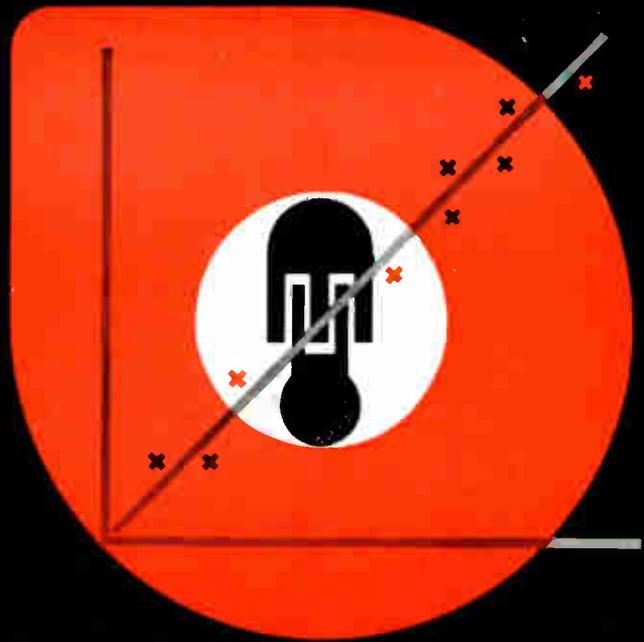
**GOVERNMENT RESEARCH SWELLS**—Research activities of the Federal Government, in non-defense areas as well as in weapons and spacecraft, are mushrooming. The Government, which spends much of its time surveying everything in sight, has just completed studying its own research programs. Compiled by the National Science Foundation, the new 600-page report is the first since 1956. It shows the growth and organization of government scientific activities for 40 government agencies. Covered are operations such as the TVA, P. O. Dept. and AEC. Report, "Federal Organization for Scientific Activities, 1962," (NSF 62-37) is available for \$3.50 from the Supt. of Documents, Washington 25, D. C.

**GLENN WANTS SPACE DATA CENTER**—Astronaut John H. Glenn is prodding the Kennedy Administration and Congress to make more technical data available to industry. Glenn says an information gap is preventing full use of many discoveries made in the space and electronic fields. What's needed: Glenn says a National Information Center, which would close the gap between discoverers and the users of information.

**CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE MAY BE GRADED**—Pentagon is working on plan to grade defense contractors on performance. Grades would play key role in contract awards and could swing deal to bidder with higher grade even though he might be underbid by competitor. Not much objection has been raised to the idea, though DOD suppliers insist the plan allow for such performance variables as labor trouble, interference from the military, added cost of record-keeping and paper work. Program would take into account cost, scheduling, and technical ability. Electronic contractors and subcontractors would keep promises or face a bad grade. It could mean tough sledding on future government contracts.

**TIGHT AM/FM ALLOCATION PROPOSED**—FCC is studying proposed changes in rules on current AM frequency freeze and coordination of AM and FM service. Agency would use AM frequencies only in areas now without adequate broadcast facilities, protect areas of current AM radio stations, limit the number of AM stations per area, and generally require new AM applications to meet strict criteria before being accepted. FCC is considering change in policies on duplicate AM/FM broadcasting, which it believes will help independent FM stations compete for advertising. Eventually, the agency wants to separate AM and FM broadcasting in each locale.

**MOON RACE HELD COSTLY WASTE**—Many Republicans are charging U.S. efforts to put man on moon is wasteful crash program. Conservatives and many liberals in Congress wince at \$5.7 billion space budget asked for this fiscal year, recoil from official estimates that it may take another \$15 billion before a U.S. astronaut reaches moon. Democrats and liberal Republicans argue more would be wasted if the program were slowed down, urge approval of all that space experts ask. The debate gets hot as soon as hearings on funds open. Pace of the moon program will be set by lawmakers' decisions in the next few weeks.



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2N709	300	15	300	0.05	20	0.30	600	3	8	15	15
T-2877	300	15	300	0.05	20	0.30	500	3	8	15	15

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2N2710	300	40	20	300	500	0.30	0.25	300	4	15	25	35
2N2651	300	40	20	300	500	0.30	0.25	350	4	25	35	75
2N914	300	40	15	300	500	0.30	0.25	300	6	20	40 @ 200 ma	40 @ 200 ma
2N834	175	10	30**	300	500	0.30	0.25	350	4	25	35	75
2N784A	300	10	15	300	200	0.30	0.25	300	3.5	15	35	40
2N708	300	40	15	300	500	0.30	0.25	300	6	25		
2N706	175	15	20*	300	500	0.30	0.25	200	6	30		

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# MARKETING

## Facts and Figures Round-Up

### EXEC. CHARGES U.S. NEEDS MORE TWO-BIT THINKING

A business executive charged that we should devote less attention to esoteric science and more to down-to-earth, two-bit thinking on how to stay competitive in world production.

John H. Morrison, president of Hitchiner Manufacturing Co., said that too much U.S. time, talent and money is allocated to scientific research and not nearly enough to advanced manufacturing technologies. He asked for a Presidential Production Council and appointment of a Presidential Production Advisor, on the same level as the President's Scientific Advisor.

He said the economic war that Khrushchev threatens is on the production front. The problems we face in Europe are not only tariff restrictions and money policies, but will we allow overseas markets to erode, or will we find new ways to produce at competitive prices despite lower wage rates abroad?

### NEW TUNER FOR ALL-CHANNEL TV

By May 1, 1964—about 10 months from now—television set makers will have to make the complete production transition from VHF sets to all-channel VHF and UHF sets for sale in interstate commerce and the consumer market.

Among the latest technical developments to give the UHF move a helping kick is a solid state UHF tuner, announced recently by General Instrument Corp. The firm reports that the unit should "equal or better" the performance of its basic tube tuner model used as a standard UHF tuner by 15 set makers.

The new tuner, to be delivered during the current summer to makers of standard and portable TV sets, may be generally used in many sets being made this fall. As the year rolls on, the number of all-channel TV sets should rapidly spurt beyond the current 10% of total TV set productions.

Meanwhile, the FCC is clearing the tracks for further and faster development of UHF-TV.

### MARKET MEN STUDY EFFECT OF EQUAL PAY ON PRICES

Marketing men are watching for the consequences and developments from the "Equal Pay Act of 1963, that prohibits discrimination based on sex in wages paid for employment in interstate commerce."

Managements of firms, where women often outdo men in tedious and painstaking assembly work, wonder how the higher wages will affect sales prices of electronic hardware. An example of price differential in one plant was \$1.40 an hour for women and \$1.55 for men.

Advocates of the bill call it "simple justice" and "essential to maintain and improve our living standard." Though similar bills had been offered, the current bill was passed in response to the

needs of some 24,500,000 women workers who earn about \$45 billion annually.

Congress indirectly employs nearly 500,000 women, 32.7% of all Federal white collar employees. Congress also funds R&D contracts for firms that employ women. In effect, Congress has increased the cost of defense procurement.

EIA, favoring laws against discriminatory wage practices based on sex, urged that: (1) enforcement provisions apply only to a single plant location, and (2) the penalty for violations which would blacklist Government contractors be eliminated.

The new law does not blacklist violators from Federal contracts.

### CABLES VS. SATELLITES, UNDERSEA ACTIVITY GOING UP

When thinking of communications satellites versus undersea cables, businessmen tend to think—"a bird in the hand is worth, and all that." Their reason? Cables are practical, while satellites are still experimental.

Publicity has been lavished on satellites and the rush of activity in the international cable business has been generally overlooked, in spite of the fact that a new cable now connects Florida and Jamaica; an extension links with Panama.

At present the American Cable and Radio Corp., subsidiary of IT&T, uses the Florida-Jamaica-Panama Canal Zone cable to provide 22 telegraph circuits. The FCC has authorized AT&T and the Hawaiian Telephone Co. to run a second submarine telephone cable between California and Hawaii for increased service. The new Hawaii cable will link with new cables being laid between Hawaii and Japan, and with British cable being laid from Canada to Australia via Hawaii.

"Ocean telephone cables and satellites will surely be needed to carry the fast-rising volume of overseas communications," remarked AT&T board chairman Frederick R. Kappel.

Meanwhile, Gen. David Sarnoff,

RCA board chairman, believes that the Communications Satellite Corporation should take over all U. S. international telephone, cables and satellites, to act as the "chosen instrument" of the U. S. Government in international communications.

### PRIVATE PLANE RISE FOSTERS NEW MARKETS

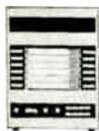
As the private airplane business grows, so grows the aviation electronics business, and with it comes new electronics markets.

Robert P. Bauer, treasurer-controller of Cessna Aircraft Co. reports that the private aircraft industry has penetrated less than 5% of the available market. In 1962 the industry sold \$137 million worth of light planes (nearly 7,000 units, compared with 2,300 sold in 1951).

The FAA forecasts that private aircraft will rise in numbers by 50% by 1968. In the 1962 fiscal, the FAA spent \$12 million of its matching-grant airport funds in private airport development. For fiscal 1963 it will hit near \$18.7 million. The conservative estimate for 1964 is \$25 million.

Greater amounts are expected to be spent by respective states.

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## "CALL FOR PAPERS"

14th Nat'l Conf. of the PTG-VC, Dec. 5-6, 1963, Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, Tex. Papers to be concerned specifically with vehicular communications. Possible subject areas include vehicular systems, equipment, or circuit designs, uses of new types of components or related circuitry, interference reduction or spectrum utilization, VHF maritime and air-ground communications. Forward 500-word abstract by *Aug. 17, 1963*, to: Jack Germain, Motorola, Inc., 4501 W. Augusta Blvd., Chicago 51, Ill

## ENGINEERING EDUCATION

### Short courses of interest to engineers Engineering Research

The 1963 Engineering Foundation Research Conferences will be held at Proctor Academy, Andover, N. H., Aug. 5-30, 1963. Conferences will focus on topics of current importance to the engineering profession. These include: "Technology and the Civilian Economy," Aug. 5-9; "Continuation," Aug. 12-16; and "Engineering in Medicine," Aug. 19-23. A fourth conference, Aug. 26-30, will concern urban transportation research. Registration fee is \$100. For additional information, contact Dr. Harold K. Work, Director, Engineering Foundation, 345 E. 47th St., New York 17, N. Y.

### Integrated Circuit Design

A course of instruction on integrated circuit design for high-level engineers will be held July 15-Aug. 2, 1963, at Motorola Semiconductor Products Div., Phoenix, Ariz. The first section, July 15-26, will be a general review of integrated circuit design technology. Basic theory and design considerations will be taught. The second section, July 29-Aug. 2, will enable the engineer to set up a complete integrated circuit breadboard assembly operation. The first section costs \$900 and the second, \$3,000 per registrant. Contact: Mr. Lothar Stern, Manager, Technical Information Center, Motorola Semiconductor Products, Inc., Phoenix 8, Ariz.

### CONFERENCE CANCELLED

The 1963 Microminiaturization Congress, scheduled for July 25-27 at the Sheraton-Park Hotel, in Washington, D. C., cancelled. Its sponsor was the American Watchmakers Institute.

# COMING EVENTS

...in the electronic industry

## JULY

- July 14-19: Conv., Nat'l. Ass'n. of Power Eng'rs; Everglades Hotel, Miami, Fla.
- July 15-17: 3rd Annual Rochester Conf. on Data Acquisition & Processing in Medicine & Biol., Univ. of Rochester, IEEE (PTG-BME); Whipple Audit., Univ. of Rochester Med. Ctr., Rochester, N. Y.
- July 21-24: Amer. Astronomical Soc. Mtg.; Univ. of Alaska, College, Alaska
- July 24-25: Annual Mtg., Amer. Ass'n. of Cost Eng'rs.; Sheraton-Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.

## AUGUST

- Aug. 5-9: 8th Annual Tech. Symp., Soc. of Photo. Instrumentation Eng'rs.; Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Aug. 7-9: 12th Annual Conf. on the Application of X-Ray Analysis, Univ. of Denver Res. Inst.; Albany Hotel, Denver, Colo.
- Aug. 11-15: Heat Transfer Conf. & Exh., ASME, AIChE; Somerset Hotel, Boston, Mass.
- Aug. 11-17: Annual Ind. Res. Conf., Columbia Univ.; Arden Hs., Harri-man, N. Y.
- Aug. 12-14: AIAA Guidance & Control Conf.; Mass. Inst. of Tech., Cambridge, Mass.
- Aug. 14-16: Symp. on Electronic Circuit Packaging, Univ. of Colo.; Univ. of Colo., Boulder, Colo.
- Aug. 19-21: Cryogenic Eng'g. Conf.; Univ. of Colo., Boulder, Colo.
- Aug. 26-28: Conf. on Simulation for Aerospace Flight, AIAA; Deshler-Hilton Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.
- Aug. 26-28: Conf. on Physics of Entry into Planetary Atmospheres, AIAA; Mass. Inst. of Tech., Cambridge, Mass.
- Aug. 26-28: 46th Summer Mtg., MAA; Univ. of Colo., Boulder, Colo.
- Aug. 26-29: Pacific IEEE Gen'l. Mtg.; Davenport Hotel, Spokane, Wash.
- Aug. 26-30: 68th Summer Mtg., AMS; Boulder, Colo.
- Aug. 26-30: Annual Summer Mtg., Soc. for Ind. & Applied Mathematics; Univ. of Colo., Boulder, Colo.
- Aug. 26-31: Annual Mtg., Electron Microscope Soc. of America; Denver-Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colo.
- Aug. 27-30: 18th ACM Nat'l. Mtg. & Exh.; Denver-Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colo.

## SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 8-13: AchS Fall Mtg.; New York, N. Y.
- Sept. 9-11: 7th Nat'l. Conv. on Military Electronics (MIL-E-CON 7), IEEE (PTG-MIL); Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C.

- Sept. 9-12: 18th Annual Instrument & Automation Conf. & Exh., ISA; McCormick Place, Chicago, Ill.
- Sept. 10-12: Fall EIA Conf.; Biltmore Hotel, New York, N. Y.
- Sept. 10-13: Ceramic-Metal Systems Fall Mtg., ACS; French Lick Hotel, French Lick, Ind.
- Sept. 10-14: Electrical Insulation Conf., IEEE, NEMA; Conrad-Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
- Sept. 11-13: SME Annual Fall Mtg. & Rocky Mountain Minerals Conf., AIIME; Salt Lake City, Utah.
- Sept. 12-13: 11th Annual Joint Eng'g. Mgmt. Conf., IEEE, ASME, AIIE, ASCE, and others; Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Sept. 16-18: Nat'l. Conf. on Antisubmarine Warfare, AIAA, ONR; San Diego, Calif.
- Sept. 16-20: 13th Int'l. Mgmt. Cong., Int'l. Committee for Scientific Mgmt.; Waldorf Astoria, New York Hilton Hotels, New York, N. Y.

## '63 Highlights

- ICEAS, Int'l Conf. & Exh. on Aerospace Support, Aug. 4-9, IEEE, ASME; Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- WESCON, Western Electronic Show and Conf., Aug. 20-23, IEEE, WEMA; Cow Palace, San Francisco, Calif.
- NEC, National Electronics Conf., Oct. 28-30, IEEE, McCormick Place, Chicago, Ill.
- NEREM, Northeast Research and Eng. Mtg., Nov. 4-6, IEEE; Commonwealth Armory, Boston, Mass.

- Sept. 18-19: 12th Annual Ind. Electronics Symp., IEEE, ISA; Mich. St. Univ., E. Lansing, Mich.
- Sept. 22-25: Nat'l. Power Conf., IEEE, ASME; Netherland-Hilton Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Sept. 23-24: Int'l. Conf., AIIE; New York, N. Y.
- Sept. 23-24: Reg. Tech. Conf., SPE; Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass.
- Sept. 25-26: 2nd Annual Symp. on Physics of Failure in Electronics, Rome Air Development Ctr., IIT Res. Inst.; Ill. Inst. of Tech., Chicago, Ill.
- Sept. 25-28: Materials & Eqpt. and White Wares Divs. Fall Mtg., ACS; Bedford Springs Hotel, Bedford, Pa.
- Sept. 29-Oct. 2: 51st Nat'l. Mtg., Amer. Inst. Chem. Eng'rs.; Hotel America, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- Sept. 29-Oct. 3: Fall Mtg., Electrochemical Soc.; Hotel New Yorker, New York, N. Y.
- Sept. 30-Oct. 3: Nat'l. Fall Mtg., AWS; Hotel Statler-Hilton, Boston, Mass.

## OCTOBER

- Oct. 1-2: Engineering Problems of Manned Interplanetary Exploration Mtg., AIAA; Cabana Motor Hotel, Palo Alto, Calif.
- Oct. 1-2: SPE Reg. Tech. Conf. on Reinforced Plastics & Chemical-Electronics Symp.; Cleveland Sheraton Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Oct. 1-3: 8th Nat'l. Symp. on Space Electronics, IEEE (PTG-SET); Fontainebleu Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla.
- Oct. 1-3: North Central Reg. Conf., NACE; Hotel President, Kansas City, Mo.
- Oct. 2-4: Western Reg. Conf., NACE; Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, Calif.
- Oct. 2-4: Electronics Div. Fall Mtg., ACS; Riverside Hotel, Gatlinburg, Tenn.
- Oct. 3-5: Refractories Div. Fall Mtg., ACS; Bedford Springs Hotel, Bedford, Pa.
- Oct. 4-6: Amer. Radio Relay League Nat'l. Conv.; Cleveland, Ohio.
- Oct. 6-8: Basic Sci. Div. Fall Mtg., ACS; Nat'l. Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.
- Oct. 7-9: 9th Nat'l. Communications Symp., IEEE (PTG-CS); Utica, N. Y.
- Oct. 7-10: 13th Annual Instrument Symp. & Res. Eqpt. Exh., Nat'l. Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.
- Oct. 9-10: 1963 ERA/ISA Electronics & Instrumentation Exp.; Seattle Ctr. Display Hall, Seattle, Wash.
- Oct. 9-11: 21st Annual Aerospace Electrical/Electronics Conf., Aerospace Electrical Soc.; Pan Pacific Audit., Los Angeles, Calif.
- Oct. 9-12: Glass Div. Fall Mtg., ACS; Bedford Springs Hotel, Bedford, Pa.
- Oct. 13-18: Semi-Annual Conv., SMPTE; Somerset Hotel, Boston, Mass.
- Oct. 14-16: Materials Handling Conf., IEEE, ASME; Chamberlain Hotel, Ft. Monroe, Va.
- Oct. 14-17: South Central Reg. Conf., NACE; Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Oct. 14-18: Annual Fall Conv., Audio Eng'g. Soc.; Barbizon-Plaza Hotel, New York, N. Y.
- Oct. 14-18: Nat'l. Mtg., Soc. for Applied Spectroscopy; El Cortez Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
- Oct. 15-17: 9th Tri-Service Conf. on Electromagnetic Compatibility, IIT Res. Inst., U. S. Army, Navy and Air Force, IEEE (PTG-RFI); Ill. Inst. of Tech., Chicago, Ill.
- Oct. 15-23: Anglo-American Conf., AIAA, Canadian Aeronautics & Space Inst., Royal Aeronautical Soc.; New Ocean House, Swampscott, Mass.
- Oct. 16-18: Nat'l. Symp. on Vacuum Technology, Amer. Vacuum Soc.; Statler-Hilton Hotel, Boston, Mass.
- Oct. 17-18: Reg. Mtg., AIIE; Dallas-Ft. Worth, Tex.

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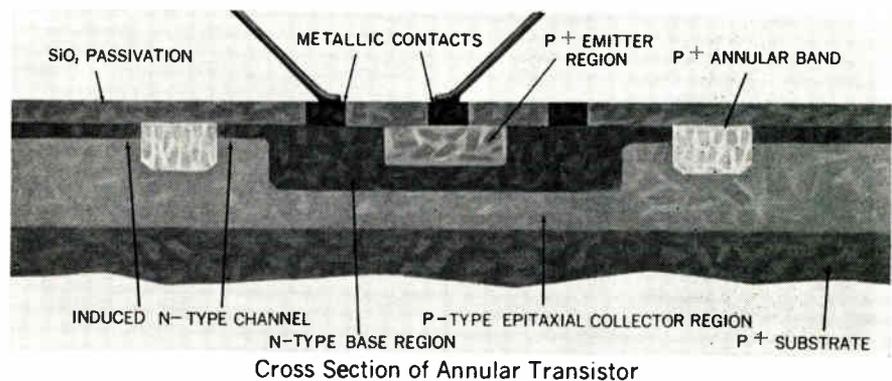
## Now from MOTOROLA Epitaxial, Passivated PNP SILICON TRANSISTORS Made by the Annular\* Process

Some new words are being added to the dictionary of semiconductor terms—words like Annular<sup>o</sup> and Band-Guard<sup>†</sup>, words that relate to a new manufacturing process which will have a strong influence on transistor design and promises to open new areas for transistor applications. The Annular manufacturing process provides a new degree of freedom from surface effects for semiconductor products.

For years, the industry had been working to design high voltage silicon PNP transistors with the low leakage currents normally associated with NPN types, surface passivated by the planar process. For PNP devices, planar techniques proved inadequate since any attempt to increase voltage ratings beyond approximately 20 volts (through increasing collector material resistivity) induced a phenomenon, called channeling, which actually increased leakage current far beyond tolerable levels.

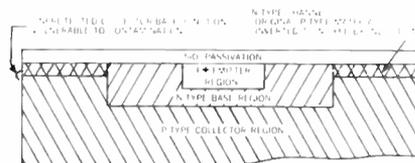
*Channeling is a condition whereby the surface portion of a transistor collector region actually changes polarity and becomes an extension of the base region. The base-collector junction, therefore, rather than coming to the top surface where it is protected from the environment by a silicon oxide coating, extends to the unprotected edges of the transistor where it is subject to contamination and surface damage. This phenomenon circumvents the passivation advantages of planar designs and results in excessive leakage currents.*

*The formation of channels has been traced to effects of ionized or polarized particles on or within the passivating oxide coating which create an electrical environment that tends to alter the apparent polarity of the material directly*



*beneath the oxide—an effect which is particularly pronounced in lightly doped P-type material. The channels are random in nature and erratic in characteristics, and can be highly sensitive to radiation bombardment.*

As a result of channeling, some manufacturers have reverted to earlier silicon mesa structures or have deliberately circumvented the oxide passivation in planar transistors in order to produce high voltage devices. These methods have yielded high voltage ratings but other characteristics of the resulting transistors do not compare favorably with those of surface passivated devices.



Cross Section of Planar Transistor

Now, Motorola has overcome these obstacles—but it has taken a new manufacturing process to do so. Rather than trying to eliminate the channel, Motorola, in a new series of “Band-Guard” transistors, has deliberately introduced a channel whose controlled characteristics completely overshadow the variable effects of any randomly induced channel, thus providing a high

degree of performance stability. Moreover the controlled channel is terminated close to the base region by a diffused annular band of the same polarity as the collector region but with a resistivity level impervious to channeling. The collector-base junction, therefore, is properly terminated underneath the oxide coating where it is protected against environmentally induced leakage currents. The resultant “Band-Guard” PNP silicon devices, for the first time, combine the low-leakage characteristics of passivated junctions with the high-voltage characteristics of non-passivated, or mesa structures.

And, if theoretical analysis of this process is confirmed by tests now in progress, they will prove to be more resistant to radiation, thus heralding improved performance and greater reliability of space equipment.

Though initially devised for the production of high voltage silicon PNP transistors, there are strong indications that the Annular process yields major benefits for NPN and field effect transistors and other semiconductor devices as well.

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**Oxide Surface Passivation** — Prevents contamination of the junction by external agents. Makes possible the low collector leakage current (1/10th that of other PNP units) of Motorola's "Band-Guard" transistors.

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Motorola passivated, epitaxial "Band-Guard" transistors are immediately available from your Motorola Semiconductor Distributor or District Office. For full electrical specifications write: Technical Information Center, Motorola Semiconductor Products, Inc., Box 955, Phoenix 1, Arizona.

"Band-Guard" Transistor Performance Ratings

Characteristic	2N2800 (TO-18 pkg)	2N2801 (TO-18 pkg)	2N2837 (TO-18 pkg)	2N2838 (TO-18 pkg)	Unit
Collector-Base Breakdown Voltage ( $I_c = 10 \mu\text{A dc}$ , $I_e = 0$ )	50	50	50	50	Vdc
Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage ( $I_c = 100 \text{ mA dc}$ , $I_e = 0$ )	35	35	35	35	Vdc
Collector Cutoff Current ( $V_{ce} = 25 \text{ Vdc}$ , $V_{be} = 0.5 \text{ Vdc}$ )	190	100	100	100	nA dc
DC Forward Current Transfer Ratio ( $I_c = 150 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{ce} = 10 \text{ Vdc}$ )	30-90	75-225	30-90	75-225	—
Current-Gain — Bandwidth Product ( $I_c = 50 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{ce} = 10 \text{ Vdc}$ , $f = 100 \text{ mc}$ )	120	120	120	120	mc

\* Pulse Test: Pulse Width  $\leq 300 \mu\text{sec}$ , duty cycle  $\leq 2\%$

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Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage ( $I_c = 100 \text{ mA dc}$ pulsed)	35	40	45	35	Vdc
Collector Cutoff Current ( $V_{ce} = 30 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_e = 0$ ) ( $V_{ce} = 50 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_e = 0$ )	10	—	—	1.0	$\mu\text{A dc}$
DC Forward Current Transfer Ratio ( $I_c = 150 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{ce} = 10 \text{ Vdc}$ )	30-90	30-90	30-90	30-90	—
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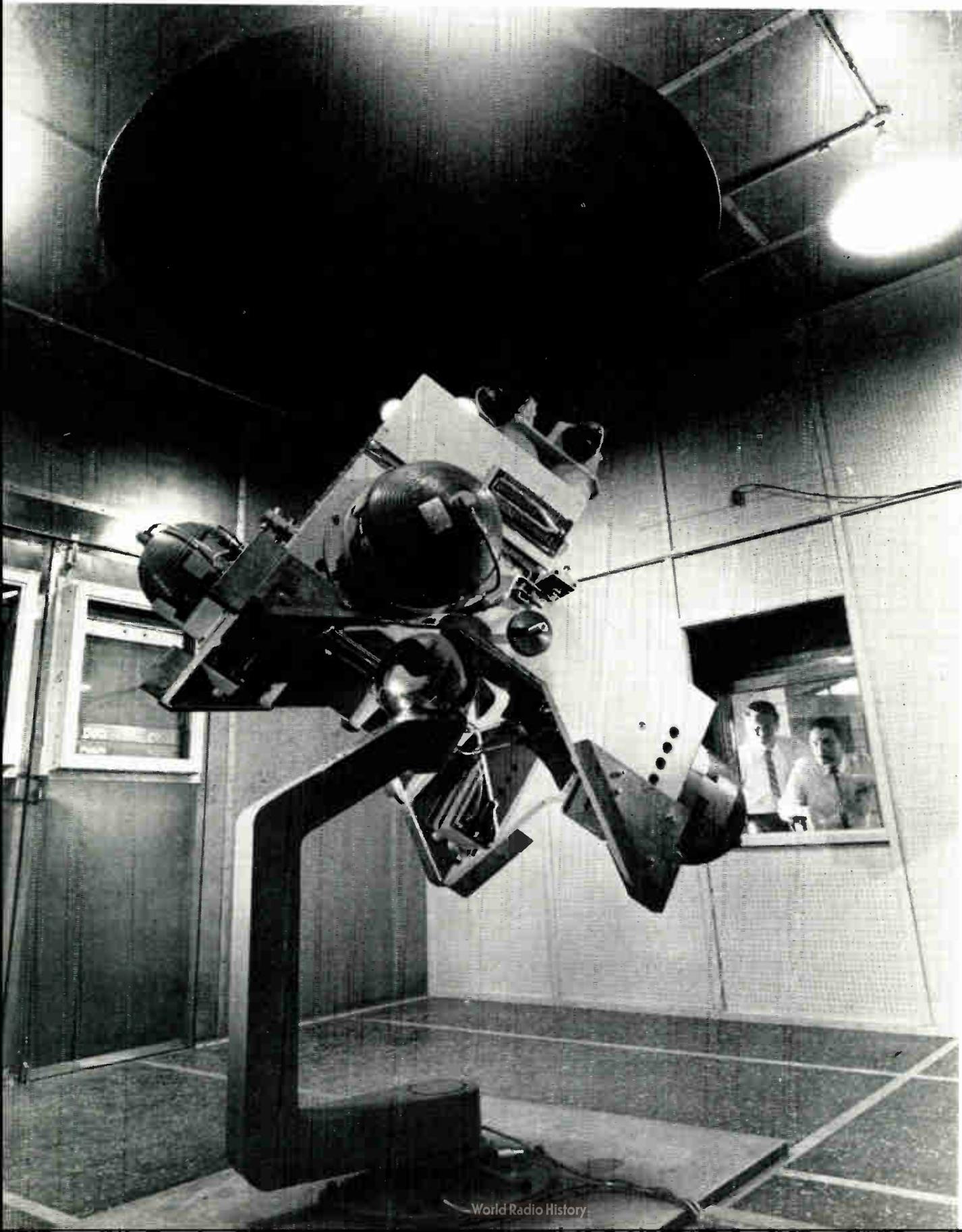
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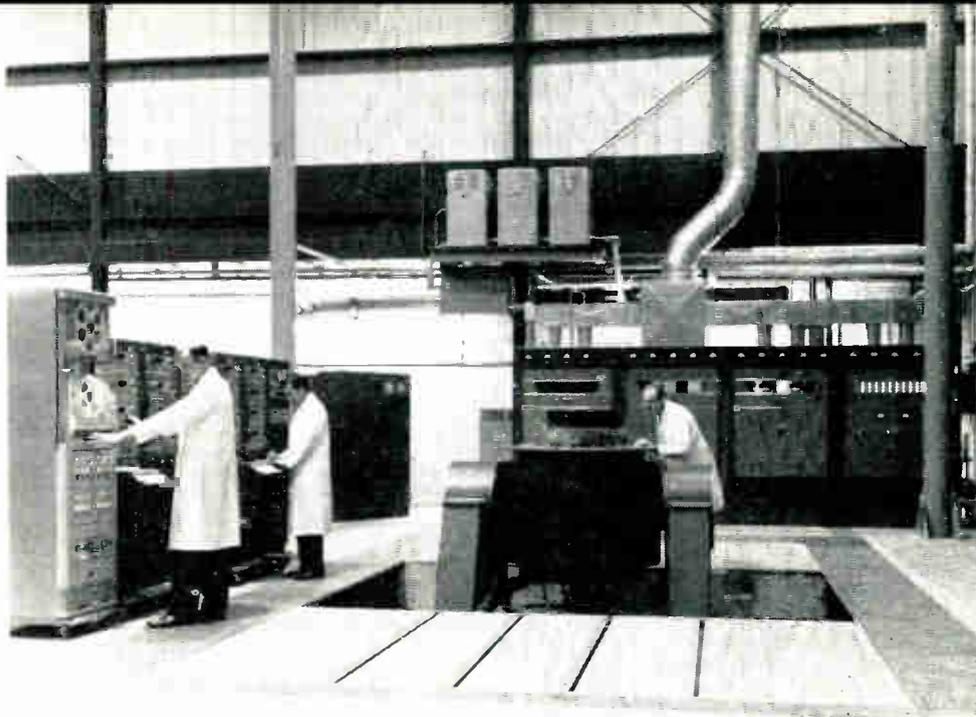
Balanced on its 12 in. dia. stainless steel air bearing, satellite motion simulator at Westinghouse, Baltimore, Md., is being used to test a new satellite attitude control system. Simulator imitates the movement

of a satellite orbiting the earth. Equipment is so delicately balanced on its air bearing that air movement in a normal room would disturb it so it is installed in a special air-conditioned room.



### SHAKER SYSTEMS

Laboratory engineers (r) adjust data recording equipment for a test on the LTV Ling Electronics Div. (Garland, Tex.) L-200 shaker system. This system exerts 22,000 lbs of force and can drive a 100-lb test package to 100 G's. Driving the L-200 is a power amplifier which can also be used to operate an induction furnace that can heat a re-entry vehicle or component to more than 2,500 degrees F.



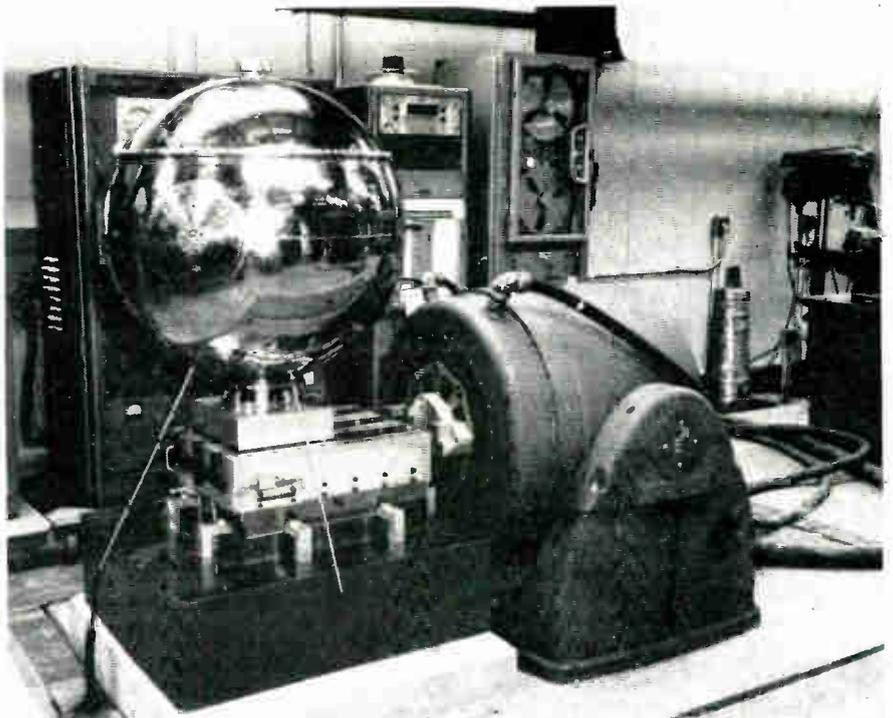
### ALTITUDE-TEMPERATURE CHAMBER

Lab technicians at Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp.'s lab in Syosset, N. Y., prepare vibration exciter for test inside altitude-temperature chamber. Entire 15 ft. wide wall has been lowered to permit movement of shaker into chamber by a powered gantry.



### FLYING LABORATORY

Before NASA's Explorer XVII "flying laboratory" satellite went into orbit, it underwent a series of vibration tests at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Md. An MB Electronics (New Haven, Conn.) 10,000 pounds-of-force vibrator was used in the test. Right: satellite undergoes shake tests on "slippery" table in horizontal mode.

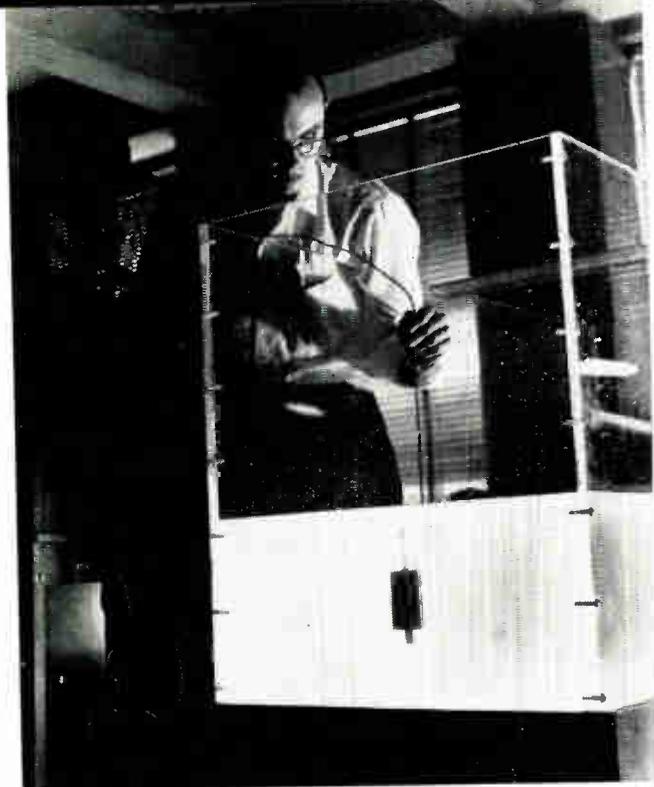


### TENSILE TEST

Engineers at AMP, Inc. (r), use these machines to test the company's products. Tensile stresses can be measured from 0.10 ounce to 120,000 pounds with error of less than 0.5 percent at laboratory in Harrisburg, Pa.



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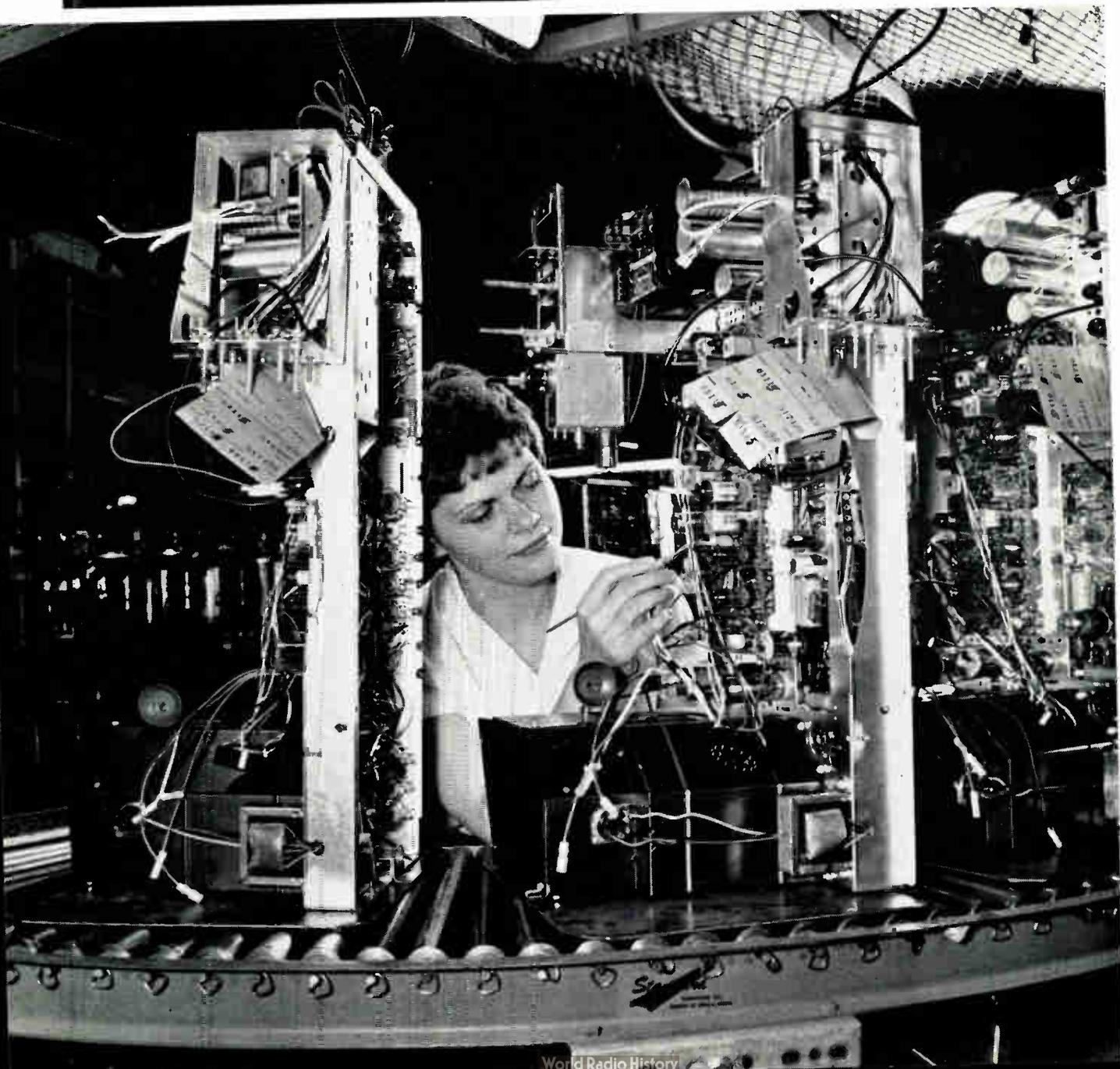
## SNAPSHOTS . . . (Continued)

### ULTRASONIC 'THERMOMETER'

Developed by scientists at the Westinghouse Research Laboratories in Pittsburgh, Pa., this ultrasonic "thermometer" can pinpoint underwater temperatures at extreme depths to 0.05°F. It does this with ultrasonic vibrations, which change in frequency with changes in temperature. The vibrations are converted to electrical pulses, which are sent to the surface of the water and are then counted.

### COMPLEX CHASSIS

Complex chassis for color Silvertone television set is given thorough inspection by a "bank inspector" at the Warwick Manufacturing Corp., Zion, Ill. Inspector Mildred Kulin checks all connections and wire routings before chassis is allowed to proceed to next operation.



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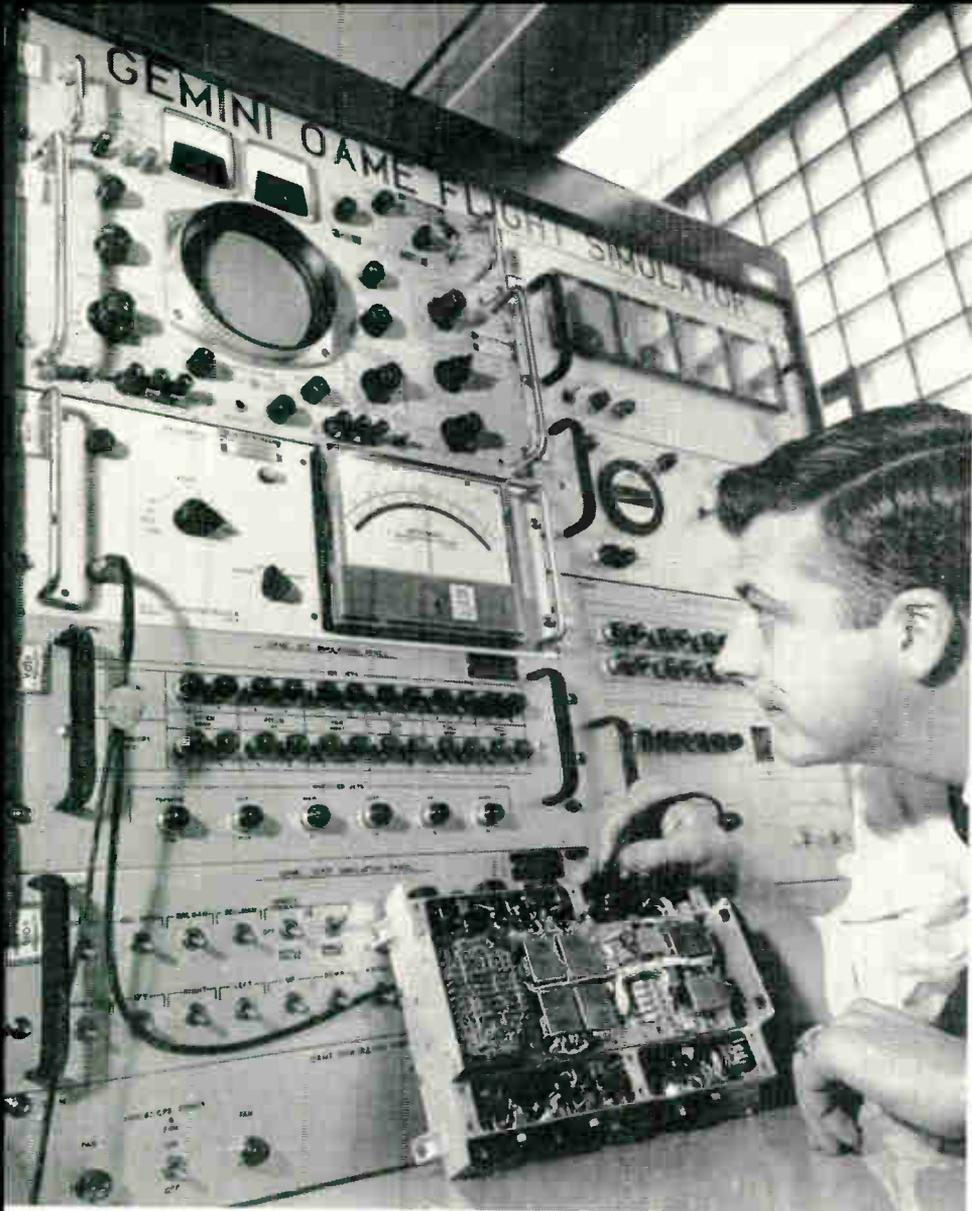
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### MINIATURE BRAIN

Computer is dwarfed by flight simulator used to test it. Engineer C. Torborg tests the tiny computer which is called OAME (OH-ME) for Orbit Attitude and Maneuver Electronics. Computer is one of two that Honeywell (Minneapolis) builds for Gemini control system.

### ENDURANCE TESTING

Cook Electric Co., Morton Grove, Ill., developed semi-automatic readout equipment (at left) to transmit data from the environmental chambers to electronic typewriter. Equipment was used to supply Corning Glass Works with data on thousands of glass resistors during a total of 4,000 hours of endurance testing.



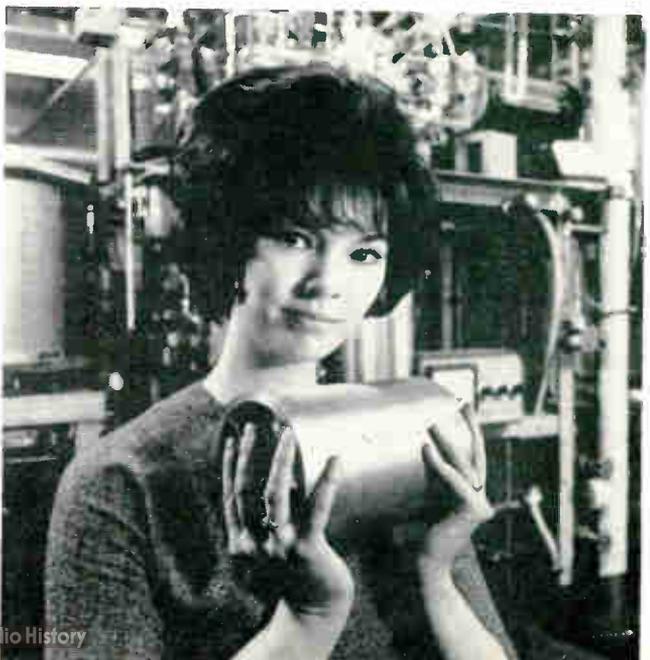
### AUTOMATED MACHINE

Circuit board pattern was provided by master cylinder of this machine developed by Marosi Precision Products Co., Inc., El Cajon, Calif. New machine uses an electrolytic method of automatically removing unwanted metal from metal-clad boards. Conventional methods use an acid etching process which requires much hand work by labor. Machine makes use of Dow Chemical Co.'s new ion exchange resins. Friden, Inc., San Leandro, Calif., has purchased the first machine.



### SLIM AND TRIM

Superconducting electro-magnet held by this young lady weighs only 19 pounds. It can create magnetic forces that would require a 600 pound Alnico V permanent magnet to duplicate. The new magnet was designed and produced by The Arnold Engineering Co., Marengo, Ill., a subsidiary of Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.



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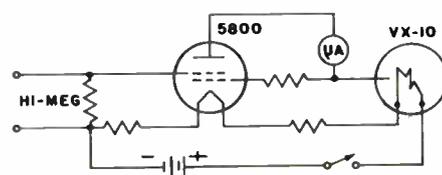
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**INSTABILITY OF THE DC LEVEL** of electrometer tubes, particularly in a direct-coupled amplifier, has long been a disconcerting problem for design engineers. One factor contributing to this instability is the result of simultaneous application of plate voltage and filament voltage. Even the 10 mA filaments commonly used in these tubes require up to 1 second to come to full emission temperature. During this time the tube is operating in an emission-limited mode. Resulting instability may require from a few seconds to several hours for correction.

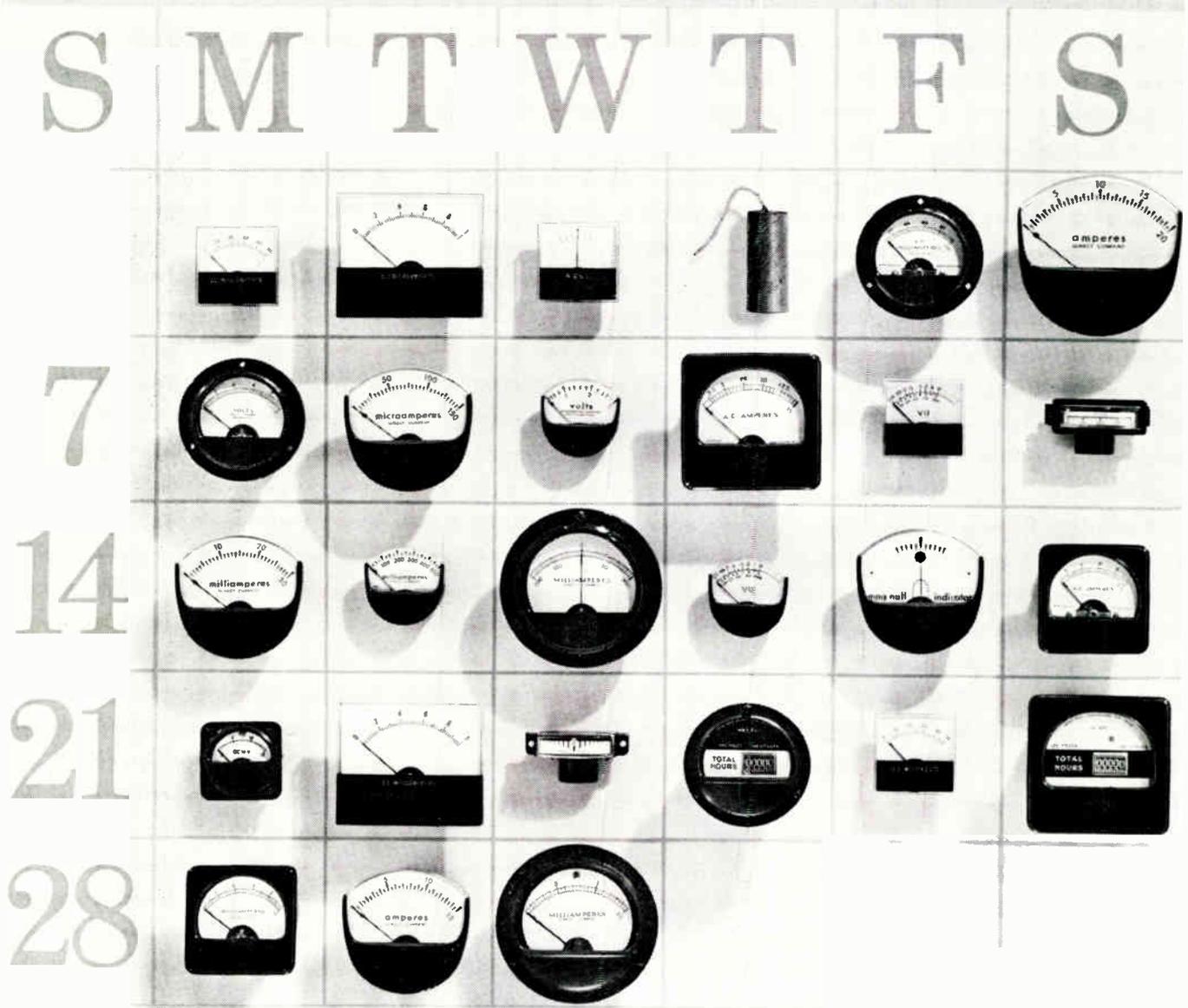


Victoreen has produced two Thermal Time Delay Relays to prevent this destabilization: The VX-10 and VX-69, each of which automatically provides approximately 1 second delay in the application of plate voltages.

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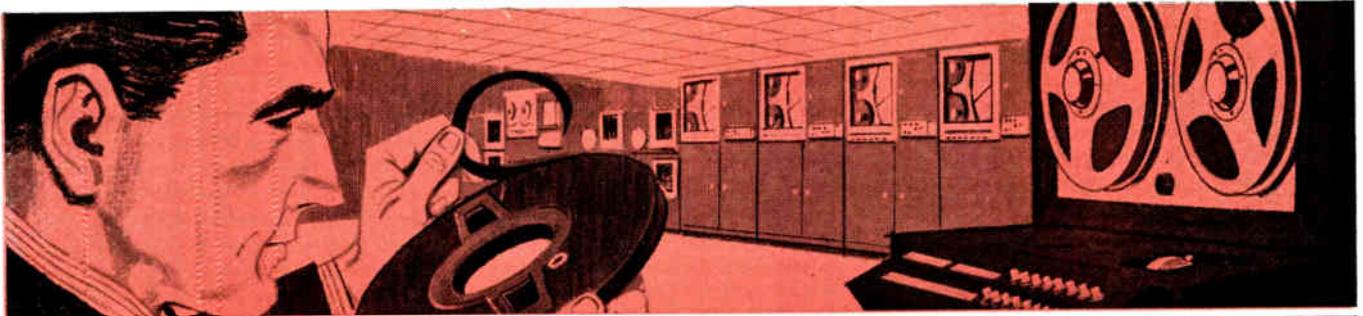
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TYPE GB 1 WATT

MIL TYPE RC 32

TYPE HB 2 WATTS

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One of the circuit cards showing use of A-B resistors. Allen-Bradley hot molded fixed resistors are available in all EIA and MIL-R-11 standard resistance values and tolerances.

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# WHAT'S NEW

## NASA FACILITY GETS HUGE SPACE CHAMBERS

THE FIRST OF TWO HUGE SPACE CHAMBERS at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., has been completed and put to work testing spacecraft.

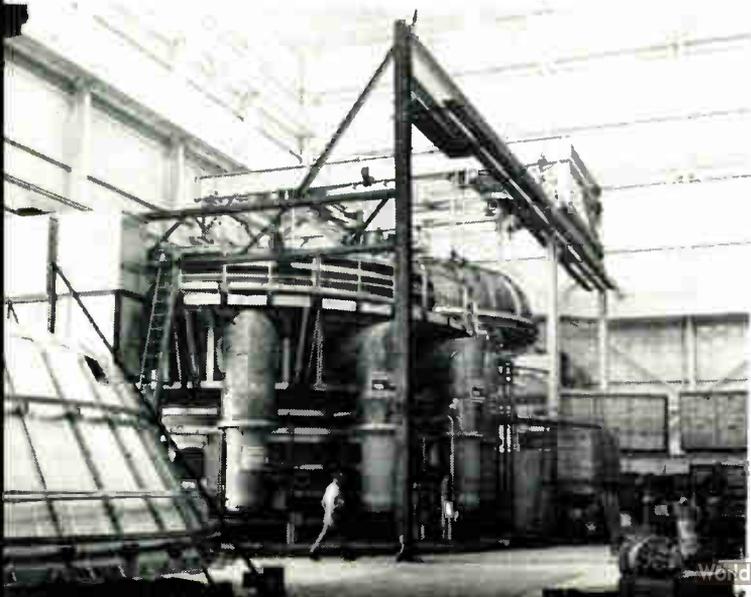
Each chamber is a stainless steel cylinder 33 ft. wide and 58 ft. high. Internal working dimensions are 27 by 40 ft., which leaves room to spare for such bulky vehicles as the 3,500 lb. Orbiting Astronomical Observatory satellite.

