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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

By W. W. MacDONALD

Reading Field Reports, we get the impression that there will be a rash of redesigned and new products in our field this fall. Another sign of increased competition?

East-Coast Radar air-raid warning system recently set up for training purposes will use a lot of equipment. Manufacturers will find very little business in this particular project, however. Our Washington office tells us the equipment is practically all surplus.

Once Again we point out for those who may be interested that government agencies are asking manufacturers to bid on electronic apparatus that these same agencies placed on the surplus market not so long ago. The manufacturers are busy scouring the surplus market for the gear, hoping to avoid tooling up for its remanufacture.

Looking at the situation one way, you might say that the agencies lacked foresight and should have held on to the stuff. Looking at it another, it seems possible that no one could have anticipated so early a need for the equipment. Either way, the agencies are always up against it politically.

Complaint of one reader of advertisements is that many manufacturers offer component parts meeting Army-Navy-Airforce specifications but few have them in stock. It takes weeks or months to obtain a supply.

Preoccupation with mass production of components needed for commercial applications is normal for American business, so we can understand why manufacturers are reluctant to stock parts needed in smaller quantity for military gear despite the greater profit margin involved.

The solution to the problem is not apparent to us. We would be interested in hearing from anyone who thinks he has the answer.

Audio Trick reported by a California correspondent involves ask-
ing victims to recite a simple jingle into the microphone of a tape recorder while what they say is being played back to them via headphones after a ten-second delay. Nobody, but nobody, has so far recited through to the end without getting all balled up.
The object of the experiment, we must admit, is obscure to us. But some psychologist or medicineman may think of a practical application, and if someone does we'd like to hear about it.

Auto Radios in metropolitan New York City total $1,440,000$, or 72 percent of the total number of cars licensed in the area, according to WOR's research department.

Electric Blowers ordinarily installed in cabinets to keep chassis cool have been very popular around Glenn Martin's Baltimore plant this summer. During a visit to the company's Electronics Section we saw quite a few of them up on benches cooling the worker rather than the work.

Several Patents covering a novel facsimile system with which nothing has been done are owned by a reader who thinks he has something with commercial possibilities, particularly for interoffice work. Proof that the system will work is available, but further development would have to be done before a production prototype could be built.

To manufacturers interested in investigating the subject further we will be glad to forward a list of patent numbers.

A West-Coast Firm equipped with electronic computers has just set itself up in the highly specialized business of turning out answers to highly complex aathematical problems for industry in general.

SMPE Members were poled recently to see what they wanted to read about most in the Journal of the Society of Motion Picture Engineers. Television easily


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A Lot Of People are saying: "How sad, television has pushed f-m into the background." Now that tele receiver makers are beginning to put $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ tuners into many of their sets as an added sales feature (it is cheaper than putting shortwave into a d-c set) the tables may be turned.

At least many more people will soon be able to tune in f-m programs on their television sets. Whether they do so, in view of the picture interest, remains to be seen.

Writes a maker of test equipment: "The elaborate setup down at the Glenn L. Martin plant, mentioned on p 63 of your July issue, is not at all unusual for aircraft companies, according to our records. You may also be interested in the fact that during the first quarter of 1949 we checked up on sales over $\$ 250$ and found that we had sold test equipment to 484 separate industries, schools or branches of the government. Only 29 were made to people in the radio and television receiver manufacturing group. The largest group of customers numerically was in the educational institution category, which chalked up 95 orders."

An Editors' Note pointing out the probable future importance of magnetic amplifiers, on p 124 of our September 1947 issue, induced Press Wirless' K. A. Young to learn German so that he could read about early work in the original. We think the effort will pay off and Young evidently thinks so too for he is now writing a book on the subject for those who do not have the time to become bilingual.

Thumbnail Picture of Italian radio-receiver production looks like this: Some 40 firms, employing 25 ,000 people, turned out about 400,000 sets valued at 10 billion lire ( $\$ 17,875,000$ ) in 1948. Exports, valued at 930 million lire ( $\$ 1,662$, 375), went chiefly to Egypt, Belgium, Sweden, Argentina, France,
the Low Countries and Turkey,
Production could readily be doubled if markets could be found but prices (25 times pre-war level) make the competitive going rough.

Radio Announcers earned an average of $\$ 7,100$ in New York City during 1947.

Television Antennas represent one of the toughest design jobs ever faced by radio engineers. They must be efficient over an almost impossible frequency range, provide high orders of gain and directivity and minimize trans-mission-line loss. Compromise seems to be the only key consistent with consumer requirements, but we somehow have gotten the impression that it has been carried too far by too many people.

We're angling for a story stating fundamental requirements and suggesting possible approaches, by a leading antenna authority. If we get it this yarn alone ought to be worth the price of admission to our pages.