The tank now in operation is called the Dynamic

Sunlight will be reproduced along with scorching heat by 127 powerful arc lamps at the top of this space chamber. Through a system of special lenses and reflectors, the lamps will simulate the sun's rays as they appear in certain areas of space.



Giant pumps leading from one of two space chambers will be used to help evacuate the chamber as it simulates conditions of outer space. About half of the 58-foot-high chamber is shown here, the other half extends through to the floor below.



Test Chamber. The second, a Space Environment Simulator (SES), is scheduled for completion in Nov.

The Dynamic Test Chamber will test mechanical spacecraft performance such as spinup, solar paddle erection, dynamic balancing and the testing of control systems that use gas jets to orient the vehicle.

The SES will achieve a pressure below  $5 \times 10^{-8}$  torr, about 100 billionth of an earth atmosphere. Mechanical and oil vapor pumps will remove most of the air. Cryogenic panels in which gaseous helium is circulated will condense most of the remaining molecules.

A feature of the SES will be solar simulation. A solar simulator will produce energy variable from 65 w/ft.<sup>2</sup> (Mars orbit) to 130 w/ft.<sup>2</sup> (Earth orbit). The simulation method being used could be extended to 265 w/ft.<sup>2</sup> (Venus orbit).

Reflected energy from satellites under test in the SES will be absorbed by a black-painted aluminum heat sink, super cooled by liquid nitrogen. With the walls of the chamber thus performing in the manner of the infinite heat sink of space, the effect of intense sunlight and heat on exposed portions of a satellite and extreme dark and cold conditions on shaded portions can be simulated.

Honeywell's California Ordnance Center, Los Angeles, is prime contractor for the chambers.

## NO HEAT DAMAGE

THE INFRARED BAKING OVEN solves the problem of drying assembled radar pedestals without the heat affecting the electronic components.

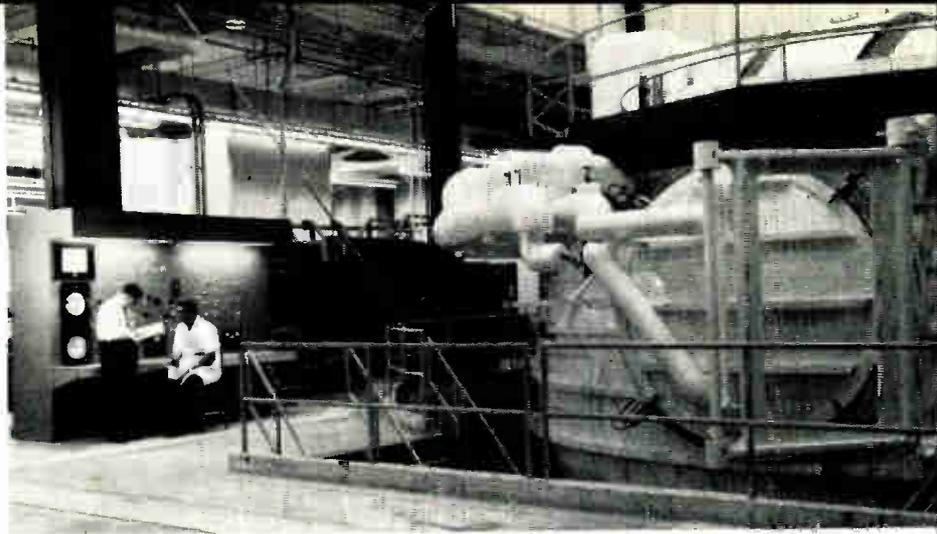
This dual-panel "oven" is hung on overhead tracks, and the voltage to individual infrared bulbs can be varied. These features allow different shaped objects to be dried.

The Bendix Corporation reports a 20% decrease in painting time by using the oven. Dust and dirt damage which is most critical in the first few hours of conventional drying have been virtually eliminated. The oven is manufactured by the Johnson-March Corp., Philadelphia, Pa.

By controlling the voltage to and the position of the lamps, assembled radar pedestals (right) can be painted in one operation without damage to electronic components within the pedestal.

## TEST CHAMBER FEATURES BOTH COLD WALL AND SOLAR SIMULATION

Large STL space chamber in a completed stage. Notice control console at left of picture and hydraulic locks on the door.



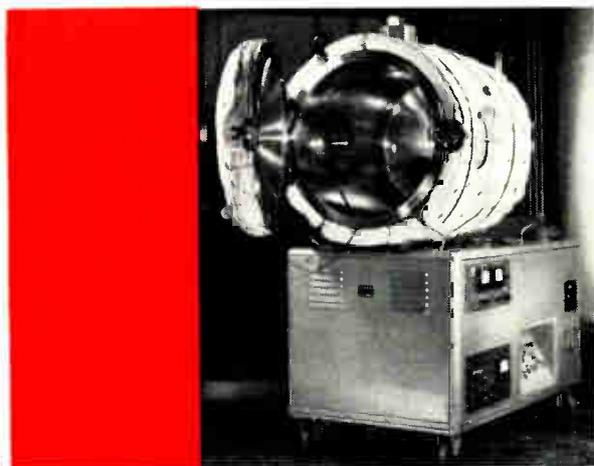
THE ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING FACILITIES at Space Technology Laboratories, Inc., Redondo Beach, Calif., are quite extensive. Equipment is available to subject a space vehicle to almost any known condition that it is likely to encounter in cis-lunar space, with the exception of micrometeorites, Van Allen radiation, and cosmic ray damage.

There are environmental chambers available at the laboratories for making altitude-temperature, altitude, temperature-humidity, temperature, vacuum and solar tests. A wide range of values and conditions can be duplicated.

In addition to the test chambers there are vibra-

tion exciters, temperature ovens, leak detectors, indicators, direct reading oscillographs, tape recorders, RFI screen rooms, a shock machine, a centrifuge, an accelerometer calibration system (optical) and an assortment of instruments which are used with all of this equipment.

A laboratory feature is its 30 ft. solar simulation chamber. This operational unit uses STL-designed carbon-arc solar simulators, collimated to 1 to  $\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  or better. The chamber has an ultimate vacuum of  $1 \times 10^{-9}$  torr. Vacuum with a test vehicle inside is  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  torr. A feature of the chamber is that it has both cold wall and solar simulation.



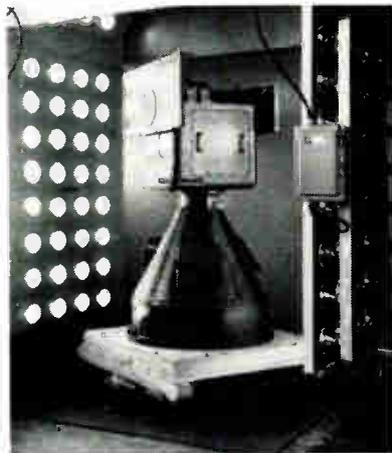
## NEW CHAMBERS TO ASSIST MANUFACTURERS IN SPACE WORK

NEW ULTRA HIGH VACUUM and combined space environment facilities have been installed in Cook Electric Co.'s Inland Testing Laboratories at Morton Grove, Ill., and Anaheim, Calif. The new facilities will be used to simulate outer space for testing materials and components under orbital and ballistic conditions.

Each chamber provides test space  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. in diameter,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. deep, and 12.3 ft.<sup>3</sup> in volume, especially for testing electronic, electrical, hydraulic, pneumatic, and other small products or components. Each chamber is designed for vacuum conditions to  $1 \times 10^{-8}$  Torr (equal to 303 mi. altitude), with ultimate vacuum capability of  $5 \times 10^{-9}$  Torr or 378 mi. high.

The ultra-high vacuum chambers can simulate temperatures from  $-320$  to  $+400^\circ\text{F}$ . They can produce combined space environments that simultaneously simulate solar radiation and random or sine vibration at vacuum to  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  torr.

The chambers were developed to assist manufacturers in establishing design feasibility, material capability, and parts reliability for space conditions. The chamber has a 6 in. viewing window, two 6 in. utility penetrations, electrical and thermocouple penetrations, and light port for illumination.



New ultra high vacuum and combined space environment chambers (above), developed by Cook Electric Co., simulate outer space for the testing of materials and components under orbital and ballistic conditions.

# WHAT'S NEW

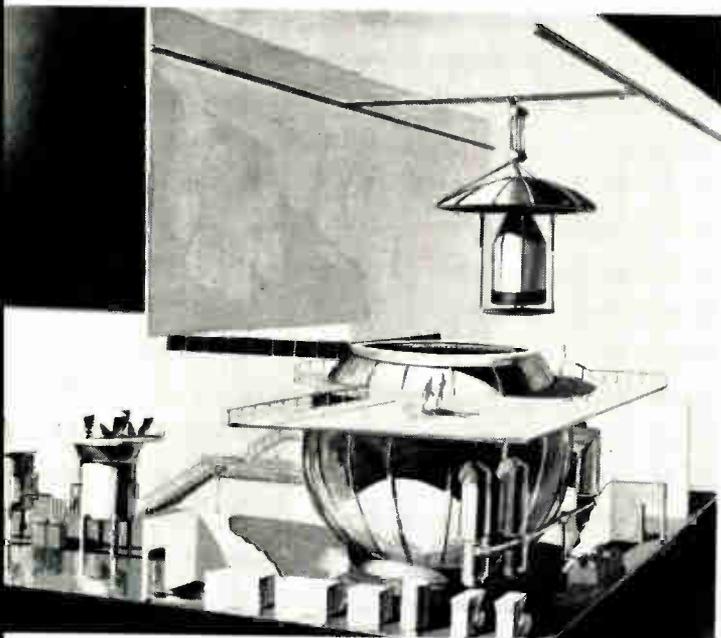
## THIN FILMS & DISCRETE COMPONENTS

THE SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS of both thin-film circuitry and discrete components have been combined by General Precision Aerospace, Little Falls, N. J. They have developed the Micro-Block™ which uses thin-film resistors and capacitors deposited on a ceramic substrate and discrete transistors.

This combination has developed a 5w., 14 cu. in. servo amplifier that is hermetically sealed and meets Mil specs. for standard units of the same performance capability. This amplifier has solved the heat-transfer problem that previously plagued thin-film amplifiers designed for analog equipment. General Precision Aerospace, General Precision, Inc., 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N. J.



The best properties of thin-film and discrete components are combined in this servo amplifier designed for analog equipment.



The 30-ft. interior diameter can enclose a fully assembled space vehicle. It can simulate low pressure equivalent to 400 miles above the earth and also produce solar heating effects.

## NEW SPACE SYSTEMS CENTER FEATURES EARTH-ORBIT SIMULATORS

DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT CO.'S new privately financed Space Systems Center at Huntington Beach, Calif. will be devoted to research and developmental testing of launching and spacecraft vehicles, including their components, materials and subsystems.

Detail design is nearly completed for three Earth-Orbit Simulators being built for the center. These

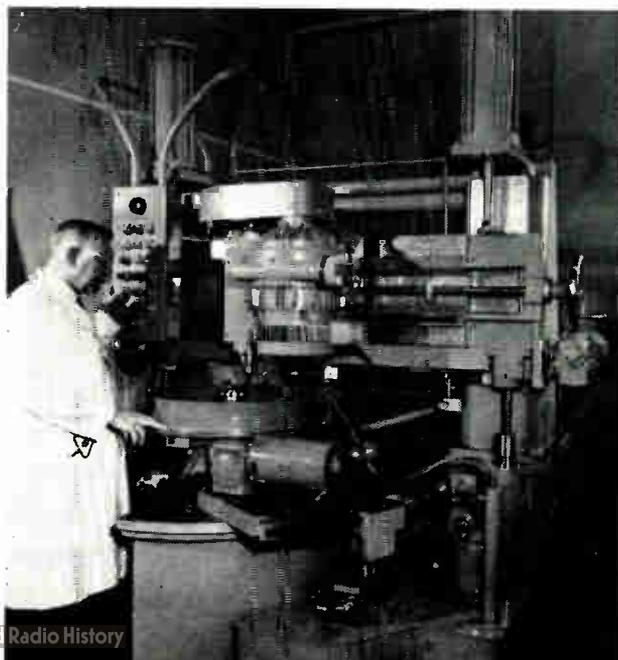
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## CAM GENERATING SYSTEM

CAMS CAN NOW BE PRODUCED without calculations or hand tooling. The machine tool system, which uses no master cam, tapes, or electronic components, produces cams by using a mechanical generator programmed directly from engineering information.

The operator takes data from an engineering drawing and translates it into a cutting program for the system to follow. This is accomplished through a pushbutton and dial-type programmer panel. The system cuts the cam automatically, and the operator need only change gears and gauge settings as various phases of the cut are accomplished. Sylvania Electronic Tube Div., Emporium, Pa.

Operator programs a cutting program into this mechanical and hydraulic system. The cam generator cuts cam automatically.





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Typical cross section looks like this.

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# WHAT'S NEW

## NEW TYPE TWT FOCUSING

A LOW-NOISE TRAVELING-WAVE TUBE available from G.E. features a new method of beam focusing. These tubes are more compact than other types of low-noise TWTs and are built for rugged use.

The key to achieving the very low-noise capabilities in a compact package lies in the single reversal permanent magnet beam focusing. Instead of a single uniform magnetic field along the tube axis, the field is reversed at the center of the tube as shown in Fig. 2a. In place of one permanent magnet, there are two main magnets and two ring-shaped aiding magnets which control the beam focus. (Fig. 2b.)

The single reversal (SR) tube is a compromise that retains the excellent low-noise figures of straight field permanent magnet tubes. By using the reverse magnets, shielding needs are eliminated, hence, compactness. One long straight magnet (in normal TWTs) creates an external magnetic field which requires bulky shielding or adequate spacing between the tube and other magnetic materials or sources. An interaction can cause beam defocusing.

Table 1 compares the three types of TWTs now available from G.E. The new TWT is not designed to directly replace any existing tubes, but rather to complement the line. The new addition will give the designer a better selection to meet his needs. The costs will be comparable to the existing lines of PM and PPM tubes. There are five X-band models available and additional X-band and C-band models will be introduced shortly.

Additional information is available from General Electric Company, Power Tube Division, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

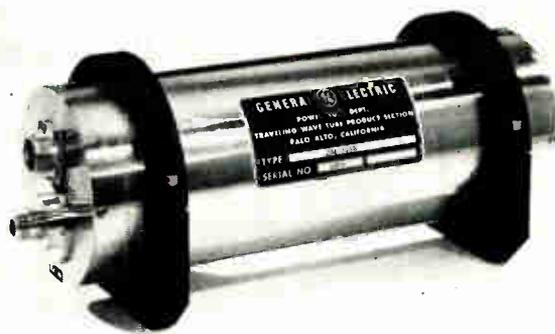


Fig. 1: The single reversal focused TWT has a frequency range of 7.0-11.0 gc. It has a max. noise figure of 8db.

Table 1  
COMPARISON OF 3 TYPES OF G.E. TWT's

	PM (shielded)	PPM	SR
Freq. range (GC)	7.0-11.0	7.0-11.0	7.0-11.0
Noise db (max.)	10	12	8
Small sig. gain (min.)	25	25	25
Output, mw	5	5	5
Size (inches)	12x6.5x6.5	10x2.5x3.5	13x4
Weight (lb.)	18	3.5	8.6

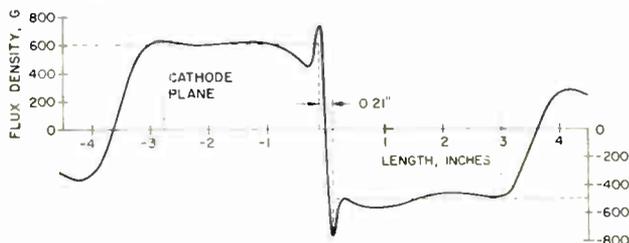
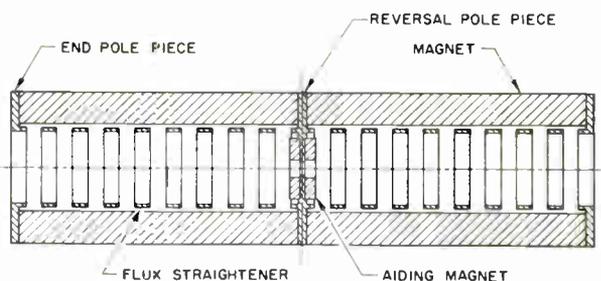


Fig. 2a (above): The magnetic field along the beam axis is plotted for a single reversal field TWT. Fig. 2b (below) is a sketch of a single reversal field PM circuit.



## MINUTEMAN PROGRAM DEVICES CHECKED

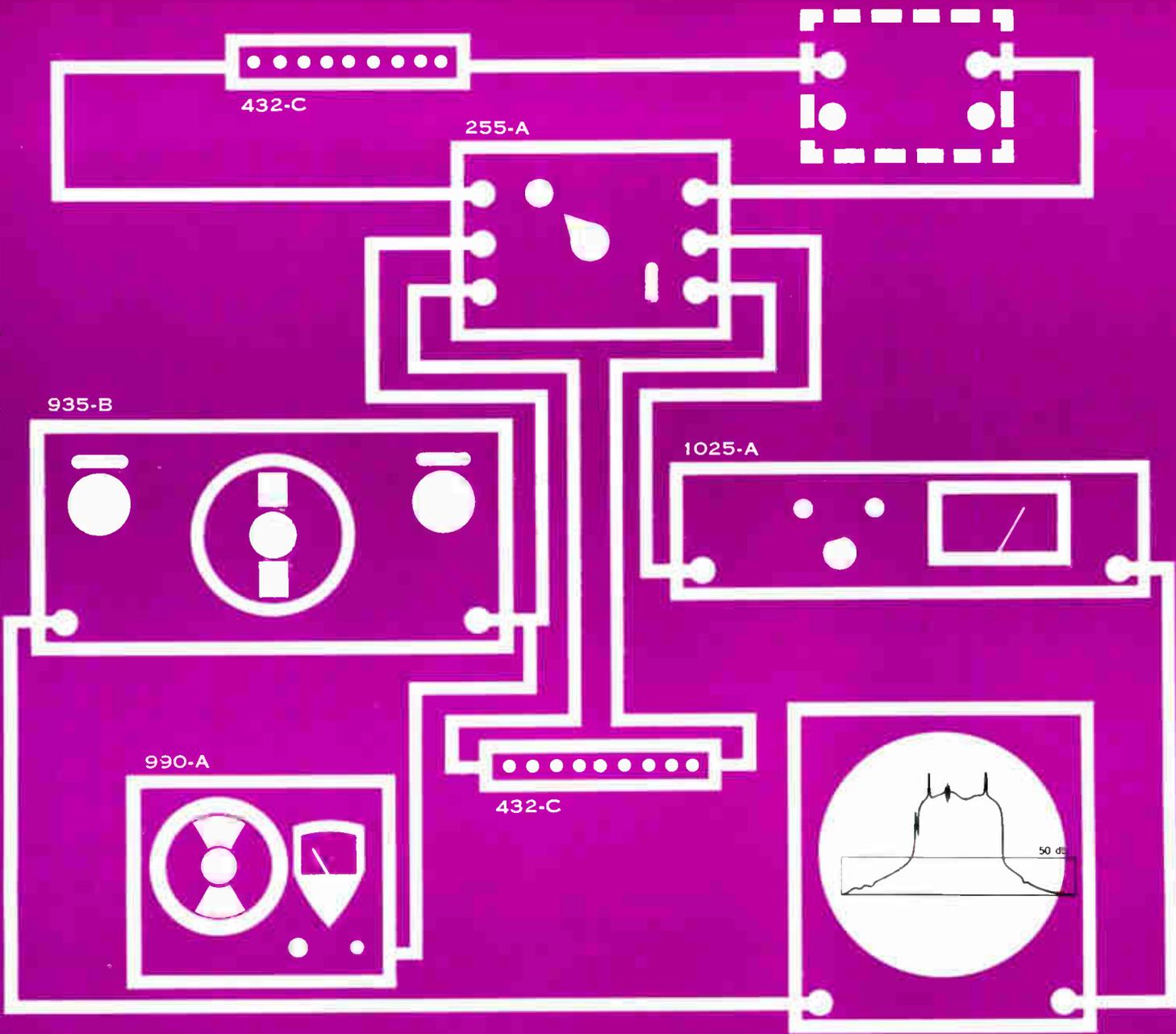
Data logging on Fairchild's Multiparameter Tester provides device characterization prior to starting rugged tests.



PRIMARY PURPOSE of Fairchild Semiconductor's Reliability Improvement and Evaluation lab, Mountain View, Calif., is the testing of Fairchild devices for the Minuteman program and for any other specific reliability contracts which may be received from customers. Tests conducted in the lab are designed to simulate "worst case."

At certain periods during each production lot, samples are taken to the lab for tests. They are subjected to a Drop/Shock Test—a series of blows at a controlled force over a specified length of time. Another test is the Centrifuge Test in which the device is

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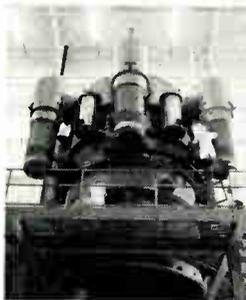
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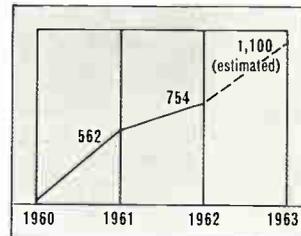
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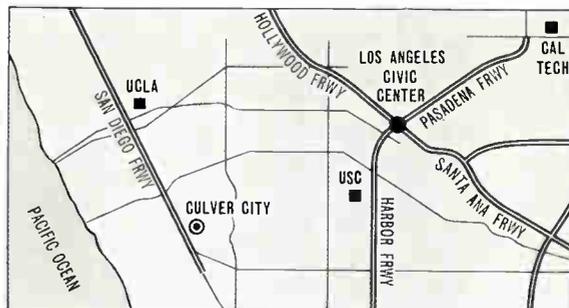
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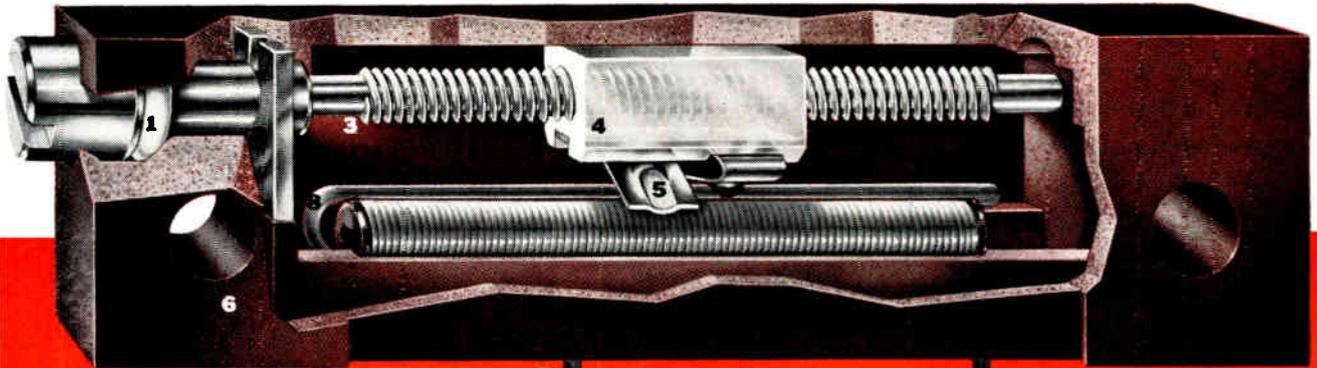
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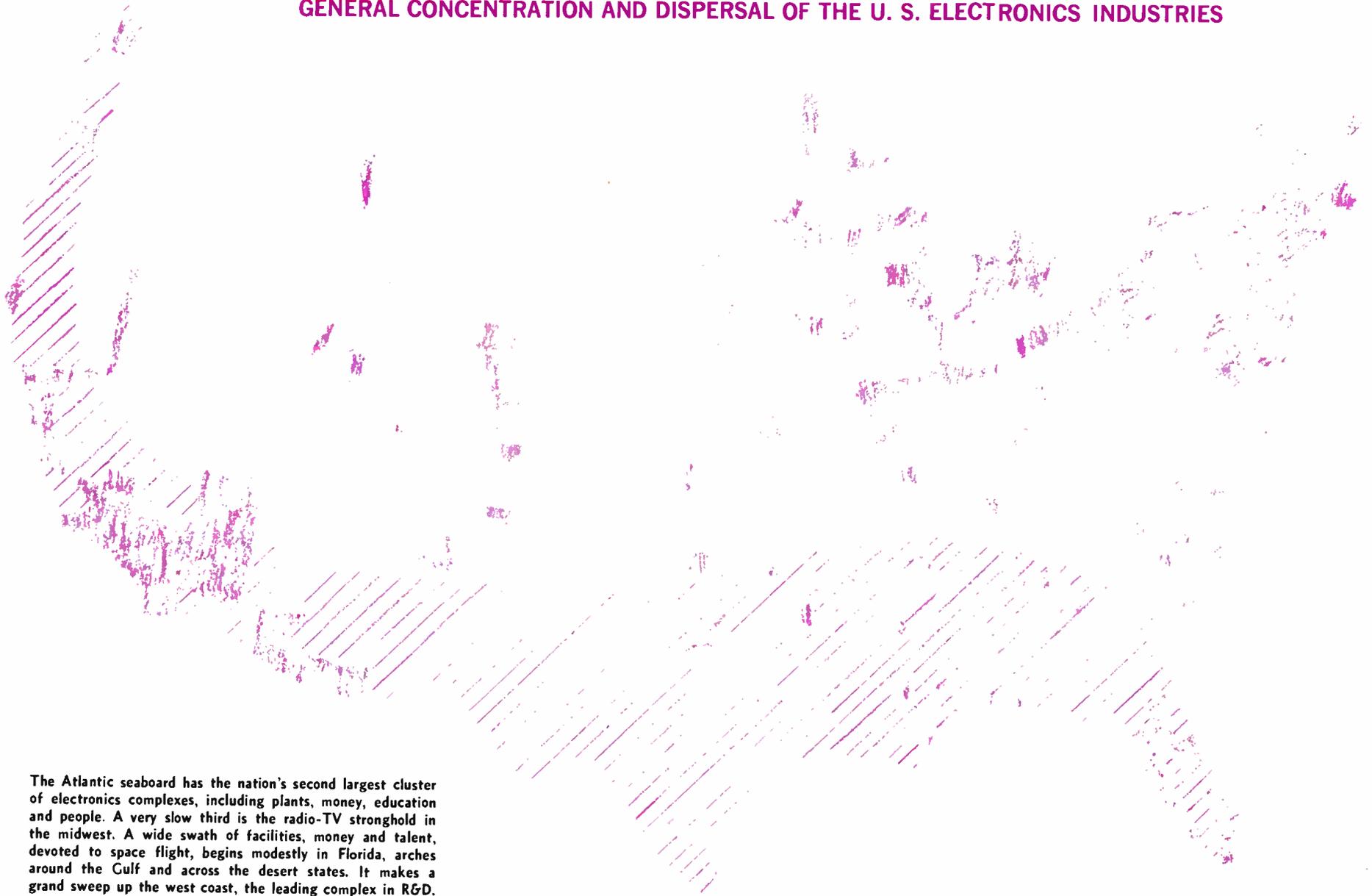
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## GENERAL CONCENTRATION AND DISPERSAL OF THE U. S. ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES



The Atlantic seaboard has the nation's second largest cluster of electronics complexes, including plants, money, education and people. A very close third is the radio-TV stronghold in the Midwest. A wide swath of facilities, money and talent, devoted to space flight, begins modestly in Florida, arches around the Gulf and across the desert states. It makes a grand sweep up the west coast, the leading complex in R&D.

Ever since Sputnik the U. S. electronics industry has been accelerating rapidly. Now, with almost overnight velocity, technical advances and sprouting aerospace and defense markets are causing hundreds of firms to relocate, add-on, divide, merge or start anew, clear across the nation. And coming with this industrial and educational shuffling is a dispersal of opportunity.

# INDUSTRY OPENS UP NEW AREAS OF U. S.

THE RAPID AND HIGH-POWERED GROWTH of the electronics industry has swept up hundreds of big and small electronics firms into a national game of musical chairs.

Without Federal deals in the billions to prop it up, the electronics business today would most likely be resting comfortably in a status quo rooted mostly in and around New York, Chicago and Los Angeles.

No doubt electronics managements would be playing marbles for the current \$2 billion worth of markets in standard consumer products. But with nearly \$15 billion riding on defense and aerospace action forecast by the end of 1963, the electronics situation is not only moving upward, but is also pogo-sticking around the country, down south, across the basin, into and out of the desert areas and up the Pacific coast.

Look at these statistics: 40% to 50% of DOD and NASA total procurement funnels into electronics in many cases: some 70% of the electronics industry dollar-intake (about \$9 billion estimated for this year) is from defense and aerospace; which absorb some 10% of the estimated more than \$570 billion current gross in national production, including all goods and services in the U.S.

Chief forces pulling the strings on this great movement of electronic plants, divisions and firms have been Russia plus the normal growth of population and industry.

Corollary factors have also contributed to the shuffling of electronics business, engineers, technicians, reluctant wives and families. These are:

1. New billions in U.S. R&D, test and evaluation, poured into the American economy.
2. Dispersal of industry, originally to lessen effects of possible air attack and decentralization in general.
3. Merging companies, plant consolidations, new businesses, folding businesses, plus usual bill-of-fare in manpower, water, power, wage rates and lower tax inducements.

The west coast, leading complex in U. S. R & D, naturally wants to keep a stranglehold on the largest single share of the defense and aerospace market, from 30% to 50%, depending on how you carve up the Pacific coast states. East coast firms are holding down 20% to 30%. The midwest, though, has been squeezed down to somewhere between 5% and 20% of the total, depending again on geography.

There is little doubt among the nation's electronics wisemen that the relatively poor showing by the midwest stems from its concentration on radio-TV production, a profitable though plodding business, at best. More alert firms in other and fast moving areas are sidling into more subtle, highly-engineered activities in missiles, spacecraft, ground-support and communications systems.

An agonizing reappraisal of things gave most midwestern states a big case of heartburn since they lost a pile in the scramble for defense and aerospace contracts. In 1960, at the National Electronics Conference, Stanford's Prof. Frederick E. Terman called the midwest area down for not "keeping stride with the rest of the electronics industry." He accused the midwest of neglecting its universities, faculties and students. He decried midwest electronics as "lacking the explosive character of the industry in the New England and Pacific coast areas."

At the 1962 NEC meeting, the exodus of scientific and engineering talent from the midwest was bewailed as leaving a "sterile desert." The accuser this time was Angus MacDonald, a marketing manager with the Military Electronics Division of Motorola, Inc.

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## INDUSTRY OPENS NEW AREAS (Continued)

### DISTRIBUTION OF PLANT LOCATIONS AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS IN THE U. S. BY MAJOR STATES

State	% of U. S. Plants	No. of Plants	% of U. S. Electronic Engineers
New York	18.68%	1,128	16.55%
California	17.00	1,027	25.64
New Jersey	10.53	636	7.21
Illinois	9.24	558	5.02
Massachusetts	6.87	415	5.60
Pennsylvania	6.38	385	7.29
Ohio	5.05	305	5.62
Connecticut	4.66	282	2.09
Minnesota	2.36	143	1.64
Indiana	2.35	142	2.29
Michigan	2.30	139	.72
Wisconsin	1.77	107	2.38
Florida	1.72	104	3.09
Maryland	1.05	64	2.50
Texas	1.02	62	3.97
Missouri	.81	49	1.24
Iowa	.46	28	1.13
<b>Total: 17 States</b>	<b>92.25%</b>	<b>5,574</b>	<b>93.98%</b>

Source: Electronic Industries, Market Research Department.

### DISTRIBUTION OF NASA SPACE RESEARCH FUNDS IN PRIME CONTRACTS BY STATES (In Thousands of Dollars: 000 missing)

	*FY 1961	FY 1962	FY 1963
Alabama	\$ 67,290	\$138,110	\$234,028
Alaska	607	980	1,805
Arizona	2,437	3,941	7,262
Arkansas	27	44	80
California	274,993	459,289	820,704
Colorado	2,900	26,595	58,646
Connecticut	4,063	6,575	12,116
Delaware	49	76	140
Florida	58,641	94,857	174,799
Georgia	3,244	5,247	9,669
Hawaii	178	294	542
Illinois	4,805	7,772	14,323
Indiana	1,370	2,221	4,092
Iowa	949	1,535	2,828
Kentucky	36	54	100
Louisiana	88	46,578	359,102
Maryland	23,125	47,463	78,480
Massachusetts	10,165	16,437	30,290
Michigan	8,079	13,074	34,092
Minnesota	1,977	3,200	5,898
Missouri	47,270	107,260	264,898
Nevada	55	87	160
New Hampshire	32	54	100
New Jersey	13,991	22,631	41,704
New Mexico	1,446	2,340	4,313
New York	51,181	92,785	152,553
North Carolina	150	239	441
Ohio	20,245	46,754	75,536
Oklahoma	374	610	1,123
Oregon	222	359	662
Pennsylvania	12,773	20,661	38,073
Rhode Island	92	152	281
Tennessee	1,054	1,709	3,149
Texas	14,653	44,243	73,225
Utah	31	54	100
Virginia	35,170	58,653	102,030
Washington	110	174	321
West Virginia	1,500	2,500	1,500
Wisconsin	783	1,263	2,327
District of Columbia	8,308	26,038	56,022
<b>TOTALS (39 States and D. C.)</b>	<b>\$674,463</b>	<b>\$1,292,905</b>	<b>\$2,667,514</b>

\*Fiscal Year

Source: National Aeronautics & Space Administration.

### Area Trying to Pull Out of It

Still, the region has been trying to give itself a jolt here and there. Late in 1962 a group of midwest governors met in Chicago and tried to uplift scientific and industrial development by inducing more cooperation among midwest colleges as well as between colleges and industry.

Similarly, the Research Directors Association of Chicago has tried to upgrade management skills. The University of Chicago needled NASA for a research facility on campus, while Ohio legislators said "yes" to setting up the Ohio Research and Development Foundations to evaluate and increase the state's R&D capacity.

By late 1962, statistics showed Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin leading the field in new defense contract awards, having won \$3.2 million in prime contracts, during the 1962 fiscal, or 12.6% of the \$25 billion total. In 1961 fiscal these states had won but \$2.6 billion, or 11.8% of the total, compared to 32.4% during World War II.

Moving eastward, the Atlantic seaboard represents the nation's second largest cluster of electronics complexes. In the 1962 fiscal New England claimed 10.8% of DOD dollars, while the middle Atlantic scooped up 18.8%, nearly 30% total. Maine is growing in electronics activity, while New Hampshire gains from spin-offs in the Boston area. The heart of New England electronics, though, still arcs around Route 128, the "electronics highway," just outside Boston.

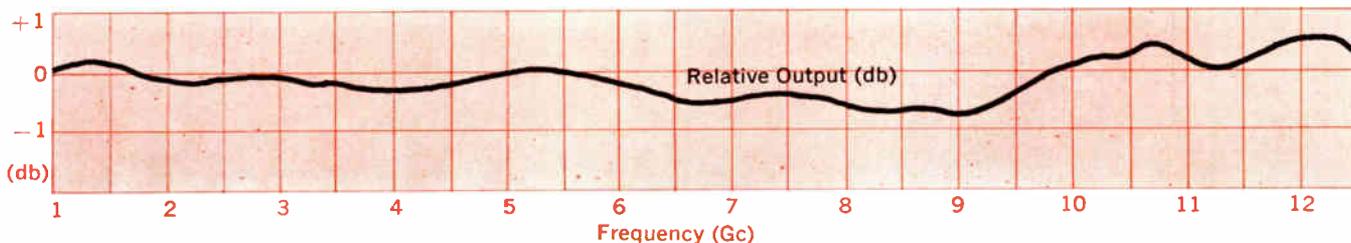
In an area including New York City, West Chester County, northern New Jersey, southern Connecticut, Long Island and outer reaches of metropolitan Philadelphia, lies the largest grouping of electronics industries in the east.

### New York Region Stronghold

Inch-for-inch, New York City probably represents the largest and probably the oldest management stronghold of electronics companies and holding companies in the nation, including a sizable collection of our most outstanding blue-chip firms. From perilous days when communities reeled from calamities like the collapse of a Republic Aviation Corp. contract, Long Island has bounced back to where electronics manufacturers now employ some 30% of the Island's working force, pushing aircraft manufacturers into second place. Sen. Kenneth B. Keating (Rep.—N. Y.) defended Long Island by accusing Temco Electronics & Missiles Co. of trying to lure New York electronics firms to Texas in return for sub-contract awards. Texas retreated.

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## INDUSTRY OPENS (Continued)

Psychologically, east coast firms seem to benefit from the nearness of Washington and Federal powers. This, among other reasons, may have something to do with the growing complex of Maryland and Virginia R&D firms, consultants, lobbyists, Washington associations, trade groups, manufacturer's representatives, and related technical, sales and marketing consultants.

Farther south, defense and aerospace firms have partly resolved the economic dilemmas of magnolia land. Thanks to missiles, rockets and electronics, the deep south has been transformed from "economic isolation" into an area probably growing a bit faster than the west coast.

The south's new-found prosperity is reflected in the Huntsville (Ala.) Industrial Expansion Committee. All due largely to NASA's George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, this operation has re-oriented northern Alabama from cotton to aerospace. Now there are also dozens and dozens of prime and subcontractors in clusters of offices around the Marshall Center, somewhat like flies around the honeypot.

### Florida Electronics Boom Area

Florida, the south's second boom area in electronics, now has many new defense and aerospace firms. Martin-Marietta, Orlando, is one prime attraction, again with peripheral clusters, luring component makers, environmental testers, and other electronic and quasi-electronic service companies.

A wide, rich swath of money, facilities and talent, all dedicated to space flight, begins in Florida and arches up around the Gulf of Mexico crescent to include Huntsville, the Mississippi Test Facility, the Michoud plant near New Orleans, the numerous Texas contractors, and on to the Pacific.

By far the largest and heaviest U.S. funded defense and aerospace electronic area is the west coast, which has been drawing heavy fire from other areas, which seek to recover or hold on to a great cult of the Federal R&D pie.

West coast activities line up like tiers along the Pacific shore, beginning in the north with Boeing's aerospace operations in Seattle, then south to Portland, and finally California's Palo Alto-San Francisco center, the Los Angeles area, and the still somewhat depressed San Diego area. Electronic programs in west coast states generally include or work closely with lesser defense and aerospace activities in Colorado, Utah, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico.

Goings-on in defense and aerospace hardware and R&D have been paralleled by similar happenings in educational, corporate, trade and regional organizations. As the black box has evolved into groups of black boxes called systems, so have entire communities and regions been organized into systems to influence procurement and contract awards. In sum, electronics firms are chasing the government dollar; towns, cities, counties and states are inducing electronics firms to settle down, relocate, or consolidate plants in their community backyards.

Among such groups are county planning boards, regional plan associations, chambers of commerce, trade associations, and specifically chartered groups such as the North Star Research & Development Institute in Minneapolis, which hopes to attract new laboratories to the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Other service businesses eyeing new plants include banks, railroads and public utilities.

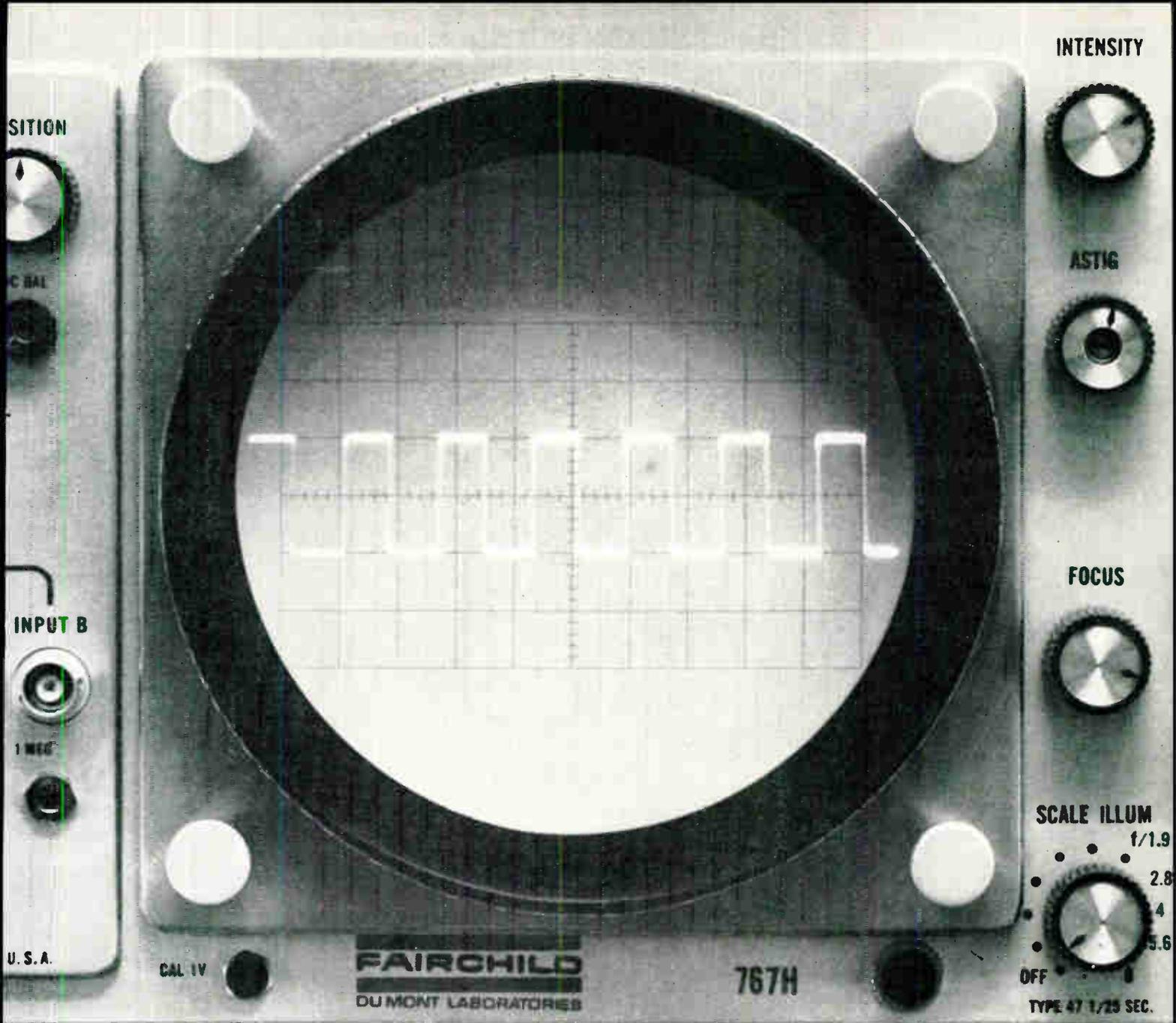
### Education Centers Appreciated

Government, commerce and industry long ago appreciated the basic value of educational centers. The Pacific coast benefits from research activity at Stanford, University of California and Cal. Tech., among others. Similarly, New England has MIT and Harvard. New York has Columbia and New York University, and the Philadelphia region has the Franklin Institute, University of Pennsylvania, and Temple University.

North Carolina boasts of its "Research Triangle" that draws upon engineering talent and laboratories from three great universities nearby. An ambitious example of "instant technology" is Gov. Nelson Rockefeller's proposal for a center of Science and Technology within the State University of New York complex, which is situated among more than a dozen upstate towns. As states and regions bid for electronics industry plants, so most cities in New York state are bidding for the proposed New York Tech.

From a marketing standpoint, electronic managements are confronted with a series of problems in covering geographically dispersed customer firms. Should they consolidate, relocate, buy up or merge with other firms in growing areas? Should they open regional warehouses, store centrally and ship by air freight, establish direct company agents, hire reps, or maintain roving sales engineers and maintenance men to service cast areas? Should they use direct mail and regional trade shows? Underfinanced firms often solve most of these problems by simply using Reps. In a tight squeeze, they usually will submit to merger, hoping to benefit from parent-company finance and guidance.

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## INDUSTRY OPENS (Concluded)

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### U. S. Largest Single Customer

The U.S. Government is obviously the largest single customer in the world. Since DOD and NASA are the largest individual Federal activities, many U.S. agencies hold the strings on funds flowing from Congress. Labor surplus or economically depressed communities are often given higher consideration for selection of qualified defense and aerospace contractors. Congress also has legislated to make sure that prime contractors subcontract certain parts of a total system's contracts both to depressed areas and to small businesses.

Most active in this effort are the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Area Redevelopment Administration (ARA) which cooperate to help electronics firms and others. SBA aids with loans, management consultation and small business procurement matters.

ARA tries to help depressed areas lift themselves out of their holes but some competitors complain of ARA's bolstering of marginal competitors. Some communities proudly resist "handouts" and being called "depressed." Yet ARA has loaned several million dollars to electronics firms to help them start or maintain businesses, and to create work and hold job levels.

Managing DOD dollars involves modifications for force structures, geographic reassignment of forces, changes in systems and altered programs. As a result, switches and shifts, cutbacks and stretchouts, affect whole communities, the industry and national economy.

### OEA Assists Communities

The Office of Economic Adjustment, in answer to President Kennedy's request to Defense Secretary McNamara assists local communities affected adversely by changes in our defense posture. The OEA, within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Installations and Logistics, seeks to help communities by assessing material and human resources and weaknesses, and by encouraging long-term growth to satisfy community needs. Working with other U.S. agencies and offices, the OEA has helped communities wean themselves away from complete dependence on defense and aerospace contracts.

Sen. Clifford P. Case (Rep.-N. J.), is fighting the migration of electronics firms from New Jersey and other mid-Atlantic states to the South. He has decried rising unemployment resulting from industry

being enticed southward by flat property tax exemptions, and he has called for codes of ethics.

Sen. Wayne Morse (Dem.-Ore.), has led successful delegations to lure industries into Washington, Oregon and northern California. The south's solidly re-elected congressmen have also done well for their constituent states since the birth of NASA in 1958.

The National Planning Association sees a continuing move of electronics firms into the west and southwest. Besides, California now has more people than New York. All areas of the nation have their welcome mats out for region-hopping electronics firms, divisions and new companies.

Reasons are basic. One-hundred new factory workers will mean: 100 new households with 359 more people, 91 more school children, 97 more autos, \$710,000 more in personal income, \$229,000 more in bank deposits, \$331,000 more in retail sales, three more retail outlets, and 65 more people in service industries—including retailing.

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## NEW SPACE SYSTEMS CENTER

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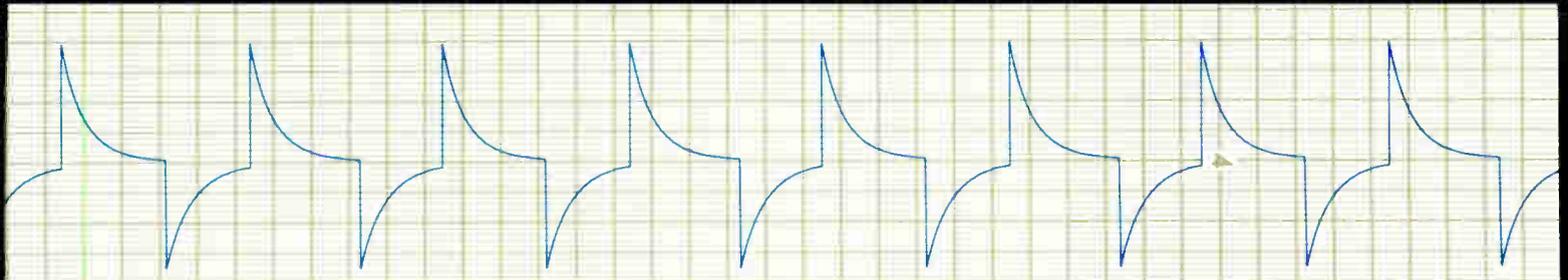
three units will include extensive cryogenic facilities and will be housed in a 30,000 sq. ft. building. A large portion of the building will have a 100 ft. ceiling.

Largest of the three units is a 39-ft. spherical chamber with a clear working space 30-ft. in interior diameter. It is large enough to enclose a fully assembled spacecraft. High vacuum created within this sphere will be equivalent to the low pressures experienced at altitudes in excess of 400 miles above the earth. Within its liquid nitrogen-cooled walls (temperatures as cold as  $-320^{\circ}\text{F}$ ), large test objects can be subjected to most of the conditions of space-flight including vibration and solar-heating.

Two smaller simulators, each with clear working test space 5 ft. in dia. by 5 ft. in ht., will be used for development-testing of sub-assemblies and components. The top-loading vertical cylinders are being built with identical top flanges so they can be fitted with solar-radiation simulation equipment. They are designed to attain an ultimate operating pressure of 1 or 2 X  $10^{-9}$  Torr. As in the large unit, they will have liquid nitrogen-cooled walls.

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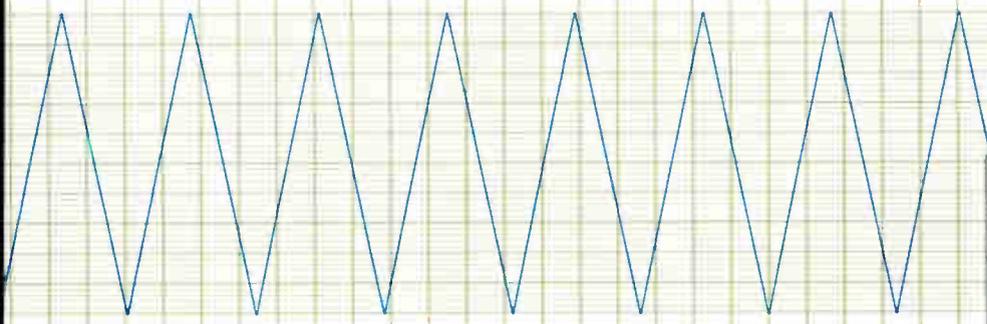
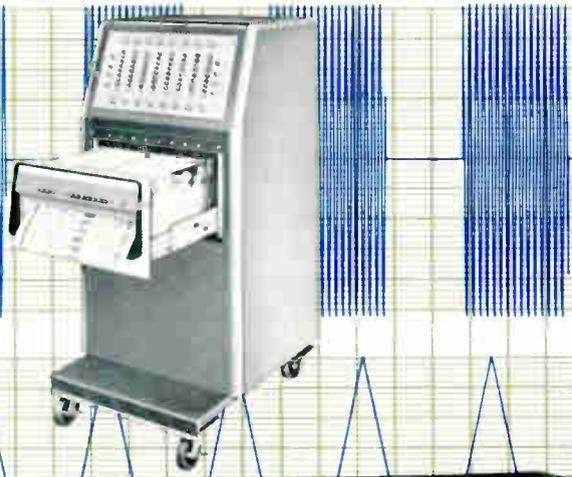
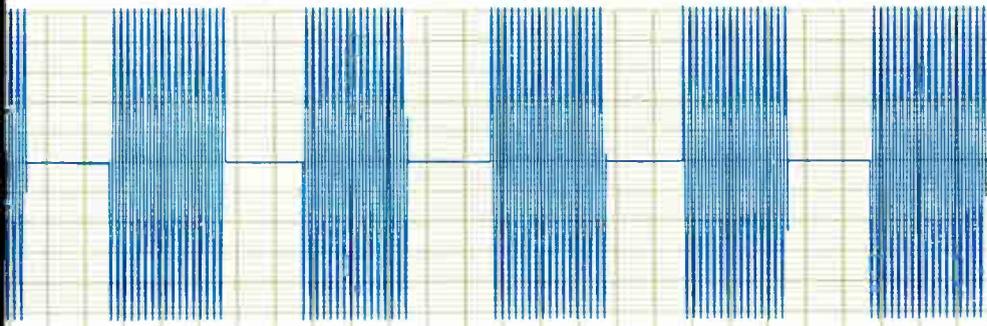


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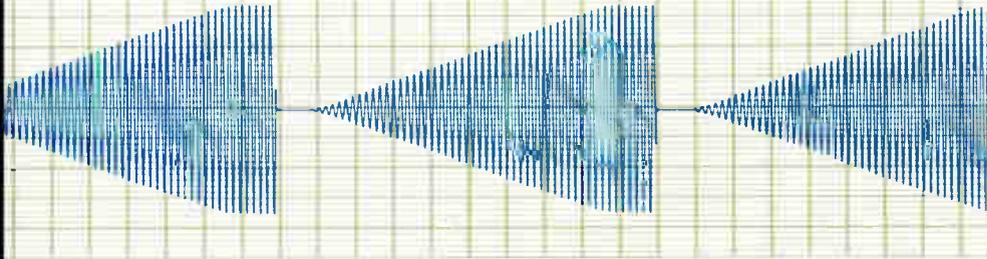
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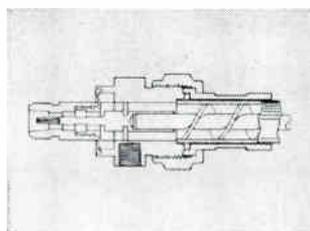
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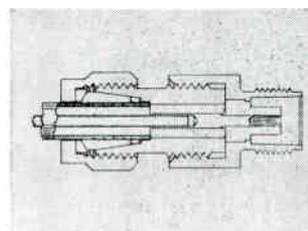
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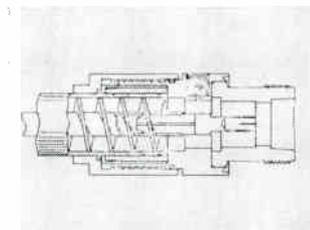
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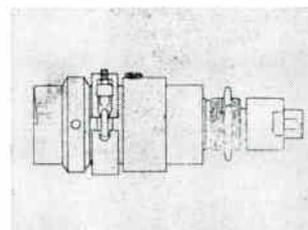
Design features include an uninterrupted wave surface path. Wirelok Connector shown is for Foamflex, Styroflex® and Spirafil cable in ¾" to 3¼" size.



Cuter conductor joints are pressure butt type with electrical contact made on the inside diameter of the butt. This connector is for .180" and ¼" Foamflex.