Subscriber Harry Schwartz of Montreal tells us that he and his partner have induced the local telephone company to include a heading for electronic engineers in the local classified book.

Wire Tapping by a visiting team interested in knowing whether a righthanded or lefthanded pitcher is warming up can't happen at Brooklyn's Ebbets Field. HoseMcCann has installed a no-partyline sound-powered telephone system similar to those used on many ships between the home-team dugout and bullpen, according to Bob Kuhn, who was one of the few men in the city to attend a recent GiantDodger game on legitimate business.

Hams employed by the William V. Stancil Company, building magnetic recorders out in North Hollywood, total six.

Personal: If any of you boys with boats in Long Island Sound hear the "Dolphin" (WC2600) on the ship-to-ship bands, or portablemarine W2TY on 75 phone give us a shout.

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- ANGLO ANGLE . . . As anticipated, our quarrel with the British television standards (this column, May issue) has touched off a friendly spark or two from the editors of Wireless World, who take us to task in their July issue. The points of controversy between us were, among many others, discussed at length last month in Zurich at the first meeting of the C.C.I.R.'s Study Group 11, a body set up to explore the possibility of international agreement on television standards. We attended this meeting as technical adviser to the U. S. Delegation, and learned much. On the theory that a report on this meeting would be more constructive than continued editorial discussion, we refer readers, including our colleagues of Wireless World, to our next issue, which will contain a full account of the Zurich meeting and what lies ahead.
- DEFINITIONS . . . Several professional groups are mulling over the old question of what "electronics" means. Time was when this was a simple matter: electron tubes make use of free electrons traveling in a vacuous or gas-filled space; electronics is the science and technology of electron tubes and associated apparatus. And that was that.

But along came the transistor, and with it a new appraisal of the semiconductor as an element in electronics. According to the old definition, a transistor, a thermistor, a barrier layer photocell, selenium and silicon rectifiers, are not electronic at all. But they are small-current devices which perform functions identical to, or closely related to, those of electron tubes.

A proposal made by one definition committee (which shall be nameless for the moment because its work is still in the preliminary stages) makes a lot of sense to us. This group proposes to define electronic conduction as including electron flow in a gas, a vacuum, or in a semiconductor. An "electron device" would be one in which conduction takes place through a vacuum, gas or a semiconductor. An electron tube
would be such a device, in which the conduction takes place within a gas-tight envelope.
This all-inclusive definition puts the semiconductor devices where they belong. Moreover, it's based on a sound physical doctrine. Controlled electron flow in a gas requires attention to the same rhysical principles as controlled electron flow in a semiconductor. The lack of knowledge of the latter process is as profound as its inherent complexity is evident. But, in time, these questions will be answered. Quite possibly the control of electrons in a gas or vacuum will fall out as a special case of the general description of the domains of the solid state.

- EARLIER . . . In April we took note of the work of Otto Schade in testing lenses with a photoelectric scanner. We were soon reminded that Dr. Schade was not the first to use this method. Several months earlier, William Herriott had published in the JOSA a description of his photoelectric lens bench. So our praise is now directed in two directions. Having seen the Herriott bench in operation recently, we are more impressed than ever. We hope they've heard about it, by now, in Rochester, New York.
- BASIS . . . It is abundantly clear that the FCC has taken seriously its responsibility for proper planning of the future of television broadcasting. The statement of "proposed rule making", which will go before hearing a few days after this issue is published, is evidently an all-out attempt to avoid the mistakes made when sound broadcasting was first set up in 1925. The proposals have received careful scrutiny by many organizations, public and private, partial and impartial, who have filed notice of their intention to appear before the hearing. The issues are complex, the opinions diverse and strongly held. The decisions made will set the course, for good or evil, for a long time. We do not envy the Commissioners their task or their responsibility; we can only wish them Godspeed.


This GE type FH-11 split-anode magnetron was available com. mercially in 1930 but nobody wanted it

# WHY DOES IT TAKE SO LONG? 


#### Abstract

Engineering executives ask this question today more than ever as high overhead charges accumulate month after month on an electronic development project. Here are the answers, with historical backing and practical sugges- tions for speeding recovery of development costs


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SOMEONE has said that life nowadays consists of a series of hectic rushes interspersed by exasperating waits. The latter often seem to predominate from the viewpoint of the executive interested in a technical development. The engineer in charge is also frequently exasperated by the length of time it takes to develop, design, manufacture and make a business of some new product. Usually the high cost of such a process is a cause of even greater mental anguish. This high cost is in turn due partly to the fact that time is money, particularly in these times when overhead charges are high and accumulate month after month regardless of the rate of progress of the project.

In the field of electronics, the time from idea to production is a very pertine..t problem because progress and obsolescence are such pronounced factors. New developments often crowd one another, leaving all too few years during which the cost of the initial development may be recovered. Finally, after a development has been completed and one has the benefit of hindsight, it is often very difficult to explain and justify, even to one-
self, the reasons why so much time was consumed in arriving at the goal. A few historical examples will show how long it took in the past to develop familiar products.

Let's first take a look at the development of the high-vacuum tube, which is the basis of our industry.

The Triode . . . 1883 to 1913
Starting with the Edison Effect in 1883, Edison was granted a patent in 1884 on a diode voltage

## SEVEN REASONS FOR DELAYS

An engineer instinctively hangs onto a development until he understands everything about it

Overlooked defects in design don't show up until the product is in the field
Trial users are unsympathetic to new ideas

Final product is not sufficiently visualized during design
Routine business conferences and personal interruptions encourage natural manana inclinations
General weariness and disgust with project after run of hard luck
Natural opposition of production personnel to new products
regulator ${ }^{1}$, Fleming used a diode as a radio detector in 1905, deForest brought out his audion in 1907 and the high-vacuum tube came in 1913.

It was not until World War I, however, that high-vacuum triodes were widely used and, of course, not until the advent of broadcasting in 1921 did they really reach the public. Thus, from Edison's discovery to World War I, use represented a lapse of over 30 years. It should be noted, however, that after 1912 when organized research became active in the development of the high-vacuum triode, progress was relatively rapid.

This development of the highvoltage triode, which has been taken as an illustration, involved a number of accomplishments that were necessary before the final result could be achieved.

## Induction Heating. . . 1919 to 1939

One example involving the application of electron tubes is the development of high-frequency induction heating. In 1919, as a result of transmitting tube developments for World War I, fairly suitable tuhes were available for commercial


- Taken in 1928, this picture shows a laboratory test of the FH-11 oscillating magnetron being used as a voice-modulated microwave transmitter at 400 mc . The art was not ready for such a development, and many years had to pass before a radio
transmitter operating at this frequency was greatly desired, This tube, incidentally, was described by the author in a threepage feature article in the first issue of ELECTRONICS (p 34, April 1930)
high-frequency induction heating. As a matter of fact, the writer built a high-frequency furnace unit in 1919. This was used regularly for laboratory melting of special alloys in a vacuum or controlled atmosphere. Many of the unique advantages of high-frequency induction heating were known at that time and yet it was not until about 20 years later that this application really became a business.

What can be done to shorten this period of incubation? This leads to the question of what are the causes of delays in a new development and its commercialization.

## General Considerations

Many delays in development are largely psychological and only certain of them are susceptible to much near-future improvement.

The beginnings of a new development can usually be traced to someone's idea and the decision by the same or another person to do something about this idea. Of course, the first questions that arise are:
(1) Is there a profitable market for the product?
(2) Is the time propitious for the venture?
(3) What is the probable development cost and can it be recovered?
(4) Is the organization involved capable of doing the development plus manufacture and commercialization?
These are all of primary importance, of course, and much could be written on each of them. However, we will assume the answer to each has been in the affirmative and thus get on to our subject of delays.

Earlier in this article, the speeding up of high-voltage triode development through organized research was mentioned. This is an extremely important factor and should be considered under the broad heading of collective genius. Collective genius is a name for the idea that many human traits and abilities are necessary to complete a development successfully; so many, in fact, that it is practically impossible to accomplish the result with one or two individuals.
For a successful development, there must be enough individuals possessing the necessary abilities in the group to supply all the basic requirements. This general idea is fundamental and not new to modern organized industrial research, but
it was brought out very interestingly in an article published a few years ago. ${ }^{2}$ I would recommend that this article be read by everyone interested in advanced development.

Back of every successful development there is usually a dominant personality. This of itself does not insure a speedy and successful result, although it is one of the important factors necessary to success.

## Delay No. 1—Engineering Instinct

The engineer in charge of the development is sometimes more interested in the technical how and why of the development than in speeding it to a practical completion in order to minimize outgo and to hasten the beginnings of income. Many scientists and some engineers have this feeling, but fortunately most of them keep it well under control. To others the idea of manufacturing and placing on the market some new product on which all of the technical problems are not thoroughly understood or charted is abhorrent. Certainly there must be sufficient knowledge to avoid pitfalls. On the other hand, if commercialization is postponed until all the science and engineering in-
volved are thoroughly understood, then probably a competitor will be the first one to make a business out of the development.