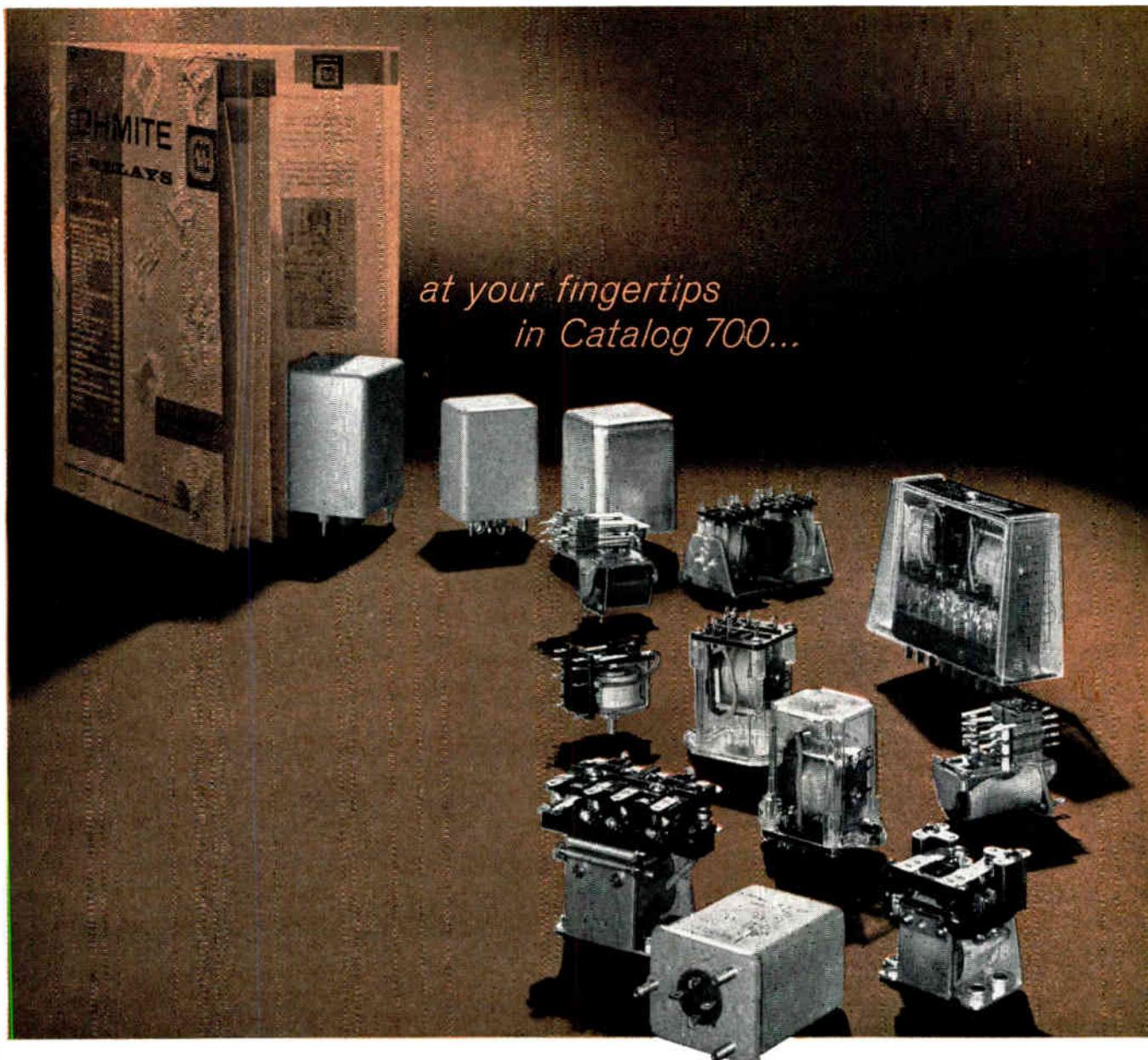
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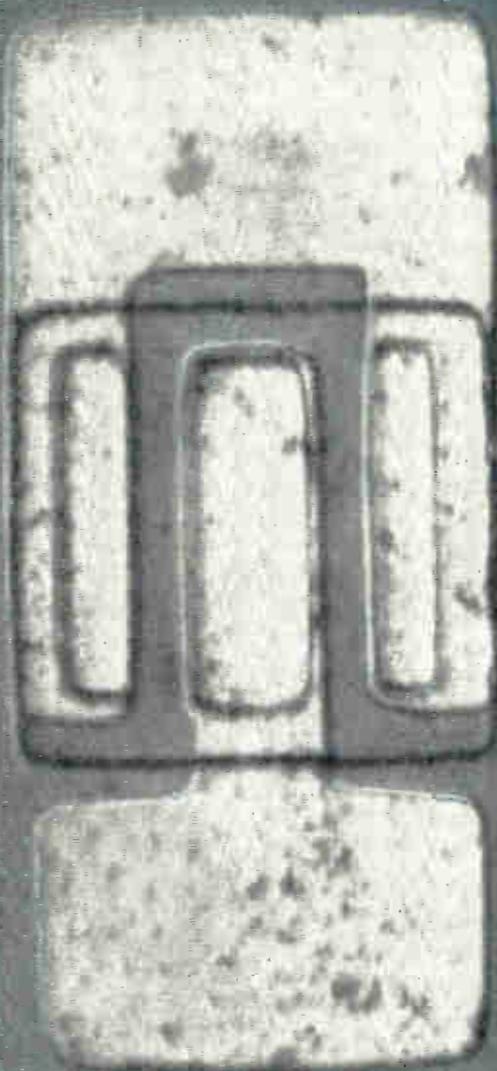
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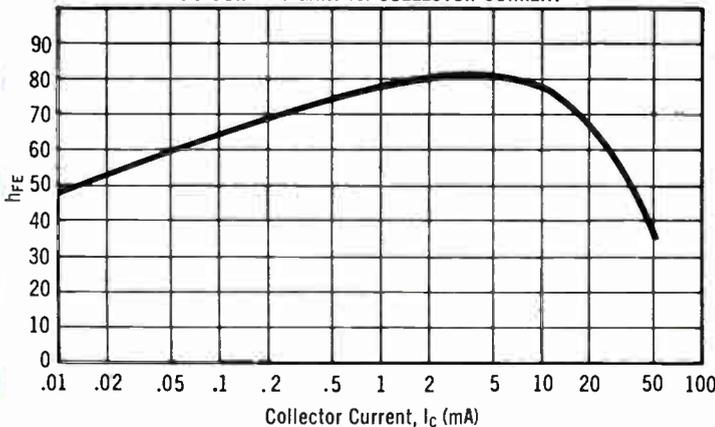
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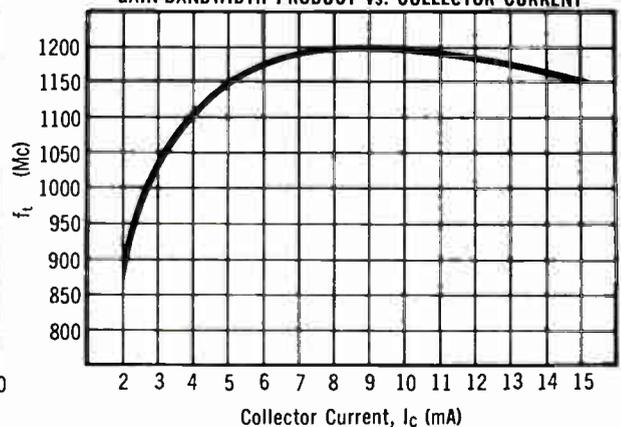
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		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max		
$h_{FE}$	DC Current Gain	40	120	20	120	30	90	$I_C=10mA$	$V_{CE}=0.5V$
$h_{FE}$	DC Current Gain	20		15		15		$I_C=30mA$	$V_{CE}=1.0V$
$h_{FE} (-55^\circ C)$	DC Current Gain	10		10		10		$I_C=10mA$	$V_{CE}=0.5V$
$V_{BE} (sat)$	Base Saturation Voltage	.70	.85 V	.70	.85 V	.70	.85 V	$I_C=3.0mA$	$I_B=0.15mA$
$V_{CE} (sat)$	Collector Saturation Voltage		.26 V		.30 V		.30 V	$I_C=3.0mA$	$I_B=0.15mA$
$C_{ob}$	Output Capacitance		3.0 pf		3.0 pf		3.0 pf	$I_C=0$	$V_{CE}=5.0V$
$C_{TE}$	Emitter Transition Capacitance		2.0 pf		2.0 pf		2.0 pf	$I_C=0$	$V_{EB}=0.5V$
$I_{CBO}$	Collector Cutoff Current		$5\mu A$		$50\mu A$		$5\mu A$	$I_C=0$	$V_{CB}=5.0V$
$I_{CSO} (150^\circ C)$	Collector Cutoff Current		$5.0\mu A$		$5.0\mu A$		$5.0\mu A$	$I_C=0$	$V_{CB}=5.0V$
$BV_{CBO}$	Collector to Base Break-down Voltage	15	V	15	V	15	V	$I_C=10\mu A$	$I_E=0$
$V_{CEO} (sust)$	Collector to Emitter Sustaining Voltage	6.0	V	6.0	V	6.0	V	$I_C=10mA$	$I_B=0$
$BV_{EBO}$	Emitter to Base Break-down Voltage	4.0	V	4.0	V	4.0	V	$I_C=0$	$I_E=10\mu A$
$T_S$	Charge Storage Time Constant		5.0 ns		6.0 ns		6.0 ns	$I_C=I_{B1}=I_{B2}=5.0mA$	
$t_d + t_r$	Turn-on Time ( $V_{CE(sat)}=-1.0V$ )		9 ns		15 ns		15 ns	$I_C=10mA$	$I_{B1}=2mA$
$t_s + t_f$	Turn-off Time		9 ns		15 ns		15 ns	$I_C=10mA$	$I_{B1}=I_{B2}=1.0mA$
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# PROJECT APOLLO'S COMMAND AND CONTROL

Control requirements for our early space flights were quite simple compared to those of the Gemini and Apollo programs. Controlling the spacecraft in the lunar mission will require techniques used by the master chess player. Here's how and with what the Integrated Mission Control Center will do this.

THE INTEGRATED MISSION CONTROL CENTER to be provided by Philco Corp. to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in mid-1964 will bring to bear all of the electronic techniques of the mid-1960's. Perhaps for the first time the full capacity of digital electronics will be used to assist man in the real-time control of space experiments. The Integrated Mission Control Center (IMCC) will be located at Clear Lake, just outside of Houston. From that point the Manned Spacecraft Center flight operations personnel will control the Gemini rendezvous and Apollo earth-orbital and lunar missions. The experience gained on the earth-orbital flights conducted within the Mercury program has been used to lay the principles of control which will guide the astronauts in the far more involved space flights of the late 60's and early 70's.

The primary responsibility for control will lie with the Manned Spacecraft Center (MSC) personnel.

Also, the Control Center, will provide to the decision-making personnel, information which has been processed by a complex of computers and displayed by a rapid and concise data presentation system.

The IMCC itself will be located in a 3-story building at Clear Lake and will contain 2 complete control rooms and all of the electronic support equipment required for both. One of the Mission Operation Control Rooms (MOCR) will be assigned primarily to support actual flight tests, conducting each test from preparation many weeks before the flight, to the flight itself, the capsule recovery, and the post-flight analysis. See photograph. The other MOCR, identical to the first, will be used principally for simulations of future missions and the training of flight control personnel. The second MOCR will be able to insert contingencies or faults into simulated mission data, to test the reaction of the personnel, and to establish procedures in the event of a system mal-

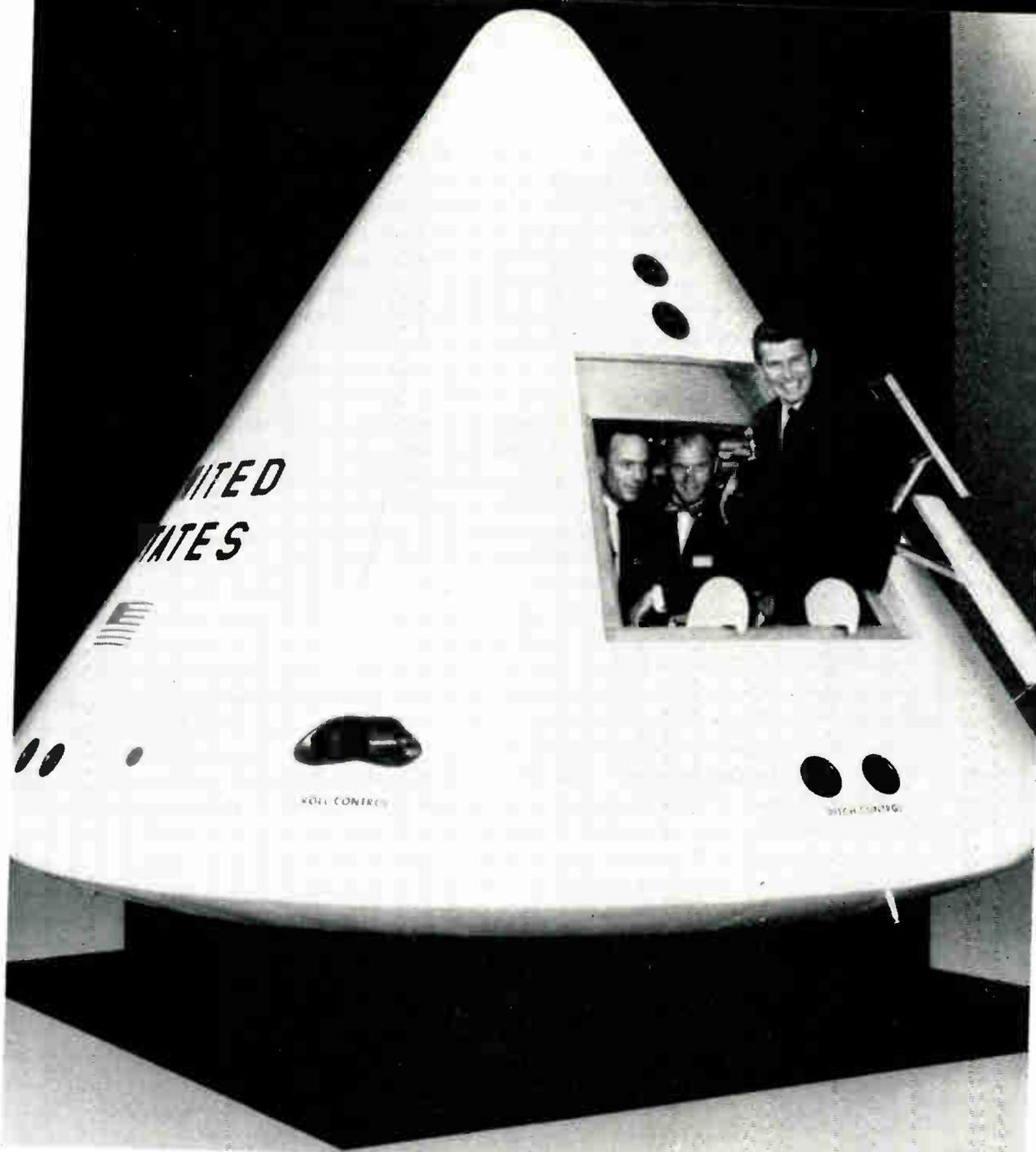


Mission Operation Control Room (MOCR) as conceived for support of actual space flights. One other MOCR will be mainly for mission training and evaluation.



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Of the 7 NASA astronauts, here are (left to right) M. Scott Carpenter, John H. Glenn, Jr., and Walter M. Schirra, Jr.,

inspecting Apollo facilities. Project Apollo is under direction of NASA's Manned Spacecraft Center (MSC), Houston.

function. In addition to simulation and training for possibilities, the MOCR will be used to evaluate the control techniques for future missions.

Unification tasks define the technical interfaces between the NASA ground operating elements which support the flight. The task assigned under the contract recently let by NASA includes the provisioning of the IMCC and the support of the Manned Spacecraft Center. Philco, as the Systems Engineer, will be responsible for the working of the Integrated Mission Control Center. (See photograph, 8 flight phases.)

However, the responsibility for the computational

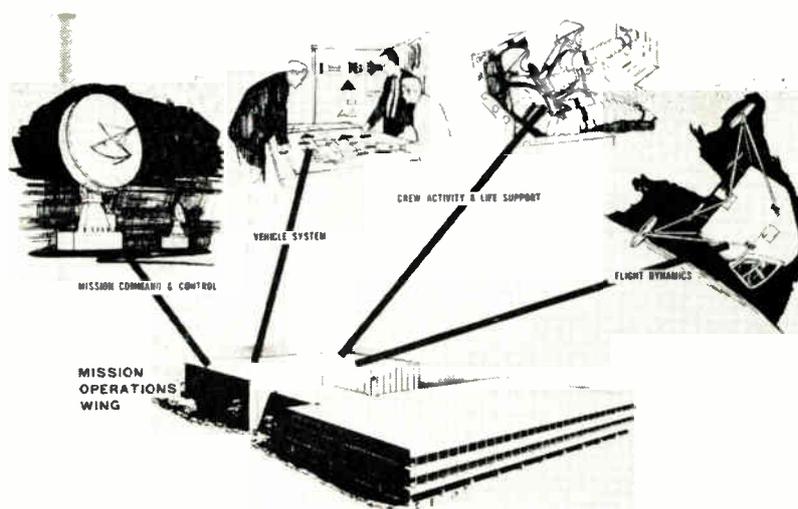
system has been assigned to IBM as an associate contractor to NASA. The system for computation will consist of four 7094 computers and the support input-output equipment. IBM will also be responsible for the installation of the Gemini launch trajectory data system. Technical direction of these contracts is being handled by the MSC Ground Systems Project Offices.

Construction of the IMCC building was let under separate NASA contracts.

#### Operational Set-up

The IMCC has been divided into a complex of systems and subsystems. The Communications System in support of the IMCC will take inputs from

This depicts the role of the Integrated Mission Control Center (IMCC) in proposed multi-manned space flights which NASA has scheduled for mid-1964. A Philco Corp. team will provide the IMCC.



## APOLLO (Continued)

the Launch Control Center and from the tracking stations making up the present Mercury network which, when augmented, will constitute the Near Space Instrumentation Facility (NSIF). It will also tie in the Deep Space Instrumentation Facility (DSIF) and the Recovery Control Centers, as these facilities are developed for the future missions.

The data from these ground facilities will be sent to the IMCC over a communications network which includes commercial-quality video, slow-scan TV, high-speed digital data, teletype data, voice and other circuits. These communication circuits will terminate in the IMCC and will be processed with a Remington Rand 490 Communications Processor.

The processor will route data and teletypewritten messages to either the computer complex or to the Message Center. The processor and its associated equipment will handle the cueing and priority routing of messages.

The communications system in the IMCC will contain a complete intercom and equipment able to produce a hard copy of messages having origin outside of or generated inside the IMCC.

### Control and Display

The Control and Display subsystem will be designed to give the MSC flight controllers that information necessary for operational control of the flight. This IMCC subsystem is unlike the one used in the Mercury program because of the rather great technical differences between the present Mercury flights and those projected in this country's manned-spaceflight program for the next 10 years.

Following the critical-powered flight and insertion phases, Mercury Control monitors the systems and astronaut status to determine whether the flight will go the number of orbits scheduled. The ballistic nature of re-entry restricts zones of recovery in Mer-

cury flights. In the future space missions, however, in-flight maneuvering greatly increases the complexity of recovery and the accuracy requirements on position data.

Also in the future missions, the critical portions will occur not only during the powered flight and insertion phases, but also during the orbit transfer and translunar injection maneuvers. The lunar operations and the super-circular entry velocities to be encountered in the Apollo missions add a whole new order of complexity to the control process.

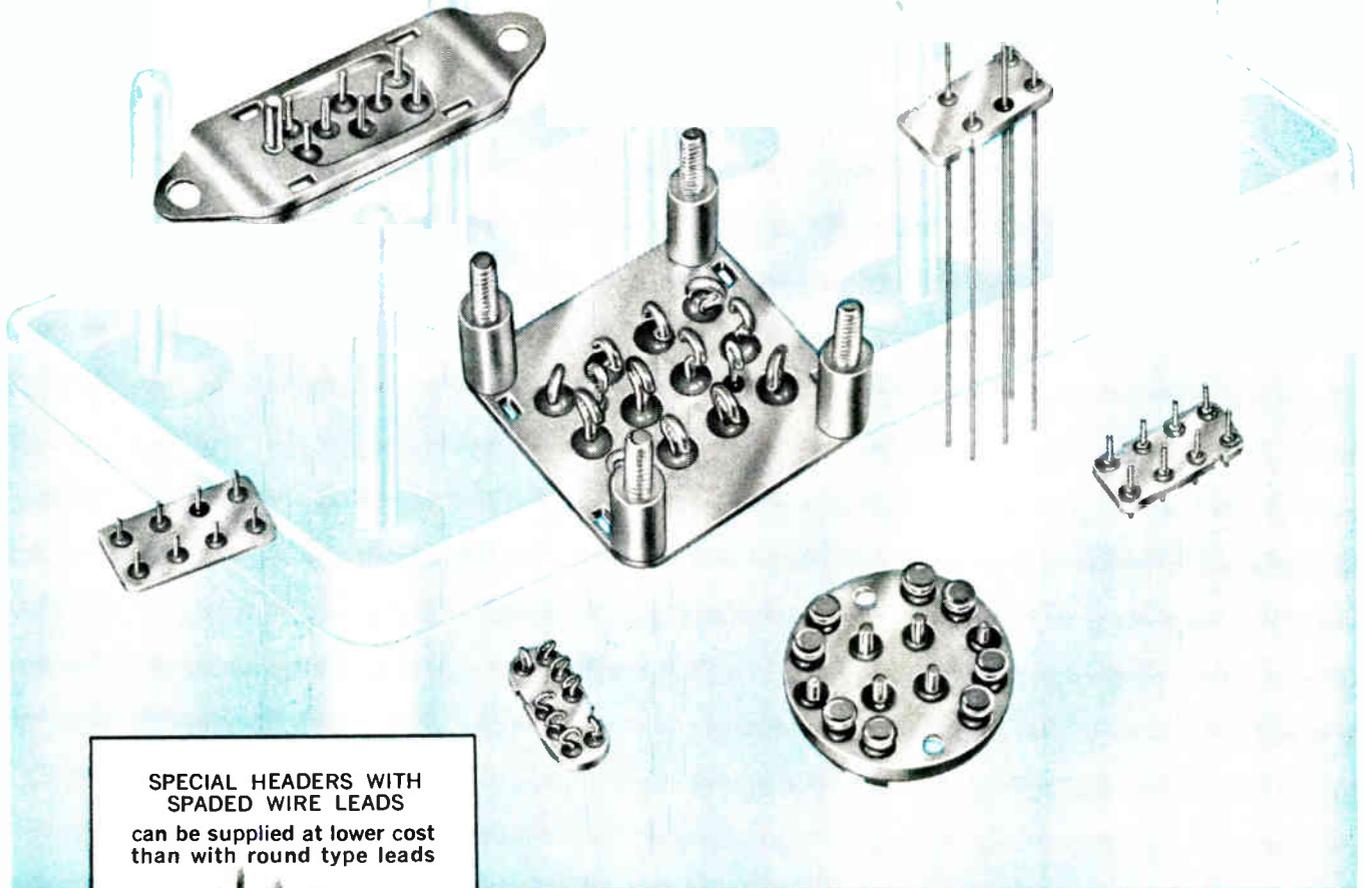
### Computational Functions

The control requirements for Mercury by comparison with those of Apollo are relatively quite simple and, as a consequence, were not mechanized in the depth which the IMCC will mechanize the control facility for these later missions. In many ways control of the spacecraft in the lunar mission will require the techniques used by the master chess players, as variations in the opening, during the boost and insertion phases, should reflect the optimum future course of action. It should be foreseen many moves ahead in the same way as a variation in one of the standard chess openings calls for a standard response known ahead by some 15 or 16 moves. In the same move, a variation in some of the parameters achieved in the insertion will have to reflect back into a series of changes in the lunar flight plan.

The computational system will be programmed so that one can, in fact, request the computers to provide a wide variety of plans which can be visually presented to the flight controllers. The display system will be one in which a wide variety of information is provided and a comparison made between the normal, or expected, information and that which is derived from telemetry or tracking data. The display system will provide a reference file of about 2,000 slides

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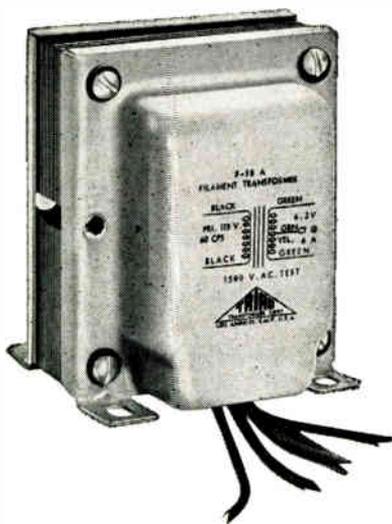
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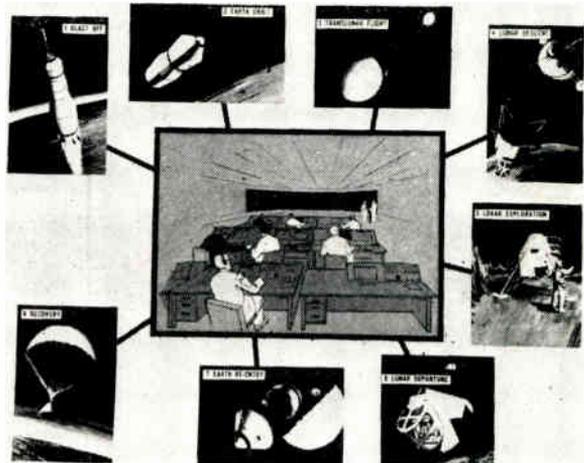
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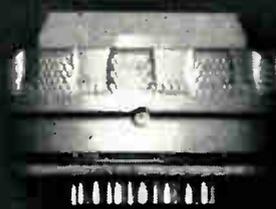
which will permit the TV projection of pre-recorded information on the expected characteristics of the flight. The actual data being developed in real time during the flight can be superimposed on the same picture.

The computational system will be programmed to examine incoming data and to register an alarm in those areas where a wide discrepancy exists between the acceptable and the actual values of parameters. The Control and Display system, previously mentioned, will provide on-call access to slide files and computer information from 28 different channels. The displayed information will be updated with new data as it is received. Photographic records of past information can also be presented. The display information provided from the computer and slide files will be routed throughout the IMCC by a high-resolution TV system. In addition to the TV modules there will be the large color displays utilizing high-intensity rear-projection devices which will describe information simultaneously from different data channels. This information can be superimposed on a changeable background. Network and ground system status will also be presented by large-screen color displays.

The simulation subsystem for the IMCC will perform the task previously described for training of personnel in techniques and develops procedures. The simulation system will provide the interface between the standard MOCR and the training equipment provided for Apollo and Gemini, as well as simulation representation of elements in the tracking and communications network, since these elements during tests may not be available for simulation during tests.

8 stages of a proposed lunar expedition are shown starting upper left. The MOCR is depicted in the middle. Projects include the 2-man earth orbit (Gemini) and 3-man lunar program (Apollo) to be controlled by NASA's Manned Space Ctr., Houston.





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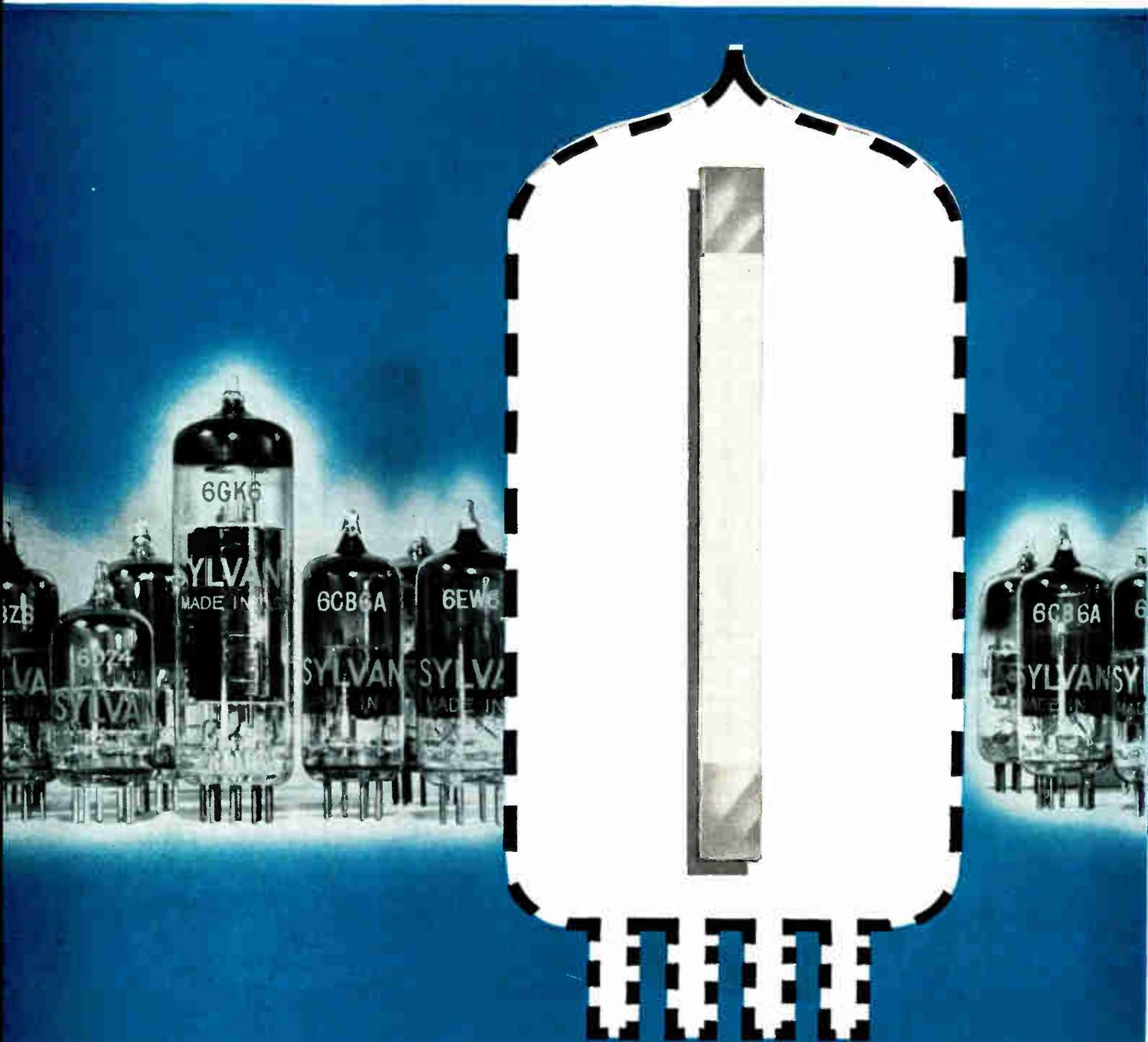
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#### ...in 6GK6, used for critical vertical output:

##### TV set manufacturer reports improved stability

Test: More than 1000 hours at 135 VAC line.

Results: No leakage problems, no slump in characteristics; tube can be used in vertical socket as well as other sockets of customer's TV set line.

Sylvania tests show significantly reduced sublimation (formation of leakage paths), and improved plate current stability under accelerated life test and heater cycling conditions with over-voltages applied.

#### ...in RF pentodes:

##### Reduced grid emission, no insulation breakdown

RF pentodes BZ6, CB6, EW6 and others, when subjected to life testing, showed reduced grid emission levels after conversion to the Life-Boost Cathode. Insulation levels during and at the completion of life showed little or no change—an indication of improved stability—and endpoint failures due to breakdown were virtually nonexistent.

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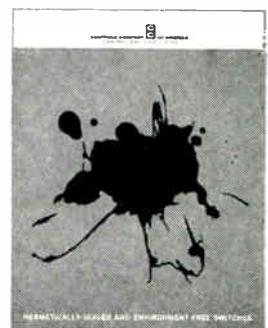
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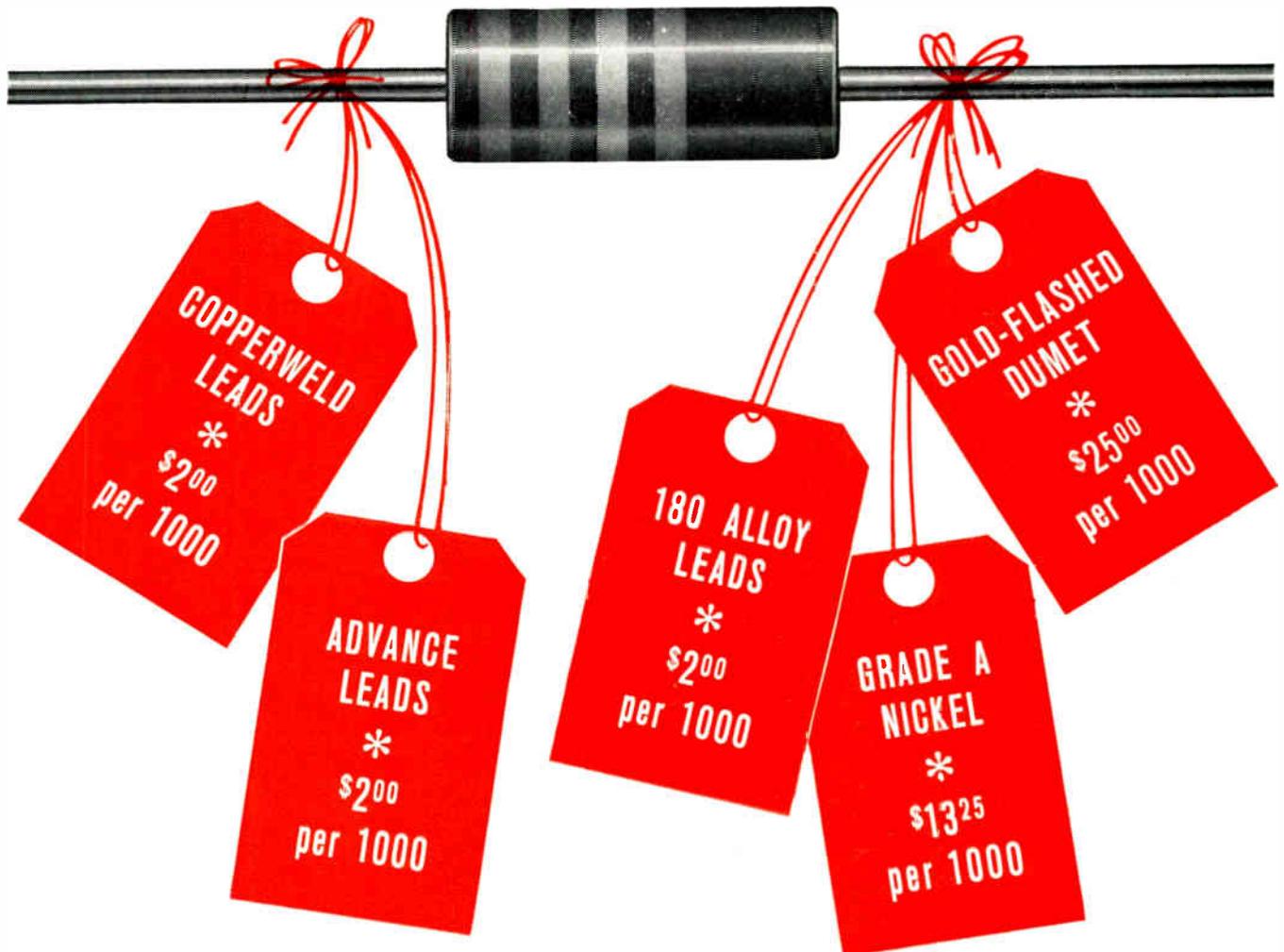
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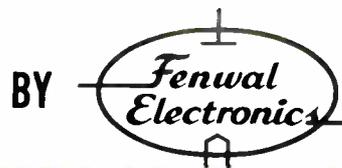
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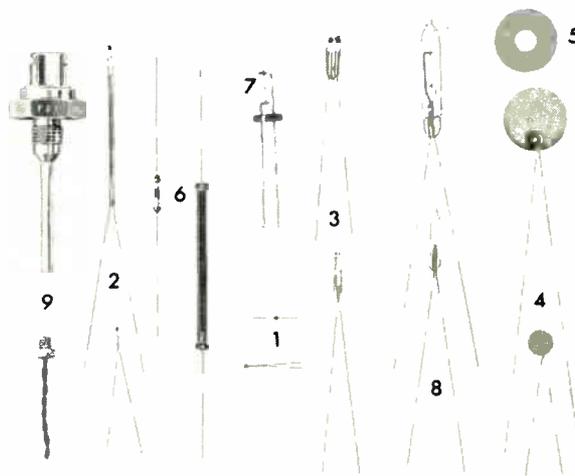


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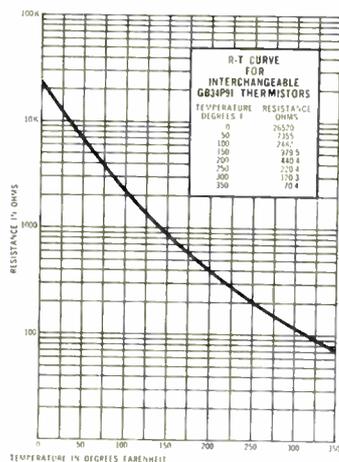
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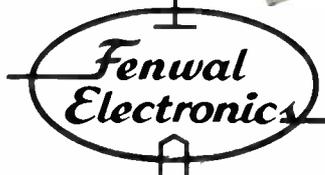
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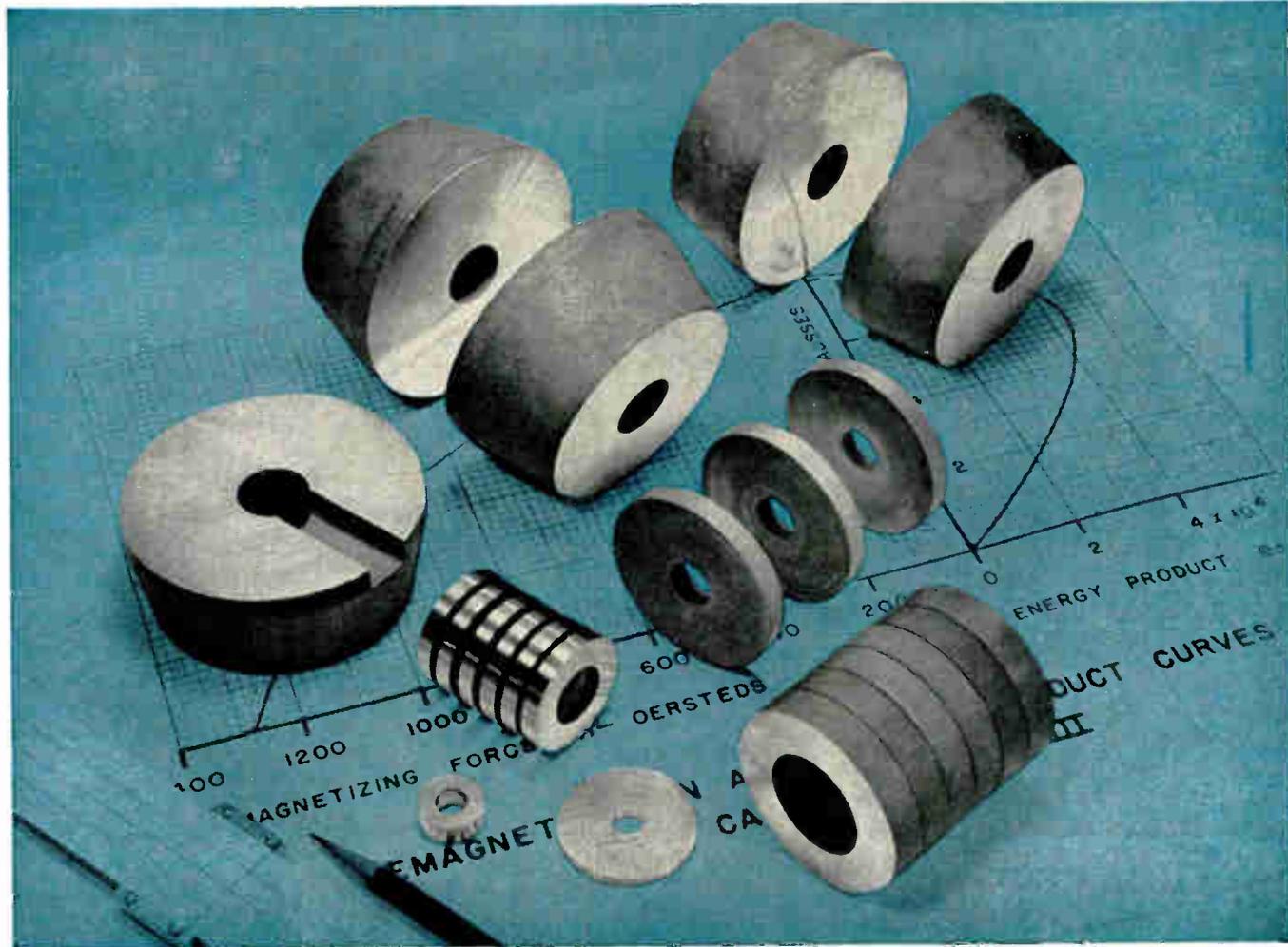


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# AN EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING

This rapidly expanding field is plagued with serious problems that threaten its long-term growth. Shortage of trained personnel is the most pressing; some effort should go into setting up specialized training courses. And the accuracy of measurements still leaves much to be desired.

ENVIRONMENTAL TEST ENGINEERING plays a significant role in the development of weapon systems and contributes much to space exploration. In fact, success of most commercial products depends in great measure on the ability to perform properly under adverse conditions. It can be readily shown that this field of engineering directly influences every state-of-the-art advance in every technical discipline.

This article deals with the problems of this important field. Obstacles, needs and objectives are also covered.

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The field of Environmental Engineering dates from 1930 but it was during WWII that this new industry suffered its most severe growing pains.

There was no single area of expansion. Temperature, sand and dust, rain, sunshine, fungus, vibration shock and humidity, literally all environments, were involved. Also, part of this rapid growth has resulted from the establishment of environmental labs in various branches of the military and government, and in private industry. Each has a role to play in broadening the scope of Environmental Test Engineering and producing better simulation methods.

## Objectives

The Environmental Test Industry's survival and expansion depends on continued demonstration to prove its worth to management in product development. To do so, it must meet these three objectives:

1. To orient, train, and employ skilled engineers in this specialized field.
2. To improve the overall accuracy of its recommendations.
3. To establish and maintain standards, current with today's technology.

In many cases, a lab specializes in certain basic areas within the overall field. An aircraft firm establishes a dynamics or structures lab, devoted primarily to the study of vibration and flutter problems in airframes. An electronics firm develops a space simulation facility capable of supporting an entire capsule under environmental evaluation—emphasis is placed on cryogenics and solar radiation simulations. A jet engine or rocket motor manufacturer maintains an acoustic test facility to evaluate auxiliary equipment under extreme noise levels created by today's power plants.

**First Problem**

This wide diversification of environmental evaluation, and I have indicated only a few examples, leads to one of the basic problems facing a company which wants to establish and/or maintain an environmental lab. This problem plagues all branches of engineering to some degree—it is a shortage of competent professional and technical personnel. The disciplines needed are varied and range from mechanical, electrical, electronic, chemical, and metallurgical engineering to chemistry, physics, mathematics, and statistics. Each, of course, has its own formal training

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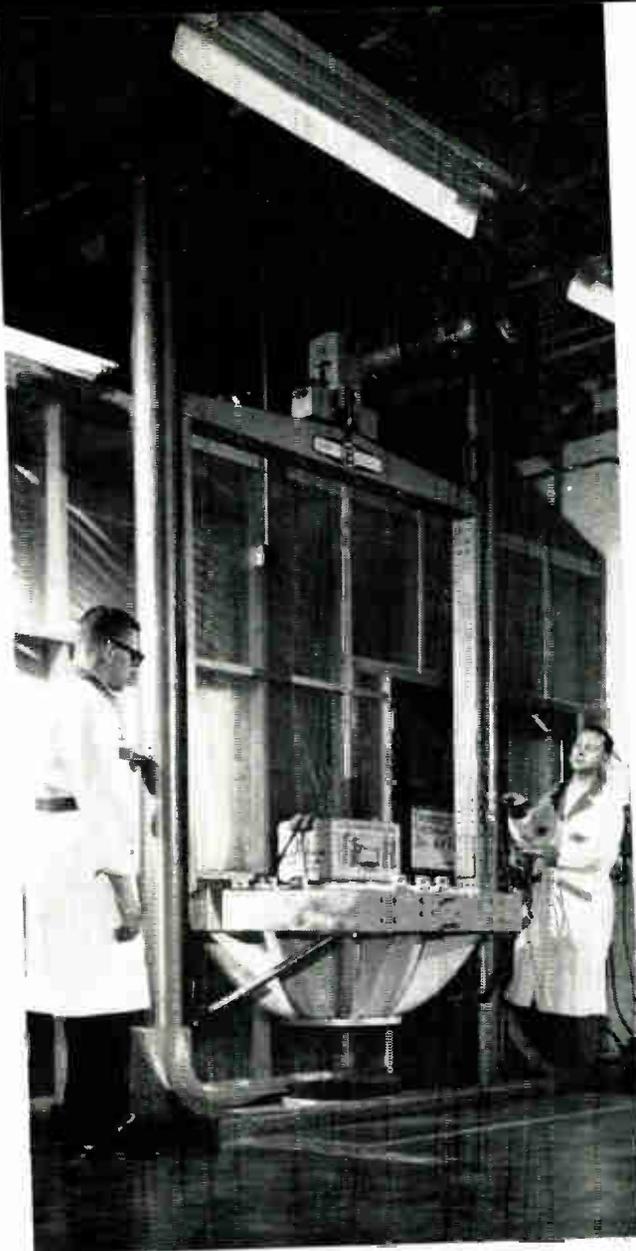
period in our colleges and universities. However, more is needed from an environmental engineer. He must be a specialist in more than one of the above. Cross-training of this type, leading to a degree in Environmental Engineering, is not now offered in any higher educational institution.

Special summer courses are given in specific fields of the environmental discipline, in an attempt to meet this need to at least a partial degree. Many manufacturers help fill the gap by offering special seminars. The Institute of Environmental Sciences, through its many local chapters, offers courses in Environmental Engineering, some of which are accredited towards graduate work. Recently, correspondence courses for technicians have been offered. Personnel thus trained, will then be able to assume repetitive chores now performed by environmental engineers; and these then will have more time for creative work.

All of these efforts are helping to supply trained people; yet, there remains a definite shortage. Perhaps a four-year course should be established. Think for a minute of what this course should encompass. Should it provide training in all fields generally considered a part of the environmental field, or should a generalized elective course or option be given in one or more of the well established disciplines?

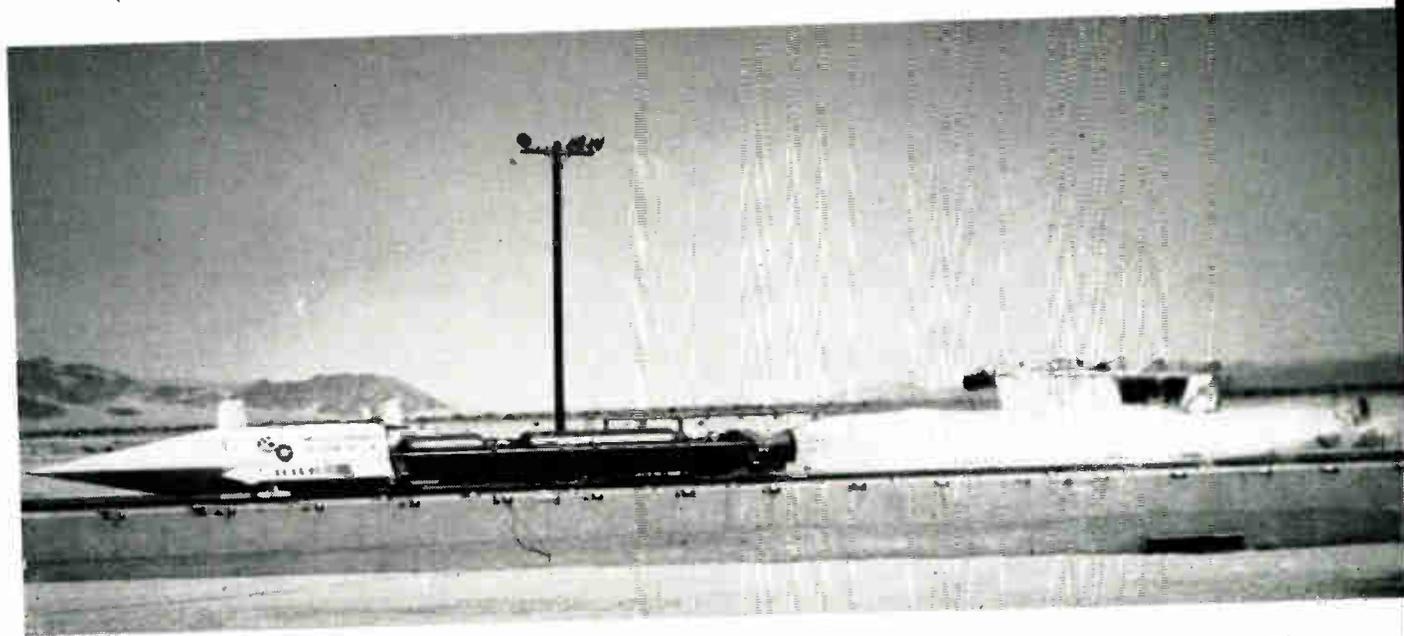
This question of how much and what type of training must not only be evaluated and answered, but it must be rapidly implemented to provide enough personnel for all the labs now in existence. Otherwise, the Environmental Test Engineering industry cannot continue to grow at the rate needed to meet expanding needs.

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Half-sine shock pulse produced on a shock test facility at the AC Spark Plug Div., General Motors plant in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sled (steady-state acceleration) test on the AChiever inertial guidance system at Naval Ordnance Test Station, Inyokern, Cal.



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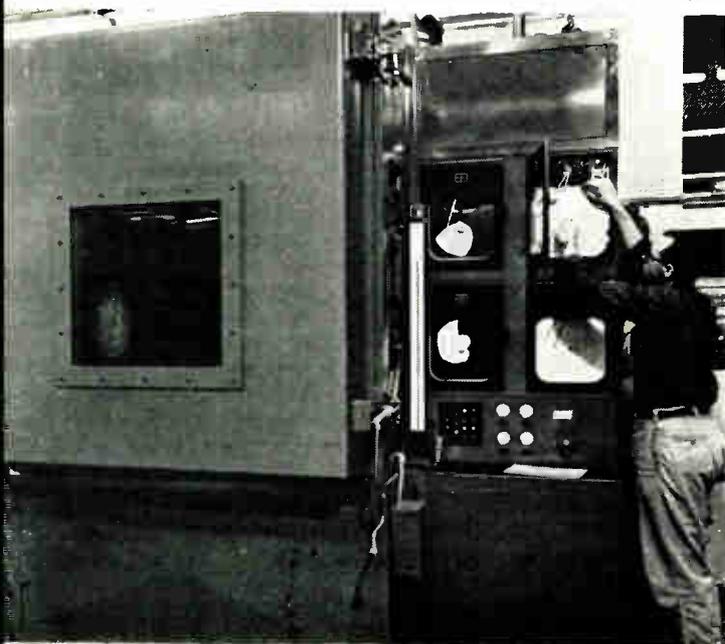
### Second Problem

The second problem facing the industry is the accuracy of its work, specifically as it applies to the evaluation of true-to-life service needs and the simulation methods used. Severity of the simulated exposure must be such that costs are held to a minimum and answers given to designers promptly. Given this condition, accuracy in test design becomes paramount.

Test accuracy may be as simple as selecting the proper standard test procedure. Proper selection, of course, requires an understanding of the background needs and the purpose of test. Often, use of a standard procedure demands ingenuity to obtain full compliance with the accuracy needs, yet meet the limitations of existing equipment. If selection of the standard procedure has not become a pitfall, then one must determine whether the standard is strict enough to meet accuracy needs of the simulation.

For example, do existing standard procedures for temperature-humidity tests accurately produce results which are useful to the product designer? Are there precise dew points, with respect to temperature of the actual test specimen, where electrolysis and corrosion are more quickly induced? What about the percentages of oxygen or other corrosion-promoting agents in moisture under natural service conditions. Should these be controlled as precisely as pH is now controlled in standard tests, or should the control of pH be re-evaluated? Is there a meaningful correlation between long established humidity cycling tests

Worker makes adjustments to instruments of temperature-altitude chamber. Photo is courtesy of AMP, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.



and long term storage environments; and if so, how should the results be interpreted?

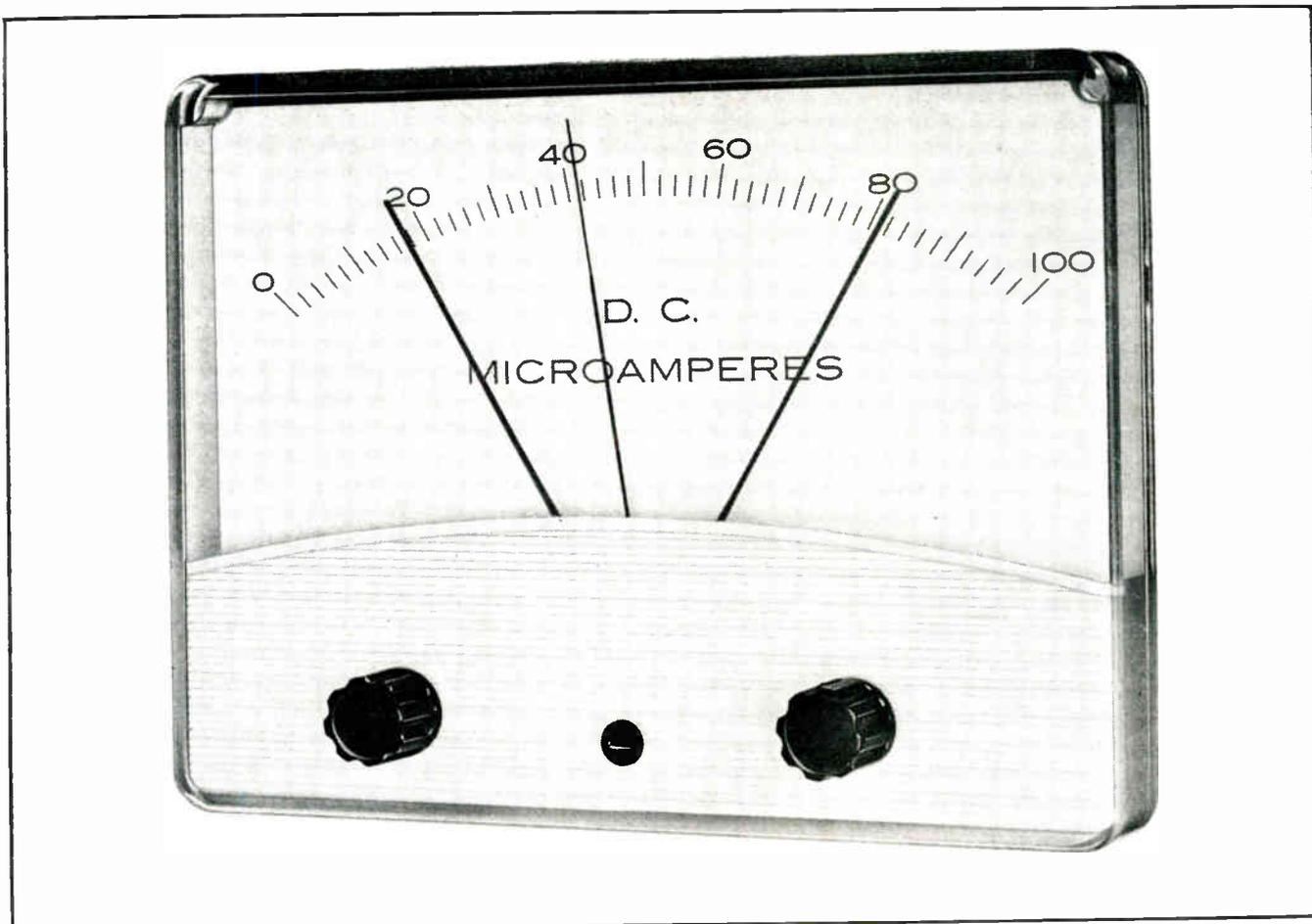
Space environment and its simulation is an obstacle to environmental engineers in that there are no well-established standard test procedures. Design of a space simulation test, thus needs much planning of each phase. This planning raises many questions. What part does the interreaction of low pressure, solar radiation, nuclear radiation, and alternate high and low temperature have on the operation of electronic equipment? Further, how does design of the simulator in the lab affect these interreactions? Are low temperature walls (in chambers providing temperatures less than 100°K) designed to insure that the article under test will see minimal radiated energy return? Can the test sample be placed at a great enough distance from these surfaces to avoid undue influence? Does the solar radiation simulation source have a proper wave length distribution over a large enough area to cover the test specimens? Does transfer of this radiation source through the port window distort this distribution? What effect will zero gravity have on these results?

Accuracy, in its more common sense, is determined by measurements and the equipment used to make them. For example, voltages in a computer system must be more precise than in an automobile headlight. Measurement of these voltages under test is important and indicates overall test accuracy. A power supply with a stability of 0.01% would not be accurate enough to test many computer circuits. Yet, this degree of precision is unnecessary where automobile headlight testing is concerned. Thus, accuracy, and the use of it, have a great deal of influence on how the test is conducted. In testing the headlight, a power supply (battery) with the regulation found in an automobile electrical system, would be accurate enough in a life test on the headlight—or would it?

If the headlight test were to be repeated for a reliability analysis with test termination only at the time the filament burns out, voltage variation would have a direct influence on results. Thus, a more accurate power supply is actually needed. In the computer test, the same conditions would prevail, but the degree of accuracy becomes even more critical. A slight voltage shift could result in the wrong computation, resulting in a wrong stress design. This could possibly place someone's life in jeopardy.

### Third Problem

A third problem is that of standardization of test methods and terminology. Standardization is of  
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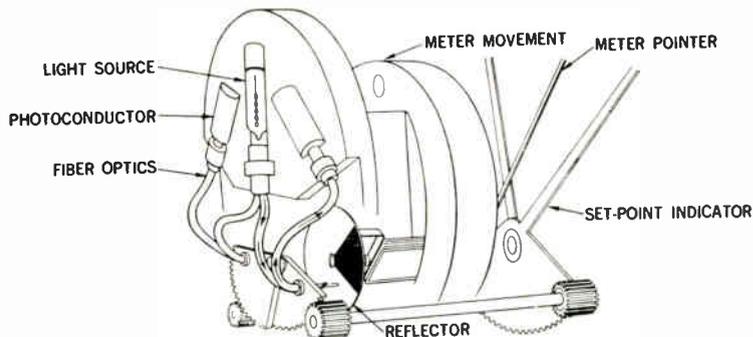


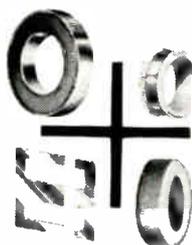
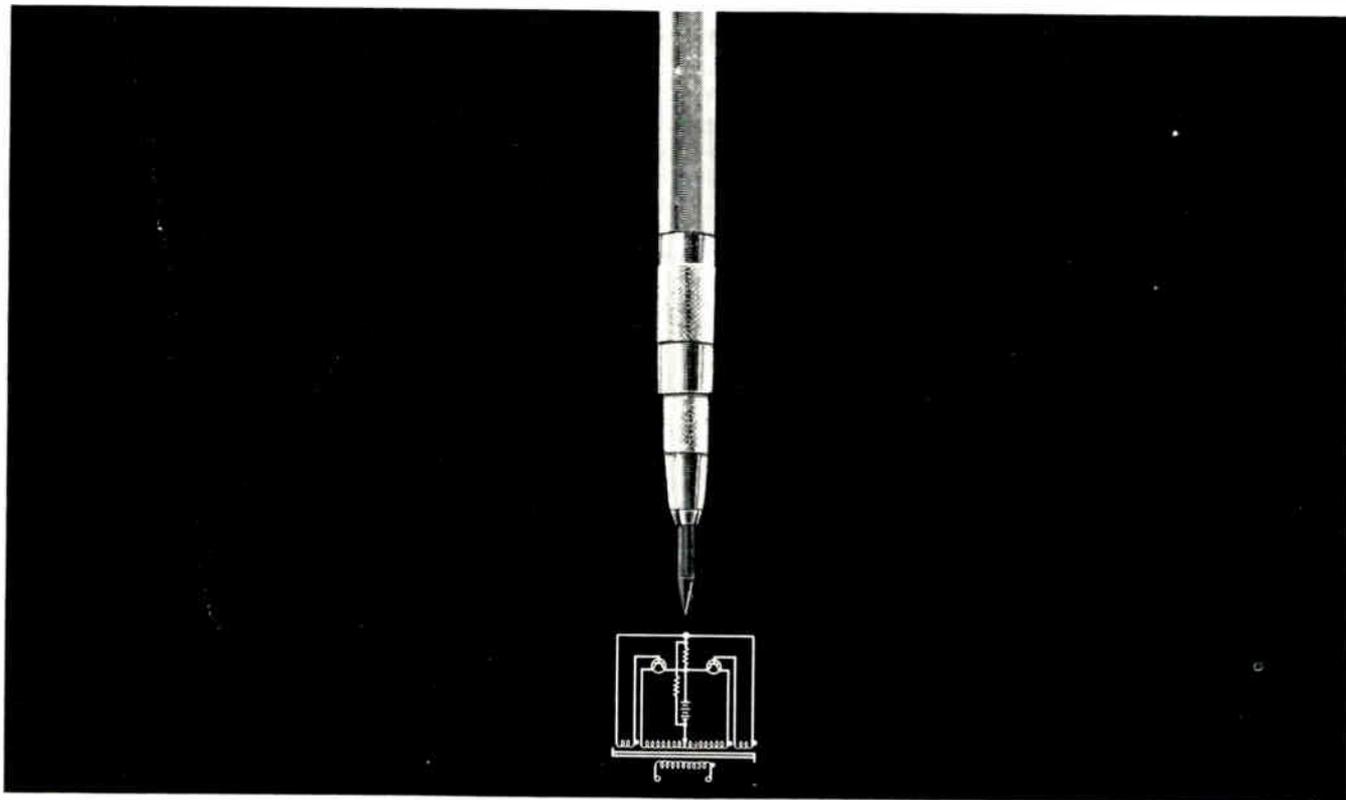
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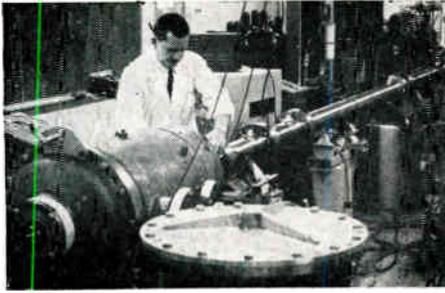
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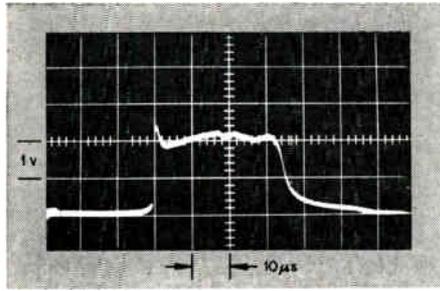
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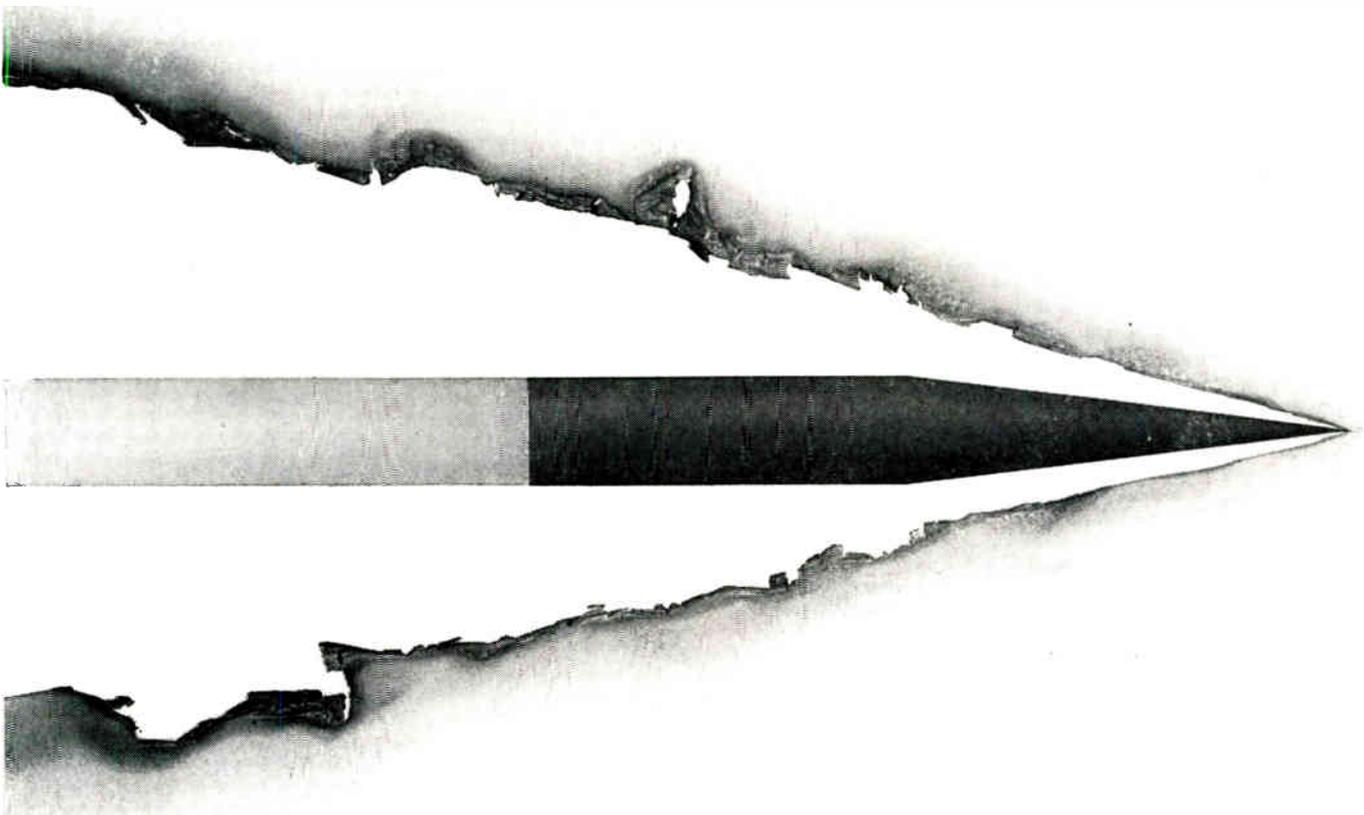
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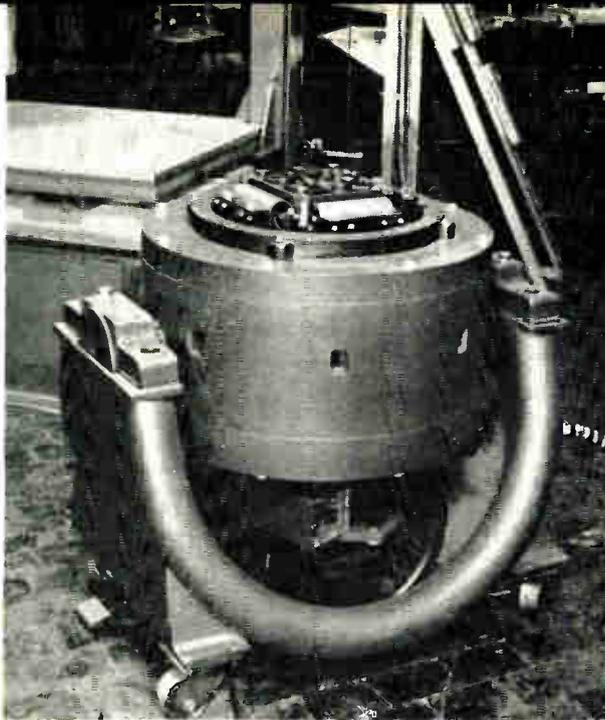
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great value since it reduces overall costs. Yet, test methods are valueless if they are not repeatable: repeatable from the view point that no matter in what environmental lab the tests are performed or who performs them, the results will be the same if the item under test is the same.

Shock testing is a good example of the need for standardization (repeatability). Much has been written about shock testing. Special machines have been developed to assure that proper dynamic response is inherent in the machine. Methods of recording shock pulse data from these machines have been devised, all with one prime consideration in mind—repeatability. Headway has been made, yet much still remains to be done. The shock pulses are not yet exact simulations of service life. Those in service life have vastly varying amplitudes, durations, and frequency content.

Shocks experienced in service life directly affect design of common articles. Ordinary paper cartons could be made better if the normal shock handling cycles were better defined. This better definition of the shock pulse could provide undamaged contents, cheaper cartons, and save manufacturers much money. This is a very simple example of the value of standardization of testing. It also reveals the need for determining the actual service conditions with enough analytical information to devise a standardized test. This is a job for a qualified environmental engineer.

Going to a more complex subject, consider for a moment the field of vibration. Some authorities

believe that vibration in service life bears little, if any, resemblance to the vibration evaluation used in the lab. Some environmental engineers propose the use of random vibration testing, others sine vibration, still others sine with random superimposed. Here we have three basic philosophies, each with merit but not completely compatible with either of the other two; and worse yet, not strictly representative of actual service conditions.

Standardization and definition of basic terminology is another element in this general industrial objective. A committee, under the American Standards Association, is now working to define the terms used in the industry. Their goal is to improve communication, not only within environmental engineering, but also with design engineers who must use environmental information in their work. This standardization of terminology is an industry need that must be met as soon as possible.

I do not intend to create the impression that there has been no standardization, but certainly more can be done. Much more must be done. One word of caution should be raised. Standards for the sake of standards are of little value. Each time a "new standard" is proposed or established, there is a pyramiding effect. This pyramid can be disastrous to the Environmental Industry. The "new standard" could be only a simple change in method. Nevertheless, the result may be compounded: new simulation equipment, or at least a major modification to existing facilities; and need for correlation of the results from the "new standard" with years of previous test data obtained with the previous method: much retesting might be needed to requalify the product; finally, correlation of the service life of the product to the results of the "new standard." Each of these needs created by the "new standard" involve expense either to the manufacturer who is trying to sell the product, or to the consumer who is purchasing the product. Yet, new standards are needed to allow the environmental engineer to do his job better.

Objectives presented in the areas of competent personnel, accuracy of simulation and standardization are by no means the only areas to be evaluated by the industry for their overall influence and growth.

Answers resulting from this evaluation must lead to improvements. For as fast as these problems are solved, new objectives of different scope will develop concurrent with advancement in technology. These objectives in turn must be evaluated and properly interpreted by an alert, aggressive, and progressive industry if the goal of producing better products at lower costs is to be achieved.

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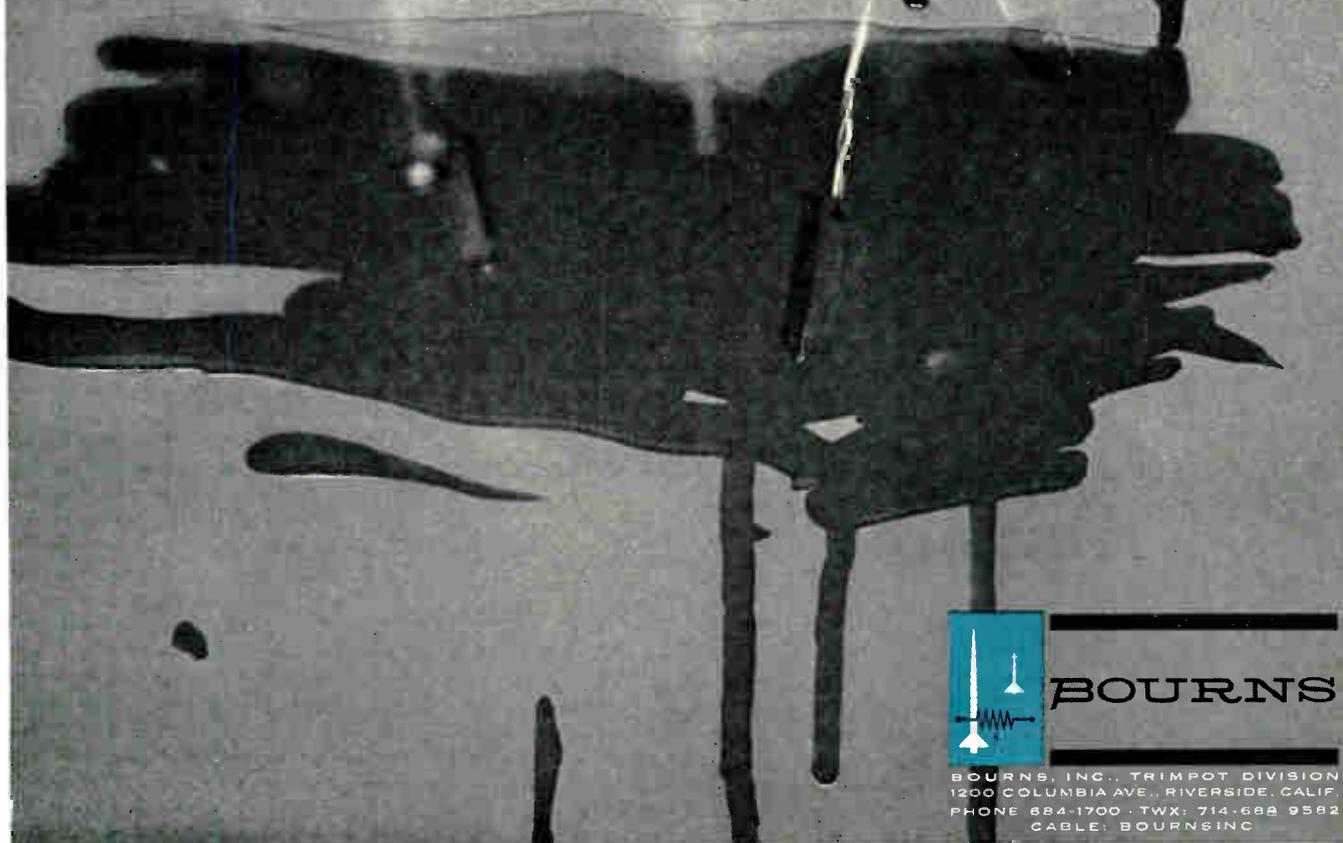
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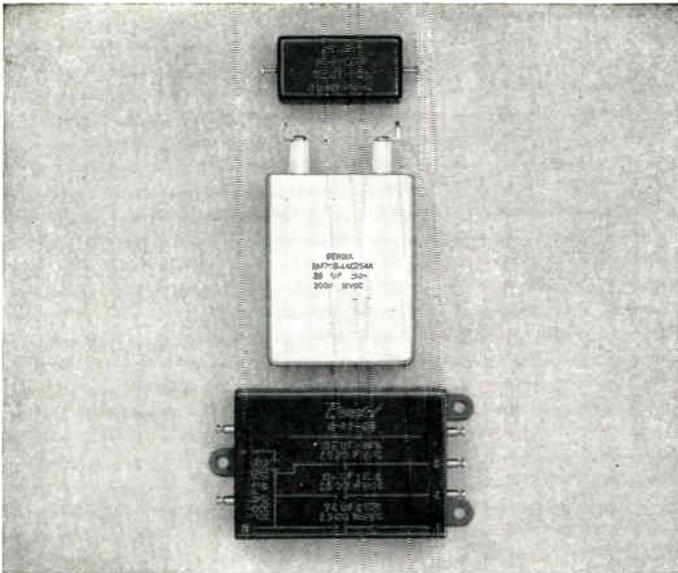
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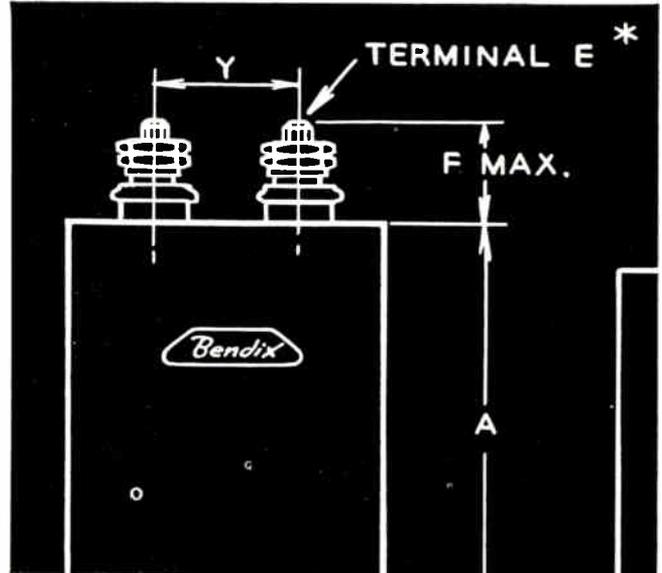
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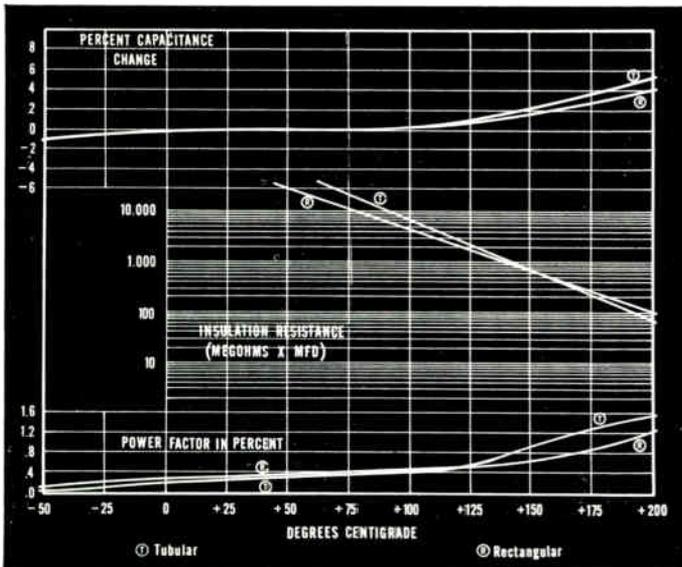
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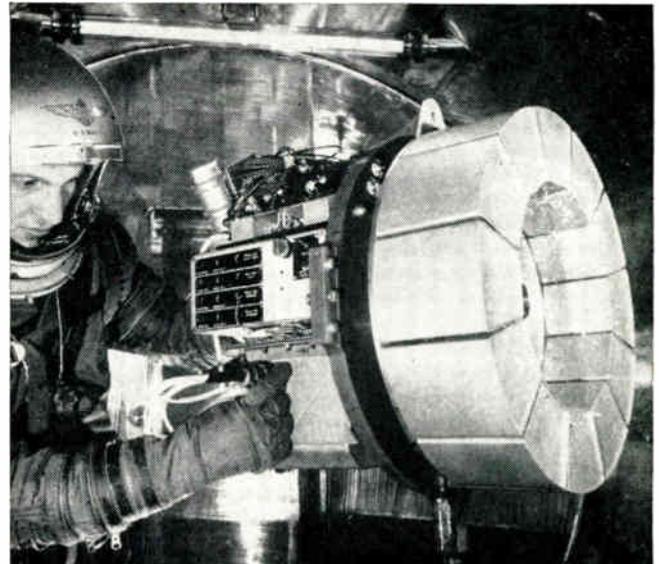
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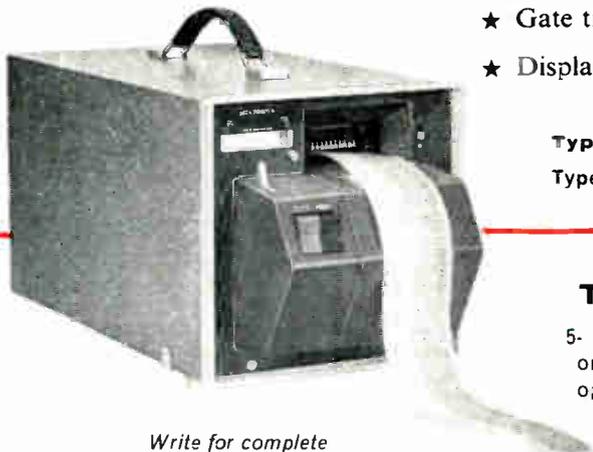
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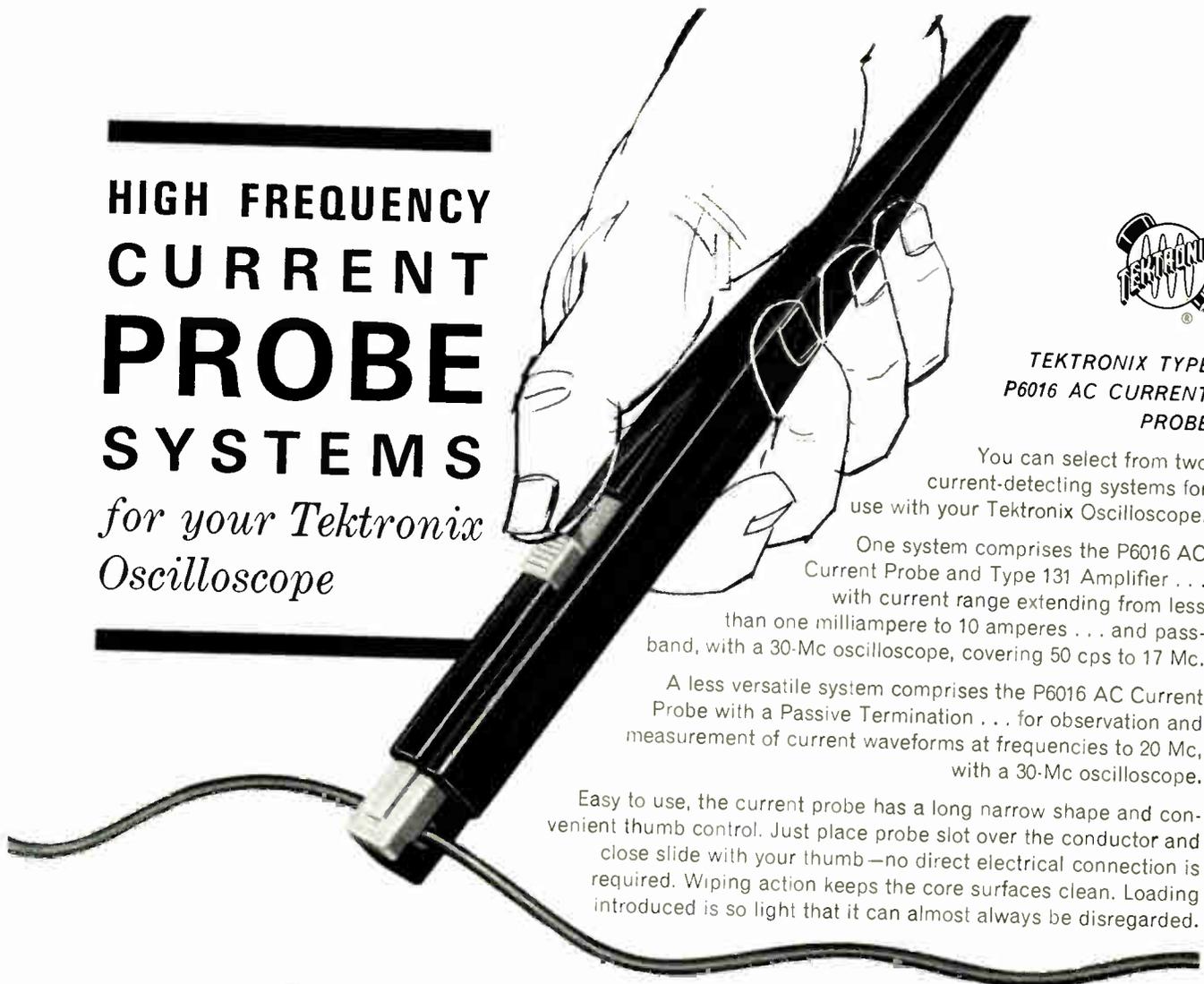
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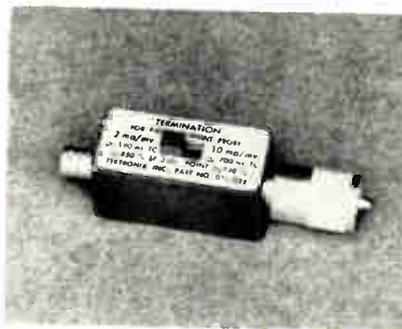


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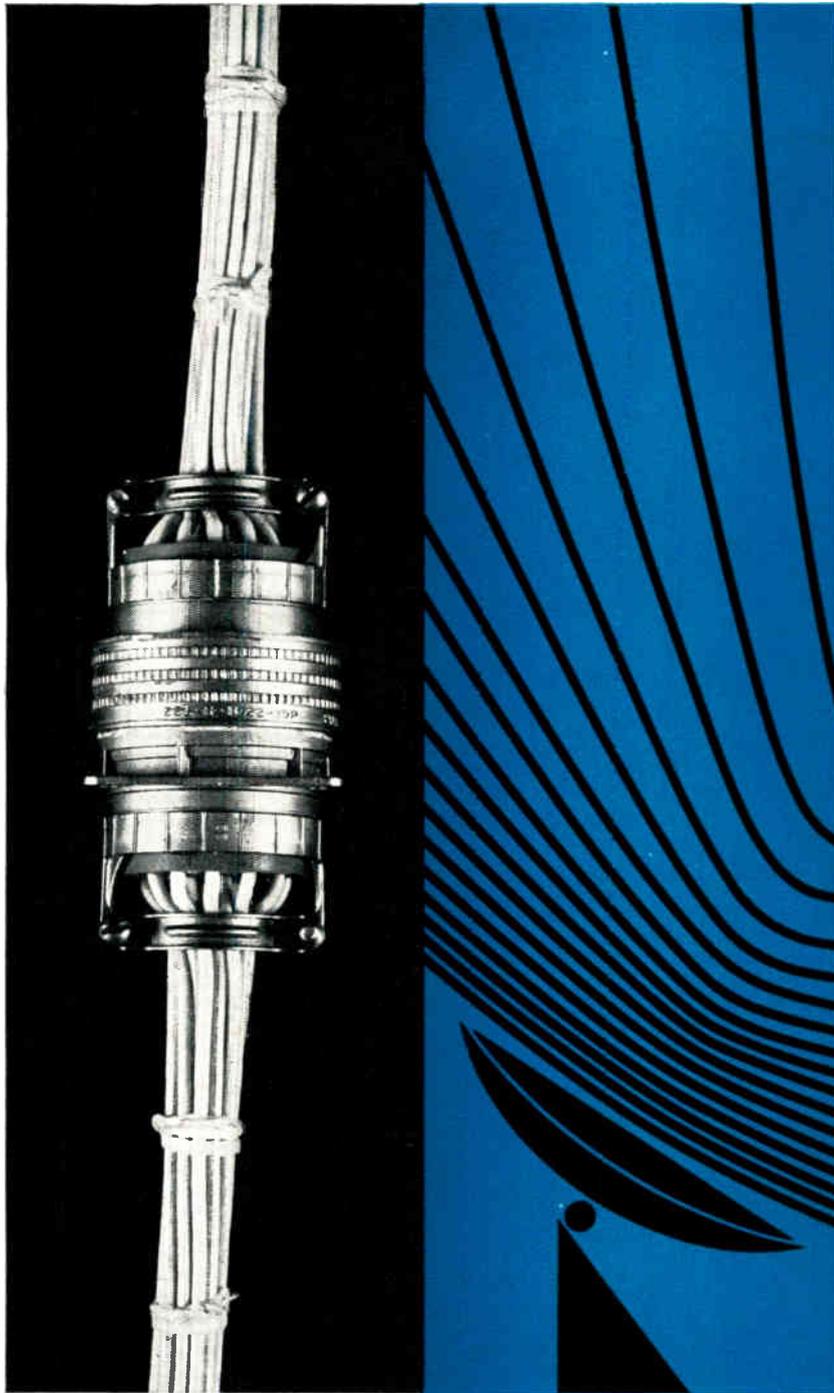
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Equipment must now function under conditions that were hard to visualize a few years ago, and even more strenuous operating environments are ahead. The only way to make sure that products can withstand these levels is to test them under conditions that duplicate the actual operating environment. Methods of vibration testing are covered—particularly random-motion testing—the most vigorous of them all.

# RANDOM-MOTION TESTING OF ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS

THE NEED FOR VIBRATION TESTING of electronic components, subassemblies and even complete assemblies is great. It is so great that millions are spent each year to insure that these products conform to carefully thoughtout specifications developed by the armed forces. Adhering to these specs has been so effective in improving designs and weeding out below-par production models that the concept of vibration testing is now spreading rapidly from military to commercial products. This points out the importance of the material covered here.

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Objective of the government specs is to subject electronic and other parts to a test environment that is as close as possible to actual equipment operating environment. Today, most vibration specs require that the component be subjected to random vibration during at least one phase of the test cycle (acceptance, qualification, etc.).

## Sinusoidal Vibration

In the past, random motion was not specified because it could not be effectively simulated. Plain sinusoidal vibration was the standard requirement. At first, mechanical devices—motor-driven cams—were used to create sinusoidal vibration. These devices had a limited frequency range and state-of-the-art needs necessitated development of the electrodynamic vibration exciter.

The first electrodynamic exciters were nothing more than big loudspeaker elements without the cone. They were powered by normal rotary generators. This combination had an upper frequency limit of about 500 cps. To push this limit higher, the generators were replaced by electronic amplifiers, (giant-size versions of hi-fi amplifiers) and the exciter improved to provide higher operating frequencies. The

input signal came from a simple sine-wave source such as an audio oscillator.

## Random Vibration

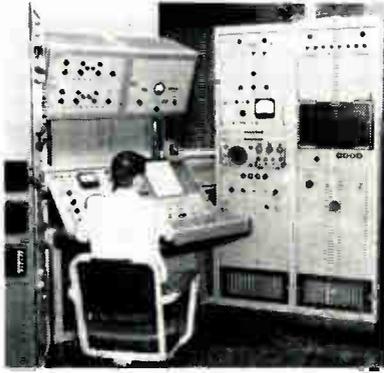
Random-motion or “random-noise” vibration describes the type of vibration that occurs in the most vigorous of all operating environments—a missile at blast-off.

Random-noise by definition is an acoustical or electrical quantity whose instantaneous amplitudes occur as a function of time according to the normal gaussian distribution or probability curve. A sigma value in random-noise signifies the ratio of instantaneous peaks that occur to the RMS noise value. For example, a random-noise of 3 sigma contains instantaneous peaks that are at least 3 times the RMS signal value. This random vibration is one of the most common forms of vibration. An example of this is experienced when driving your car down a cobblestone street.

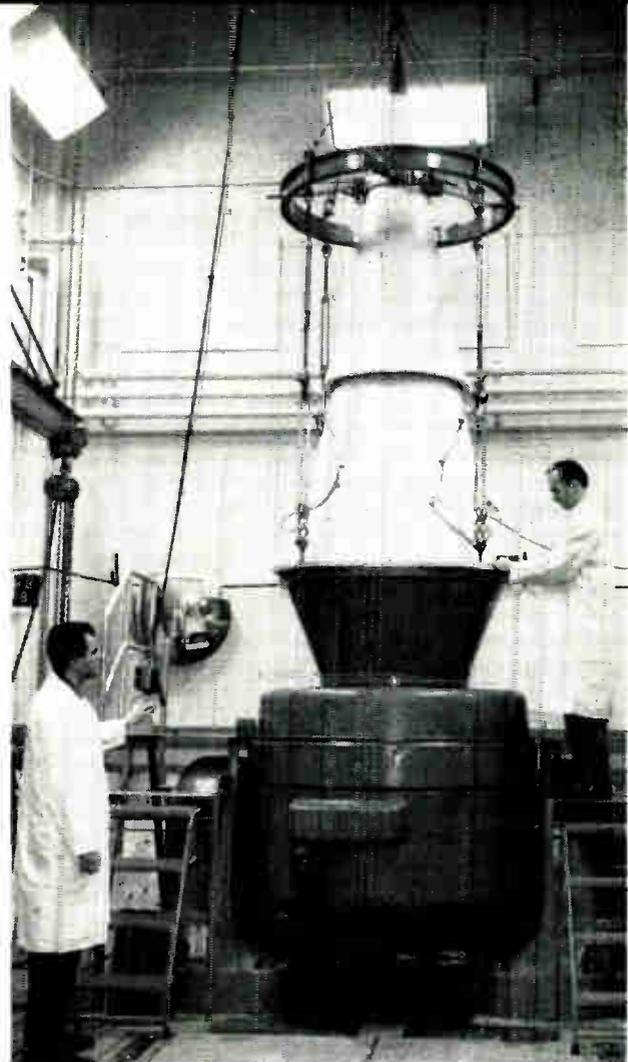
Generally, the laboratory source of the noise signal for random motion vibration is a gas-noise tube. Random noise should be gaussian in its distribution by definition. But, practically speaking, no actual random time function is truly gaussian because the signals are always processed through a device (control console or amplifier) that has a limited range.

The random noise generator selected must be calibrated for flat input. This is usually checked with a narrow-band analyzer. It must also be known that the output from the generator is gaussian. At the RSD lab, these checks are made with the Gulston Industries Model OR/WA/1 narrow-band analyzer or a Technical Products Model TP-627 analyzer, which have filters of 2, 5, 20 and 50 cycle bandwidths. The B&K Model 160 Probability Density Analyzer is used to check gaussian distribution.

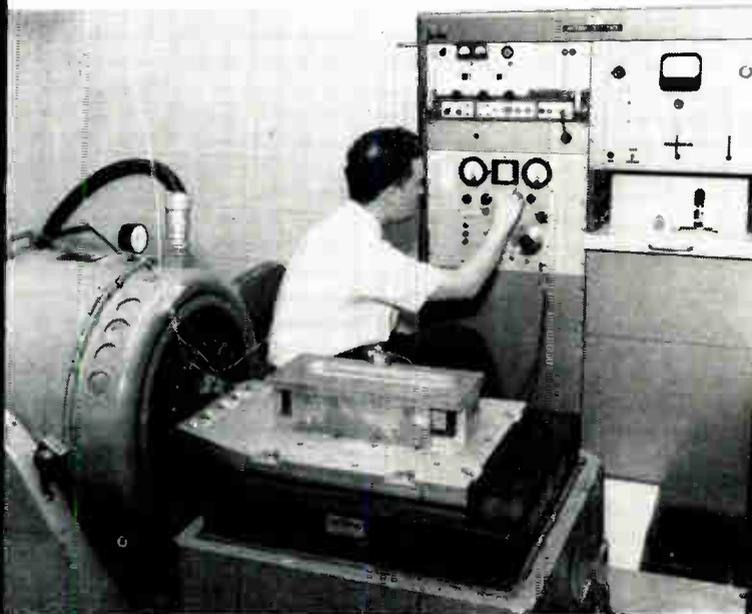
As the exciters and their power sources grew more



Control console for MB C125 system. Panel at extreme right contains automatic multi-filter equalization equipment. Before this type equipment was developed, it often took hours to compensate for the resonances that develop in the test object, fixture and exciter under vibration.



A complete missile nose cone is prepared for random-motion vibration on an MB Electronics (New Haven, Conn.) Model C125 28,000 pounds-of-force exciter. This nose cone is filled with electronic equipment. Random-motion or "random-noise" vibration describes the type of vibration that occurs in the most vigorous of all operating environments—a missile at blast-off.



George Keeley monitors a random-motion vibration test on a microwave antenna for missile uses. The antenna, which is hidden by the enveloping fixture, was given a "functional" test with all proper inputs. To prevent the vibrations from the exciter affecting the other equipment in the lab, it has been anchored to a 15,000-pound seismic block concealed under the floor.

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sophisticated and powerful, designers and users became aware of the problems of resonances within the test object, the fixture to which it was attached and the moving coil of the exciter. During a sinusoidal test the acceleration levels were kept constant by servo control systems. With random vibration some other form of compensation was needed to insure that the test object was subjected to the desired forces at every point in the excitation band of interest.

So-called peak-and-notch filters were first used to balance out or compensate for the undesirable "peaks" and "notches" in the response of the exciter and its load. This was a time consuming method if the peak or notch was very sharp or the system under test was not linear. Occasionally the number of resonances exceeded the number of peak-notch filters, and the system (shaker-fixture-specimen) resonances could not be accurately compensated.

Because of this, "multi-filter equalization" was the next development in vibration testing. This method introduced an array of narrow-bandwidth filters across the broad frequency spectrum. The first approach used 50 cps bandwidth filters, with later approaches to 25 cps and now one maker offers 12.5 cps and mixed filter systems. At first, the filters were adjusted manually for each new type of test object. However, this again took time, particularly where the work load was heavy.

### "Equalization" in Five Seconds

Automatic equalization of the filters in a matter of seconds is now considered the high-performance

standard of the industry. Each equalization filter is automatically controlled, and set-up time has been almost eliminated. In these vibration test systems, loaded exciter response is displayed on a scope, while the filters are automatically adjusted to "shape" the input signal to the amplifier that powers the exciter. The result is an excitation pattern that follows the desired one, as specified.

It is this class of equipment that enables the engineer to perform all vibration tests called for in the specs, including the newest, "sine-random." In the latter, a sine-wave signal is superimposed on the random pattern to simulate the effect present in certain types of rocket motors.

The random-motion vibration tests described here do not represent the ultimate. Because many future missiles will have to be fired from underground silos, new higher acceleration levels have complicated the picture. This high level vibration is caused by noise created by the rocket gas turbulence around the missile as it is lifted out of the silo. This acoustic noise is transformed into mechanical vibration within the missile.

### Getting Ready to Test

Even though the latest equipment has all sorts of automatic and time-saving features it doesn't mean that the test engineer's job has been made any easier. He must still play a complicated and essential role. In summary these are:

- Selecting the proper vibration system.

- Choosing or designing the proper fixture to mount the test object on the shaker or slide table.

- Selecting the proper transducers.

- Performing a shaker-fixture resonance search.

- Preparing the proper inputs and measuring instruments if the test object must be tested functionally while undergoing vibration test.

- Conducting the actual test.

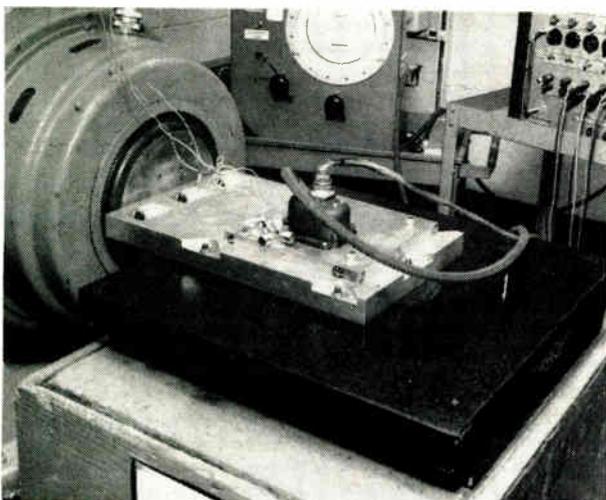
- Analyzing the data and preparing a report.

- Making recommendations (when requested) to the designer or manufacturer to correct defects or failures discovered during testing.

**Selecting the Proper Vibration System:** Care must be taken in selecting an exciter system that is powerful enough to meet the needed test levels. Even a vibration exciter can be damaged by improper uses. This possibility must be avoided since vibration systems can cost up to \$280,000.

To select the proper system, the mass to be vibrated must be known. This consists of (1) mass of the object to be tested, (2) weight of the fixture plus weight of the exciter armature. Less than 5 years ago when sine-wave testing was the mode,

A pressure switch used in missiles is seen under functional test (see opposite page photo also). Exciter is an MB Model C10.



it was easy to select the system. The vibration mass (in lbs.) times the desired acceleration (in g's) gave a figure in lbs. of force that set vibration system rating.

With random-motion testing in the picture, the formula  $f = ma$  still applies, but a slightly more complicated formula must also be used involving the bandwidth of vibration times spectral density. Fortunately, this formula has been reduced to chart form when bandwidth is constant. Thus only a few minutes are needed to learn the  $G_{RMS}$  acceleration level and to apply it to the formula  $f = ma$  to find the system  $RMS$  force rating. Care should also be made to select a system, including an amplifier, capable of producing the 3 sigma peaks.

**Fixturing:** Picking the proper vibration system depends to some extent on the weight of the fixture selected. Obviously, it helps to keep the fixture weight as low as possible. For this reason, fixtures are usually made of aluminum or magnesium. Fortunately these metals also have good damping characteristics.

In most large environmental test labs, fixtures are standardized as much as possible to cut down on number and cost. These fixtures, which use standard bolt patterns, need less time to attach test objects to the slide table or exciter.

When these simple, flat plates can't be used, the lab must be given enough time to develop, make, and evaluate the more complex fixtures.

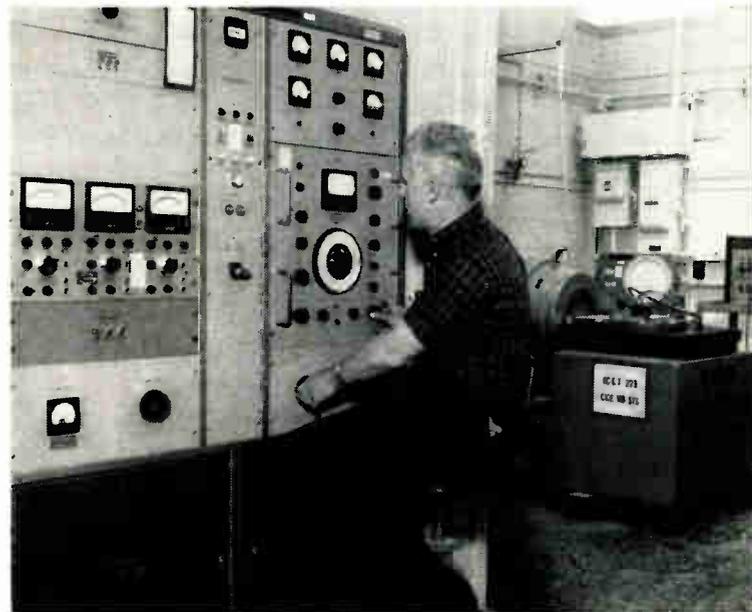
In designing a fixture for mounting the test object, one of the prime jobs is to cut down on "cross-talk." This "cross-talk" is the undesirable vibration in planes perpendicular to the one in which the object is being tested. When the test object is not properly fixtured, acceleration levels in the directions perpendicular to the normal direction will sometimes exceed the test vibration level, perhaps by as much as 500%.

At the RSD lab, efforts are made to keep cross-talk below a maximum of 50% of the vibration level in the test direction. Sometimes this requires designing special fixtures that are larger than the object under test.

Oil-film slide tables tend to cut down on cross-talk by restricting motion in the plane vertical to the test direction.

**Shaker—Fixture Resonance Search:** Before conducting the vibration test with an actual component, the shaker-fixture must be subjected to a resonance search. If necessary, a dummy component is designed and made that simulates within 2% the mass, center of gravity and mounting of the component to be tested. With the unit mounted on the fixture and

shaker, the frequency band from 5 to 2000 cps is manually or automatically swept at a rate slow enough to clearly identify the amplification and bandwidth of each resonance whose amplification is greater than 3 times the input. If necessary, the fixture is modified until, to the greatest extent possible, all resonances are eliminated. Vibration response shall be monitored through the entire frequency range in 3 orthogonal directions at each attachment point of the component to the fixture. Amplitude readings normal to the direction of excitation should not be greater than 50% of the maximum level in the direction of excitation. Maximum amplitude readings taken in the direction of the shake at the attachment points should not differ from each other by more than 50%.



A functional test under vibration is monitored. Test object is a pressure switch. Exciter produces 1200 lbs. of force vector.

The transducer that measures the actual acceleration to which the test object is subjected is now attached at a point on the fixture that represents the best average of all possible attachment points. Generally a transducer (usually an accelerometer) is chosen that has a natural frequency much higher than that of the highest test frequency (we prefer at least 5 times higher) so that no sub-harmonics will affect its output.

All transducers should be calibrated periodically against a standard. Results of these calibration tests should be included in the data supplied to the organization for whom the component tests are performed. **Functional Tests:** Frequently, the test object must be monitored for functional operation while it

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is vibrated. This is necessary, for example, when the test simulates blast-off and the object must operate during launch. When functional testing is not required, it is still necessary to check the operating performance of the object before and after the vibration test to see if its performance has been impaired.

### Conducting the test

Once these preliminary steps are completed, the actual test can begin. Recording devices must be selected and tied into the transducers (and the test object if it is to be tested functionally). The object is now tested in the three orthogonal directions.

If the object passes the test, a report is issued to include the vibration system used, calibration dates, etc. However, if the object fails under test, then an elaborate failure analysis may be needed.

The test object that we at RSD usually refer to as a component, is actually a "black box" or an assembly of several smaller components. To learn why such an assembly failed, it must be opened and examined. Sometimes, this reveals a simple failure,

such as a broken solder connection. This may be considered a random failure, calling for a duplicate subassembly from the same production lot to be requalified in the identical vibration environment.

However, if the cause of failure is not obvious, then it may be necessary to vibrate each component in the black box under the same vibration environment to determine the one or ones that caused the failure.

If the object that failed is an actual component itself, it must be dissected to find which part or segment was the source of failure.

### Combined Environments

Combined environments are not new in vibration testing. At RSD, components are vibration tested inside hot or cold cabinets or inside high-altitude chambers. Obviously, equipment cost for such tests must be high. Usually the chamber must be big enough to enclose the exciter (plus slide table). The alternative, when possible, is to design a chamber in such a way that it can cover the exciter. This is no easy task, but chambers of this type have been used and are available.

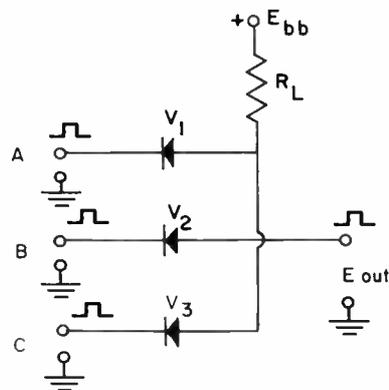
## CIRCUIT-WISE

### DIODE "AND" GATE

THIS TYPE OF LOGIC CIRCUIT has two or more input circuits, and produces an output pulse only when suitable signals are applied to all input circuits. For a circuit with 3-inputs, a signal must be applied to input 1 *and* input 2 *and* input 3. Since signals must be applied to all inputs *simultaneously*, this circuit is also known as a *coincidence gate*.

A simple diode AND circuit is shown in figure. The diodes could be semiconductors as shown, or they could be vacuum-tube diodes. They are biased so as to conduct heavily (saturated) in the absence of an input signal. (The circuit is completed through the signal source itself.) Because of the low resistance of the saturated diodes and the high resistance of the load resistor  $R_L$ , the output voltage is clamped at approximately ground level. (The source resistance should also be low compared to  $R_L$ .) For proper operation, the input signal should be positive in polarity and of sufficient magnitude to overcome the power supply voltage so as to produce a reverse-bias condition. If such a pulse is applied to diode  $V_1$ , that

This simple diode AND circuit requires three simultaneous inputs.



diode will stop conducting. However, since  $V_2$  and  $V_3$  are still deep in saturation, the output voltage is still effectively clamped at ground level. Even if two of the input circuits are so energized, the third diode will still conduct, keeping the output voltage at ground potential. On the other hand, if a suitable positive signal is applied to *all* inputs simultaneously, all diodes are reverse-biased; no current will flow through  $R_L$ ; and the output voltage will rise to the full supply value. When the positive signal is removed from one or more of the input circuits, the output level will once more revert to zero. A positive output pulse will be produced.

Similar operation could be obtained with negative input pulses, merely by reversing the diodes and using a negative supply source. The output this time would be a negative pulse.

Based on material from a new book, *General Electronics Circuits*, by Joseph J. DeFrance, published by Holt, Rinehart & Winston, Inc.

# IMPROVING THE ACCURACY OF R-F VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS

Measurements that were difficult in the past can now be made easily and accurately with modern test instruments. Four types of measurements are described here—Q, bridge & null network, r-f filter, and harmonic distortion. The methods described will benefit the expert as well as the casual user.

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Since the sensitive r-f voltmeter is a rather new addition, it may be worthwhile to consider a few uses which may not be clear to occasional users.

## Q Measurement

Resonance in the series circuit of Fig. 1 is read by a voltage maximum across the coil and capacitor (mostly across the capacitor). For circuit Q more than, say 10, the ratio at resonance of the capacitor voltage to that of the generator is very nearly the Q of the circuit, i.e.,  $Q = e_c/e_g$ .

This circuit is the basis for some well-known Q meters used for finding impedance. Q is within 5 to 10%. In such meters the injection voltage is the product of a monitored current and a low resistance (0.02 to 0.04 $\Omega$ ). By design, the reactance of this mutual resistor is kept low. Since these instruments are calibrated for a constant injection voltage, any

change in this mutual impedance will directly affect reading accuracy. The ideal internal impedance of this mutual element should be zero.

Measuring injection voltage at high frequencies (above, say 30mc) is as follows: The voltage between the low post and ground of a Q meter is not the voltage across the internal injection resistor unless the circuit is detuned. In Fig. 2 note that the inductance between the injection resistor and the low post is, at high frequencies, a major part of the resonant circuit. In practice the voltage at this low post may be as high as 0.2 to 0.3v. and will depend upon the part of the post that is contacted. At resonance the circulating current gives a real voltage rise across this part of the circuit. But, when the circuit is detuned, there is a negligible difference between the actual injection voltage and that voltage measured at the low post. To get this voltage at the higher frequencies, set the oscillator frequency to the desired value and adjust the injection level (usually 20mv.) at the low post with the circuit fully detuned. The improvement with this method of monitoring the injection voltage is shown for 2 commercial Q meters in Table 1. A further improvement was effected by using the r-f voltmeter to measure the resonant voltage across the capacitor, the Q being  $e_c/e_g$ . Two means are at hand to negate loading by the r-f voltmeter on the direct measurement of the

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## R-F VOLTMETER (Continued)

circuit  $Q$ . One method employs a voltage divider (ratio of 100:1) which raises the probe impedance to a high enough value to be sensibly infinite. The other uses an r-f voltmeter across the  $Q$  capacitor

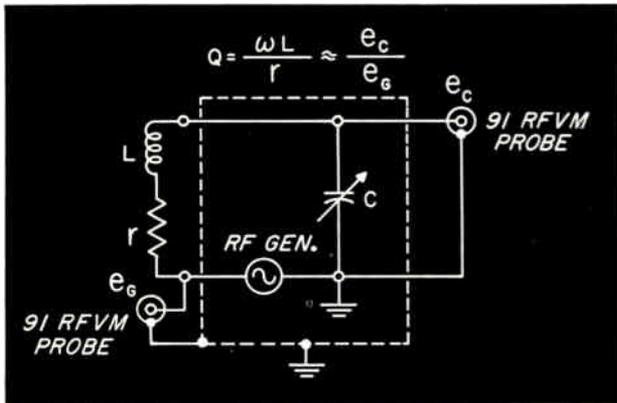


Fig. 1: Circuit for measuring  $Q$  includes method of reading 2 voltages whose ratio gives the value of the quality factor.

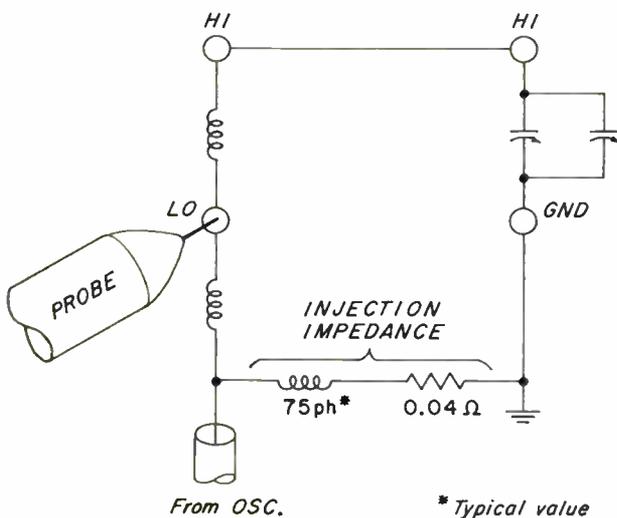
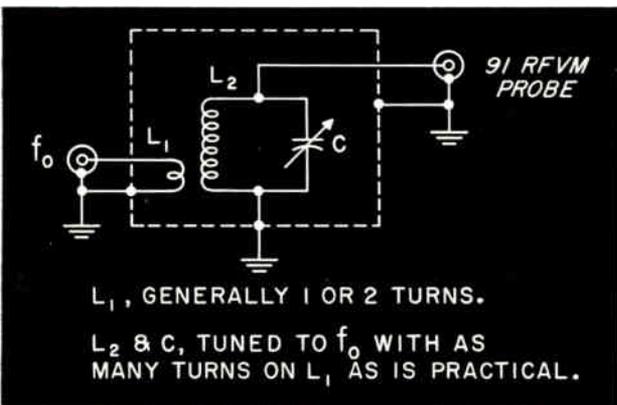


Fig. 2 (above): Pictorials in this schematic make clear how to measure injection voltage at high frequencies in a  $Q$  meter.

Fig. 3 (below): Here the r-f voltmeter can detect null. The signal is coupled to high  $Q$  circuit with improved sensitivity.



(hence the  $Q$  voltmeter) to calibrate it. Then the r-f voltmeter is disconnected and the internal  $Q$  voltmeter is used with its newly found correction. Either method yields a real improvement over adjustment of the injection voltage only. Table 1 lists typical values.

TABLE 1

$f = 48 \text{ mc}$	$Q$ Meter 1	Error	$Q$ Meter 2	Error
Directly measured $Q$	167	28.5%	196	51%
$Q$ after getting injection voltage of 20 mv.	143	10%	140	7.7%
Value of $Q$ from $e_c$ and $e_g$ as measured with r-f voltmeter	131	0.8%	128	1.7%

$Q$  by  $\Delta C$  method = 130,  $Q$  by  $\Delta f$  method = 131

With a r-f voltmeter to check on the injection voltage, the normal voltage (0.2 to 5v.) which appears across the resonant circuit can be reduced for testing components like semiconductors. If the normal injection level of 20mv. is lowered to, say 1mv.,  $Q$  circuit test voltage is then 10 to 250mv. This reduced voltage across the capacitor and test sample in parallel is outside the normal  $Q$  voltmeter's range, but within a sensitive r-f voltmeter's. When such parallel readings are made of the relative  $Q$ 's before and after joining the specimen across the  $Q$  capacitor, no great loading error results by using the r-f voltmeter.

Accuracy of direct measurement, however, as in that of a coil's  $Q$ , will suffer from the finite shunt impedance of the probe. In such cases the circuit  $Q$  is best found with the known  $Q$  capacitor using the  $\Delta C$  method.

That is,

$$Q = (2 C_o / \Delta C) \sqrt{n^2 - 1}$$

where  $C_o$  = total tuning capacitance at resonance (includes probe capacitance)

$\Delta C$  = total change of capacitance above and below  $C_o$  to reduce  $E_o$  to a value,  $E$

$E_o$  = voltage across  $C$  at resonance

$E$  = voltage across  $C$  when detuned

$n = E_o / E$

$Q$  = circuit  $Q = \omega L / r$

However, the  $\Delta C$  method can be avoided if the capacitor voltage is greater than 30mv. The 100:1 voltage divider cited can then, with the voltmeter probe, help cut the shunting effect to a value less than that of the internal  $Q$  voltmeter. This will get a more exact  $Q$ , more so if the internal  $Q$  voltmeter is disconnected (the loading effect of the internal  $Q$  voltmeter is evident only at the extreme ends of the frequency range).

If a Q meter is not handy, a Q measuring circuit like that in Fig. 1 can be assembled using a calibrated variable capacitor, both coil and capacitor terminals, adequate shielding and low inductance leads. This last item is, perhaps, the most important detail in the Q circuit. When the injection voltage is read as shown in Fig. 1, it is not imperative that the injection circuit have extremely low impedance, but there is maximum current from its source at resonance, where any impedance in that circuit will cause a sharp decrease of the injection voltage. Further circuit change as added test samples or tuning to find the change in Q will also affect the magnitude of the injection voltage.

Holding this voltage constant will be easier with the impedance as low as practicable.

If only one r-f voltmeter is on hand, it should be alternated between the source and the capacitor voltages for each setting, while keeping the injection voltage constant and noting changes in the resonant voltage.

Another means of measuring the Q of a resonant circuit is described in the section on r-f filters. This method, which uses  $\Delta f$ , has merit when: 1. the circuit Q differs from the coil Q; 2. the Q of the circuit is effected by neighboring shields; or 3. the circuit make-up prevents easy connection to a Q meter.

### Bridge & Null Network Measurements

Measuring circuits which need adjustment for minimum output voltage (null) are better for exact balance than the ones tuned for a maximum, or peak.

The r-f voltmeter is well suited for both uses. Its sensitivity, high input impedance, wide voltage range, and broad frequency range of hundreds of megacycles make it of value for bridge, bridged-tee, twin-tee, and resonant measuring circuits.

Null networks for measuring circuit parameters need a detector that can indicate the precise point of minimum output voltage, i.e., balance. Sometimes complex means are needed to show balance: minimum voltages of several  $\mu v$ . or less will generally require a sensitive, well shielded superheterodyne receiver. In some cases double detection is needed.

Engineers, who were forced to use such techniques, are aware of the complications which arise with such setups. Detectors of this type have severe drawbacks as to frequency coverage. R-F leakage can lead to gross errors and the proper grounding of all instruments is vital.

When less sensitivity will suffice (150 to 200  $\mu v$ .), a sensitive r-f voltmeter is an excellent null detector.

When the output impedance of the null network is low, the signal can be coupled to a simple, high Q,

shielded resonant circuit with improved sensitivity when the voltmeter is across the resonant circuit. The circuit is shown in Fig. 3.

At frequencies too high for normal lumped constant resonant circuits, sensitivity can be increased by using a  $\lambda/4$ -wave coax. line. For ease its length should be adjustable for tuning to the measuring frequency. If this type is not handy, a fixed line whose length is somewhat less than  $\lambda/4$  can be electrically increased by a small variable capacitor connected at the voltmeter end.

The selective L-C circuits described will also furnish a degree of frequency discrimination. This is often needed in a null detector to reduce the bad effects of generator harmonics. The use of tuned transmission lines will give some discrimination only at the even order harmonics (even  $\lambda/4$  multiples). Where this is not enough, it may be desirable to

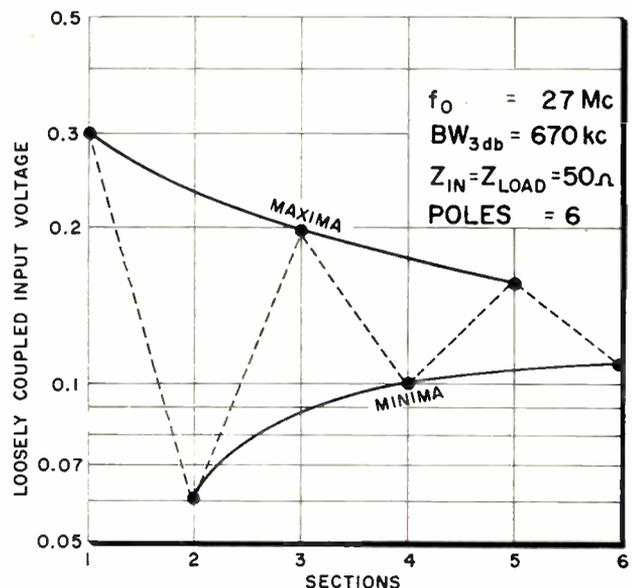


Fig. 4: Results of exact alignment of synchronously tuned, multiple band-pass filter with only generator and sensitive detector.

filter the output of the oscillator to reduce the harmonic content of the signal source.

The author has been successful in using the BEC 91CA or 91D sensitive r-f voltmeter as a null detector for the GR Model (1602) admittance meter. The combination can be used to measure many UHF parameters.

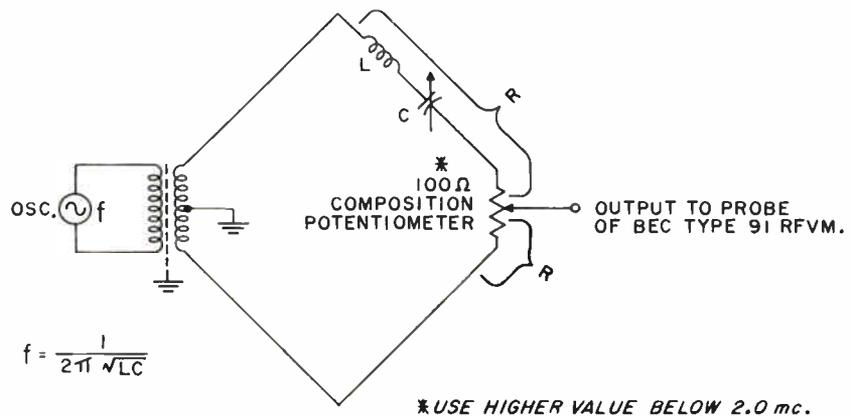
### R-F Filter Measurements

Engineers who design and study r-f filters have found the sensitive r-f voltmeter to be of great value.

The usual method for measuring attenuation of a filter employs a constant voltage generator of proper internal impedance (use a series resistor, if needed) to feed the filter—the output voltage is across a resistive termination. A second method is sometimes

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Fig. 6: Another circuit used to attenuate signal fundamental. It rejects better but is more complex than in Fig. 5.



\*USE HIGHER VALUE BELOW 2.0 mc.

## R-F VOLTMETER (Continued)

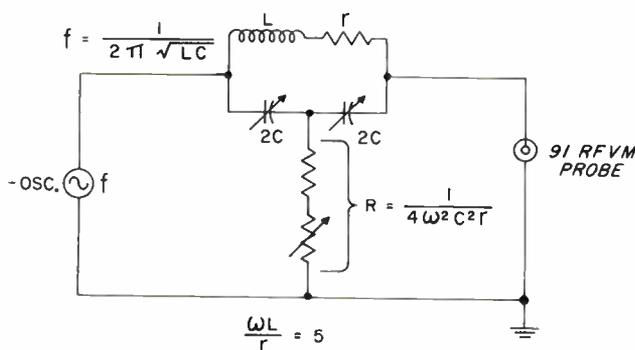
used in which the input to the filter is changed in accordance with the attenuation vs. frequency curve while keeping output constant. This method is best done with 2 r-f voltmeters and is desired where the filter elements may be non-linear (change value with signal level).

Owing to the wide band of these sensitive r-f voltmeters, it is possible for harmonic distortion in the generator output to cause gross errors in finding the pass band of both high-pass filters and band-pass filters. The trouble in a band-pass filter may occur when the generator is set to a sub-multiple of any frequency in the pass band (or to any frequency below  $\frac{1}{2}$  the cut-off frequency in a high-pass filter). To avoid these abnormal effects and get true response of such filters, a low-pass filter can be interposed between the generator and the filter under test.

A unique use of a non-resonant sensitive r-f voltmeter is for the exact alignment of synchronously tuned, multiple-resonant-circuit filters.

Dishal has shown<sup>1</sup> that the correct adjustment of a band-pass filter is possible with only a generator operating at  $f_0$  (the center frequency) and a sensitive detector loosely coupled to the input of the filter. The method is usable whether the filter elements be lumped or distributed for either low or uhf respectively, provided that each resonant section can be adjusted near  $f_0$ .

Fig. 5: Circuit to reject harmonic signal's fundamental (see Fig. 6).



In Ref. 1 is shown that, if all the resonant sections are completely detuned (10 or more pass-bandwidths from  $f_0$ ) and if they are then tuned in numerical order, with the input section as 1, all odd-numbered sections will reflect a high resistance across the input terminals and all even-numbered sections a low resistance, when each section is tuned right.

Be careful with each adjustment, especially with the last few sections, since the voltmeter excursions of maximum and minimum converge much in the manner of a damp wave train. Typical values are given in Fig. 4.

The  $Q$  of the resonant circuit in each filter section is often required. To measure a circuit outside of its shielded compartment has little meaning, since the metal housing near the coil will affect the inductance and loss. The most accurate measurement of either the loaded or unloaded  $Q$  of each section is by the  $\Delta f$  method using a generator and voltmeter, both loosely coupled to the resonant circuit. Dishal recommends opposite modes of coupling for these instruments, with magnetic coupling from the generator and capacitive coupling to the voltmeter being best. The circuit  $Q$  is given by

$$Q = f_0 / \Delta f \sqrt{n^2 - 1}$$

where  $n = E_p / E$ ,  $E_p$  = maximum meter indication at resonance and  $E$  = meter indication when the generator is adjusted above and below resonance to  $f_2$  and  $f_1$  ( $f_2 - f_1 = \Delta f$ ).

### Harmonic Distortion

Harmonics in a r-f signal can be found with a tunable receiver and this method to study purity of waveform of a r-f signal source has been used for many years. Unfortunately, the results from this method are more qualitative than quantitative. Harmonic Distortion at r-f can be measured using the same principle used in the audio spectrum. This is not as well known as might be hoped, considering

1. Dishal, M., "Alignment and Adjustment of Synchronously Tuned Multiple-Resonant-Circuit Filters," *Proc. I.R.E.*, Vol. 39, pp. 1448-1451; Nov., 1951.

the present stress on RFI as well as the value of low distortion test signals to measure semiconductors.

In general, the method requires suppression of the fundamental and the measurement of the remnants, or harmonics, relative to the amplitude of the composite waveform.

Total harmonic distortion is,

$$\% \text{ Distortion} = 100 \frac{\sqrt{E_2^2 + E_3^2 + E_4^2 + \dots}}{\sqrt{E_1^2 + E_2^2 + E_3^2 + E_4^2 + \dots}}$$

where  $E_2, E_3, \dots$ , are the RMS values of the indicated harmonics, and  $E_1$  is the RMS value of the fundamental.

The denominator of this equation is often given as the RMS value of the fundamental alone, but isolating the fundamental is a filtering problem and if the total harmonic distortion is less than 10%, the equation as given is satisfactory.

A grave error occurs if an average type rectifier is employed to measure the fundamental as well as the harmonic content, and in particular to obtain null at minimum output. Though it is clear from the equation that all voltages should be measured with an RMS meter and that error results with an average responding meter, MacDonald<sup>2</sup> has shown another error of greater meaning from using an average responding meter. It can be shown that a null network may be adjusted using an RMS meter, for elimination of the fundamental. Transferring to an average type meter and then introducing a small part of the fundamental, properly phased, will further reduce the average reading. This reading, of course, is invalid and errors of 10% and higher have been noted with an average type meter. Unfortunately, the error is not in a direction to make the distortion appear lower.

There are several circuits for eliminating the fundamental of a signal without significant attenuation of the harmonic content. Two circuits which have been proven are shown in Figs. 5 and 6. The circuit of Fig. 5 is the well-known bridged-tee. If frequency of the test signal cannot be adjusted, means should be made to allow either the inductance or the capacitance in the bridged-tee network to null the fundamental. In either case the resistance,  $R$ , must be adjustable to negate the effect of the resistance of the coil. Alternately adjusting, say the capacitance, and the resistance should result in suppression of the fundamental of 50 to 60db.

If more attenuation of the fundamental is needed,

2. MacDonald, J. R., "On Accurate Measurements with a Harmonic Distortion Meter," *I.R.E. Trans. on Audio*, Vol. AU-5, No. 6, pp. 160, 161.

the circuit of Fig. 6 may be used. This is a series resonant bridge with at least 80db rejection. This circuit is more complex than the circuit of Fig. 5 in that a well balanced transformer is needed to drive the bridge. This circuit is used in the BEC Model 85 distortion meter and for signal frequencies up to 100MC.

Balance of the series resonant bridge is achieved in much the same way as for the bridged-tee network. Either reactance in the series resonant circuit may be adjusted for resonance along with a variable resistance which is changed to balance the bridge (it should be remembered that at resonance, the reactance disappears leaving only resistance in the right arms of the bridge).

The first reading for either circuit should be taken with the L-C circuit completely detuned to avoid attenuation of the fundamental. This gives the reference voltage (denominator of the above equation). This voltage should be as high as possible without causing any nonlinearity in the circuit components. Because this voltage will usually exceed 30mv., the voltage divider adapter should be used with the probe to assure operation of the probe diodes in the true RMS region (up to 3v. with the 100:1 adapter).

Ignoring the RMS region for this reading, however, will not normally have much effect upon the accuracy of the measurement. It is more important, for reasons given, that harmonics which remain after eliminating the fundamental be measured in the RMS region of the probe.

Assuming that precautions outlined above are observed, the percentage of harmonic distortion is simply,

$$\% \text{ Distortion} = 100 E_1/E_2$$

where  $E_1$  = signal voltage measured in the absence of the fundamental.

and  $E_2$  = total voltage including the fundamental (reference voltage).

Some recent work on the reduction of harmonics in r-f signals has pointed up the advantage of making precise distortion measurements; particularly, the ability to measure the total harmonic content so that an adjustment to reduce say the second harmonic, which might increase the third harmonic, is noticed. It is clear that parasitic circuit parameters in an r-f oscillator can greatly change the purity of the output waveform. Such parameters are easily affected by small changes in layout, proximity, shielding, or other minor adjustments. Under such conditions it is most important to have a means to observe the effects of each modification. With such means, substantial improvements can be obtained with a minimum of effort and redesign.

# ENCAPSULATING TO MILITARY SPECIFICATIONS

A wide range of considerations must be reviewed by the systems engineer before the encapsulation processes are specified. The resins considered for use should undergo wide study. Many of the restrictions on the encapsulating process are dictated by the electrical characteristics of the component involved.

THE NEED FOR RELIABLE ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS has spurred the development of advanced encapsulation systems able to meet strict military specifications. Encapsulation is also used in equipment for lightweight, dense packaging needs of the missile age. A typical material now available is silicone casting resin. This is a tough, transparent, repairable material for encapsulating a printed circuit assembly.

Designers must carefully study the environmental, electrical, mechanical and chemical specifications to establish basic needs for an optimum design. Environmental conditions generally include humidity, shock and vibration, and limits of ambient temperature. They frequently extend to altitude, corrosion, salt spray, fungus and corona. The systems engineer should make clear at the start all the end requirements which the unit must fulfill.

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The entire cost structure of a component should be carefully reviewed in the early stages of design, as outlined in Fig. 1. This avoids possible added expense in tooling and production for what seemed a simple item at first. Production budgets are a major concern of management today. However, small increases in outlay on design and better materials will reduce final costs.

## Selection of Resins

A designer must choose new materials with caution, and consider them less than reliable until proven worthy after testing and usage. The staff chemist provides a vital link between new product appraisal and full data release for engineering use.

Reference: Society of Plastic Engineers—Encapsulation Materials and Techniques Workshop, Newark, N. J.

**A. Environmental Considerations:** Resins considered for use in systems should undergo wide study. Tests include pot life, immersion, gel time, viscosity at various pressures and temperatures, general handling properties and ASTM shock test. Additional thermal shock tests are run on a unit set up as a company test standard and considered typical of shapes used to qualify in military testing. After thermal shock, samples are put to immersion tests, per MIL-STD-202B, Method 104A.

Moisture penetration can be avoided by using unfilled resins as impregnants. These materials show very low moisture absorption. The thixotropic, highly filled resins may then be used for outer coatings or potting. MIL-E-5272A typifies a humidity specification and procedure for military use.

Added environmental design factors to consider:

1. That exposed metal surfaces are well protected from corrosion and galvanic effects by plating to MIL-F-14072 or MIL-E-15090B.
2. Descriptive marking on the surface of units should meet MIL-M-13231A.
3. Protective coatings over surface markings must meet MIL-T-173A.

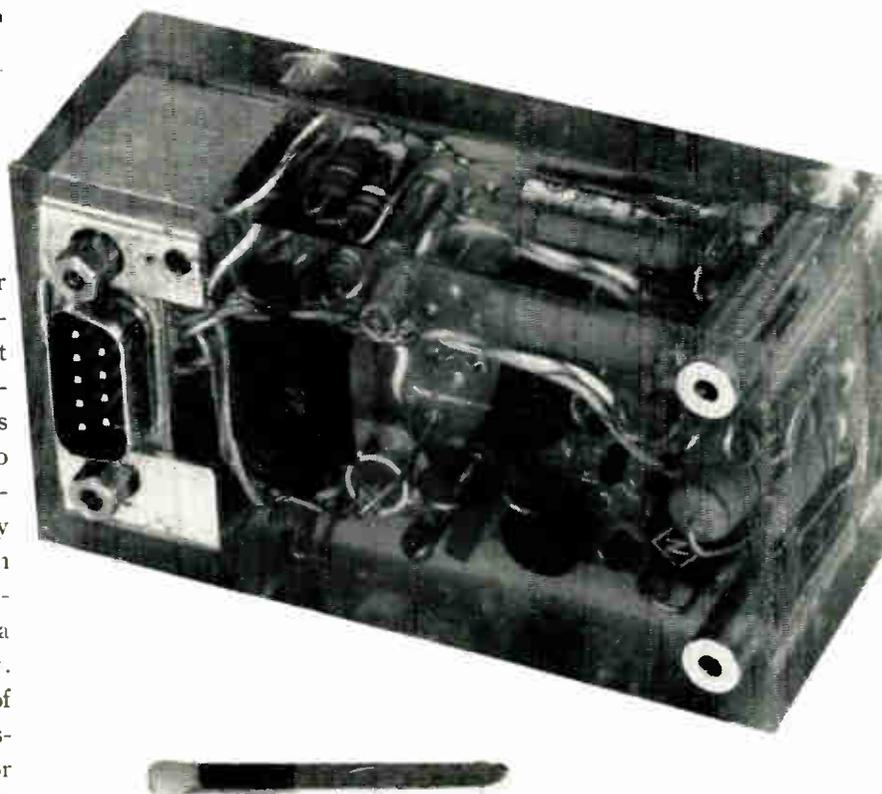
Thorough knowledge of all related military specifications is essential.



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This printed circuit assembly is seen enclosed in silicone casting resin, a tough, reparable encapsulating material.



Selecting a resin system for temperature and humidity conditions needs technical judgment and consultation. Study of temperature effects on systems shows that resistivity of resins tends to drop with increasing temperatures. Plots of volume resistivity vs. temperature act as design guides, and show thermal degradation as an element affecting a component's life expectancy. Thermal conductivity, a trait of casting and impregnating systems, should be a design factor for improving overall heat dissipation of a unit.

**B. Use of Fillers:** With proper compounding, certain suitable fillers in resin systems can enhance the conductivity without degrading the electrical characteristics. Use of heat-conductive material is very helpful in power generating devices such as tubes or transformers. By using good heat dissipating materials, some of the more complex sinks and fins used in earlier equipments can be left out. Aluminum oxide as a filler in the units is put into the resin system in fine powder form.

Particle size and type of fillers have important effects. These 2 factors determine the amount of filler that can be compounded into a resin system and still produce a unit with viscosity suitable for a given component package.

**C. Epoxy Sand:** Epoxy-coated sand products found on the market have very good heat conductance which helped to reduce overall working temperatures of a component up to 25% with regard to pitch, waxes and similar potting materials.

**D. Resin Shells:** The designer may find pre-formed shells as a fine means to provide an outer protective coating while giving dimensional stability and mechanical rigidity to an assembly. A welded circuit and completed unit encapsulated in a shell is shown in Fig. 2.

Use of shells has in many instances eliminated

molds, improved product appearance and cut tooling costs. An expanding market of standard size shells, in a variety of materials, makes this appear attractive. Fig. 3 illustrates the ready use of encapsulated shells in printed circuit assemblies.

Diallyl phthalate is fabricated in shell form and has excellent dielectric properties, very low moisture absorption and fine high temperature characteristics. It can be very easily molded or formed around metal with no problems as to thermal shock. Various fillers used in diallyl phthalate including nylon, glass, orlon and dacron have helped adjust its properties to meet particular needs.

**E. Resin Stripping:** The use of masking grease or spray mold release should be minimized. When needed for mounting surfaces, it should be confined to specific areas. Some components can be cleaned of excess resin, while the resin is hot, after the curing cycle is complete. The resin is easily cut away from certain areas.

**F. Fillers:** For an assembly without voids between elements, a paste composed of resin and asbestos short fibers should be specified as a filler. This unified thixotropic resin reduces possibility of cracking during thermal cycling. The material is normally gelled at 250° or 225°F for 1 hr. Usually a paste of 100 parts each of resin and filler short fibers is

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used after mixing well to a homogeneous mass. Frequently, open-weave glass around cores and coils without adhesive backing serves as a binder for the resin.

### Material Considerations

Selection of compatible component elements in a unit is a basic responsibility of the designer.

#### A. Common Problems:

1. Penetration of toroidal coils by resins may cause serious changes in network characteristics.
2. Glass or ceramic components may crack under the wrong coating material.
3. Wire coatings may suffer from chemical harm and result in coil failures.
4. Capacity specifications for a coil may be a problem if the dielectric properties of a certain resin are not suited to the frequency of operation.
5. Thermal expansion to excess can cause fine wire breakage.

**B. Pre-treatment:** All of these problems reflect the need for design selection of materials to cope with the component and system needs. Compatibility of the resin impregnating and coating systems with component elements such as nylon, Teflon and electro or centrifugal hot tin-coated metal brackets, has been successful through broad use of etching, priming, fastidious cleaning and selective use of filler materials. The power supply shown in Fig. 4 required pre-treatment of internal bracketry, capacitors, transformer and other components as described in this section. This provided a compatible system for the molding process.

Mylar and Teflon sheets are available with etched surfaces for better adhesion. All of these primed

surfaces provide better anchorage for the resin, and help form dense impregnation in the component assembly. Adhesion of the epoxy to Teflon wire can be assured by etching in a prepared sodium bath. Fluoro-bond and Tetra-etch are commercial materials easily adapted for such use. Etching takes about 5 sec., and the solution can be removed by simple cleaning. A homogeneous bond is produced at the junction of the teflon wire and the resin.

In construction, kraft papers often provide a porous material as an anchor and base for resins. Paper may then be used beyond its basic temperature limit.

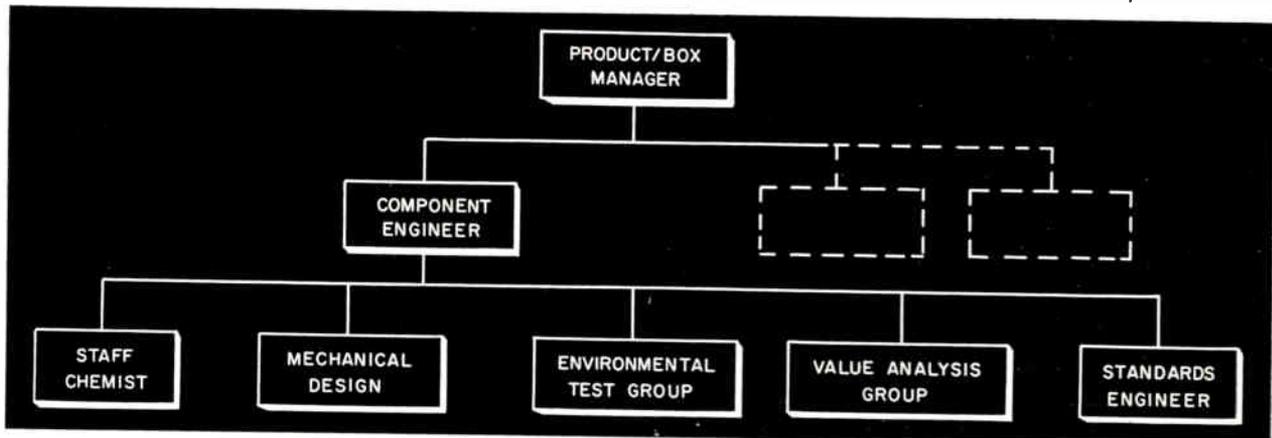
Treatment of metal brackets to provide good adhering surface includes immersion in a dilute solution of nitric and hydrochloric acid for 2 to 3 min., then a water rinse. Materials such as hypersils and banding clips can be cleaned by immersing in trichloroethylene and then dried.

Nylon can be primed to provide fine adhesion using Poly-prep. Exposure for 20 sec. and rinsing in water provides a good surface. The material should then be dried at 250°F for 10 min., since nylon has affinity for water.

**C. Element Studies:** A study of magnet wire coatings—formvar, soldereze coating, M-L and polythermaleze—was conducted for design engineers to determine compatibility with resin systems. These reports provide the designer with data needed to select wire types.

The life expectancy of the component is a prime factor. The life of a component, particularly of a transformer, depends asymptotically upon environmental stress. As an example, we find that for every 25° increase in the operating temperature of a transformer, the life expectancy is reduced to 1/8 to 1/10 of its original value. At some point where an element fails, life drops to zero. The misuse of a component has been known to be the major cause of failure in service.

Fig. 1: When all those shown on the chart review early stages of a unit's design, the entire cost structure avoids added expense.



Layer insulation was carefully examined for compatibility, their final temperature ratings, life expectancy and adhesion properties in a resin system. Other element materials as sleeving and diallyl phthalate bobbins, have been likewise studied.

**D. Compound Preparation:** Moisture absorption during assembly must be avoided. Preheating of components prior to impregnation should be clearly defined to remove moisture. The period of prebake and temperature depends on the thermal class and materials. An average prebake may be 250°F for 2 hrs. which will for the most part condition a unit for impregnation.

Designers must be on the alert for contaminants which cause substandard performance. Cleanliness is vital in all stages of material handling, assembly and test.

Rosin flux on or near terminals can provide space for moisture to enter the coil and cause thermal cracks or failure during immersion. Unclean terminal areas also have low insulation resistance. Poor manufacturing procedures in coil finishing give the same problems.

Resins should be stored in cold dry areas with mixing dates and expected pot life clearly marked on resin tubs. This is to insure that only fully effective resins are cast into units.

#### Detailed Considerations-Transformer Field

Below is a summary of detailed requirements in a design review as developed specifically for transformer design:

1. Designs were checked for increase or rise in temperature under operating conditions.

2. The complete assembly and pre and post heating needs for impregnation, were re-evaluated in line with the latest concepts of moisture absorption.

3. A study was made of the margin of safety involved in winding margins, layer insulation, magnet wire and other elements in view of possible conversion to updated materials.

4. Potting and impregnating materials were reviewed by the design group to reflect latest advances in the art. The need for compatibility of all materials to insure optimum performance was noted.

5. The specific mechanical method of packaging was studied with regard to costs and suitability to the encapsulation materials and process.

6. A review was made with the circuit engineer to learn the overall effect on the magnetic component if an adjacent component were to fail. When possible, an attempt is made to provide a safety factor in the component design. *(Continued on following page)*

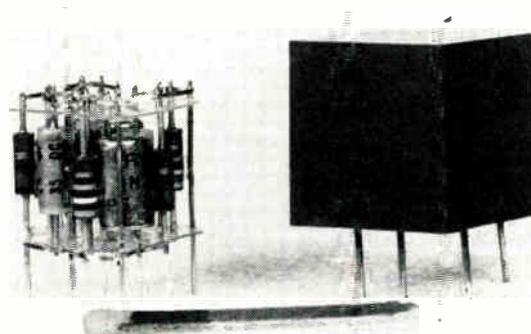
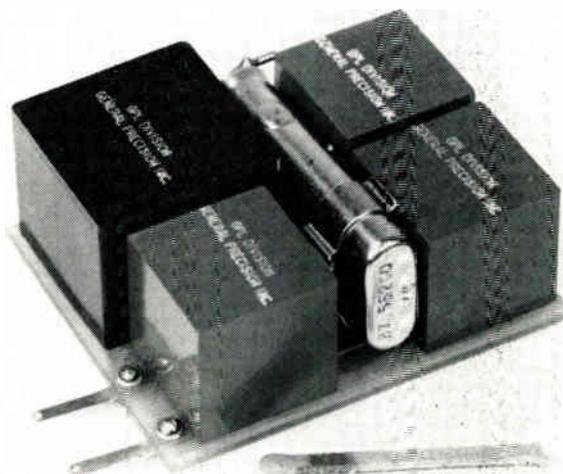


Fig. 2: This is a welded assembly before and after completed unit is made with a resin shell having dimensional stability.



Fig. 3: The finished unit above illustrates the variety of material in standard size shells for printed circuit assemblies.

Fig. 4 (below): This power supply's mechanical and electronic parts were pre-treated. Problems and methods are in the text.



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7. Manufacturing procedures and methods were cataloged to insure continuity of methods and techniques used for the encapsulation process. Of utmost importance to insure reliable units is that the simplest procedures be consistently used. When difficulties arise, the formulating procedures can be carefully examined and appraised.

A component's reliability reflects not only the design aspects but also the manufacturing, assembly and test techniques used in production.

**A. Heat Degradation:** Problems related to coil finishing of fine wire where heat embrittlement occurs at the junction of the flexible lead to the magnet wire, should not be blamed on the resin.

**B. Electrical Test:** During preliminary tests, insulation resistance testing can insure that the unit, prior to encapsulation, is of the highest quality.

Corona difficulties must be analyzed. Even the smallest of voids provides a point where the corona starts and then progressively impairs the coil. So it is of utmost value that the impregnation materials for high voltage units be carefully chosen and defined by the designer.

**C. Component Pretreatment:** Engineering data should have detailed instructions. Include preheating needs for the resin to insure a viscosity needed for a specific physical resin buildup. Some uses demand that the coils be wrapped well with porous tape, so that it seals off the end margins of a coil and forms a cup. This applies to a resin with low viscosity to be held within the coil.

### Summary

Much study must precede the selection of a resin system and related materials for the final design. All environmental considerations, as discussed, are prime with respect to an integrated product able to achieve the stated life expectancy under extreme conditions of test.

It is highly important that a coordinated effort exist between the chemist and designer to insure that the unit and epoxy systems are wholly compatible. With the drive toward more compact, lighter components there will be more reliance upon resins to provide necessary moisture barriers, mechanical rigidity and protective coating for components.

A designer's horizon must be defined by a good knowledge of ready materials and the current state of the encapsulation art.

## CIRCUIT-WISE

### A SIMPLE HI-FI OUTPUT CIRCUIT

NORMAL HI-FI CIRCUITRY makes use of specialized circuitry, and hardware. The circuit shown in Fig. 1 can be built from parts likely to be on hand. It should have applications for other than hi-fi equipment.

Basically this circuit operates with a single-end power tube stage in conjunction with two identical, inexpensive transformers. Either receiving or transmitting type tubes can be used. The "key" to this circuit is to select a reactance value to block low a-f, yet pass the high a-f to transformer T2. For example, assume the primary reactance of T1 is 5,000 ohms: using a rule of thumb axiom where  $X_c$  equals 1/10 of shunted value, for high end of passband, 20 kc

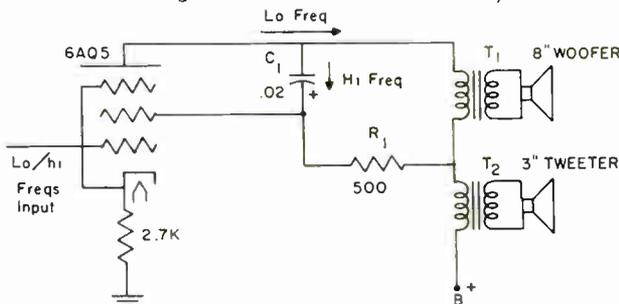
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$$C_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi F_H X_C} = \frac{1}{6.28 \times 20 \times 10^3 \times 500} = 0.015 \mu f$$

Be sure that adequate dc working voltage is allowed for C1.

As indicated in Fig. 1, when only low frequencies are present at the tube's input, the screen grid is effectively isolated from the plate. Hence, triode performance is accomplished (using a pentode) giving desired low distortion effect where it is important. At increasing frequencies C1 gradually decreases its reactance, thus shunting T1 primary winding reactance. Thus, the treble speaker uses the pentode's power sensitivity capability in a straight forward manner.

Fig. 1: Hi-Fi output circuit uses 2 identical, low-cost transformers along with C1 to achieve fidelity.



# RESISTORS FOR PRECISE TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

The advancement of guided missile and aerospace programs depends more and more upon the analysis, under cryogenic environments, of materials, components and fuels. For this analysis, precise temperature measurements are essential. The role that resistors play in making these measurements is described here.

THE ANALYSIS, UNDER CRYOGENIC ENVIRONMENTS of materials, components and fuels is important to the advancement of guided missile and aerospace programs.

As temperatures reach the cryogenic range, many materials change some of their properties. Rate of change is not always constant; nor does it necessarily vary proportionately with the increase or decrease in environment temperature. Hence, it is essential that precise temperature measurements be made by a simple, dependable method, particularly as conditions approach absolute zero. Results of investigations involving resistors used in such methods are covered.

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One accurate and simple method for measuring temperatures in the liquid helium range is the resistance thermometer. This device uses the increase in resistance shown by carbon resistors at cryogenic temperatures. It allows simple instrumentation, long leads and a small probe. But, it requires resistors with great stability and reproducibility, which show a fairly large temperature coefficient and have a resistance of between 1 K and 1 meg at these temperatures. Also, resistance in the desired range must follow a predictable curve so that results can be extrapolated.

Where resistors without these qualities have been used, difficulties have been encountered. M. H. Edlow and H. H. Plumb of the National Bureau of

Standards, for instance, have reported that at 4.2°K, both encapsulated and unencapsulated carbon resistors took over 3 weeks to achieve their equilibrium resistance value to within 1/3 millidegree. However, where resistors with the necessary stability and reproducibility have been used, no problems were noted.

## Special Calorimeter

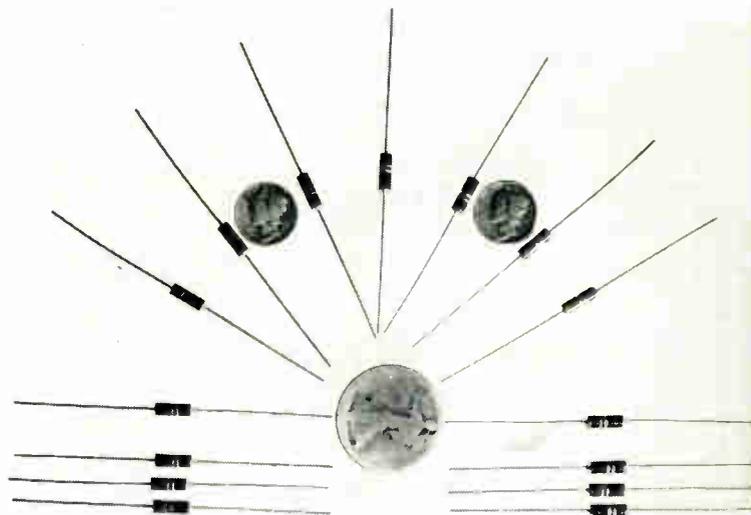
In 1955, K. G. Ramanathan and T. M. Srinivasan of The National Physical Laboratory of New Delhi, India, were among the first to use resistance thermometers in their investigation of the specific heat (sp. ht.) of bismuth at down to 1.3°K. They developed a vacuum calorimeter with an accuracy of better than 3% between 4.2 and 1.3°K. In this apparatus the specimen was suspended within a hermetically sealed can. When cooled with liquid helium, the air in the container was frozen out. Heat was measured by thermally isolating the specimen and dissipating a known amount of electrical energy through a coil wound around it. Temperature rise was measured by means of a 1/2 w., 100 ohm resis-



Fig. 1: Resistors for precise cryogenic temperature measurements are quite small as shown.

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## TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

tor calibrated against the helium vapor pressure temperature scale, and used as a carbon resistance thermometer.

In 1957, using the same equipment they investigated the lattice and electronic sp. lts. of copper and silver.

### Resistance Thermometer

In 1959, using the  $\frac{1}{2}$  w., 100 ohm resistor as a carbon resistance thermometer they investigated the atomic heats of gold, platinum and antimony at liquid helium temperatures, and Mr. Srinivasan investigated the lattice and electronic sp. lts. of zinc and cadmium.

In the U.S., a number of researchers are using resistance thermometers for work in the liquid helium range. Prof. R. W. Shaw, of Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. reports that he is engaged in work that might be titled "Ultrasonic Attenuation in Superconducting and Normal Lead." It consists in "measuring the echo pattern when a burst of h-f (10 to 100 mc) sound is introduced into a specimen with parallel sides between which the sound bounces. These data can be interpreted in terms of the spectrum of energy levels available to the electrons in the material. The resistor is used as a secondary thermometer for control of constant temperature in the range above  $4.2^{\circ}\text{K}$ ."

M. P. Garfunkel of the Univ. of Pittsburgh reports that he has been using a calorimetric method to measure microwave absorption of such metals as aluminum and zinc in the range of about  $\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $2^{\circ}\text{F}$  above absolute zero. The apparatus uses (at any one time) 5 resistors as the temperature sensing elements. These are calibrated against the vapor pressure of the rare isotope of helium, that is helium-three ( $\text{He}^3$ ), to translate resistance values to temperature.

In testing resistors for use in his research, Mr. Garfunkel discovered that "resistors of different composition have different temperature ranges in which their sensivity is most appropriate. For example, while other carbon composition resistors are very useful as thermometers from  $3^{\circ}\text{F}$  above the absolute

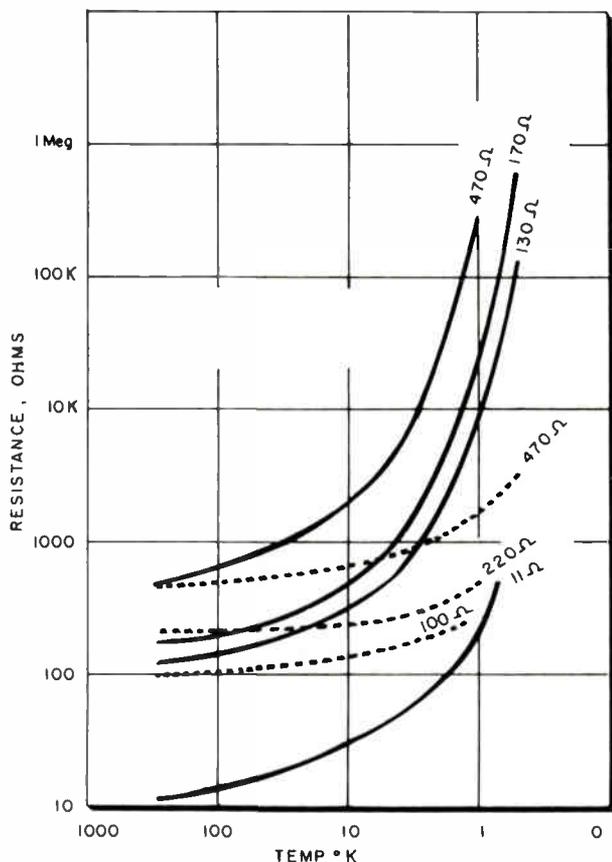


Fig. 2: Resistance-temp. characteristics of various manufacturers' resistors at very low temperatures were made by Prof. James Nichol of Amherst College to find units giving the greatest rate of change at near absolute readings.

zero, Speer carbon resistors are most useful from about  $\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $3^{\circ}\text{F}$  above the absolute zero."

### Investigation of Characteristics

Investigation of characteristics of resistors for cryogenic temperature measurements was begun by Prof. James Nichol of Amherst College in 1957. He requested sample resistors and information from Speer Carbon Co., Inc. Samples of several types were supplied. These exceeded his needs for a resistance of 1 K to 1 M at  $4^{\circ}\text{A}$  down to  $0.10^{\circ}\text{K}$ ; a fairly large temperature coefficient in this range; good stability and reproducibility; and predictability of curve.

J. D. Gavenda of Brown Univ., who has been investigating the same areas as Prof. Nichol, reports, "thus far we have not been able to work much below  $1^{\circ}\text{K}$ , so we are still uncertain about the behavior of the resistors in this range. It appears, how-

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Table 1

Temp.	Resistor A				Resistor B				Resistor C			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Room	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	54.4	54.2	54.2	54.2	111.8	111.75	111.8	111.8
Liquid Air	14.9	14.8	14.9	14.9	60.5	60.6	60.6	60.6	126.9	126.8	126.8	127.0
He Dewar	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	82.2	82.2	82.1	82.0	188.1	188.4	188.4	188.4

ever, certain types will be useful for this purpose.

"We have found one group well suited for measurements in the usual liquid helium range, 1.1° K. Different resistors from the same mixture have quite similar characteristics. We find that our calibration of one of this group is repeatable within a few thousandths of a degree after about seven months use entailing repeated cyclings between room temperature and helium temperatures."

Prof. Harold Forstat of Michigan State Univ. has supplied what he cautions is "very preliminary" information on the results of some tests he conducted in his search for "a resistor for low temperature measurements which would be reproducible on repeated cyclings from room temperature to liquid helium temperatures . . . Using an L and N type K-3 potentiometer, and 10  $\mu$ a current through the resistor, I measured voltage drops across each . . . at room temperature, at liquid air temperature, and when placed inside a liquid helium storage container. In the latter it was not certain whether the temperature was exactly 4.2° K, but it was reasonably close to it. Each of the resistors was cycled four times. Results are shown in Table 1.

Finally, Prof. Harold Weinstock reports the following observations, made while at Cornell Univ.:

The Speer resistors are generally most useful for accurate direct measurement in the temperature region 1° K to 0.01° K. The feature which makes them desirable is their reproducibility (to within 1/4%) from run to run even with cycling to room temperature and back. A typical 470 ohm, 1/2 w., type 1002 resistor has a resistance of about 1000 ohms at 4.2° K, 2500 ohms at 1°K, 8000 ohms at 0.3° K, and 18,000 ohms at 0.2° K. The resistors are calibrated by use of helium four vapor pressure, helium three vapor pressure, and the susceptibility of a paramagnetic salt. The resistances are measured by a sensitive, low power ac bridge.

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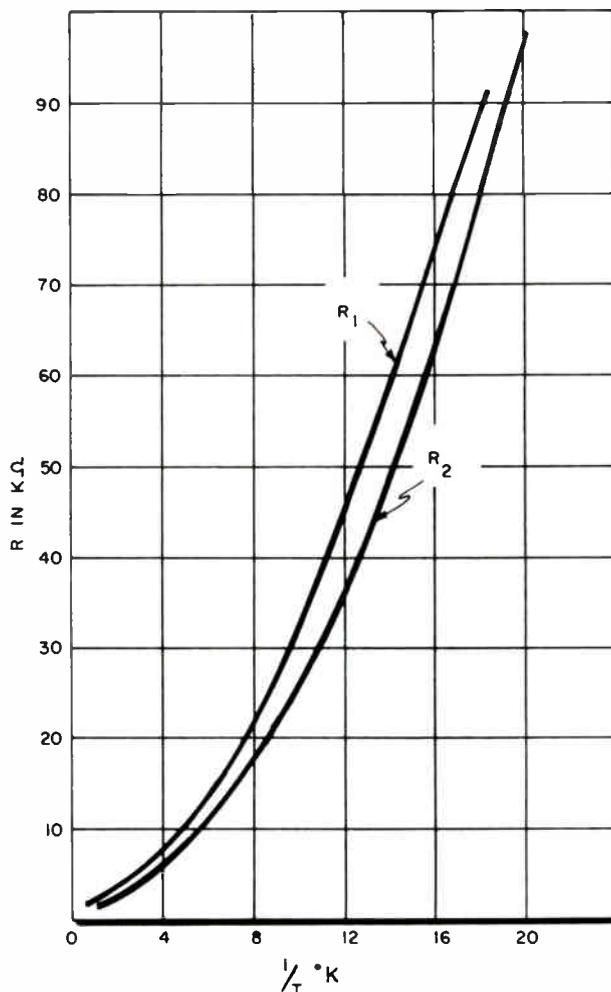


Fig. 3: Plot shows calibration of two 450 ohm Speer carbon resistors between temperatures of 1°K and  $5 \times 10^{-2}$  °K

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Studies with insulating materials successfully used in most space shots led to the conclusion that basic improvements could be made in these materials to render them ideally suited for space. The story of these tests and the result—a new, improved insulation for space use—is told here.

## AN IMPROVED INSULATION FOR SPACE USE

THE STUDY OF THE SIMULATED SPACE PERFORMANCE of those irradiated polyolefins already successful in many space experiments suggested that further improvements were possible, namely in the area of weight loss and condensables. A basic study of the chemical nature of this weight loss and outgassing showed it was possible to create a new insulating material specifically designed for space uses.

This article tells of these experiments, covers equipment used and describes a new insulation called Novathene.<sup>®</sup> Properties of this new insulation are compared with Teflon.<sup>®</sup>

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Requirements of an electrical insulation for space uses are in many ways unique, and much more demanding, than those needed in earthly environments. Good physical and electrical properties, as well as flame and oxidation resistance, are essential.

The engineer designing for outer space must also be concerned with weight of the insulating material, its resistance to ionizing radiation, and its performance in an ultra high vacuum. As no such ideal insulation was in existence, irradiated polyolefins represented the best approach to a solution. Reasons for this selection are that such materials are lightweight, can be made flame resistant, can withstand temperature extremes, and have good radiation resistance. To date no other insulating materials have been developed which combine all of these properties.

The challenge has been to improve these materials even further, particularly in the area of minimizing

weight loss and the release of potentially condensable materials at elevated temperatures in a high vacuum. Space vehicles are often delicately balanced objects. If an insulation shows even relatively low weight loss in a space environment, it may well change the center of gravity and throw the vehicle out of balance. Optical experiments are an important part of many space probes and the engineer must consider the interaction of the insulation material and any optical systems.

If the material, when heated, released volatile substances that might condense on a mirror—particularly if that mirror were at a lower temperature than the insulation—this clouding or fogging would impair the optical system. This problem can, at times, be minimized by careful design. Indeed, the only weakness in the space properties of certain irradiated polyolefins has been their outgassing and weight loss performance at elevated temperature and high vacuum conditions. This drawback has prompted development of an insulation that exhibits very small weight loss and condensables in high vacuum, at up to 250°F, while retaining the good characteristics of irradiated polyolefins.

### Ingredients

In the manufacture of polyolefin insulating materials, 4 basic types of ingredients are compounded, fabricated, and later irradiated with electrons whose energy is much higher than ordinary chemical energies, *viz.*, 1 to 2 mev. These 4 basic components

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are (1) the polyolefins themselves, (2) the flame retardant system, (3) antioxidants for protection of the polymer system at elevated temperatures in air, and (4) an "antirad" or radiation protectant. Incorporation of an antirad into a polyolefin composition whose final fabrication depends upon irradiation seems somewhat of an incongruity. Actually, certain compounds are used which are relatively poor antirads themselves. But these are transformed during manufacture into chemical species which act as potent radiation protectants.

If polyolefin insulations were to be developed for space use, it had to be determined which one of these 4 ingredient types caused release of volatiles at elevated temperatures. It was recognized that all materials contain small amounts of occluded substances such as water, carbon dioxide, etc. However, it was determined that for certain polyolefins these entrapped materials represented a very small portion of the total weight loss at elevated temperatures. This is contrary to the observed weight loss of irradiated polyolefins in high vacuum at room temperature where almost all weight loss is due to water, carbon dioxide, etc. Careful study led to building of new equipment which would permit detailed examination of insulating materials.

Fig. 1: Photograph of gross weight loss and condensable equipment. See Fig. 2 for parts identification.

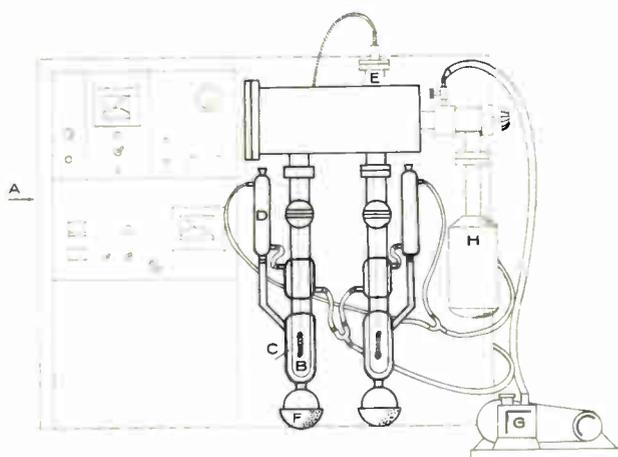
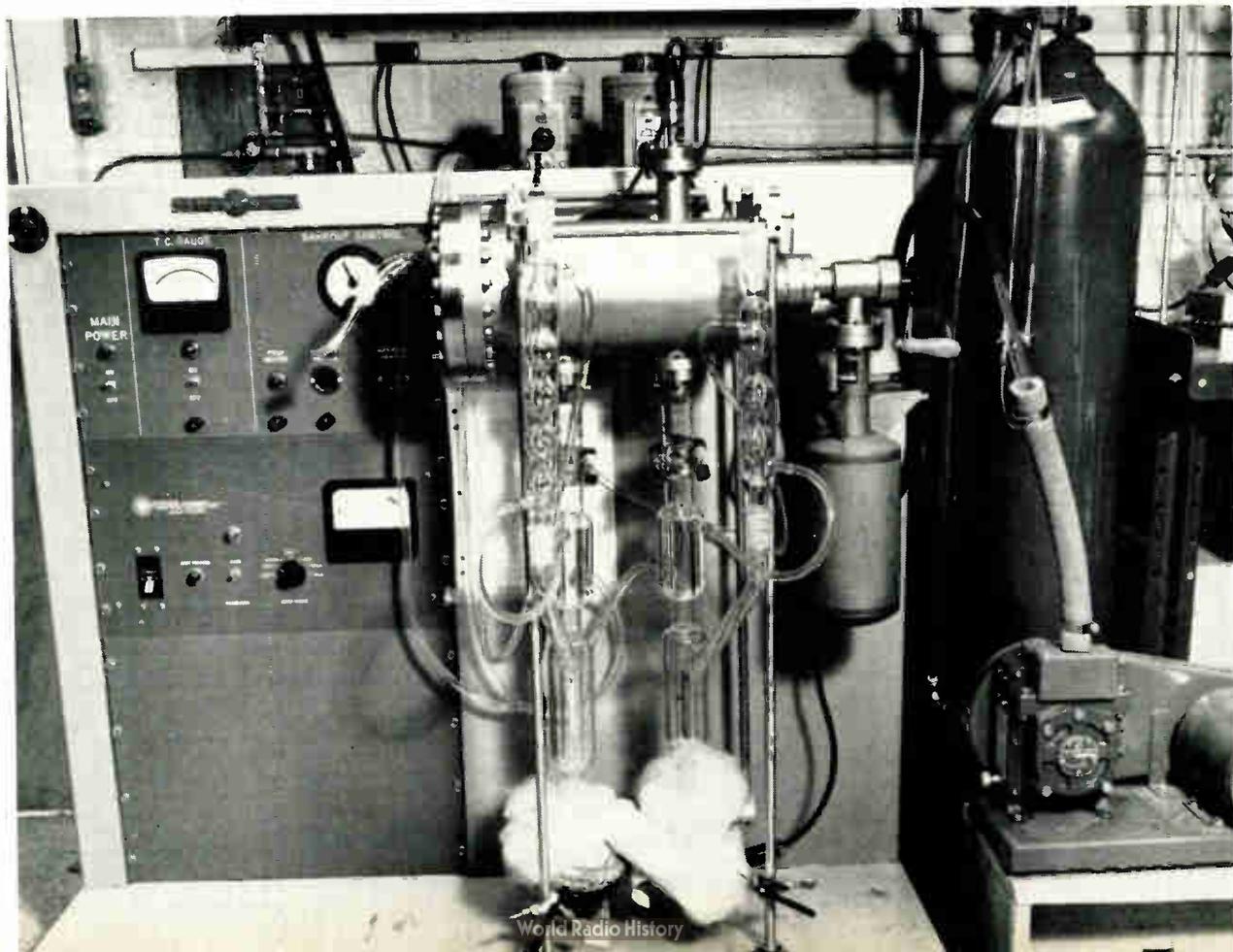


Fig. 2: Sketch of equipment shown photographically in Fig. 1. A-ion pump controls and vacuum gauge. B-sample placement. C-vapors of refluxing liquid. D-reflux condenser. E-thermocouple vacuum gauge. F-heating mantle. G-roughing pump. H-cryopump.

### New Equipment

This new equipment was used to determine the outgassing nature of the material, as well as to gain a rough estimate of the weight losses encountered. In this system a 125 liter/sec. ion sputter pump was used equipped with a cryoforepump. The sampling tubes essentially consist of two jackets surrounding an evacuated chamber. The lower jacket contains the vapors above a refluxing organic liquid. Choice of liquid depends upon the temperature experimentally desired. This insures that the sample will be at an

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almost uniform temperature. Choice of this type of heating has proven more satisfactory than other methods in use such as infrared heating, Nichrome jackets, etc. These latter methods of radiant heating often must be at a higher temperature than the desired sample temperature to compensate for radiative losses. Use of these heating devices has often resulted in sample overheating. Thermocouples imbedded in the samples heated by the refluxing liquid method have shown a temperature discrepancy of less than 5°F at 250°F. Radiative heat losses can only occur from the surface of the upper end of the sample and are negligible. The upper jacket contains circulating tap water. This presents a sharp temperature gradient so that evolving materials can be condensed and concentrated in a narrow band.

Polyolefin materials of varying compositions were suspended in the lower chamber. A reasonable vacuum was first obtained ( $10^{-5}$  torr or lower), refluxing was started, and the samples attained temperature equilibrium within 10 min. of the time that the liquid was refluxing. After a given interval, generally 24 hr or longer, the vacuum observed inside the tubes was about  $10^{-8}$  torr. With standard composi-

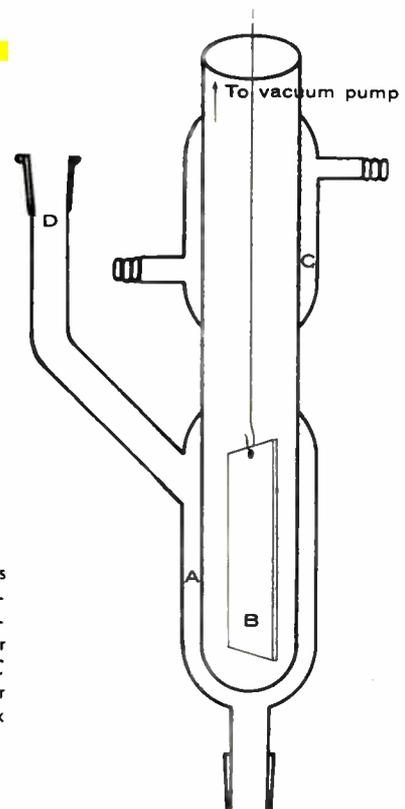
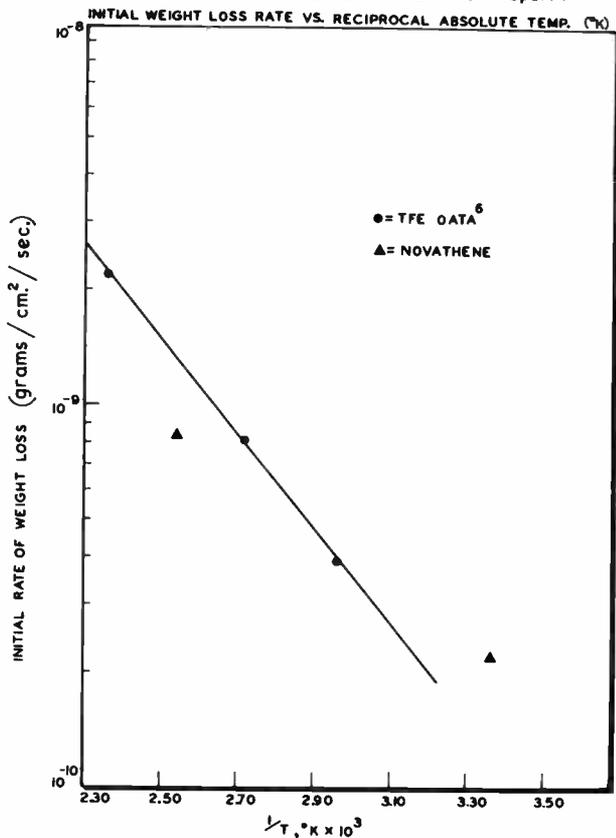


Fig. 3: Sketch shows tube containing sample for vacuum sample. A—reflux vapor jacket. B—sample. C—water jacket for cooling. D—reflux head.

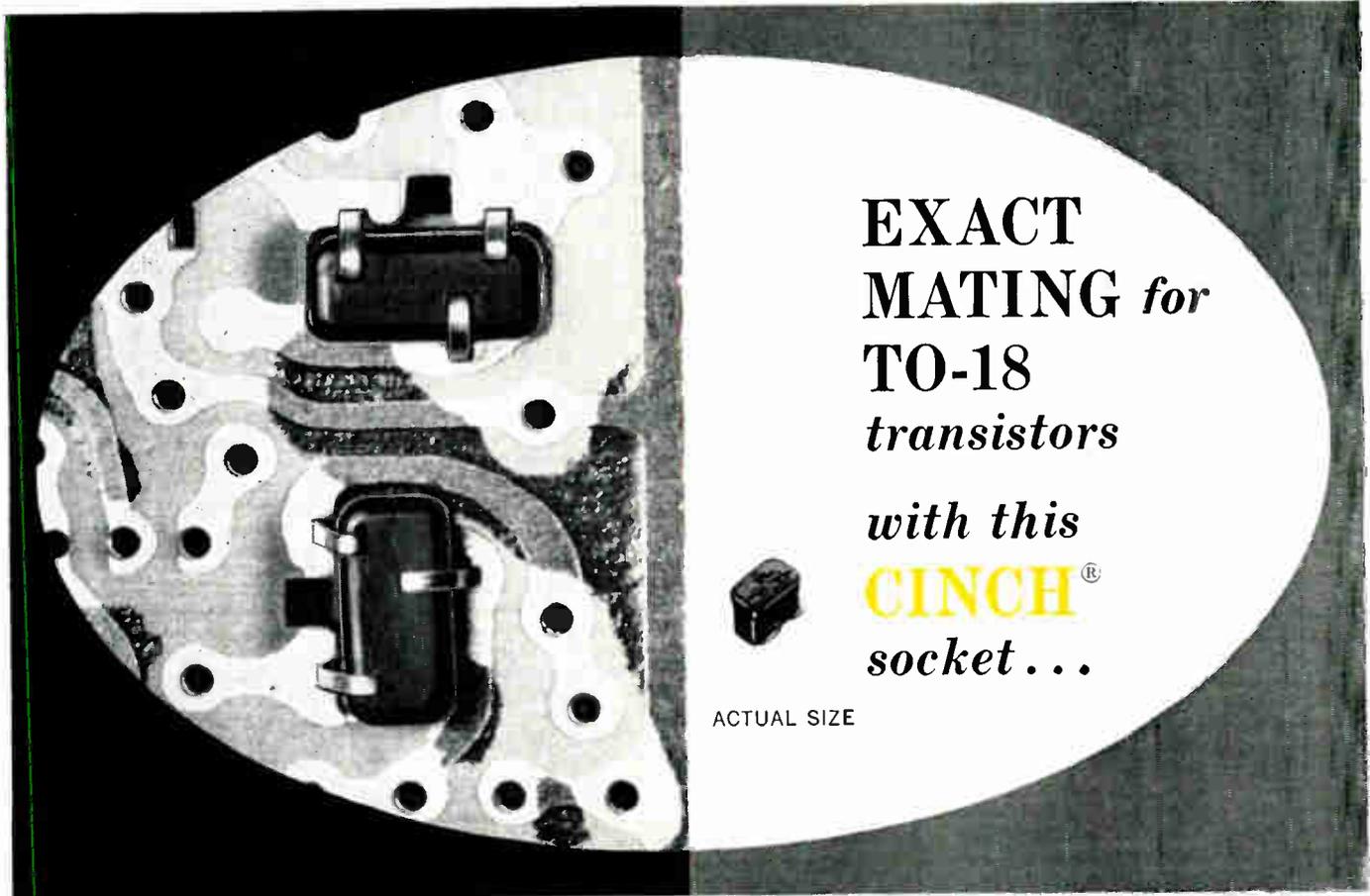
Fig. 4: The data for TFE was taken from a NASA report<sup>6</sup>.



tions, at 150°F and higher, visible condensate could be observed both at the upper portion of the air jacket and in the lower portion of the cooling chamber. The vacua were then broken and the samples removed and weighed to obtain gross weight losses. The samples of condensable materials were removed from the vacuum system by extracting with solvents. After removal of solvent, the extracts were examined spectroscopically to determine the chemical nature of the condensates. This method thus afforded a means of determining simultaneously the gross weight loss and the chemical nature of the condensables.

These early tests led to the conclusion that all four ingredient types used in a typical irradiated polyolefin insulation contributed to weight loss and to the release of condensables. Further testing showed that there were no commercial flame retardants, antioxidants or antirads available which would approach our goal of a non-outgassing insulation. These observations led to a detailed research project, for it appeared probable that components could be synthesized that would overcome this fundamental problem of volatility. Indeed, this turned out to be the case, for it was possible to create such non-volatile additives. As a result of these studies, Raychem built a plant where such additives are now in production.

The polyolefin aspect of the problem was studied



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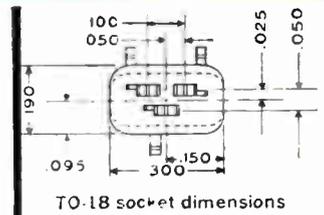
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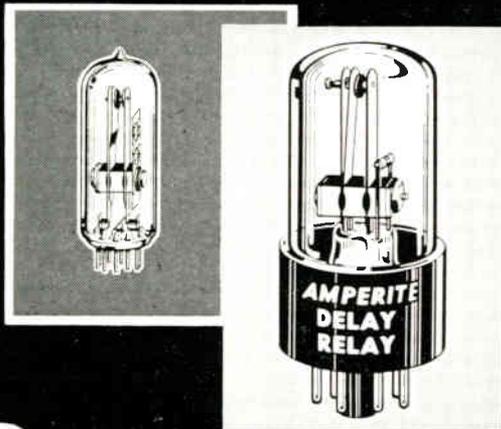
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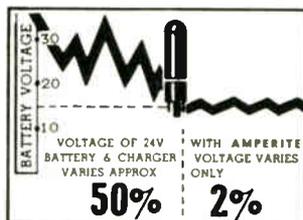
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in a like manner. It was found that these polymers varied profoundly in their outgassing characteristics both before and after irradiation. Amongst the vast

**Table 1**  
**Weight Comparison Between "Novathene" and TFE Wire and Cable Constructions**

Type	Wire Size AWG	Weight "Novathene" Wire per 1000 ft. (in lbs.)	Wt. TFE Wire per 1000 ft. (in lbs.)	Percent Wt. Increase TFE over "Novathene"
Hook-up Wire	30	0.61	0.88	44
Hook-up Wire	26	1.16	1.51	30
Hook-up Wire	22	2.90	3.42	18
1 Conductor	22	5.30	6.79	28
Cable with shield and jacket (.015")				
2 Conductor	22	13.70	16.33	19
Cable with shield and jacket (.015")				
3 Conductor	22	18.40	21.74	18
Cable with shield and jacket (.015")				
RG-195A/U	30/27	11.10	19.60	76

**Table 2**  
**A Comparison of the Weight Loss of TFE and "Novathene" in a High Vacuum**

Material	Wt. of Wire Sample (grams)	Temp. ( $^{\circ}$ F)	Time in Vacuum (Hrs.)	Wt. Loss (%)
TFE <sup>2</sup>	2.0	212	100	0.04
TFE <sup>8</sup>	N.A.*	300	168	0.29
"Novathene" <sup>9</sup>	10.6	200	168	0.06
"Novathene" <sup>9</sup>	10.7	250	168	0.11
"Novathene"	13.6	200	100	0.07

\* Not available.

**Table 3**  
**A Comparison of "Novathene" with Standard Irradiated, Flame Retarded Modified Polyolefin Insulation (Typical Properties - 20 AWG)**

Property	"Novathene"	Standard Polyolefin
<b>PHYSICAL</b>		
Specific Gravity	1.18	1.15
Tensile Strength, psi	3000	3000
Elongation, %	150	120
Low Temp. Flexibility, $^{\circ}$ C	< $-55$	< $-55$
Abrasion Resistance to MIL-T-5438, 400 grit, 1 lb. wt. (Inches of tape)	30	30
Solderability	Excellent	Excellent
<b>ELECTRICAL</b>		
Dielectric Strength, volts/mil	900	800
Dielectric Constant	2.5	2.5
Volume Resistivity, ohm-cm	$>10^{15}$	$>10^{15}$
Insulation Resistance, megohms/1000 ft.	$>100,000$	$>100,000$
<b>CHEMICAL</b>		
Heat Aging, $^{\circ}$ C (continuous in air)	125	135
Heat Aging, $^{\circ}$ C (4 hrs. in air)	$>225$	$>225$
Flammability	Self-extinguishing Non-toxic	Self-extinguishing Non-toxic
Toxicity		

spectrum of polyolefins, when the low molecular weight portion was removed, some polymers were found to have good outgassing and weight loss characteristics. These differences in vacuum performance were found to be dependent not only on molecular weight distribution of the original polyolefins, but also upon their propensity to undergo a negligible amount of chain scission during the irradiation step of fabrication. Thus it was possible to obtain a polyolefin system ideally suited for space.

### New Insulation

A new insulation was made for space applications, using the proper polymer system and the synthesized non-volatile additives. This new insulation is now in production and is called "Novathene."

It seems appropriate in discussing this new material that we compare its properties, usefulness, and versatility relative to other possible space materials. One material which has received wide acceptance for non-space or terrestrial uses is poly(tetrafluoroethylene), (TFE).\* It has also been considered for space uses and therefore it seems logical to make a comparison of these two insulations in space environments.

### Weight of Insulation

In Table 1 are shown some comparisons of the two types of material, and it can be seen that, dependent upon the nature of construction, "Novathene" weighs much less per unit than TFE.

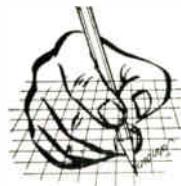
### Radiation Resistance

As a result of the special non-volatile antirad system used in "Novathene," it can withstand large doses of ionizing radiation. In general, 500 megarads can be put in the insulation with essentially no effect on electrical properties and little change in physical properties. Loss of insulation elongation is perhaps a sensitive measure of radiation damage in polymers. At 500 megarads the elongation of "Novathene," while somewhat lower than its original value, is still well within the range of usefulness. At doses up to 2000 megarads, there are no significant changes in electrical properties.

It is a general conclusion that when TFE is irradiated in air, the polymer quickly degrades, and at absorbed dose levels as small as 1 or 2 megarads, the product is no longer useful.<sup>2</sup> If TFE is irradiated in a high vacuum, degradation occurs at a slower rate and it has been shown that at a dose of 8 megarads, TFE loses 88% of its original elongation.<sup>3</sup>

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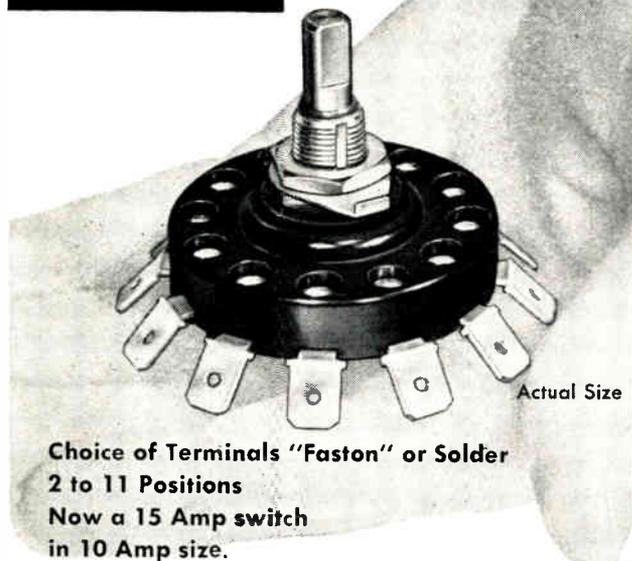


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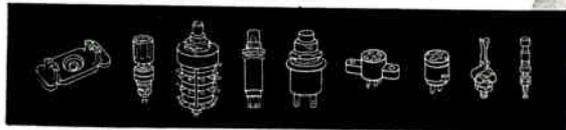


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## INSULATION FOR SPACE (Continued)

chemical changes that occur in polymers when irradiated. Reason for the concern is that when polymers are irradiated they almost always release gaseous substances which may corrosively interact with vehicle components. When polyolefins are irradiated, the gaseous products consist primarily of hydrogen and small amounts of low molecular weight hydrocarbons such as methane.

These gaseous fragments are chemically inert. In contrast, the nature of the products evolved during irradiation of TFE may present serious problems.

Florin and Wall<sup>1</sup> examined the nature of the gases evolved when TFE was irradiated in vacuum. They found the principal gases to be, after irradiation, silicon tetrafluoride and carbon dioxide. Amount of carbon dioxide found was much greater than could be ascribed to contamination. They observed on the average a G value\* for production of SiF<sub>4</sub> of 0.2. If a space vehicle were to contain 25 lbs of TFE insulation, 1/6 gram of fluorine gas (2.6 x 10<sup>21</sup> molecules) would be evolved in the vehicle for every megarad of radiation exposure.

It is believed<sup>2</sup> that the primary radical produced as a result of radiation is -CF<sub>2</sub>CFCF<sub>2</sub>-.

Since an important consideration in a vehicle is coating or damage of optical mirrors, lenses, and electrical contacts, and since we wished to study the corrosive nature of evolved gases in a high vacuum, a series of simple experiments was undertaken. Vacuum deposited copper and aluminum mirrors were chosen as being representative of vulnerable optical parts and other components in a space vehicle.

The mirrors were placed in glass ampoules to which was added one gram of insulation. The ampoules were then sealed under a high vacuum of 10<sup>-6</sup> torr or less and then irradiated with γ-rays. After irradiation, the mirrors were examined microscopically for evidence of corrosion, and photomicrographs were taken within 1/2 hr of removal of the mirrors from the ampoules in order to minimize any oxidative effects. A copper mirror control irradiated to 100 megarads showed some slight pitting. Based on the observations reported here, and the work of others,<sup>1</sup> there is an indication that a serious potential corrosion hazard exists with TFE but not with "Novathene."

### Weight Loss and Outgassing

In an evaluation of the weight loss and outgassing performance of an insulation, there are several im-

\*G value is the yield of a particular chemical entity per hundred electron volts deposited in the system.

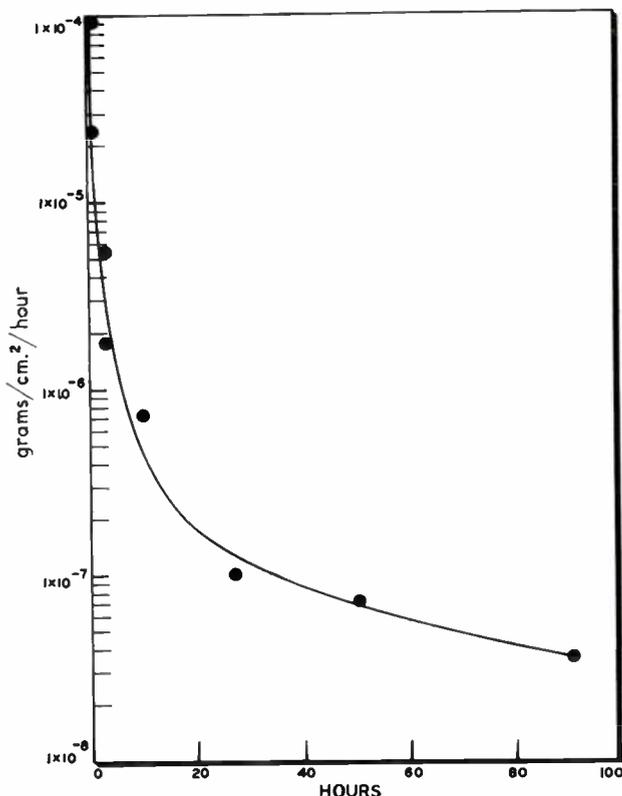
portant considerations. The first concerns itself with the total weight loss; the second, the initial rate of weight loss and the later steady state rate; and, finally, the extent of condensable materials evolved as a function of temperature.

Equipment designed to measure weight loss rate has a heating system which is essentially the same as that used in the gross weight loss and condensables experiments. A silicone oil diffusion pump was used to attain vacua of the order of  $10^{-6}$  torr. Weight loss was continuously recorded by means of a Cahn RG Electrobalance® which is capable of measuring weight changes as small as  $10^{-6}$  grams of 1 gram samples.

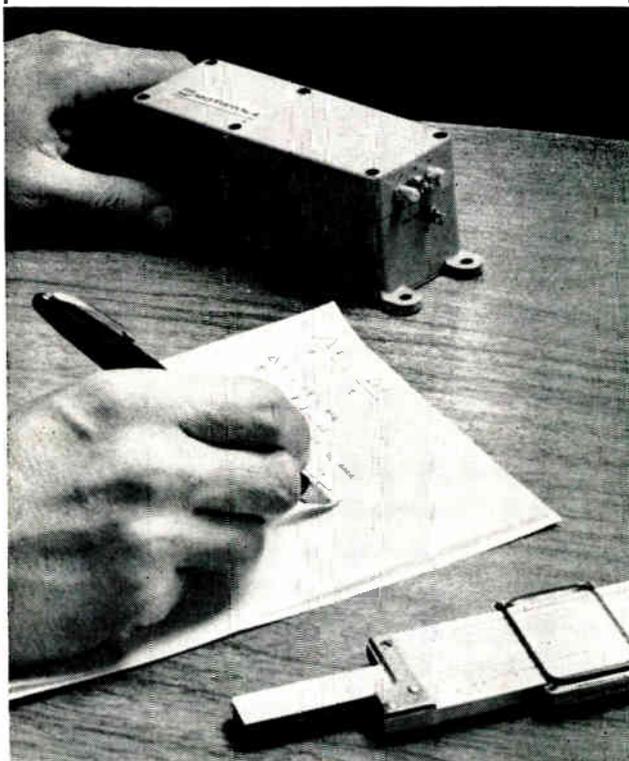
Initial rate of weight loss vs temperature for TFE and "Novathene" is shown in an accompanying graph. The TFE data is taken from a NASA report.<sup>6</sup> The units chosen to express weight loss rates are weight/area/time, because it is assumed by most field workers that weight loss rate is proportional to surface area. Initial weight loss for these materials is comparable and is almost certainly due to entrapped or occluded materials such as carbon dioxide and water. While no steady state rate loss data have been reported for TFE, experiments with "Novathene" have been done in our own as well as other labs.<sup>7</sup> Some results are shown in the accompanying graphs. It would be anticipated that TFE would show similar characteristics. Gross weight losses have been re-

Fig. 5: While no results are shown for TFE, it is anticipated that the characteristics would be similar to Novathene.

WEIGHT LOSS RATE VERSUS TIME FOR NOVATHENE AT 200°F



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electrical, and handling characteristics of the irradiated polyolefin, "Novathene." A comparison with a standard irradiated polyolefin used successfully in many space experiments is summarized in Table 3.

This table 3 shows that "Novathene" has general properties that are about the same as the standard irradiated polyolefins. No sacrifice in their general properties has been made.

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### MINUTEMAN PROGRAM

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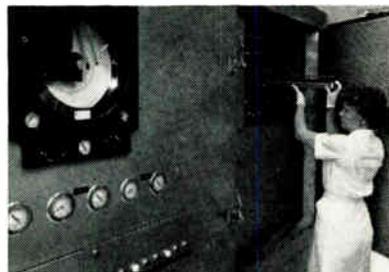
subjected to centrifugal acceleration of 40,000 g's for a specified time. In certain instances devices have been subjected to over 200,000 g forces.

In a Fatigue and Noise Vibration Test the sample is fastened to a vibration platform and subjected to simple harmonic motion over a wide frequency range for a measured time and several orientations.

When undergoing the Thermal Shock Test, the device is immersed in liquid baths ranging between +125°C to -65°C.

Other tests which are conducted at the lab are a Moisture Resistance Test, a Storage and Operating Life Test, a Solderability Test, a Salt Atmosphere Test, the Lead Fatigue Test and Parameter Readout Testing. The latter consists of testing for electrical characterization prior to, during and after nearly all the preceding tests.

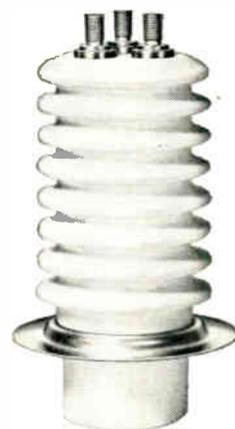
Components are put into chamber for Thermal Shock Testing while under power operation. Range is -65 to +85°C in 20 min.



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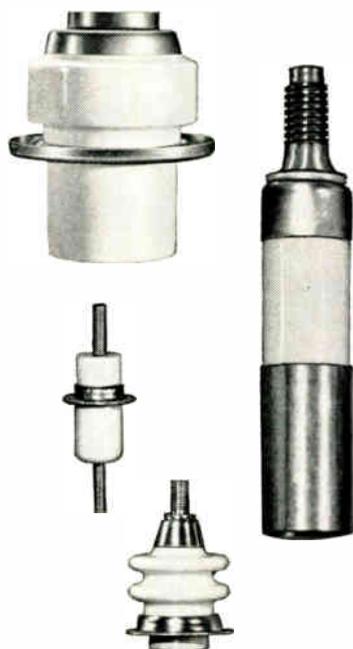
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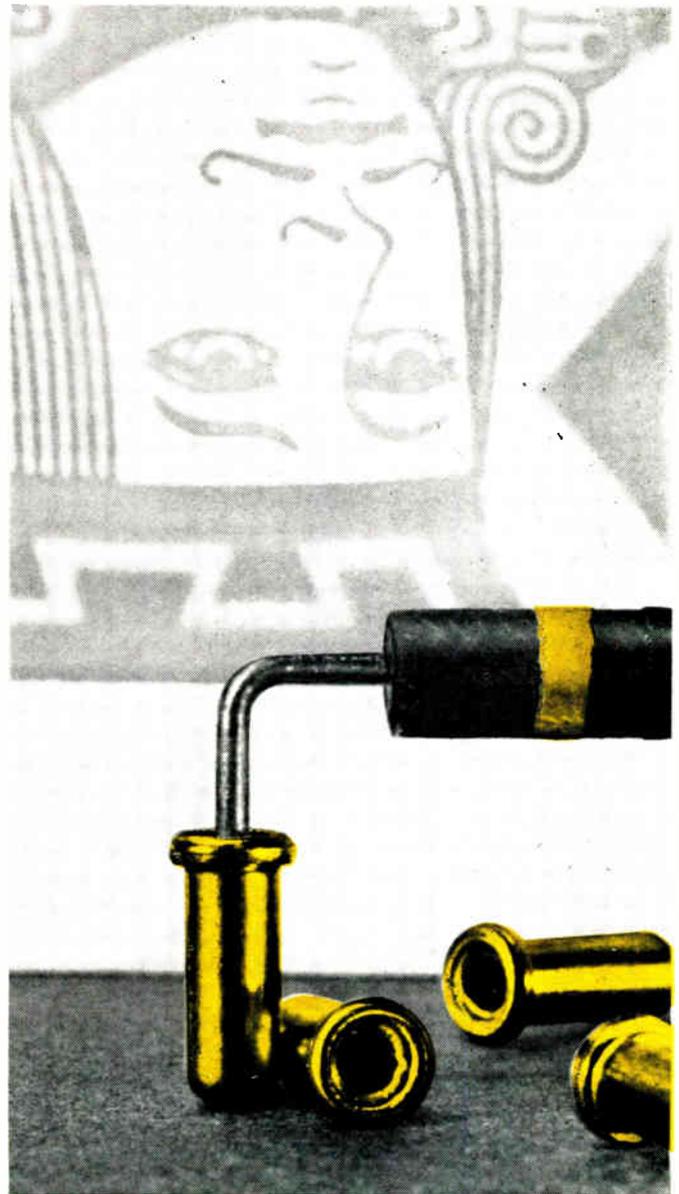
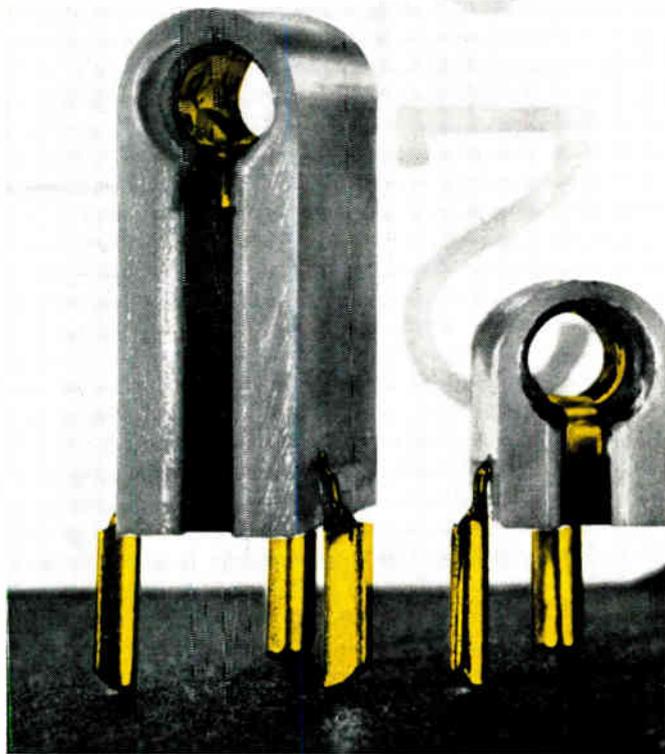
Brochure No. 63A lists advantages of using silicon photovoltaic readout cells in tape readers, punch-card systems and control applications. Included are illustrated graphs and charts. Solar Systems Inc., Skokie, Ill.

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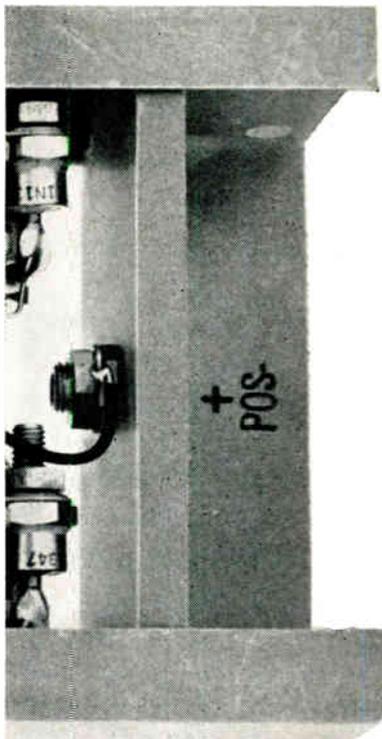
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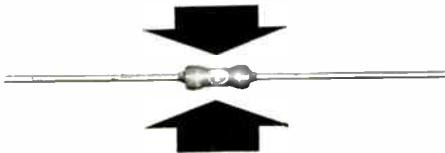
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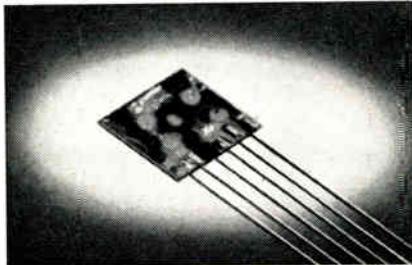
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### Accelerometer Calibrator

Model CS 101 accelerometer calibration system offers absolute accuracy of calibration to better than  $\pm 2.5\%$ . The system introduces a probable error of 0.7% over the freq. range from 20 to 3500 cycles. Information is available from ITT Industrial Products Div., 15191 Bledsoe St., San Fernando, Calif.

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### Linear Potentiometer

These wire-wound linear-motion potentiometers have integral limit switching. Ideal for use as a position transmitter for linear actuators, it replaces the usual combination of potentiometer and limit switches. Swiss American Aviation Corp., P. O. Box 1280, Municipal Airport, Wichita, Kans.

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### Electron Probe

A new folder containing complete information on the new Norelco AMR/3 Electron Probe Microanalyzer is available from Philips Electronic Instruments, 750 So. Fulton Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Illustrated with diagrams, photos and charts, the folder gives modes of operation, design concept, specs. and areas of uses which include microsegregations, diffusion couples, thin surface layers, precipitates, biologicals, corrosion, atmosphere pollution, and microgeology.

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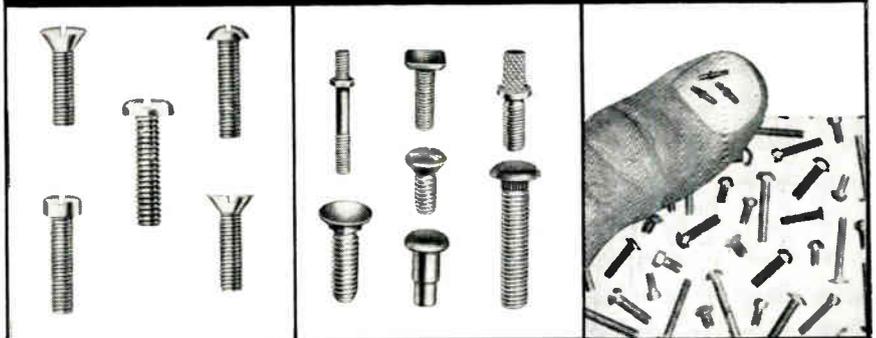
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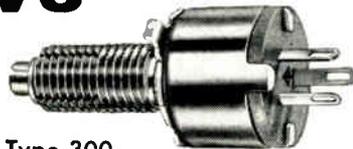
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## Chemicals

This brochure on chemicals for the aerospace industry covers safety engineered solvents, resin strippers, release agents and maintenance items for white rooms. Various procedures for cleaning, stripping and the use of these products in ultrasonic uses are included. Penetone Western, Inc., Dept. Sk-101, 1855 Industrial St., Los Angeles 21, Calif.

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## Time-Delay Relays

Three spec. sheets describing standard time-delay relays and an electronic timing module are available from The A. W. Haydon Co., Electronic Systems Facility, 4060 Ince Blvd., Culver City, Calif. The ESF 311 crystal-can timing module has solid-state output and selectable time delays; the ESF 312 features 25msec. recycle time for aerospace environments; and ESF 313 has welded module construction.

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## Electromagnetic Shielding

This booklet describes the features obtained from Polyform electromagnetic shielding, which can eliminate enclosures and other devices commonly used to provide shielding. Information includes photos and application data. Barber-Colman Co., Aircraft and Missile Products Div., Rockford, Ill.

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## Varactor Diodes

The D4600 series micro-miniature silicon epitaxial varactor diodes are designed for high microwave freq. operation. Applications include parametric amplification, high-freq. multiplication, modulation, up-conversion, and capacitive tuning. The units have a thermally bonded contact and a welded hermetically sealed closure. Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 100 Sylvan Rd., Woburn, Mass.

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## Self-Generating Accelerometer

The Model 25D21 permits reliable measurement of vibration for evaluating critical systems and components. It maintains specified performance without recalibration. It is not torque sensitive so mounting does not change its output. It weighs 0.9 oz.; has an amplitude linearity of  $\pm 1\%$ ; and a resonate freq. at 30kc. Clevite Electronic Components, div. of Clevite, 232 Forbes St., Bedford, Ohio.

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## Memory Cores

This bulletin lists drive currents and output signals for 22 different cores, including 30 and 50-mil coincident current and word-select cores, lithium cores and wide temp. range Isodrive® cores. Electronic Memories, Inc., 9430 Bellanca Ave., Los Angeles 45, Calif.

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## NEW TECH DATA

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Tech. data sheet on Daystrom 314 series subminiature rotary potentiometers provides specs. covering these single-turn units. This series presents a combination of capabilities in a tiny package  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. dia. by  $\frac{11}{32}$  in. and weighs 10 grams. Resistance values range from  $100\Omega$  to  $50K\Omega$ . Actual size photos, electrical, mechanical, and environmental specs. are given. Weston-Instruments & Electronics Div., 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 14, N. J.

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### Microelement Transformers

Microelement transformers and inductors are available from Aladdin Electronics, 703 Murfreesboro Rd., Nashville, Tenn. These transformers and inductors are 0.135 in. high x 0.310 in. sq. Standard units in the wideband series are designed for use at freqs. as low as 5kc and as high as 45Mc. Pulse transformers can handle pulses as wide as  $7\mu\text{sec}$ . These microelements are compatible with commercially available capacitors, transistors, etc.

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### Ultrahigh Vacuum Systems

Data Sheet 120.1 describes Model 120 ultrahigh vacuum system which produces and maintains pressure of  $2 \times 10^{-10}$  mm Hg. The low pressures are attained without additional bakeout during the pump-down cycle and without cryogenic surfaces inside the chamber. Ilikon Corp., Natick Industrial Ctr., Natick, Mass.

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### Terminal Blocks Connectors

A new 22-page catalog #G102 on terminal blocks, connectors, cable and conduit fittings, pre-insulated splice caps and tools is now available from Buchanan Electrical Products Corp., Hillside, N. J. Two features are included to aid the user in selecting terminal blocks: the first is a terminal block-selector chart and the second is a special foldout page with national electrical code tables.

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### Silicone Resins

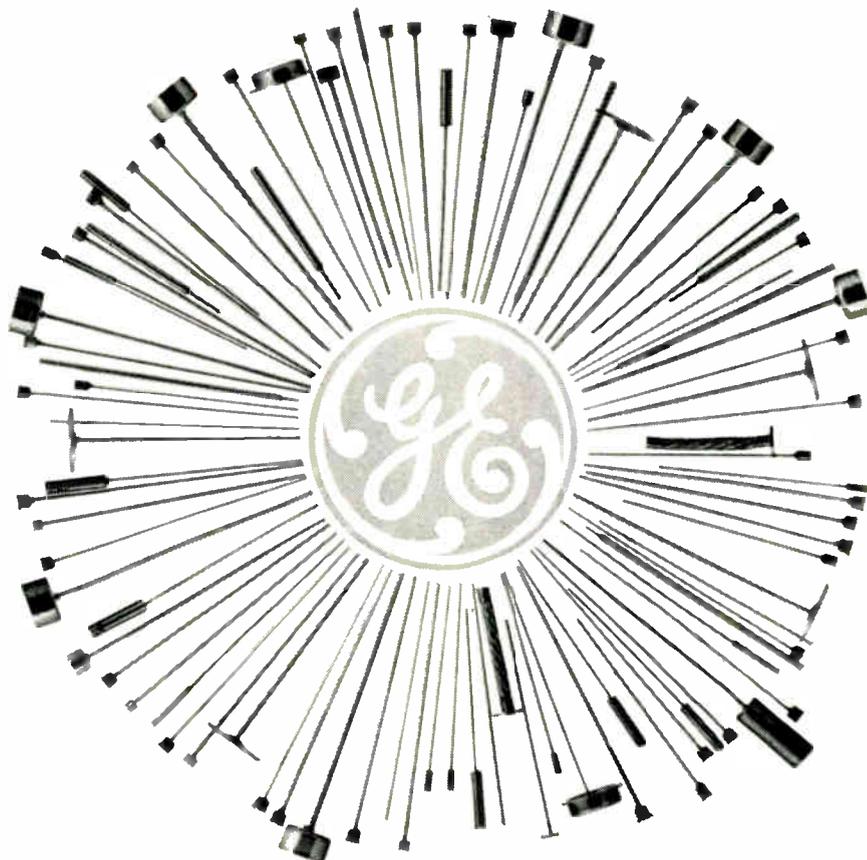
A new series of high-purity silicone resins protects the junctions of transistors, diodes, and rectifiers. The resins minimize surface leakage and reverse current caused by contamination of the semiconductor surface. At the same time the resins protect the junction mechanically. Dow Corning Corp., Midland, Mich.

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### Miniature Coax.

Tech. Bulletin 102 describes a new coax with 100% shielding, low vswr, low attenuation, and a high power rating. Information includes data on construction, electrical and mechanical characteristics. Hi-temp Wires Co., Westbury, L. I., N. Y.

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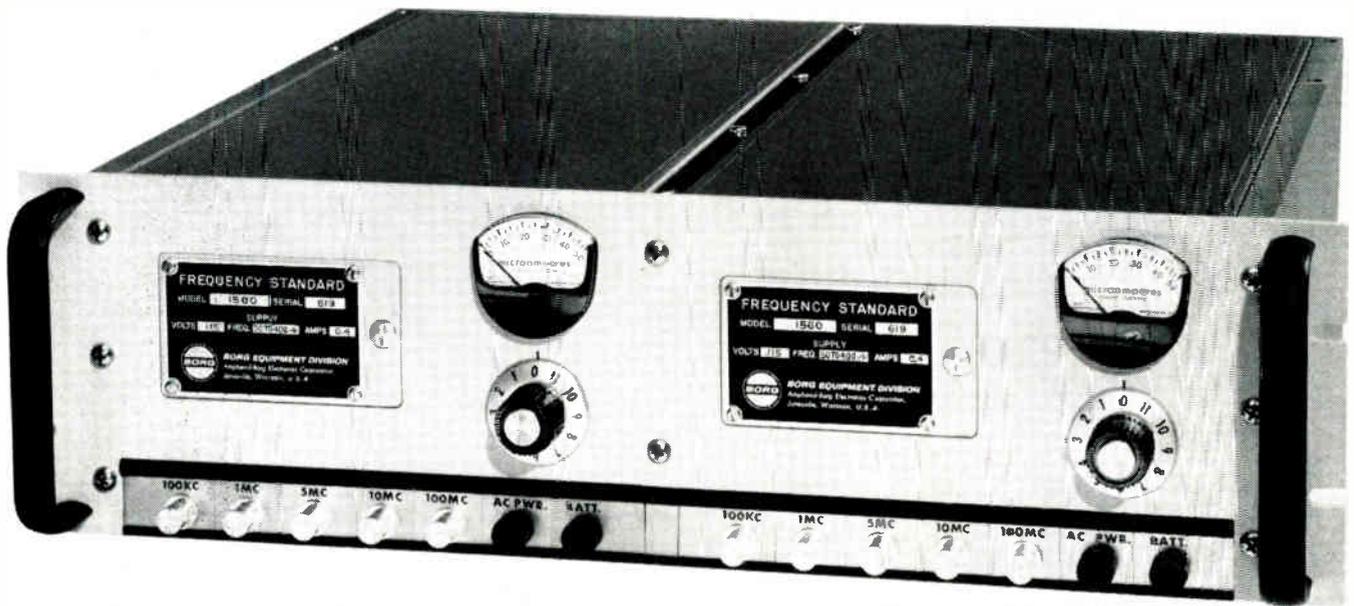
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JULY, 1963



## MTBF > 10,000 Hours

That's the kind of reliability you can expect from this new Borg Frequency Standard. What's more . . . **IT'S MODULAR**—You can easily plug in extra modules, multipliers up to 100 mc or dividers down to 1 pulse per second\*.

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**IT'S STABLE**—Down to  $5 \times 10^{-12}$  for short term (see specs below for long and short term stability).

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Fully transistorized, 1560 Series offers the highest demonstrated reliability of any commercially available frequency standard. Stability? Dual ovens hold the 5mc overtone crystal temperature to within  $\pm 0.005^\circ\text{C}$ . All semiconductors are silicon or tetrode type.

Rechargeable standby battery (good for +10 hrs) lets you carry

unit to remote project sites or airship it anywhere without shut-down.

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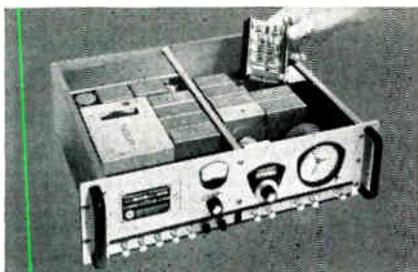
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Amphenol-Borg Electronics Corporation,  
Janesville, Wisconsin

### SPECIFICATIONS: Transistorized Frequency Standard, Borg 1560 Series



#### FREQUENCY STABILITY

Long Term:  $5 \times 10^{-10}$  per day after 21 days operation  
Short Term:  $5 \times 10^{-12}$  rms average of 1 second counts

#### OUTPUT FREQUENCY

5mc plus options (1 pps to 100mc)

#### HARMONIC DISTORTION

—40db

#### FREQUENCY ADJUSTMENT

Fine  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  digital dial, 1 count equals  $1 \times 10^{-10}$   
Coarse  $1 \times 10^{-6}$

#### METERING

12 selected circuits

#### TEMPERATURE RANGE

—20°C to +50°C (—4°F to 122°F)

#### POWER CONSUMPTION

14 watts from 60 volt line

#### DELIVERY in 30-60 days

\*Some budget-minded project engineers, finding a gaping hole in their appropriations, have ordered Borg Frequency Standards, knowing that they can get plug-in multipliers, dividers, power supplies, and battery packs later.

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## NEW TECH DATA

### Oscilloscope Systems

Short-form catalog AN-C-501, 12 pages, describes single- and dual-trace main frames and a wide variety of plug-in units. Type 1220 features both preview and storage targets for use in integrating and displaying low-level repetitive signals from high-noise backgrounds. Specs. and photos are included on a complete array of dual-channel plug-ins for both portable and rack-mounted scope main frames, and information is given on recording cameras. Analab Instrument Corp., Cedar Grove, N. J.

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### Quartz Accelerometer

Model 808 piezoelectric accelerometer features a crystalline quartz transducer element. It is a versatile instrument for precision, vibration, shock, and acceleration measurements over extremely wide ranges of amplitude and freq. Instrument Corp., 8989 Sheridan Dr., Clarence, N. Y.

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### Power-Aging Systems

Bulletin 2026 describes modular power-aging systems, M8 series which have the following characteristics: temp. ranges from  $-195^{\circ}$  to  $150^{\circ}\text{C}$  and higher; better than  $\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$  control; and building-block expansion capabilities as testing needs grow. Wyle Laboratories, 133 Center St., El Segundo, Calif.

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### Solar Cells

A radiation-resistant solar cell has been developed by International Rectifier Corp., 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif. Designated "N on P" silicon solar cells, they meet the radiation requirements of NASA specs., and have a spectral response similar to the blue type "P on N" cells. Efficiencies range up to 10.5% under space conditions. Bulletin SR-280.

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### Instruments

Bulletin 60-63, "Precision Instruments for Industry" describes the complete line of Biddle-Gray bridges, potentiometers, resistance standards and related equipment. Information includes photos and operating characteristics. James G. Biddle Co., Township Line & Jolly Rds., Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

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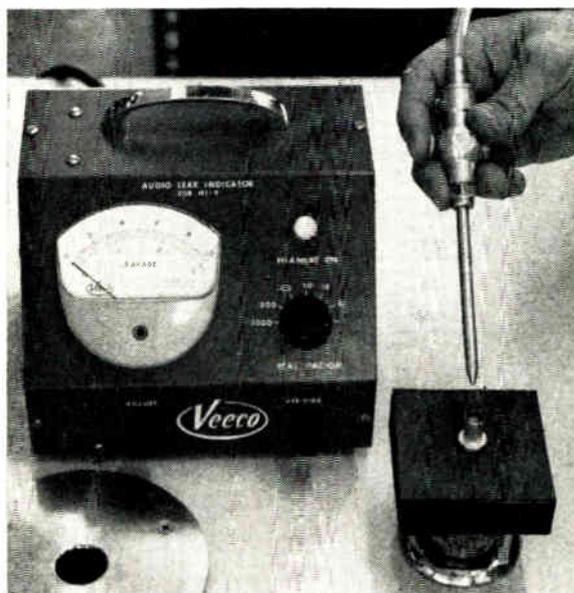
### Germanium Transistors

This guide lists a wide range of DAP diffused alloy power and pnp alloy power transistors by type number, with information on their pertinent electrical characteristics and case type. Transistor outline drawings are illustrated for all case types. Bendix Semiconductor Div., South St., Holmdel, N. J.

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ReCap

The latest  
technical information on Fansteel  
Rectifiers, Capacitors, and Semiconductors



### Tests show Fansteel tantalum capacitors ideal for low pressure applications

Leak rate less than  $2.8 \times 10^{-10}$  cc/sec.

Fansteel shoulder type capacitors were recently tested at Fansteel laboratories for seal leak rate with a helium mass spectograph. Results indicate that these Fansteel capacitors are equivalent in hermetic seal characteristics to glass-to-metal seal encapsulation.

Before testing, randomly selected Fansteel capacitors were prepared by removing the bottom of the case, washing out the electrolyte and drying. The capacitor was then placed over the vacuum aperture of the leak rate tester, creating in effect a positive internal pressure.

While under vacuum, a stream of helium was directed into the opening at the bottom end of the capacitor. Any seal leakage would allow helium to penetrate into the vacuum, causing the mass spectrometer to respond.

The instrument indicated no leakage on the capacitors. In fact, it registered no indication of leakage on the lowest scale multiplier where each scale division of the meter is equivalent to  $2.8 \times 10^{-10}$  cc/second.

These tests show that Fansteel capacitors keep electrolyte in and impurities out, assuring you of highest reliability in performance. See your Fansteel representative for complete details, or write Fansteel direct.

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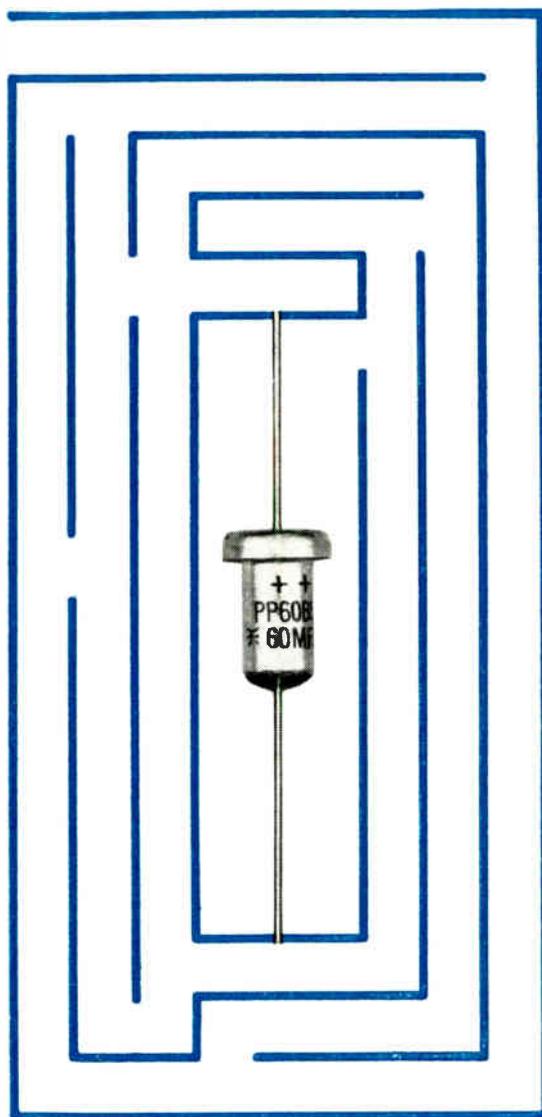
RECTIFIER-CAPACITOR DIVISION

North Chicago, Illinois.

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# How long have you been looking for component quality ?



Do you break out in a cold sweat every time a new rocket is tested at the Cape? Do you have the feeling that you're groping your way through a maze of unsubstantiated claims and vague specifications in order to find reliable components? We may be able to offer you ease.

We don't make flashy stuff. Sometimes we're the last manufacturer to introduce a new product. But when our engineers finally get around to releasing something—whether it's technical information, tantalum capacitors, zener diodes, or silicon controlled rectifiers—you can believe it, you can depend on it.

We know what you're going through.

We have the same trouble trying to find suppliers who can make materials to our specifications—who can offer us something more than a hearty handshake and a warm promise.

Fortunately, the metallurgical know-how of Fansteel means that we can depend on the best quality of basic tantalum anodes, leads, and other refractory metal parts that go into our products. All materials, however, whether from Fansteel or other sources, have to meet the standards of our Quality Assurance Center.

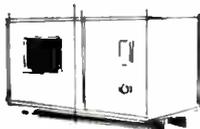
We think we have an advantage over other component manufacturers. Our customers agree with us.

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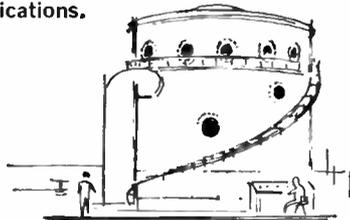
# How small is an Environmental Chamber?

As small as Tenney's new bench model Tenney Jr., a mechanically-refrigerated, portable, high-low temperature chamber that sells for only \$990. Of course, they range upward in size, too, depending on what you're testing and what environments you need.



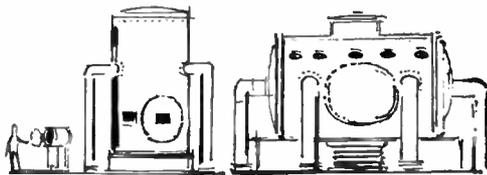
# How large is a Space Simulator

? Large enough to test Apollo in the exotic hyper-environments of outer space. Smaller too, for component and sub-system applications.



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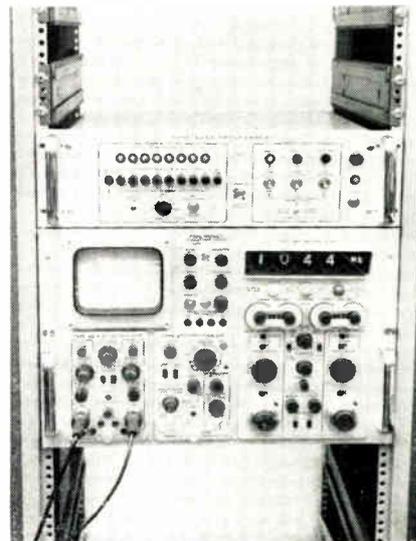
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## NEW PRODUCTS

### READOUT SCOPE PROGRAMMER

*Non-sync time: min., 0.125 sec./program; max., 10.5 sec./program.*

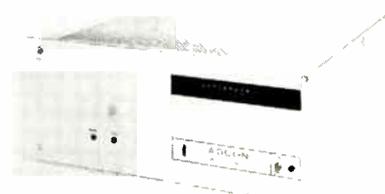


Programmer Type 262 offers programming simplicity, compatibility with automatic measurement systems, and can accommodate auxiliary equipment. Program cards allow parameter measurements of amplitude, time, start-to-stop time intervals, A or B signal commands, or first or second pulse selection. Measurement sequence can be manual or automatic. Programmer used with Type 567 Readout Oscilloscope. Tektronix Inc., P. O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

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### CONVERTERS

*Allows six input options and independent register outputs.*



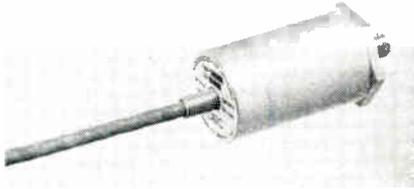
Models 631, 632 & 651 analog-to-digital converters have input options of high and low multiplexer, sample and hold inputs, single-ended or differential inputs. Features: successive or incremental approximation, and independent register outputs which can perform bit/bit information transfer in serial fashion under external clock control. Redcor Corp., 7760 Deering Ave., Canoga Park, Calif.

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# NEW PRODUCTS

## ACCELEROMETER

*Low impedance accelerometer features integral electronics. Amplitude linearity 1%.*



Type 4-280 uses miniature impedance-matching electronics. It combines piezoelectric sensing element and emitter-follower into a single unit less than 1 cu. in. volume. Eliminates noise and signal attenuation normally associated with crystal transducers. Features: 100Ω output impedance; operating to 250 peak-g from 6 to 6000cps over temp. from -65°F to +200°F. Voltage sensitivity 20 peak-mv/peak-g at 77°F and 100cps with a 50KΩ load; output voltage is limited to 14v. peak-to-peak without distortion at room temp. Consolidated ElectroDynamics Corp., subs. of Bell & Howell, 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

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## DC ACCELEROMETER

*Provides a freq. response from 0 to 2kc (5%) over entire temp. range.*



The Model 2260 dc accelerometer uses piezoresistive strain gauge elements. Provides full freq. response over temp. range of -65°F to +250°F with no phase shift, and covers the dynamic range to ±250g. It will directly drive galvanometers without auxiliary amplification. Unit is less than 1.5 oz.; has a full-scale output of ±250mv (min.), and is 1.1 in. high x 5/8 in. hex base. Sensitivity is less than 3% total deviation from 0°F to +165°F. Technical Services, Endeveco Corp., 801 S. Arroyo Pkwy., Pasadena, Calif.

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## for hi-power semiconductors!

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### RELATIVE MASS/WEIGHT COMPARISON

Heat Dissipator Type	Displacement	Size	Weight
IERC Finger design	9 cu in	3" x 3" x 1"	1.5 oz
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## BUSS Sub-Miniature FUSE-HOLDER COMBINATION



A light weight, protective device for space-tight applications in multiple circuit apparatus. Fuse has transparent window for visual inspection of element. Fuse may be mounted alone or used in holder on printed circuit boards.

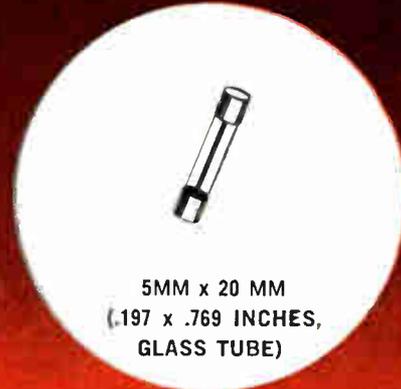
HWA holder can also be panel mounted with or without use of knob. Knob makes holder water proof for front of panel.

# BUSS

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## BUSS MINIATURE FUSES Made To Foreign Standards



5MM x 20 MM  
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## BUSS : the complete line of fuses .

### DIMMER

The lens is removable and can be hot-stamped to suit the user.

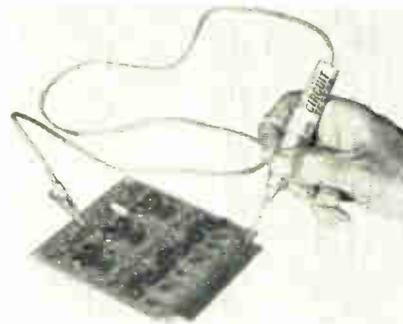


Model 8551DDS features light output that can be dimmed to  $\frac{1}{4}$  full output or to zero by rotating the lens. It is used with T-1 $\frac{1}{2}$  in. midget flange based bulbs. The single-terminal screw-mount body mounts in  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. dia. hole in any material  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. through  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. An insulated model for 2 terminal application is also available for a  $\frac{27}{64}$  in. dia. hole. The Sloan Co., P. O. Box 307, Sun Valley, Calif.

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### CIRCUIT TESTER

Checks the electrical continuity of non-energized circuits.

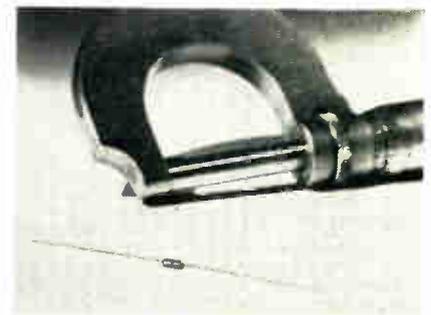


The Pro-Glo circuit tester consists of a plastic case containing a battery, lamp, a pointed probe, and a 3 ft. wire with an alligator clip. In use, the clip is connected to ground or common circuit point and the probe touched to various other circuit points. When resistance between points is less than about  $1\Omega$ , an integral lamp glows. On open or high resistance circuits, no glow appears, and if continuity is poor, the lamp glows dimly. AMF Instrument Div., American Machine & Foundry Co., P. O. Box 929, Alexandria, Va.

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### SEALED THERMISTORS

Hermetically sealed units withstand shock and vibration and may be used up to  $400^{\circ}\text{C}$ .



This miniature thermistor is hermetically sealed in shock-resistant glass; is 0.150 in. long and 0.070 in. in dia.; and is used in temp. compensation, measurement, control and time-delay uses. They are well suited for automatic insertion into printed-circuit boards. Thermistor material grades with temp. coefficients from  $-3.3$  to  $-5.1\%/^{\circ}\text{C}$  are available in resistances ranging from  $20000\Omega$  to 1 megohm. Specialty Resistors, Magnetic Materials Sec., General Electric Co., Edmore, Mich.

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# NEW PRODUCTS

## X-Y RECORDER

Sensitivity from 1mV/in. to 10V/in. at an 0.25% accuracy; uses zener reference volt



The HR-96T is an 8 1/2 x 11 in. X-Y recorder. The input impedance is 100KΩ; it has a switch-selectable time sweep on the X-axis from 0.05 in./sec. to 2 in./sec.; 10 in./sec. pen speed; and an electric pen lift. Houston Instrument Corp., 4950 Terminal Ave., Bellaire 101, Tex.

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## DIGITAL THUMBWHEEL SWITCH

Rated at 100,000 revolutions, it cannot hang up between positions.

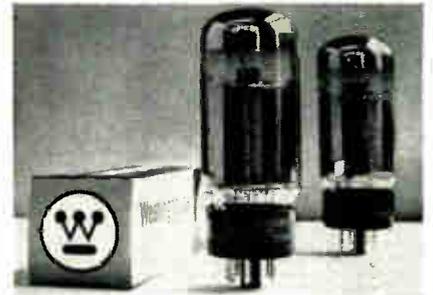


Digital thumbwheel switch has provision for the installation of diodes or resistors on its printed-circuit connector. Designed to convert decimal dial indication to coded electrical output (unit has 1-2-4-2 and 1 common output). Model 109 is suited to uses in digital computer systems, test equipment and ground support equipment. Engineered Electronics Co., 1441 E. Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.

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## BEAM POWER PENTODE

Capable of power outputs up to 100w. in push-pull class AB circuits.

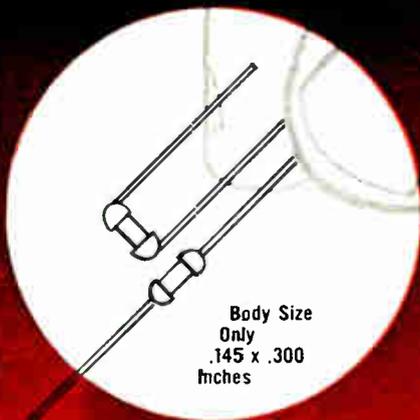


Type 8417 offers good linearity, reduced distortion, and high-power sensitivity, thus requiring low-drive voltage for max. power output. Dissipation ratings are 35w. for plate and 5w. continuous for the screen, with allowable max. of 8w. Transconductance is 25,000μmhos. Westinghouse Electronic Tube Div., Elmira, N. Y.

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... we welcome your request either to quote or to help in designing or selecting the special type of fuse or fuse mounting best suited to your particular conditions.

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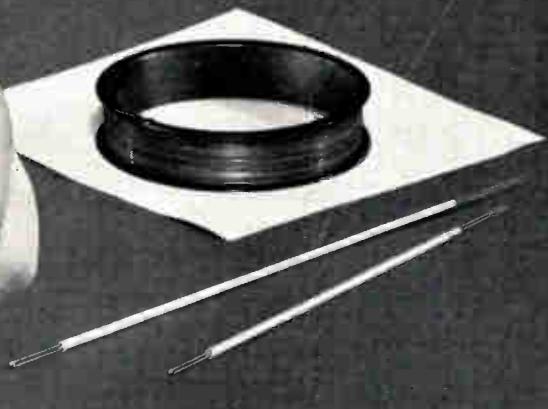
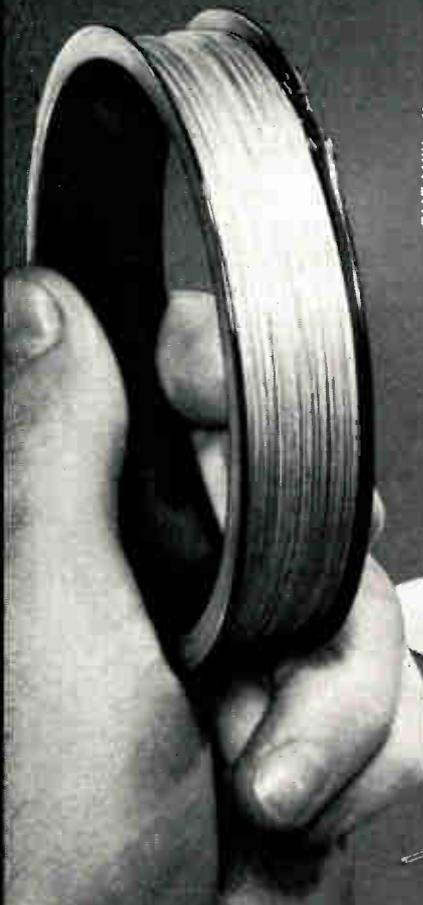
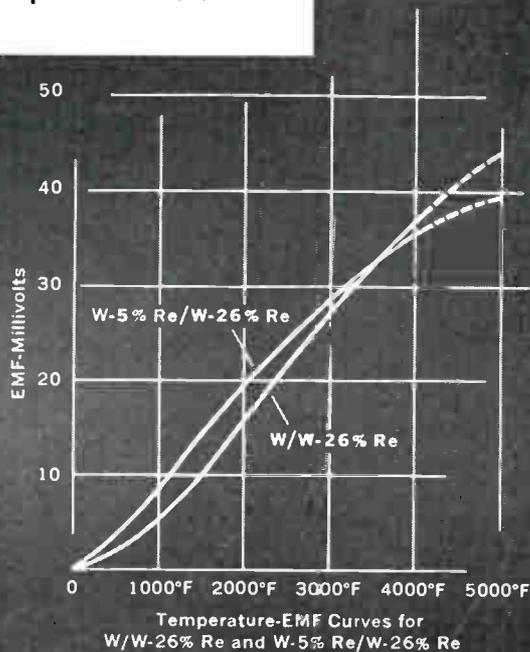
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□ This exclusive accuracy guarantee applies to both standard thermocouple combinations—W/W-26% Re and W-5% Re/W-26% Re. □ In addition, Hoskins has also developed two new base-metal lead wire combinations whose emf is guaranteed to match that of these Tungsten-Rhenium thermocouples within ±0.14 millivolts over the range from 32° to 500°F. □ Detailed technical data plus the standard calibration tables are available upon request. Write today!

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## NEW PRODUCTS

### VIBRATION MEASURING SYSTEM

*Used where phase and distortion information cannot be recorded conventionally.*



The VMS unit creates exact slow-motion replica of accelerometer signals while accelerometer signal sweeps from 10cps to 10kc. Any slow motion from 1/3 to 3cps can be chosen, and it then remains fixed even though the accelerometer sweeps. Replica can be recorded on any oscillograph. Unit has 5ma full-scale output to drive galvanometers directly, or 5v. full scale for high impedance devices. Chadwick-Helmuth Co., 111 E. Railroad Ave., Monrovia, Calif.

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### CAPACITOR TEST UNIT

*Measures and prints out tantalum capacitor characteristics in 8 sec.*



The test set compares the capacitance and dissipation factor characteristics of unknown capacitors with the known values of standard capacitors. The results are presented as a percentage difference and printed out. Leakage current of the unknown capacitors are recorded in  $\mu$ a. Features: measurement range to 330 $\mu$ f and 120v.; measurement accuracy: capacitance to within 0.5%; dissipation factor to within 0.5%; leakage current to within 2%; accepts boards with 15 tantalum capacitors. Radio Corp. of America, Harrison, N. J.

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## What won't you think of next?

A battery-operated rotating "whisk-er"? To replace the ever present whisk broom of the plate umpire? Hardly. It's part of the time-honored ritual of the game—to relax while the ump meticulously whisks every corner. That makes the elimination somewhat improbable.

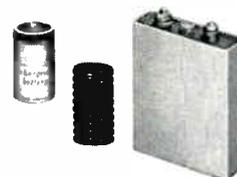
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## NEW PRODUCTS

### THERMAL SHOCK CHAMBER

Performs thermal shock testing within the  $-100^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $+300^{\circ}\text{F}$  range.

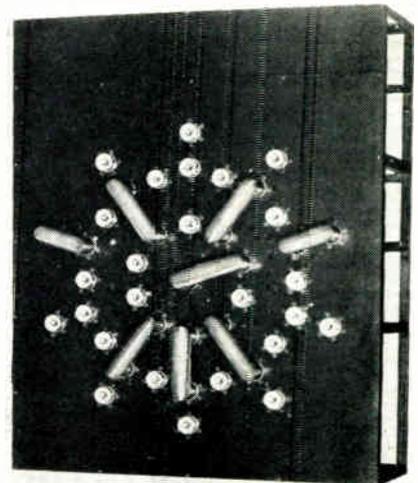


This environmental test chamber performs the thermal shock portions of Mil-202B, Methods 102A and 107A. Operation is completely automatic with cycling timers for each test phase. The heating system is a series of electric heaters located behind baffling. Cooling is supplied by liquid  $\text{CO}_2$ . The interior is 16 gauge stainless steel with 16 gauge galvanized exterior. Conrad, Inc., Holland, Mich.

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### COAXIAL PATCH PANEL

Completed panel is 67 x 84 x 24 in.  
For 3/8 in., 50 transmission lines.



The type 27935 10 x 10 patch panel features a panel layout of terminals in 3 concentric circles and a dummy load connection at the center of the panel. This layout allows any transmitter to be connected to any of the 10 antenna terminals or the dummy load. An interlock system requires positive "U" link contact and locking before the interlock circuits are activated. Andrew Corp., P. O. Box 807, Chicago 42, Ill.

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The Calmag 1VT10 Constant Current Reference and Power Source is a completely unique instrument that may be set at any current between 1 ma and 300 ma and then, varied from .0001% to 100% of that setting by means of a ten-turn readout control on the front panel. This is accomplished by an entirely new and unique circuit concept, Δ-TROL\* developed by Calmag.

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\* Patent applied for



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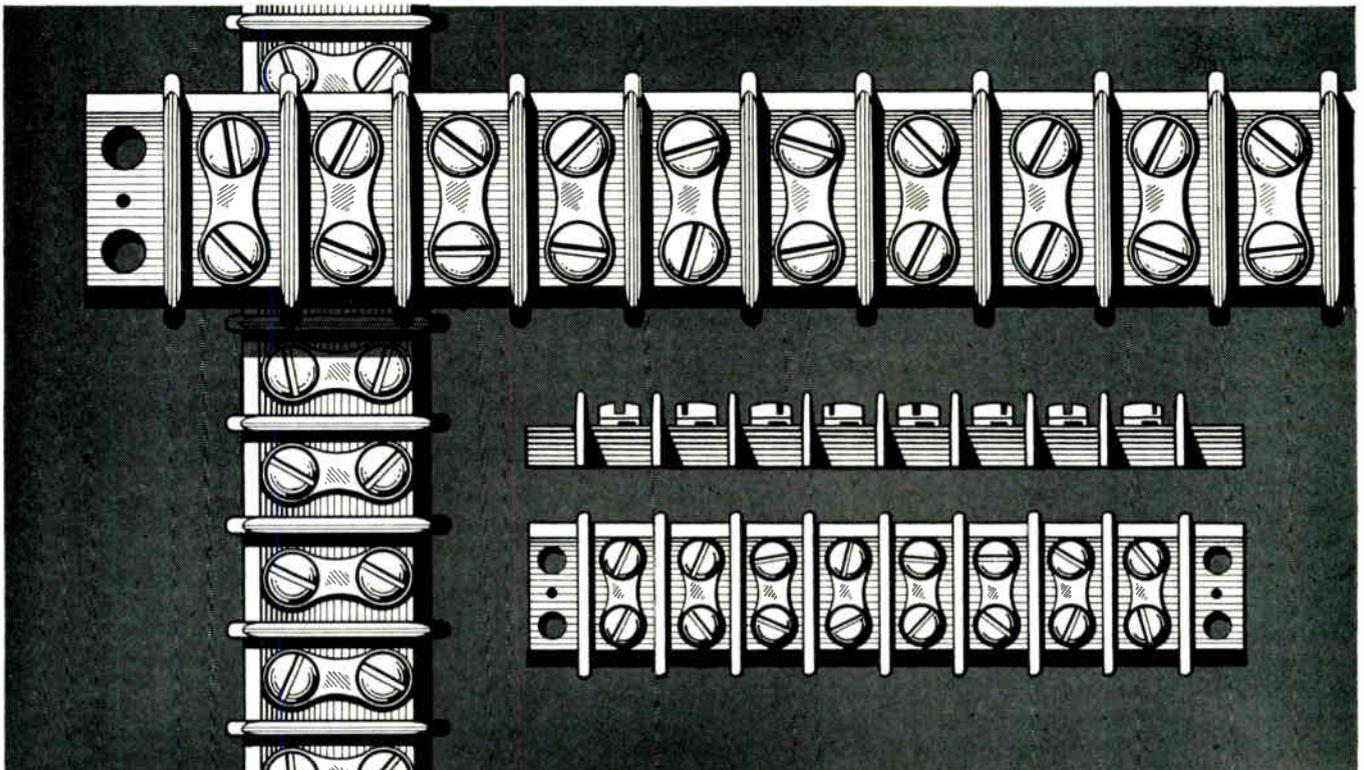
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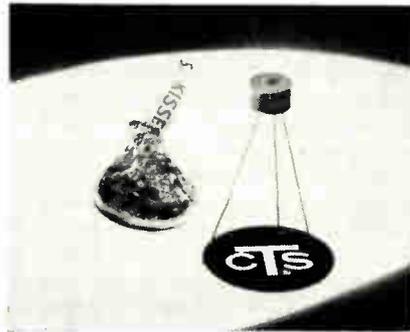
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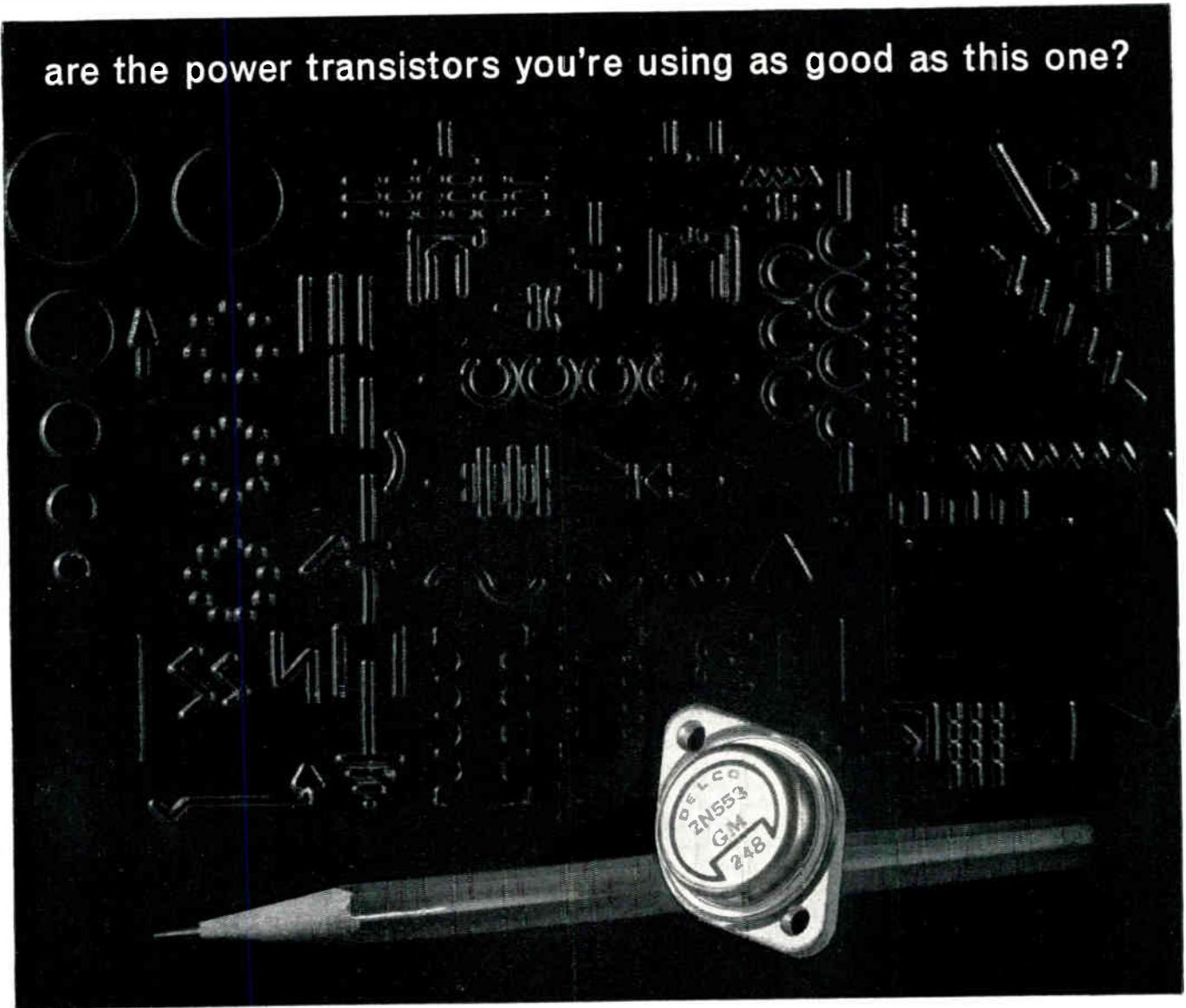
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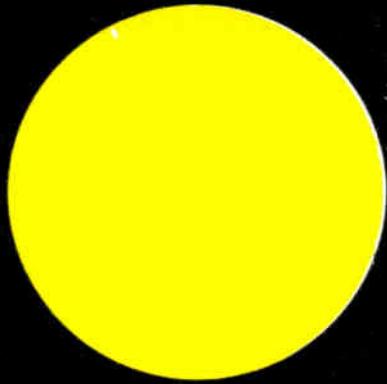
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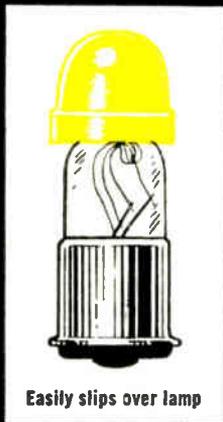
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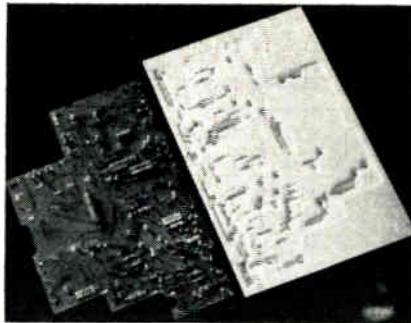


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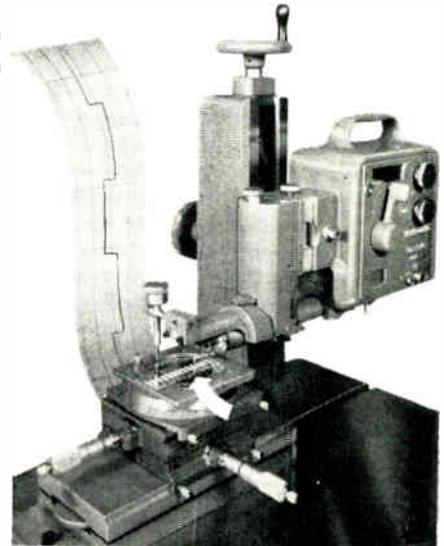


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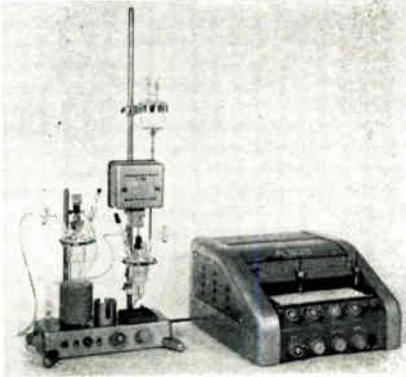
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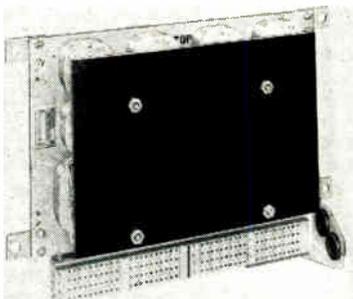


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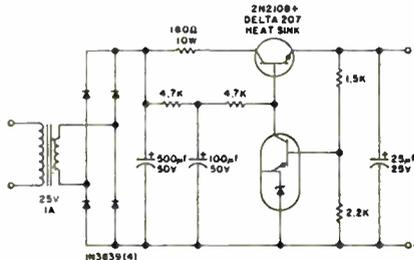
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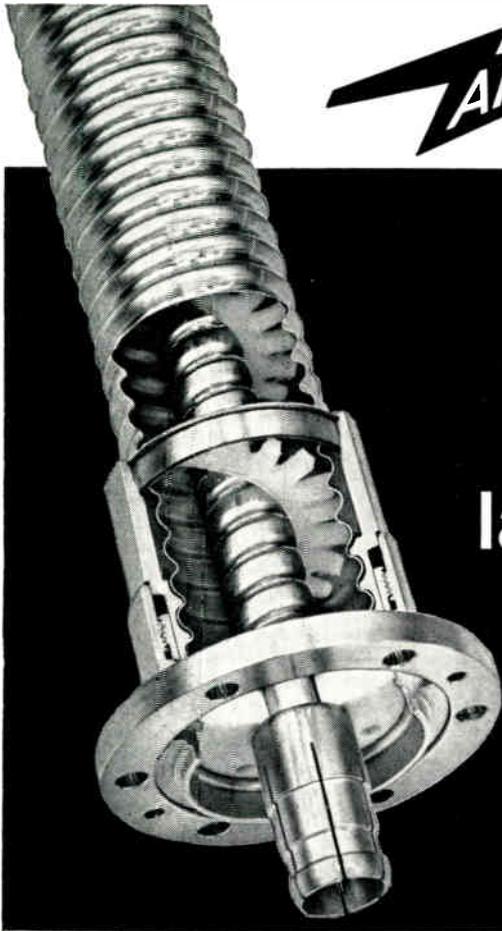
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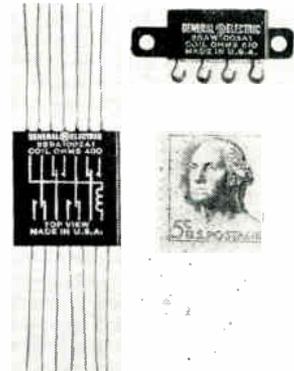
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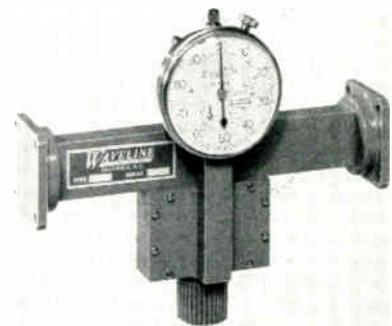


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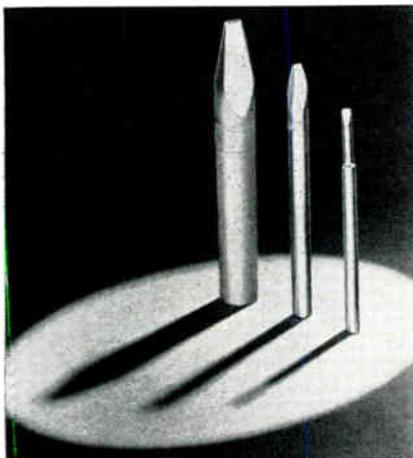


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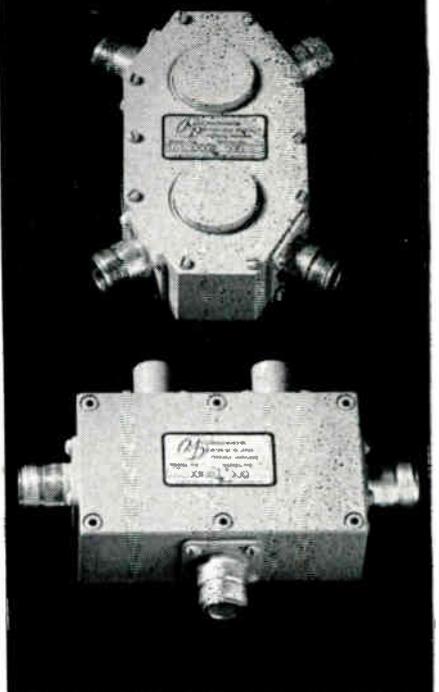


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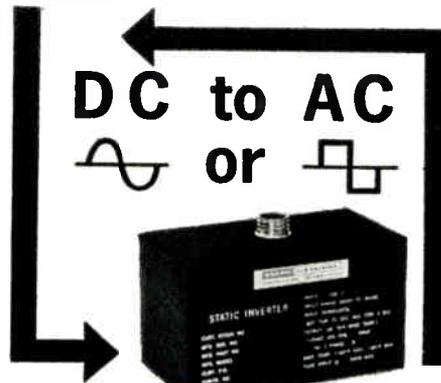
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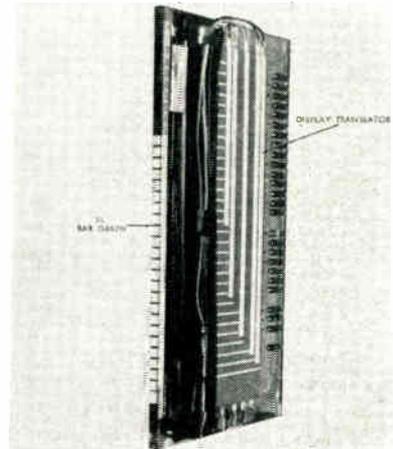
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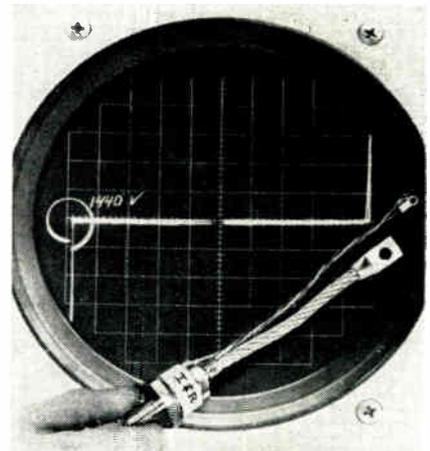


This electroluminescent bar graph unit uses nonlinear resistor materials deposited in layers as logic matrix to reduce the number of electronic components. A display translator receives digital information and translates it into display segments, thereby activating the graph to show actual measurements. Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 730 Third Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

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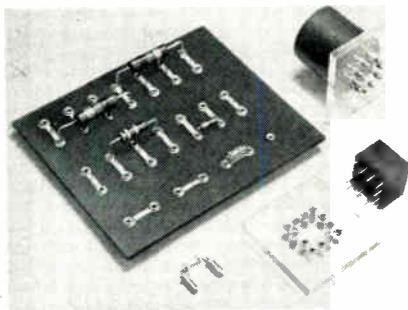
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# NEW PRODUCTS

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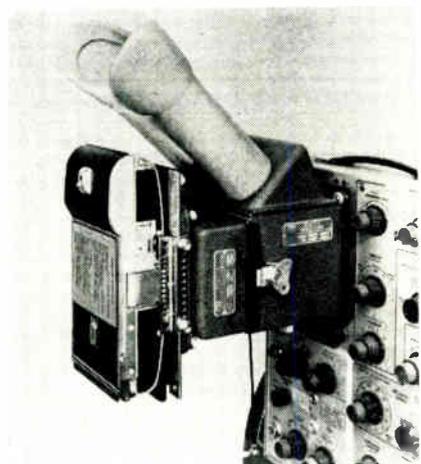


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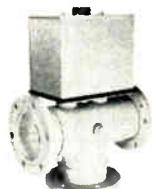


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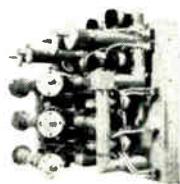
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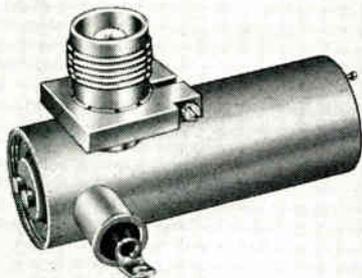
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# LETTERS

## "R&D By-Products"

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES:

We have read Mr. J. K. Slapp's article in the May, 1963 issue, "Look Before You Leap—With R&D By-Products" with interest. Mr. Slapp is to be complimented for presenting an easily understood brief for early systematic evaluation of product and market potentials.

As marketing consultants specializing in the electronics industry, we take exception to one point. Mr. Slapp represents the cost of depth market surveys as ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

The cost of a survey is largely determined by the nature and amount of information one requires, the degree of urgency and the desired levels of accuracy and reliability. These affect the experiment design and often "select" the methods of data acquisition and reduction. One can "solve" a marketing problem at a reasonable cost by one approach. If a client is misled into or squeezed by circumstance into a rush job, if a client over-engineers the standards of accuracy and reliability, if a client insists on answers to low-priority questions, if a client insists on the privilege of paying for a "name," costs can be greatly inflated.

We have brought in product studies *in depth* for costs as low as \$5,000 (fee and operating costs). Studies on marketing problems of a different nature have cost even less. In the main, our projects cluster around or below the low end of Mr. Slapp's range. We would have to become involved in a complex problem involving several sub-projects, each with high order of magnitude in requirements in accuracy, in order to even start approaching the high end of his cost range.

These statements may be incomprehensible to those who equate price with quality. Our work is never "quick and dirty," but it is realistically tailored to a client's need. The purpose of a study is to solve a client's problem, not to satisfy the researcher's academic urges nor to subsidize a fancy front.

It's not our intent to criticize Mr. Slapp. We wish to correct the inference readers might draw and act upon. Rather than accept the sug-

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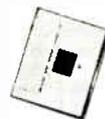
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gested cost range as definitive proof for the exclusion of external services, managements who are at the stage of considering studies should go out for some estimates. While we cannot speak for our competitors, we assume that there are others qualified to do the job who would welcome the opportunity to quote.

We're prejudiced of course. But we believe that marketing managements must recognize that there are gaps in their in-house skills and abilities. It takes more than some natural talent and a file of "how-to" articles to equal the skill of a professional. And a systematic cost comparison of home talent and external skill will show that the difference is a worthwhile premium for a professional job.

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Schoonmaker Associates  
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## "Unionism or Professionalism"

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES:

We would like to take this opportunity to comment on the editorial in the April 1963 issue of Electronic Industries.

To start with, the very title of this editorial, "Unionism or Professionalism?", is misleading . . . the implication being that there is an incompatibility between the two terms. This implication is not substantiated in the body of the editorial. We believe that in fact these are not two distinct choices but rather are only possible simultaneously. An examination of the facts of engineering employment will demonstrate that engineers are sorely in need of organization in order to protect their professional interests.

Your editorial mentions the American Medical Association as possibly a desirable type of organization. It is generally recognized that the AMA functions like a union in protecting and advancing the interests of its members while rather callously disregarding other interests in the community.

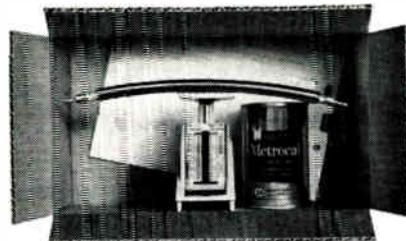
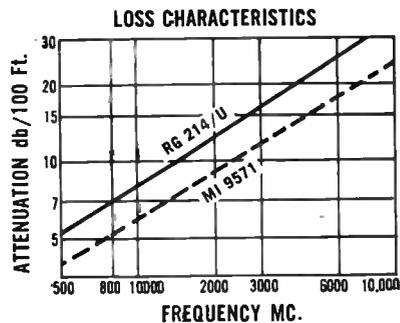
The technical societies are operated by management interests, for management interests and certainly are not

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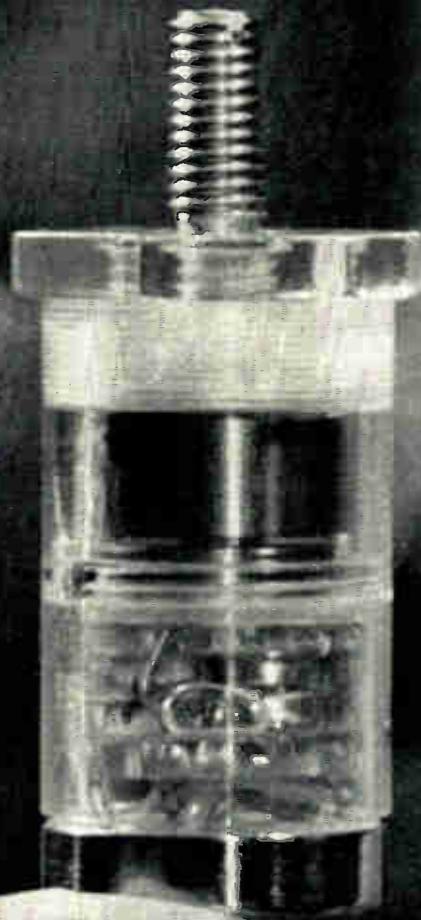


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representative of the interests of the working engineer. Technical societies are dependent on industry support and we feel that it is not likely that industry will support an organization that is truly concerned with improving the lot of the working engineer.

Your editorial does mention a problem that unions have concerned themselves with while other groups do not notice the problem or pretend there is none. This is the problem of job insecurity. However, your editorial fails to make clear that this problem is most acute for the older engineer, the less desirable employee. A seniority or job tenure system is not likely to be adopted by the industry without some form of compulsion, such as a union may be able to create.

Finally, we would like to commend you on bringing this problem into print and suggest that you allow all sides of the story to be made known. We would further suggest that you could best serve the interests of the whole electronic industry and all the people in it by pursuing this matter and including articles from unionized engineers and those groups that have a genuine interest in the working professional engineer.

Chester Smykowski  
(former Vice-President  
for Engrg.)

Technical Engineering and Clerical  
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Local 471, IUE-AFL-CIO  
2 Court Square  
Long Island City 1, N. Y.

## "Unionism or Professionalism"

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES:

Regarding your editorial "Unionism or Professionalism" you suggest that engineers adopt a counterpart of the American Medical Association if Engineering is to become a really recognized profession. Yet, what is the AMA? One of the duties of its local chapters in the fixing of minimum fees that its members are to receive for their services. Due to the unilateral negotiation involved here this is a rather militant form of unionism, i.e., the public (their employees), are not

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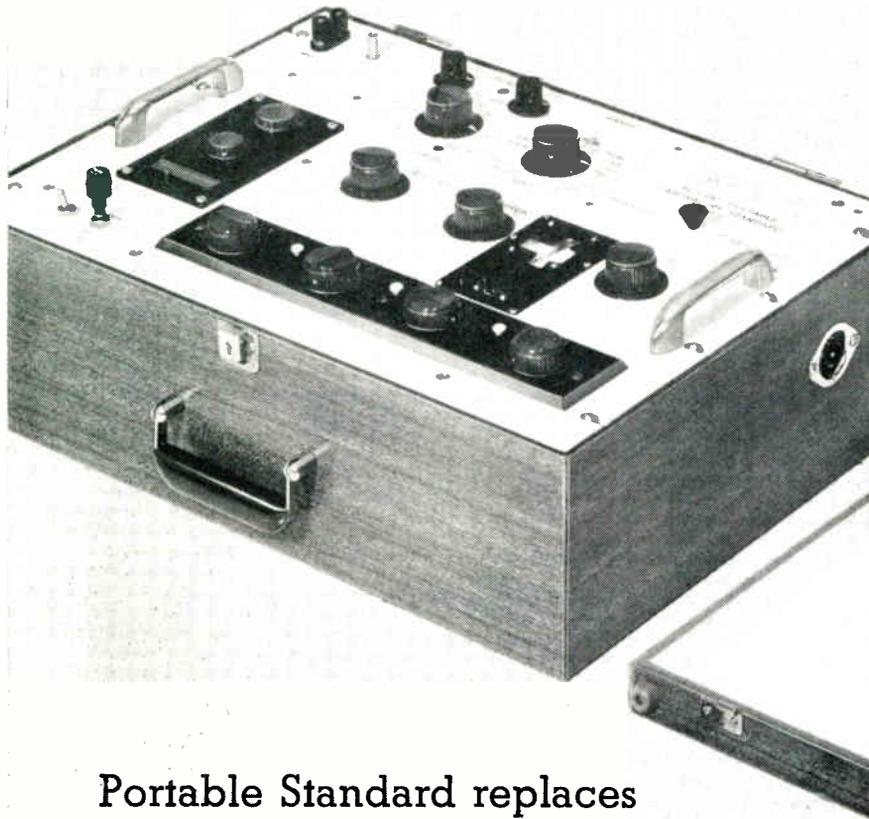
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invited to the negotiation. As I see it, the major difference between the professional society and the union is that the society is usually organized for the self employed—the aim is the same, recognition, security, dignity, and a reasonable compensation for their services.

You speak of Unionism as a threat—threat to whom? It is a fact that in comparable vocations the employees who have turned to collective bargaining earn a higher wage, the turnover and labor shortages are less, and (contrary to circulated propaganda) the productivity is greater in the majority of cases. Also, incentives and unionism can and do exist. Of course, in many crafts, increasing one's knowledge and pride of workmanship are the initial incentives for most individuals, regardless of income. A good example is the schoolteachers of our nation who labored for years at substandard salaries. Many were forced to turn away from their chosen profession, but most of them stuck it out and eventually realized that collective bargaining was needed to improve their wages and working conditions. It stands to reason that a person who will do their best at a sub-standard income will do at least as well with an increased income.

I believe that economics is also partially at the root of the present labor shortage in electronics. I know of many engineering and tech school graduates who studied for years while working and then found upon graduating they could not afford the necessary cut in income to use their education.

Yes, I believe an organization is necessary for engineers but it's going to take more than so called professional recognition to raise salaries, and negotiate contracts with security clauses. It's going to take some hard-nosed bargaining to take the engineering profession out of the gypsy status from which it has sunk. Of course if "Guild" or "Society" sounds better than "Unionism," so be it.

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**A TWO-CAMERA TV SYSTEM** has been designed to reach down, scan and accurately show conditions in boreholes for geologists and others drilling into the earth's crust. This technique will indicate what rock fractures look like, what minerals are present, why recovery of oil was poor, or even how the drilling bit was lost.

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Cameras were developed by the Lawrence Radiation Lab. of the University of California.

**A TELEVISION SYSTEM** that sends pictures of bank depositors' signatures over ordinary telephone lines has been put into operation in Philadelphia by the Provident Tradesmens Bank & Trust Co. The "Videx" system sends pictures between the bank's central signature file and its headquarters. A typical transmission takes 20 seconds. System was developed by ITT.

**A 9-WATT CONTINUOUS WAVE LASER** has been announced by Airco, Inc., New York 17, N. Y. Intended as a research tool, the new laser is to be applied commercially—with the development of more sophisticated units—in two major fields: welding of light gauge metals, and chemical synthesis.

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Microcircuit designers may ultimately reduce a room full of computer equipment to the size of a salt molecule on someone's napkin, but we believe that they will still have to afford the user of their equipment a series of modules which can be quickly connected and disconnected by human hands, without the use of specialized tools.

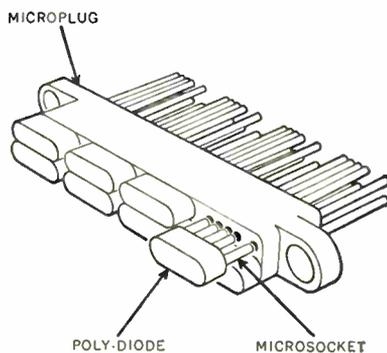
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**TRANSOCEAN COMMUNICATIONS** still appear best by cable to AT&T. Modern cable transmission techniques coupled with better amplifiers can handle more messages than past cable systems.

We recently made a tour of AT&T's new and only cable ship C. S. Long Lines. AT&T feels that its cable-laying program is extensive enough to own its own cable-laying ship instead of hiring other ships, as in the past. The decision to spend over \$19 million for the vessel plus the cost of the cable and vessel operation is interesting in light of recent discussions and general interest in communications satellites.

**LOGIC CIRCUITS** using wide-tolerance tunnel diodes, operating at speeds measured in billionths of a second, have been practically applied. The UNIVAC Div. of Sperry Rand Corp. says the circuits are being used in TUDAT (Tunnel Diode Arithmetic Tester), basically a serial adder and subtractor using several coaxial cable registers.

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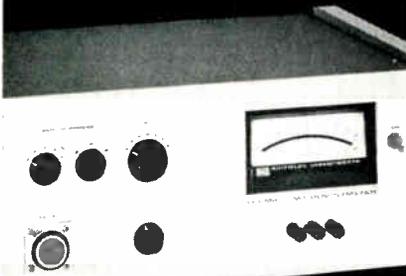
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## DU MONT FORECASTS TV TRANSMISSIONS TO BLIND

A future TV system may bypass the human eye, send electronic impulses to the brain, and enable the blind to actually "see" the pictures, Dr. Allen B. Du Mont stated recently.

Dr. Du Mont, TV pioneer and senior technical consultant, Du Mont Laboratories, predicted TV uses in industry, transportation, medicine, education and "almost every possible field of endeavor."

But he had a completely different view of military TV potential. "Because there will no longer be military establishments as such in 1988," he said, "TV will no longer have application. . . . We will either have gone too far with our nuclear lunacy, or the essential problems of peace and mutual existence will have been solved."

"Reaching out as far as possible," he said, "there are outstanding electronic scientists who are firmly convinced that we will eventually be able to feed electrical waves directly to the human brain—and to feed them with such precision that, in combination with the human nervous system, a blind person will actually enjoy TV pictures."

"We will electronically bypass the human eye, and yet achieve the same stimuli to the correct parts of the nervous system," Dr. Du Mont said.

He foresees the miniaturization of TV receivers through micro-circuitry and improved display devices so that "We will, without doubt, see very small, compact TV receivers — small enough to fit into one's side pocket or a lady's purse—similar to the small a lady's purse."

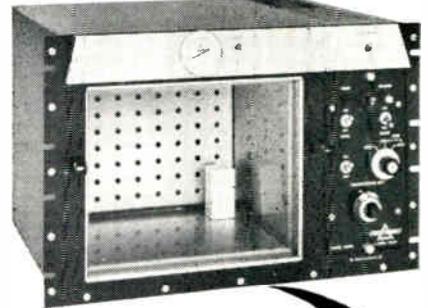
## WESTINGHOUSE DEVELOPS AF SPACE POWER SYSTEM

A thermoelectric space power system for the Air Force is being developed by the Aerospace Electrical Div., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Lima, Ohio.

Working under a \$94,000 contract from the AF Aeronautical Systems Div., the Westinghouse unit is to design, construct and test a ground unit that can produce 10 w. of power.

No batteries are to be used with the system. Instead, during the daylight part of an orbit, lithium hydride will store heat for use by the thermoelectric generator during the dark portion. System design requirements call for 55 min. in daylight and 35 min. in the earth's shadow.

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## GEMINI TAPE RECORDER



Miss B. Miller holds tape recorder built by RCA Surface Communications Div. for Gemini spacecraft. The 10 w. recorder will tape 4 hrs. of telemetry data aboard craft, play it back in 11 min. The unit weighs 12 lbs.

### SPACECRAFT PARTS EXCEED MIL-SPEC. FAILURE RATES

Failure rates below Mil-spec. for parts and components have been achieved at General Electric's Space Technology Center, Valley Forge, Pa. in 2 Air Force-sponsored tests.

In the first test series, 100% screened Mil-spec. components and subsystems withstood from 1 to almost 7 months of space environmental and operating conditions.

In the second, new design and testing methods and standards for parts and materials resulted in a considerable failure rate improvement. Both test series included design-level vibration as well as heat and vacuum equal to space conditions.

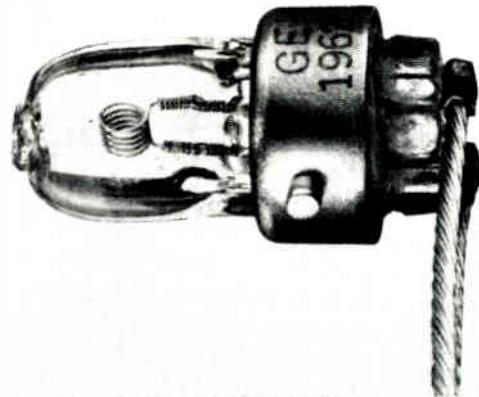
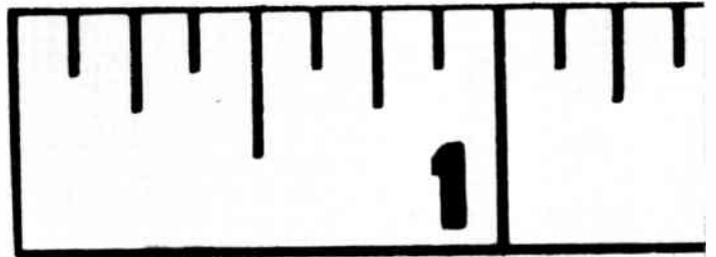
The first test involved 14,950 components, or 85% of a spacecraft's electronic hardware. As a result of the screening and controlled use of the parts, failure rates better than Mil-spec. were achieved here, too.

An infrared earth-sensing subloop, consisting of IR sensor, bolometer power supply and horizontal computer (1,300 electronic parts), underwent nearly 7 months (4,848 hours) of continuous thermal cycling and vacuum test. Vacuum was maintained at  $10^{-5}$  mm mercury and temperatures cycled 3 times a day between  $32^{\circ}$  and  $104^{\circ}$ F.

In the second test, new design standards were written for materials, electronic packaging, circuit design, structures, and electromechanical and mechanical uses.

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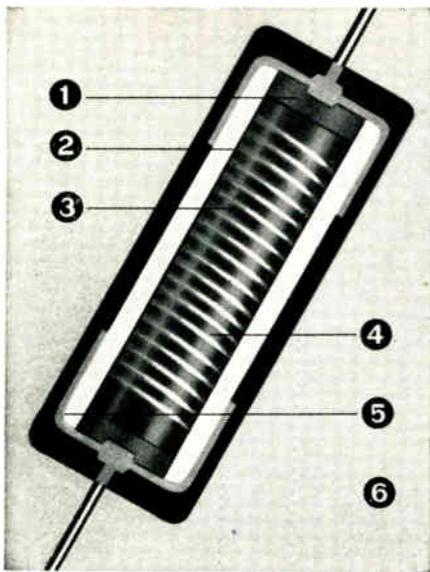
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Donald C. Duncan (r), Pres. of Duncan Electronics, Costa Mesa, Calif., is honored on retirement as Chmn. of 1962 Western Electronic Show and Conv. Burgess Dempster, Chmn. of Los Angeles Ccl., Western Electronic Mfrs. Ass'n., presents the plaque.

### CAMERA PHOTOGRAPHS FROM REAR OF CRT

A modified CRT enables Army scientists to take improved photos of a video display and still keep the tube face in view.

Designed by the Army Electronics R&D Lab., Ft. Monmouth, N. J., and General Dynamics Corp., the experimental tube is used to record and analyze oscilloscope patterns.

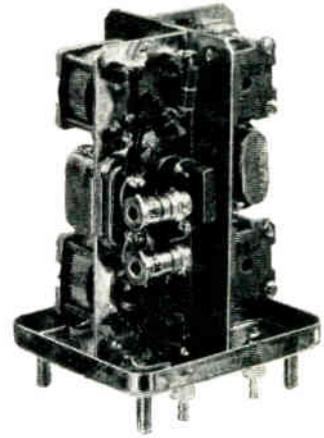
A 2-in. transparent porthole in the tube's normally opaque rear section allows a camera to take photos of the tube display while the operator views from the front. Previously, the camera used to be in front while the operator watched through a small port.

The image from the back is 2-3 times brighter than from the front, and fine picture details show up more clearly.

In another photographic development, a way to take pictures and develop them in .1 to .01 sec. by flashing light onto an electrostatically charged film has been announced by General Electric Co.

The dry-processed pictures have surprisingly little grain and can be developed and "erased" simply by heating the film. Film then can be reused. So fine is the resolution that as many as 144 sharp photos can be produced in a space of 2 sq. in. The film can be made either sensitive or insensitive to nuclear radiation.

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## BUSINESS ELECTRONIC PHONE EXCHANGE GETS FIRST TRIAL

An electronic telephone switching system for private business exchanges developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories, Holmdel, N. J., will soon be given its first trial at a New Brunswick, N. J., firm.

Two groups of equipment make up the system—a switch unit for the customer's office, and a central control unit in a telephone exchange. Each switch unit handles 200 phone lines, and 32 switch units can be connected to a central unit.

A switch unit contains a time-division switching network, line circuits, and the trunk terminal equipment for the customer's office. A cabinet, about the size of 3 ordinary 5-drawer file cabinets, holds the equipment.

The control unit acts according to information in both semi-permanent (program) and variable (scratchpad) memory system. Each system contains switching instructions in magnetized spots on metal program cards. The scratchpad memory governs selection of the program card needed at any stage of the call.

Program cards can be replaced.

## DATA HELP FOR AF



Col. T. E. Peddy (1), Chief of Data Mgmt., AF Logistics Command, and Maj. Gen. C. W. Cecil, AFLC Controller, inspect the first of thirty 301 computers RCA will deliver to AFLC to replace punched card equipment at 10 key U. S. cites. J. R. Wall, an RCA representative, is seated at the console.

## UNIVAC SYSTEM PROVIDES OFF-LINE DATA PROCESSING

Univac Div., Sperry Rand Corp., has introduced a computing subsystem that can perform off-line data processing for large scale Univac systems.

Called Univac 1050, it is a solid-state, character addressable system with a maximum capacity of 32,768 6-bit alphanumeric characters and 4.5 sec. memory time.

## COLOR TV CENTER SLATED BY RCA AT WORLD'S FAIR

The RCA exhibit will serve as the 1964-65 New York World's Fair's official color TV communications center.

Among its features: a gallery where visitors will view all that goes into producing color programs; a color TV network, linking the Center to 200 receiving points within the Fair grounds; a "see yourself in color" demonstration; a color TV mobile unit that will move about to pick up events of interest for transmission over the system; and listening rooms for stereo and hi-fi enthusiasts.

## NSIA COMMITTEE TO CUT DEFENSE COSTS

The National Security Industrial Association has appointed a Value Assurance Committee to help accelerate cost reduction programs in defense spending.

G. T. Willey, Vice President and General Manager for the Orlando, Fla., Div. of Martin Co., was named chairman. The Committee was appointed at the request of Thomas D. Morris, Asst. Sec. of Defense for Installations and Logistics.



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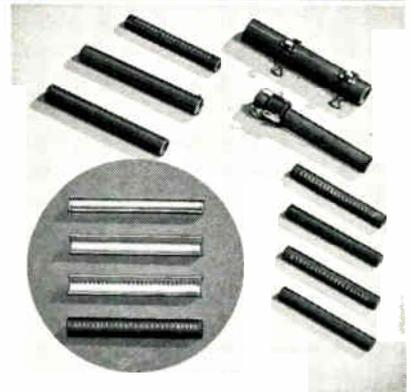
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## HIGH-RESISTANCE FILM HAS LOW TEMP. COEFFICIENT

Thin films with sheet resistivities of 10,000 ohms/sq. have been produced at Bell Telephone Laboratories, Holmdel, N. J., by sputtering tantalum in an oxygen-argon atmosphere.

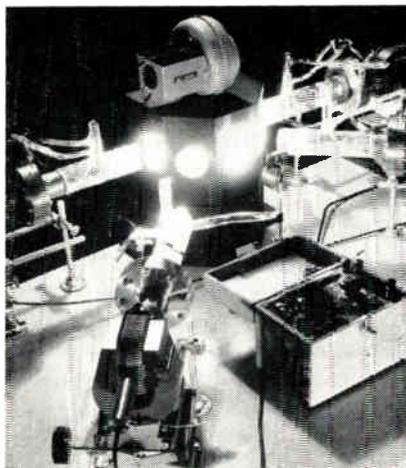
This high sheet resistivity means that a 100 megohm resistor can now be made on .02 sq. in. of substrate.

(Ohms/sq. equals ohms per square. It is proportional to the specific resistance of the material and inversely proportional to the film thickness. The term "square" is a dimensionless quantity that represents a square area of the film. For a given film thickness, any square area of the film has the same resistance value.)

By controlling the pressure of oxygen during sputtering in argon, stable, high-precision tantalum resistors with low temp. coefficients were obtained. A tantalum resistor thus sputtered has a sheet resistivity of 1,000 ohms/sq and a temp. coefficient of resistance of -500 ppm per deg. C. A tantalum resistor with sheet resistivity of 10,000 ohms/sq. had a temp. coefficient of resistance of -2,000 ppm per deg. C.

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## SPACE PAINT TEST



Inorganic paint samples on ends of glass tubes undergo ultra-violet radiation in test at Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif. Hughes developed thermal control paints to combat heat and cold found in space. One was used on Syncom; others will be on Surveyor, OSO and Apollo satellites.

bombarding a metal cathode with ionized inert gas molecules. The metal atoms dislodged from the cathode re-deposit on a nearby surface to form a thin film.

Beil Labs recently showed that sputtering tantalum thin-film resistors in a

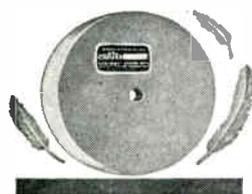
## TUNNEL-DIODE MEMORY HAS 600 NANOSEC. CYCLE

A tunnel-diode memory installed in a STRETCH computer by IBM Corp. fetches and stores data in a cycle time of 600 nanosec. In tests, cycle times have been lowered to 200 nanosec., 3 times the speed needed by STRETCH.

The memory's capacity is 17 computer words of 74 bits each, or 150 regular letters or numbers. The 200 nanosec. cycle enables the memory to process over 45 million letters or numbers/sec.

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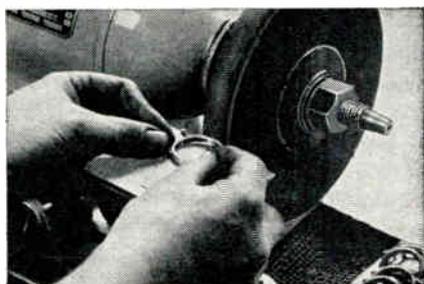
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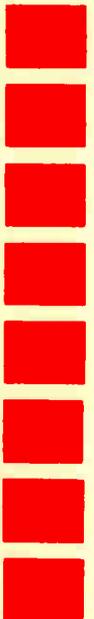
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# ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS

## ELECTRONICS SIMPLIFIED

RCA's new Dynamic Demonstrator, displayed at recent Electronic Parts Show in Chicago, can be used to explain the operation of a transistor radio. To simplify understanding, each component is mounted near its symbol on the large diagrammed board. The complete circuit is visible, can be traced as it is explained.



The FCC has proposed a joint committee to promote UHF television. Called "Committee for the Full Development of UHF Broadcasting," the group will represent the FCC and various industrial groups interested in UHF. At FCC's request, Congress has already enacted Public Law 87-529 giving the FCC power to require all TV receivers shipped and sold to the public across state lines to be capable of handling all frequencies allocated for TV broadcasting.

An FAA rule restricting use of FM portable radios on U. S. civil aircraft has been made permanent. The rule had been a temporary measure since May 1961, after FAA tests showed FM radios in aircraft interfere with operation of VHF radio navigation equipment. Final action was deferred pending evaluation of test results. The rule prohibits operation of FM radios during flights in airliners and other commercial craft. It also prohibits their use on other civil aircraft when the VHF navigation gear is operating.

FCC accepts design service areas for AT&T's Wide Area Data Service (WADS) but suggests that aspects of WADS's proposed flat charge rates are unreasonably discriminatory between customers, and their legality is not established. WADS offers teletype communications on an area basis rather than point to point as on regular TWX. WADS would allow customers a choice of six progressively larger service areas within which calls could be placed (the largest U. S.) at full time, measured time and receiving only.

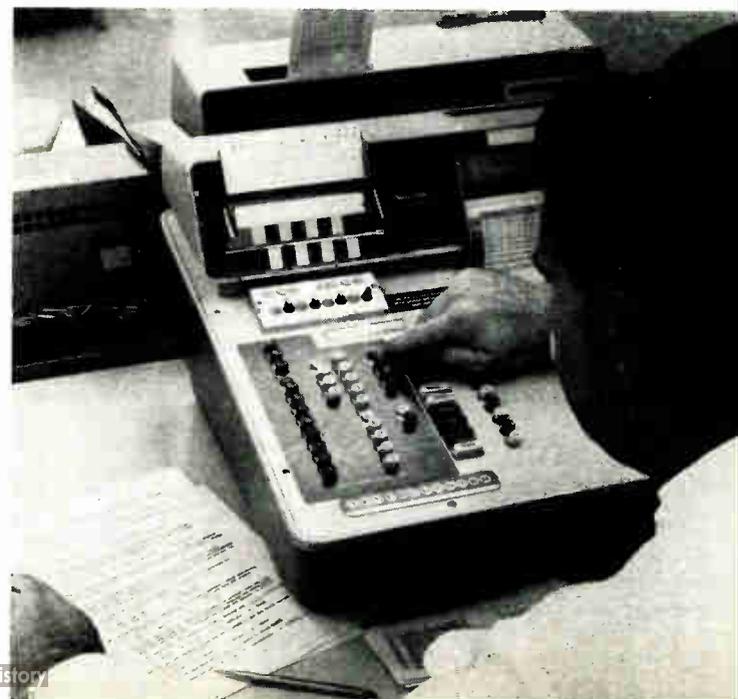
United States Information Agency has ordered nine 250,000-watt short wave transmitters from Collins Radio. The transmitters, new functional types, allow frequency change within 20 seconds, instead of from two to 15 minutes per transmitter in previous designs. They will have "pre-set" capabilities where changes can be pre-determined and executed on command, and will supplement USIA's program to improve its world signal quality. The transmitters will be installed in Agency facilities at Bethany, Ohio, and at Delano and Dixon, Calif.

General Dynamics/Astronautics has delivered first components for Glotrac, advanced satellite and spacecraft tracking system, to Cape Canaveral. Glotrac (Global Tracking Network) is a range and range-rate tracking system with a 23,000-statute-mile range. It can determine a vehicle's flight velocity to better than one half foot per second and its position within 100 feet. The initial system will have stations at Cape Canaveral; Atlantic, North Carolina; Bermuda; San Salvador; Antigua; and Grand Turk.

NAB has asked FCC to drop a log rule requiring AM and FM facilities to be inspected five days a week by a first-class engineer. NAB says the rule will impose an unnecessary burden on broadcasters without public benefit or improved performance. They observed that some small stations perhaps don't keep a first-class engineer full-time and are violating FCC rules. But the majority should not suffer for the miscreant few. NAB does support the use of automatic logging devices for more accurate records of a station's technical operations.

## PUSH-BUTTON LESSONS

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Low frequency, narrow band filters are often needed in control systems. Since passive filters are unwieldy at low frequencies, either active filters or demodulator-filter-modulator systems are used. A simple active filter is described here along with graphical design techniques.

For Sub-audio Control systems

# DESIGNING ACTIVE TUNED FILTERS

NARROW BAND FILTERS are very useful for harmonic analysis, separation of signals and noise, and filtering the modulation on a carrier signal. It is usually necessary to vary the center frequency of these filters, manually or automatically, to track the desired signal.

At the sub-audio frequencies used in control systems, passive inductor-capacitor circuits are too heavy and bulky for most uses. As an example, a 16 cycle tuned filter with a 1.6 cycle bandwidth, a 50,000 ohm generator impedance, and a gain of one-half would require a 4  $\mu\text{f}$  capacitor and a 25 henry inductor. The inductor would weigh about 1 lb. and occupy six cubic inches.

In some cases, filtering is obtained by demodulating the signal, filtering this output with an R-C network, and remodulating the resultant signal. These circuits tend to be complex, to generate noise or drift, and to attenuate the signal. Active circuits using parallel or bridged-T networks are common, but are unsatisfactory when the center frequency must be varied.

The circuit described here uses a reactance amplifier to simulate a variable inductance. The reactance amplifier is often used to modulate the frequency of a tuned circuit. If enough gain is provided, it can completely replace the inductors, resulting in a light weight, high  $Q$ , variable tuned filter. In the 16 cps filter mentioned above, the inductor may be replaced with three stages of amplification; the frequency may then be varied with a potentiometer.

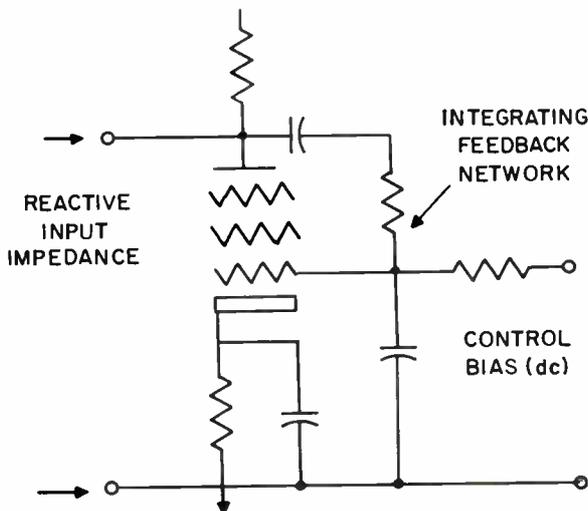
## Reactance Amplifier

The familiar inductive reactance-tube circuit, shown in Fig. 1, simulates an inductance by drawing a reactive current in response to voltage signals at the input terminals. The integrating effect of the plate-grid feedback network creates the reactive current. Losses in the tube plate resistance and load resistor, and the departure from ideal of the integrating network, result in a finite  $Q$ .

For high  $Q$  operation, the circuit requires more gain than can be obtained in a single stage. Since the tuned filter will normally be used with an amplifier, a portion of the voltage gain of that amplifier may be used in the reactive feedback loop.

Fig. 2 is the simplified drawing of a suitable reactance amplifier; the driver amplifier is shown as a current source, since both pentodes and transistors are best handled that way. The amplifier includes a single predominant time lag, represented by  $\tau$ , which must be placed in the feedback path. The reverse in polarity, implying an odd number of amplifier stages, is also essential.

Fig. 1: A familiar inductive reactance-tube is shown below.



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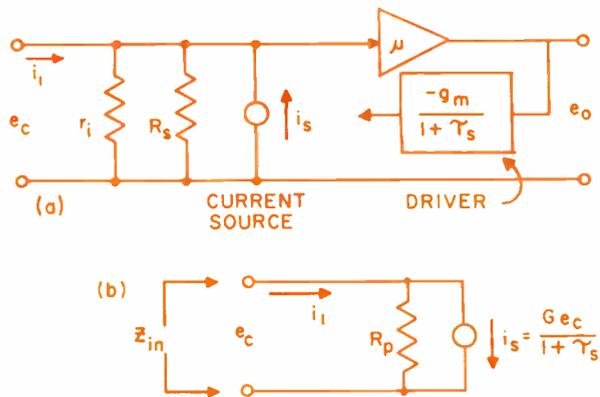


Fig. 2: Simplified drawings of a suitable reactance amplifier.

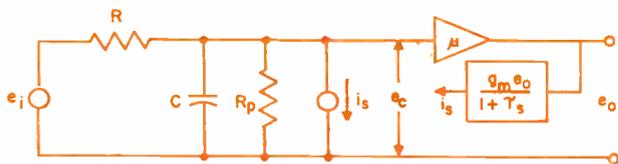


Fig. 3: Drawing of an active tuned circuit is shown above.

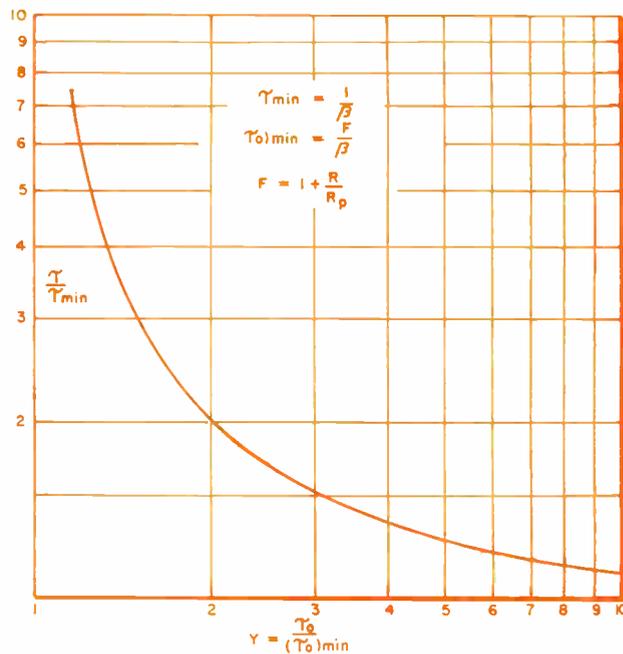


Fig. 4: The proper relationship between time constants is shown.

The total open loop impedance of this circuit includes the feedback driver source impedance  $R_s$ , and the amplifier input impedance  $r_i$ . Since these appear in parallel they may be lumped together as shown in Fig. 2b. The source impedance ( $R_s$ ) is the parallel combination of tube (or transistor) impedance,  $r_p$ , and the operating load resistance,  $R_L$ . Thus:

$$R_s = \frac{r_p R_L}{r_p + R_L} \text{ and } R_p = \frac{r_i R_s}{r_i + R_s}$$

For simplicity, the overall gain  $G$  is defined as the product of the forward gain ( $\mu$ ) and the feedback gain ( $g_m$ ). Since  $\mu$  is unitless, the gain  $G$  is in the form of a transconductance. It is important to place as much of the gain as possible in the forward path, since the maximum voltage swing that may be handled without distortion is determined by the driver stage. The output voltage of the circuit ( $e_o$ ) cannot exceed the maximum driver swing divided by the driver gain.

### Active Tuned Circuit

Fig. 3 is a drawing of the active tuned circuit. The transfer function to the input of the amplifier is:

$$\frac{e_c/e_i}{\alpha_o} = \left\{ \frac{1 + \tau s}{1 + \alpha_o [\tau_o + F \tau] s + \alpha_o \tau \tau_o s^2} \right\} = \frac{\alpha_o (1 + \tau s)}{1 + (2\zeta/\omega_o) s + s^2/\omega_o^2} \quad (1)$$

where:

$$\alpha_o \equiv \frac{R_p}{R + R_p + R R_p G} = \frac{1}{F + R G} = \text{dc response} \quad (2)$$

$$\tau_o \equiv R C \quad (3)$$

$$F \equiv (1 + R/R_p) \quad (4)$$

$$\omega_o = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\alpha_o \tau \tau_o}} = \text{Damped natural frequency (rad/sec)} \quad (5)$$

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_o}{\tau \tau_o}} [\tau_o + F \tau] = \text{damping ratio} \quad (6)$$

The damped natural frequency ( $\omega_o$ ) and the damping ratio ( $\zeta$ ) are always fixed by the filter requirements. If the needed bandwidth (defined between  $-3\text{db}$  points) is known, the damping ratio is given by

$$\zeta = \frac{\beta}{2 \omega_o}, \text{ where } \beta = \text{bandwidth} \quad (7)$$

If the circuit is to be used for low pass filtering of the modulation on a carrier, the damping ratio is related to the equivalent filter time constant ( $\tau_e$ ) by:

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{\omega_o \tau_e} \quad (8)$$

Two other parameters of interest are the gain at resonance, defined as  $\alpha_R$ , and the ratio of resonance gain to gain at dc, defined as  $\rho \equiv \alpha_R/\alpha_o$ . These parameters are found by substituting  $s = j \omega_o$  and  $\theta_o \tau$  into Eq. 1:

$$\alpha_R = \frac{\alpha_o \sqrt{1 + (\omega_o \tau)^2}}{2 \zeta} = \frac{\alpha_o \sqrt{1 + \theta_o^2}}{2 \zeta} \quad (9)$$

$$\rho = \frac{\alpha_R}{\alpha_o} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + \theta_o^2}}{2 \zeta} \quad (10)$$

## TUNED FILTERS (Continued)

In general, it is necessary to satisfy requirements for the four dependent parameters  $\omega_o$ ,  $\zeta$ ,  $\alpha_R$ , and  $\rho$  by proper selection of the independent parameters  $R$ ,  $C$ ,  $R_p$ ,  $G$ , and  $\tau$ . The dc rejection  $\rho$  may be ignored if the forward amplifier includes ac coupling capacitors which block the dc signals. However, dc coupling is often used in transistor amplifiers.

Eliminating  $\alpha_o$  between Eqs. 5 and 6:

$$\tau = \frac{\tau_o}{\beta \tau_o - F} = \frac{1}{\beta - F/\tau_o} \quad (\beta = 2 \zeta \omega_o = \text{bandwidth}) \quad (11)$$

Eq. 11 gives a relation between time constants which satisfies Eqs. 5 and 6 simultaneously. Since  $\tau$  must be positive, it is necessary that:

$$\tau_o > F/\beta$$

and consequently the minimum value of  $\tau_o$  is:

$$(\tau_o)_{min} = F/\beta \quad (12)$$

from Eq. 11 the minimum value of  $\tau$  occurs at  $\tau_o = \infty$  and is:

$$\tau_{min} = 1/\beta, \quad \text{Then if:} \quad (13)$$

$$\gamma = \tau_o / (\tau_o)_{min}, \quad (14)$$

$$\tau \tau_{min} = \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma}. \quad (15)$$

Eq. 15 is plotted in Fig. 4. Solving Eq. 11 for  $\tau_o$  and substituting into Eq. 5 gives:

$$\alpha_o = \frac{\beta \tau - 1}{F (\omega_o \tau)^2} = \frac{2 \zeta \theta_o - 1}{F \theta_o^2} \quad (16)$$

and substituting Eq. 16 into 9:

$$F \alpha_R = \frac{2 \zeta \theta_o - 1}{2 \zeta \theta_o^2} \sqrt{1 + \theta_o^2} \quad (17)$$

Eqs. 10 and 17 are plotted in Fig. 5. Fig. 4 shows the required relationship between time constants and

Fig. 5 shows the minimum value of  $\tau$  (in terms of  $\theta_o$ ) that will satisfy a requirement either for  $\alpha_R$  or for  $\rho$ . The absolute minimum value for  $\theta_o$  corresponds to  $F \alpha_R = 0$ , and can be derived directly from Eq. 13. The amplifier gain can be found from Eqs. 2 and 16:

$$RG = F \left| \frac{\theta_o^2 - 2 \zeta \theta_o + 1}{2 \zeta \theta_o - 1} \right| \quad (18)$$

or:

$$G = \left( \frac{1}{R_T} \right) \left| \frac{\theta_o^2 - 2 \zeta \theta_o + 1}{2 \zeta \theta_o - 1} \right| \quad (19)$$

where  $R_T = \frac{R R_p}{R + R_p}$  = total parallel resistance.

Eq. 19 shows that the minimum value for the gain  $G$  occurs at  $\theta_o = 1/\zeta$  and at the maximum possible value of  $R_T$ . The magnitude of the gain penalty incurred by not optimizing  $\theta_o$  is found by letting  $\theta_o = K/\zeta$ , where  $K > 0.5$ , and solving for  $R_T G \zeta^2$ :

$$R_T G \zeta^2 = \frac{K^2}{2K - 1} - \zeta^2 \quad (20)$$

Eq. 20, plotted in Fig. 6, shows the importance of optimizing  $\theta_o$  (if gain is critical), and shows that for high  $Q$  circuits:

$$G \approx 1/R_T \zeta^2 \quad (21)$$

if  $\theta_o \approx 1/\zeta$ . If the optimum value of  $\theta_o$  is substituted into Eq. 17:

$$(F \alpha_R)_{opt} = 0.5 \sqrt{1 + \zeta^2} \approx 0.5 \quad (\text{for small } \zeta). \quad (22)$$

Therefore:

$$\alpha_R \approx 0.5/F \quad (23)$$

Eqs. 19 and 23 show conflicting requirements on the value of  $R$ : it should be large to reduce the required amplifier gain, and small to maximize the overall gain at resonance. Selection of  $R$  should be based partly on the available forward amplifier gain in the practical circuit.

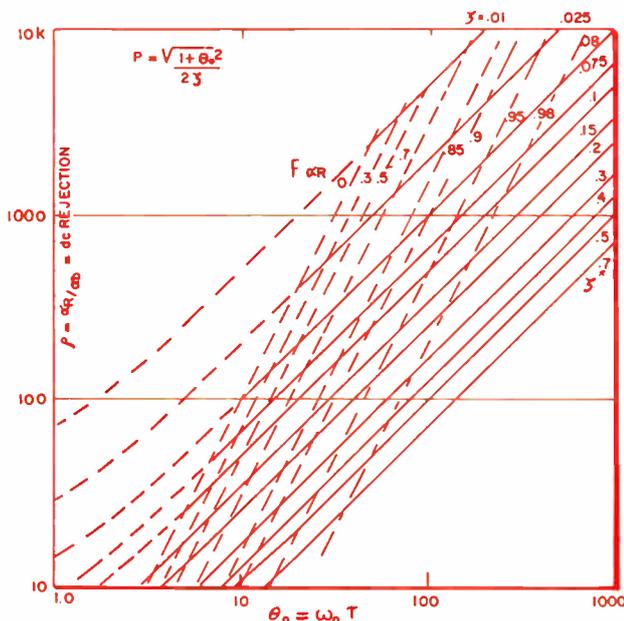


Fig. 5 (left): Eqs. 10 and 17 are plotted showing minimum  $\tau$ .

Fig. 6 (below): Curves show the importance of optimizing  $\theta_o$ .

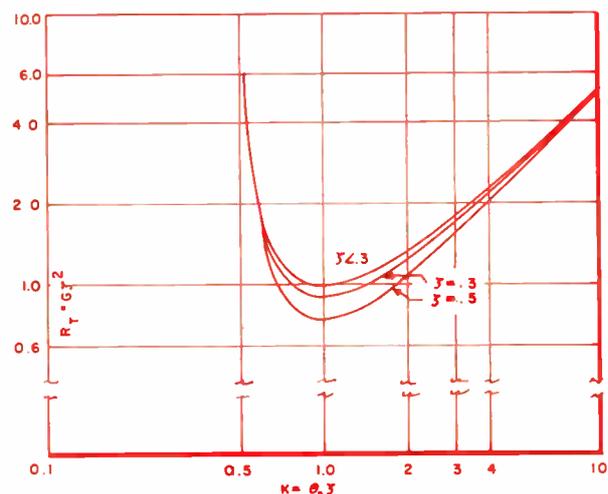
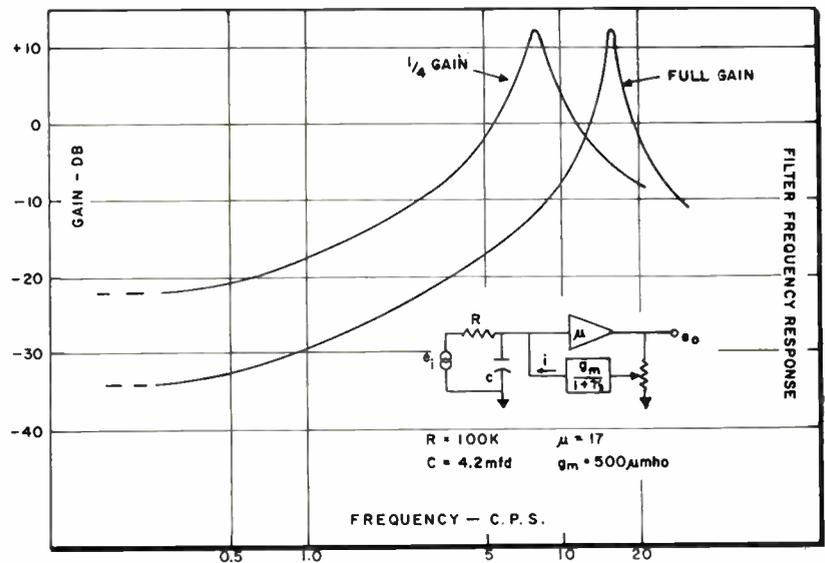


Fig. 7: The response at two frequency extremes of a circuit with the parameters derived by the equations given in the text is shown.



### Variable Frequency Operation

Eqs. 5 and 6 show that the resonant frequency and damping ratio are functions of three possible controlled variables:  $\alpha_o$ ,  $\tau$ , and  $\tau_o$ . The bandwidth, from Eqs. 5 and 6 or from Eq. 11:

$$\beta = 2 \zeta \omega_o = \frac{\tau_o + F \tau}{\tau \tau_o} \quad (24)$$

is independent of the value of  $\alpha_o$ . From Eqs. 2, 6 and 9 the resonance gain is:

$$\alpha_R = \frac{\tau}{\tau_o + F \tau} \sqrt{1 + \alpha_o(\tau_o \tau)} \quad (25)$$

or, since the two time constants are of the same order of magnitude and  $\alpha_o \ll 1$ :

$$\alpha_R \cong \frac{\tau}{\tau_o + F \tau} \quad (26)$$

which is also independent of the value of  $\alpha_o$ . Consequently, if  $\alpha_o$  is controlled, the frequency can be varied while the bandwidth and gain at resonance are held constant. From Eq. 2:

$$\alpha_o = \frac{1}{F + R G} = \frac{1/F}{1 + R G / F} = \frac{1/F}{1 + R_T G} \quad (27)$$

but from Eq. 21,  $R_T G \approx 1/\zeta^2 \gg 1$ , so that:

$$\alpha_o \cong \frac{1}{F R_T G} = \frac{1}{R G} \quad (28)$$

or is inversely proportional to the feedback gain  $G$ . Substituting 28 into 5:

$$\omega_o \cong \sqrt{\frac{R G}{\tau \tau_o}} = \sqrt{\frac{G}{C \tau}} \quad (29)$$

Therefore, the resonant frequency of the circuit is proportional to the square root of the feedback gain, which may be varied electronically or by means of potentiometers. Note from Eqs. 28 and 29 that, when designing a variable frequency filter, the highest frequency should be used to determine the overall

gain, while the lowest frequency should be used to check the dc rejection ratio  $\rho$ .

### Design Procedure

The best way to show the design procedure is with a numerical example. Assume the requirements for a tuned filter are:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_o &: 8-16 \text{ cps} = 50-100 \text{ rad/sec} \\ \beta &: 1.6 \text{ cps} = 10 \text{ rad/sec} \\ \rho &\geq 10 \end{aligned}$$

1. At the highest frequency, the damping ratio is:

$$\zeta = \frac{\beta}{2 \omega_o} = \frac{10}{200} = 0.05$$

2. Find the junction of the  $F \alpha_R = 0.5$  line (Eq. 22) and the  $\zeta = 0.05$  line in Fig. 5. This shows that  $\theta_o$  (max. freq.) = 20 and  $\rho$  (max.) = 200.

3. Follow the  $F \alpha_R = 0.5$  line down to  $\theta_o = 10$  (half frequency); the minimum  $\rho$  is 50, which is adequate. (If it were not adequate, the procedure would be to move up the constant  $\zeta$  line to a satisfactory  $\rho$  (min.) which gives  $\theta_o$  (min.), and then up to  $2\theta_o$  (min.) to obtain values of  $\theta_o$  and  $F \alpha_R$  to use in the following steps. Also enter Fig. 6 with  $K = \theta_o^2$  to find a value of  $R_T G \zeta^2$  to use in place of Eq. 21.

4. The amplifier time constant is:

$$\tau = \theta_o \omega_o = \frac{20}{100} = 0.2 \text{ sec}$$

$$\tau_{\min} = 1/\beta = 0.1 \text{ sec (from Eq. 13)}$$

$$\tau/\tau_{\min} = 2, \text{ and from Fig. 4: } \gamma = 2.$$

5.  $(\tau_o)_{\min} = F/\beta = 0.1 F \text{ sec.}$

$$\therefore \tau_o = \gamma(\tau_o)_{\min} = 2(0.1 F) = 0.2 F \text{ sec.}$$

From this point the procedure depends upon the circuit to be developed. Assume a vacuum tube circuit with a pentode driver, including current feedback to stabilize the gain. The driver plate resistance may then be neglected. If the input resistance

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$$F = 1 + R/R_p = 2.1$$

$$7. \quad C = \tau_o/R = 0.2 F/10^5 = 4.2 \text{ } \mu\text{fd.}$$

$$8. \quad G = 400/R_T = 8400 \text{ } \mu\text{mho}$$

(from Eq. 21)

$$9. \quad \alpha_R = 0.5/F = 0.24 \quad (\text{from Eq. 23})$$

Under the operating conditions assumed, a typical pentode may have a  $g_m$  of about 2500  $\mu\text{mho}$ . Assuming this is reduced to 500  $\mu\text{mho}$  by current feedback, the required forward gain is:

$$\mu = 8400/500 \cong 17$$

which can be obtained easily with two stages including negative feedback. The overall gain at resonance will be:

$$10. \quad (e_o/e_i) \omega_o = 0.24 \times 17 = 4,$$

or eight times the gain of the passive filter mentioned in the introduction. Fig. 7 shows the response at the two frequency extremes of a circuit with the parameters derived above.

## Stability

The amplifier has been assumed to have a flat frequency response except for the predominant time lag. If there are coupling capacitors, they dynamic stability is assured by the choice of a positive damping ratio. If there are coupling capacitors, they must be selected so that the phase shift due to them is negligible at and near the desired resonant frequencies. High pass networks tend to increase the bandwidth and increase stability; low pass networks do the reverse and should be avoided.

Eqs. 5 and 24 show that the values of  $\alpha_o$ ,  $\tau$ , and  $\tau_o$  must be constant to maintain constant bandwidth and resonant frequency. The components that determine these parameters must be appropriately chosen for stability against aging, temperature changes, and drift in polarizing potentials.

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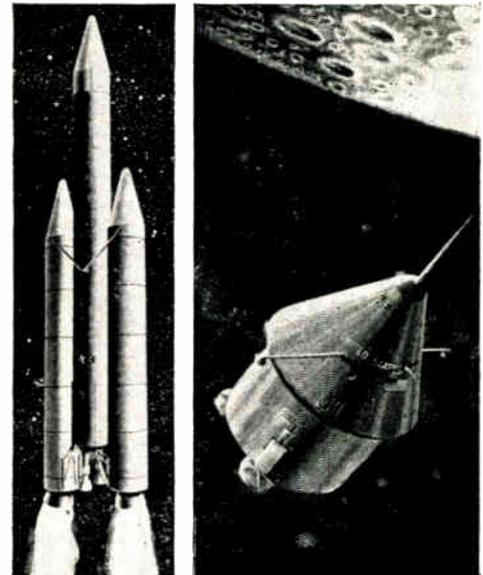


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Pittsburgh's massive new research center—to be known as Panther Hollow—will span a mile-long ravine and will have this appearance when the center is completed.

## DEANS REPORT NEED FOR MORE FELLOWSHIPS

A survey of engineer college deans points up the need for three times the number of available graduate fellowships, according to the Engineering Manpower Commission of Engineers Joint Council.

The EMC says the survey follows close on the heels of recommended Federal assistance for graduate training in engineering, mathematics and physical sciences.

Deans who responded, 136 in all, represent 90% of engineering colleges offering graduate courses. They reported 3,160 current graduate fellowships, with only 33 going unused, largely because of special provisions or limitations. They reported that nearly 6,500 additional fellowships would be used.

One-third of these would include money only for the student, and two-thirds with money for both student and the college. Several deans stressed the necessity for various forms of support to stimulate physical and faculty

resources at the graduate level.

Some schools offered information by curricula breakdown. Data showed that about 15% of current fellowships are in electrical engineering. Of new fellowships desired, about 40 schools reported that of 75% of new fellowships, used in five new major curriculums, about 21% would be in electrical engineering.

## SBA LOAN TO INCREASE JOBS IN PENNA. TOWN

Fisher Electronics, Inc., of Lewistown, Pa., in an area of substantial unemployment, will be able to employ about 150 additional people as a result of a development loan announced by the Small Business Administration.

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## 500 TECH. MEN SEEKING ENGINEER CERTIFICATION

More than 500 technicians throughout the nation have applied for certification from the newly established Institute for the Certification of Engineering technicians.

Dr. Merritt A. Williamson, dean of engineering at Pennsylvania State University, and chairman of the Institute's Board of Trustees, said that nearly 200 technicians have been certified in one of three grades: junior engineering technician, engineering technician, and senior engineering technician, with minimum experience requirements of two, seven and seventeen years respectively.

The Institute, sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers, was organized in 1961 to provide recognition for those members of the technological manpower team who work for engineers and often supervise other technicians and craftsmen.

## CONN. CITY OFFERED AS NASA CENTER SITE

Willimantic, Conn., has been suggested as a suitable location for the proposed National Aeronautics and Space Administration Electronics Research Center.

Sen. Thomas J. Dodd (D-Conn.) attacked what he called a "predetermined, arbitrary and tailor-made criteria" which would automatically place the NASA center in the "Boston area."

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Motivation patterns are peculiar things. An engineer's tangled motivational matrix may send him clear across the nation to accept a job—or keep him rooted in his present location. Although many reasons cause him to move, an engineer is usually driven more by one or two dominant factors, as recent surveys disclose.

THOUGH MANY THINGS WILL MOVE A TECHNICAL PROFESSIONAL in his never-ending quest for the ideal job, only a few prime movers are of current importance—challenge and recognition among them.

Yet, from recent surveys it is becoming more evident that the advantages and benefits offered by a company must at least match the desires of today's technical man who is swept up in the competitive tide among aerospace and defense firms for the best talent available. In some instances, motivators such as location, salary and educational advantages do come into focus.

Scientist or engineer—the technical professional is generally driven by a group of needs rather than by a single motive, although one or two large motives may dominate. Motives operate in bunches. Job motivation patterns come in three basic forms—job selection, job satisfaction and job retention—each with its own bunch of motives, which may fluctuate in value as often as the technical man changes his job.

If you could peer into our technical man's mind you might find his motives, not like neatly stacked blocks, but rather like tangled vine branches, entwined in every degree of intimacy.

## JOB SEEKERS' MOTIVATIONS: RECOGNITION, CHALLENGE, ETC.

As would be expected, most studies show that the technical professional is serious-minded, conscientious, and, if motivated properly, will devote enormous energy to his work.

Because he is dedicated, the technical professional usually pays close attention only to the "essentials" in his career. Some of his major career values are challenge, stimulating work, achievement, recognition, ascending degrees of responsibility, autonomy and independence.

### Interesting Work Rates High

In most recent studies by Deutsch & Shea, sometimes conducted among as many as 3000 technical people at one time, "opportunity for interesting work" has rated consistently as the most important value. This is followed closely by "creative work," "opportunity for diversified work," and "challenging opportunity."

So strong was "opportunity for interesting work" that it was labeled the prime factor in job acceptance by 92% of scientist/engineer respondents in one study, and by an average of 84% in three others. The main reason for leaving previous jobs was "very little job challenge and responsibility." No matter how the employment apple is sliced, the nature of the work and its challenging flavor always show up at the core.

It is not unusual to find a technical professional willing to overlook shortcomings in standard benefits in a new job if he is given demanding work and professional challenge—and especially the opportunity to create his own challenging work. He is apt to leave a firm where challenge is missing, even though job benefits may be ample.

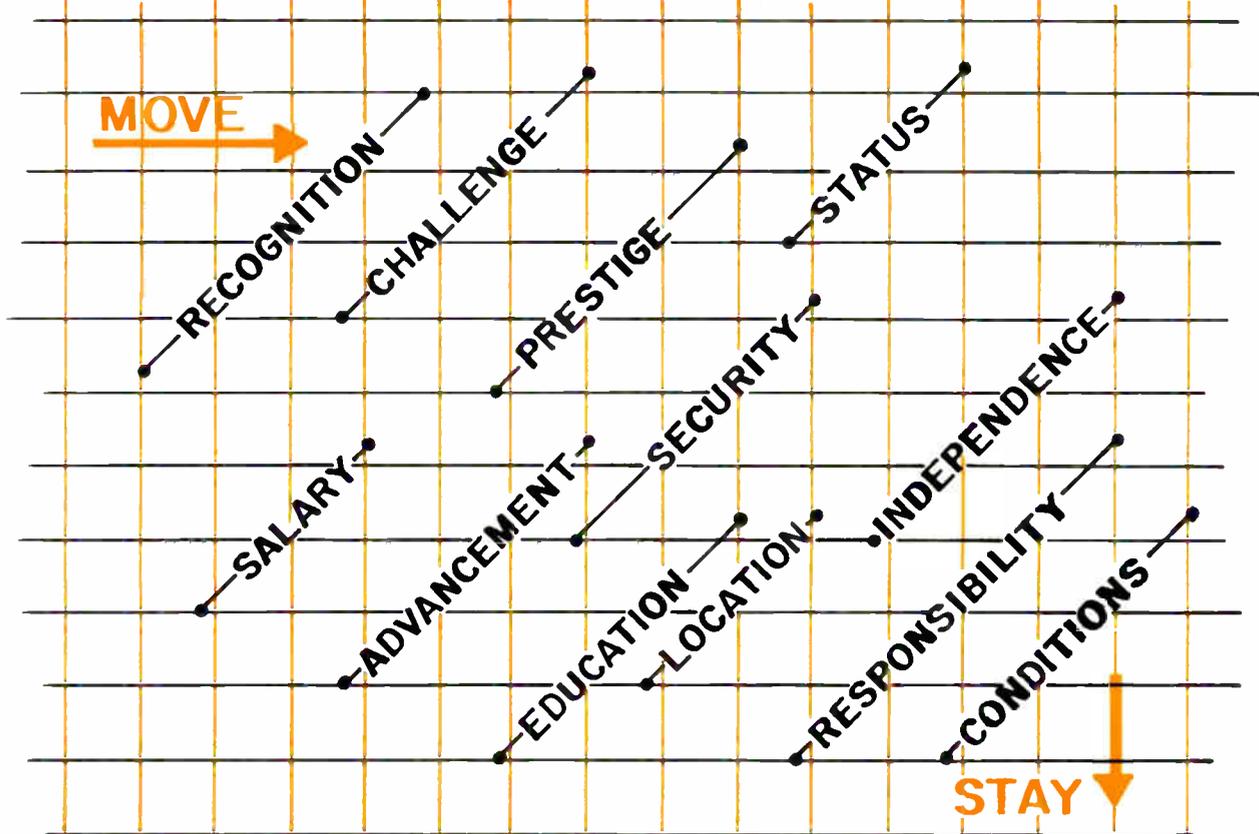
It follows then that the less a technical man is per-

Recognition and challenge are the factors that will motivate a scientist/engineer to devote enormous energy to his work.

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A scientist/engineer will stay with or change his job for a variety of reasons as his motivational matrix (above) shows.

sonally involved in his work, the more important become work climate factors such as company policies, administrative procedures, working conditions, status symbols, personal relations and supervisory practices. These climate factors can never elicit that necessary extra initiative and effort. Only job challenge can do that.

### Recognition Important

Most comments in recent morale studies point up the need for forms of recognition and the woeful lack of them. The reason for the emphasis on recognition among engineers and scientists is not hard to understand when we remember that a technical man's professional standing is directly related to and tied in with his chosen life work.

If a technical man is working on self-satisfying projects that could be considered as important additions to existing knowledge, he can write and publish papers and articles, and be recognized by his colleagues. With most engineers this is the second most important factor. Accomplishments bolster self-esteem, demonstrate abilities to colleagues and management, and justify a technical man's choice of career to himself.

In university laboratories recognition from peers is regarded as crucial. Considered just as important is recognition from industrial management, and when it is not given, effectiveness can be seriously undermined in a technical man.

Almost every survey is replete with comments

like, "We are treated like hired hands," or "The personnel department thinks I'm just another factory hand." The feeling of being looked on as mechanics is widespread among engineers and scientists.

### Prestige, Recognition Related

The engineer's need for recognition is wrapped in the same bundle with his constant push for prestige. When neither is forthcoming, the tendency of many engineers is to regard management as an attractive career alternative. Scientists, however, often consider administrative careers as a last resort.

Traditionally, management has felt that conditions should be the same for all employees. Reality seems to demand, however, that technical professionals be granted some special privileges and rewards, to separate achievers from non-achievers.

Management might consider giving different treatment to various technical groups. Engineers and scientists cover a spectrum of functions, ranging from R&D, through design and operations, to administration and sales. Despite these obvious functional differences, the same sets of rules are continually foisted on all without consideration for the special needs and requirements of each group.

A deep-rooted, faulty interpretation of democracy and human quality permeates our culture to this day. During the time of Jacksonian Democracy the strange and powerful notion that any man is as able as another gained a foothold and fostered the idealiza-

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## JOB SEEKERS' (Continued)

tion of the average man. The person with exceptional talent often has had a rough time of it as a result.

This fallacy led the scientist Leo Szilard to remark recently, "I'm all in favor of the democratic principle that one idiot is as good as one genius, but I draw the line when someone takes the next step and concludes that two idiots are better than one genius."

### Effort Not Really Rewarded

The indictment that effort is not really rewarded in our culture can be attributed to the levelling process visited on us by our sacredness of mediocrity. We are still undemocratic toward our gifted. Time-honored organizational policies even today discriminate against our skilled technical professionals who deviate from the so-called average.

Some critics say ability-grouping would be undemocratic, favoring only the well-endowed. Actually, it would depend on one's performance and accomplishment, and would have to be a proposition strictly earned through effort and ability. Others say we should perhaps re-evaluate our social concepts and direct our society toward an aristocracy of worth—not of birth.

The technical professional is usually an independent and inner-directed person. He has a self-directing attitude toward his work and is happiest when he is little supervised. Although he knows he will often have to work with a team, he does demand that his company show confidence in his ability to assume greater responsibility.

Our engineer naturally likes money. What is important to the technical man is the feeling that his earnings are at least equal to those of his associates.

### Society Judges Success

The technical professional is aware that our society measures his success by earnings, house, car, clothes and other price tags. He also knows that his organizational status is measured by office, carpet thickness, title and number of people he supervises. He may not be obsessed with such popular success measures but he is definitely influenced by them, especially if he is a family man.

Location has become less important, though studies indicate that it still has motivating power, running on the heels of salary. Climate is the important feature, followed by education facilities, and professional and cultural opportunities. For married engineers the main concern is excellent environment for his family, including better-than-average schools.

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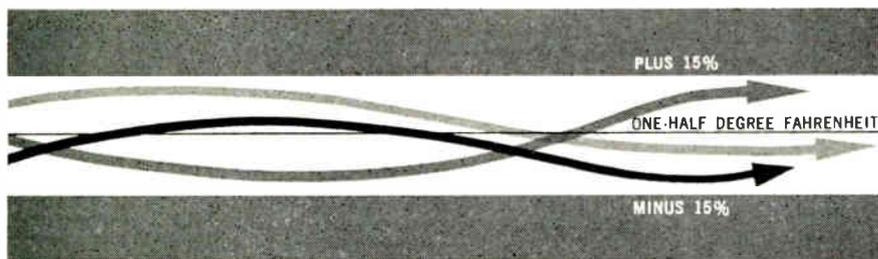
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then concerned about graduate study when choosing a job.

### Education Desires Vary

Surveys tell us that single technical men are far more interested in further education opportunities when job hunting than are married engineers with families. We might qualify a bit here by saying that as a rule older married men with several dependents and community roots are less likely to move from one area to another even though educational facilities are available as part of the new job. This does not necessarily mean (although it sometimes does) that their desires for extra degrees wane as the families increase and they get older. It simply means that the young and single engineer—comparatively footloose and free—is able to choose his educational opportunities wherever they happen to lie.

Studies further show that men with two or more dependents tend to be less interested in graduate study opportunities as a re-location motivator. Advanced education rates very high among unmarried engineers in their first four years in the field, and even outranks salary as a motivator in the zero to two-year group. After the technical man has six years or more of experience the advance education lure to other jobs begins to fall off sharply.

Good working conditions and adequate facilities are not major factors. Still, the firm that provides up-to-date equipment and ample lab room surely has it all over the firm that does not.

Much of today's shortage of scientists and engineers, and general professional dissatisfaction, may stem from the fact that technical men often must give excess time and effort to routine, low-grade chores which they feel should be handled by technical aids, another status factor. Firms able to give their professionals adequate technical and secretarial help report an encouraging rise in morale.

### Job Security Not Vital

Engineers know that a healthy salary rise comes with almost every job change these days. Thus, many young engineers capitalize on their mobility and treat each job merely as a springboard, except perhaps where graduate study is a factor.

Once a vital factor in the engineering profession, job security is now rarely mentioned, although there are many who still think and feel that it has considerable importance in certain fields. Many industry spokesmen believe that today's imbalance between technological supply and demand will continue for many years to come, and will make getting another job relatively easy.

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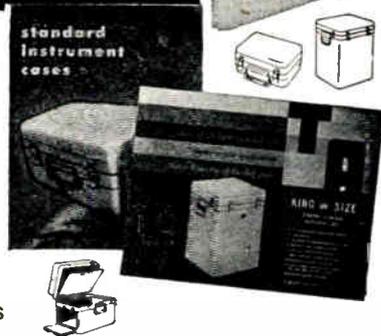
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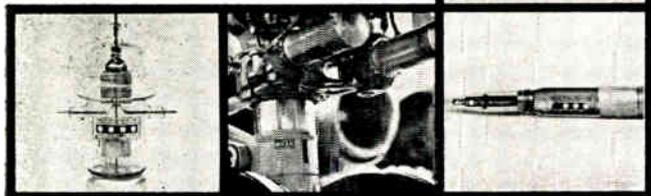


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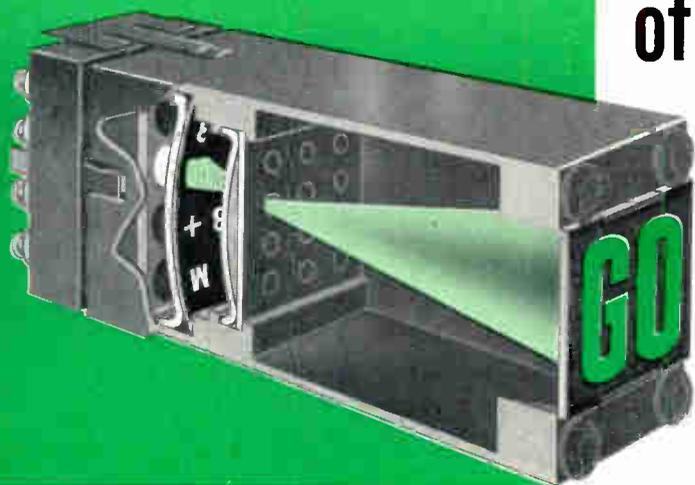


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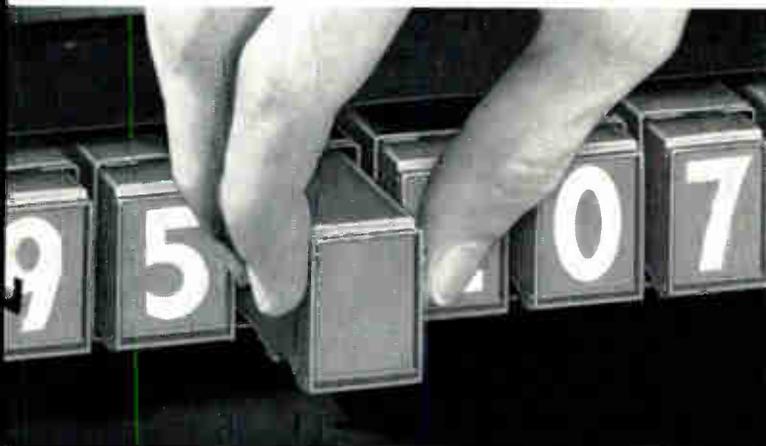
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