## Delay No. 2-Overlooked Defects

All of us are familiar with products which when first commercialized show up some important defect or difficulty. To avoid this one must learn as early as possible in a development what are its key problems. Frequently the problems that at first were worried about the most do not materialize; instead, other difficulties or defects that were not suspected turn out to present the chief difficulties. This leads to the need for getting a few of the products out into the field just as soon as possible. There is no better way of uncovering defects than this procedure.

## Delay No. 3-Attitude of Trial Users

In a field trial or early use, success or failure usually hinges on the attitude of the individual utilizing the trial installation. If he looks with suspicion on any new thing, it is sometimes better to look for a better location. On the other hand, a trial user who has enthusiasm, patience and tolerance is to be treasured as he is often the all-important factor in a quick and successful technical development.

## Delay No. 4-Not Looking Ahead

In the vast majority of cases, the human mind seems to be incapable of clearly foreseeing or sensing two steps ahead on any problem. It is a common experience to design some fairly simple piece of new electronic equipment, giving thorough attention to what are apparently all the problems involved. When the first sample is delivered and sometimes even before a test is made, the designer finds to his dismay that, as soon as it is seen in being, one or more undesirable features are immediately apparent. In other cases, the initial test uncovers what seems like some perfectly obvious undesirable characteristic or defects and the designer wonders how he could have been so stupid as not to foresee this particular feature. Probably this factor is high in importance of the many that can cause costly and lengthy delays. There is nothing
new in the discovery of this problem, and the use of mock-ups is sometimes employed to minimize this difficulty. However, it remains a severe psychological problem, the complete cure for which is none too apparent.

## Delay No. 5-Interruptions

The mañana problem is as old as human nature, but it appears to have taken on many new and insidious forms in the past few years. There are thoroughly legitimate aspects to this factor. They are staff conferences, monthly reports, visits of VIP's and that yearly bugaboo, the budget. These are just a few to serve as examples. At least one comes up nearly every week in the life of a development engineer.

Probably more time consuming are the semi-personal or personal factors. Here the scope and variety are legion. One plans to take home some technical book, report or data so as to study it in peace and quiet. However: It is March 14 and the income tax return is due. Again upon arriving at home you are reminded that you promised to visit the Henry Doodles that night to see the Kodachrome slides of their trip to Florida. The reader can add to this list almost endlessly. Such interruptions invade even the office and laboratory with such things as weddings, storms, accidents and illness in the family. This is bad enough in one's own particular case, but remember that these same problems apply to each individual of the many connected with the job, from messenger boy to shop superintendent. During all the delays from these causes, salaries and overhead go merrily on.

## Delay No. 6-General Disgust

From time to time during a difficult development when there has been an unusually long run of hard luck, it is suggested that it is time to stop fooling around with makeshift apparatus and do a really good job with the proper equipment. This tendency must be watched carefully as frequently it originates from weariness and disgust with the project rather than a real need. We all know that some of the outstanding developments in our science have been done with haywire
apparatus built on breadboards.

## Delay No. 7-Opposition to New Things

Unless the product under development solves some pressing current problem, it is usually very difficult to commercialize it. It is so much easier to keep on in the same manner rather than introduce the new or improved products that always involve risk, trouble and added effort. Furthermore, changes upset smooth factory operation which in times of pressing production problems is an all-important factor. The argument is sometimes advanced that an existing product should not be replaced by a new one until the cost of development of the present design has been recovered.

## Timing New Developments

From an executive viewpoint, it is necessary to call a halt somewhere in the introduction of new ideas during any given period. In general, an organization simply does not have the manpower to handle more than a limited number of new ideas or developments at one time.

There are two particular times in the business cycle when it is difficult to promote an idea for a new development from research through to commercial form. The first is when business is good and the second when business is dull. This is not a facetious remark, but rather points out another psychological fact.

## Good and Bad Times

In times of business prosperity, money for research and development is usually available and there is plenty of optimism. It is true that manhours are difficult to find for development purposes but probably the greatest difficulty is that managers are primarily interested in getting out present models on schedule and of proper quality They cannot be expected to be particularly interested in a new product that is going to take many manhours to promote and sell and probably involve added problems in installation and engineering and customer complaints.
On the other hand, in periods of poor business conditions, money is hard to obtain for research, engineering and development, and pessi-
mism is usually rife. But there is one big favorable factor and that is that at such times managers are keenly on the lookout for a new or better product to catch a larger share of the limited available business or open up a new field. There are also manhours usually available on the part of engineers and commercial men to promote a new product.

The answer to this timing problem is obvious. The basic research and advanced technical development work can and should be done in good times. Thus a good foundation is laid so that the final design and promotion may later be done with a minimum of time and expense when economy rules but new products are much to be desired. Industrial electronics grew up during such periods. Much of the basic research work on various new tubes and the circuits involved was done during the boom years of the late 20 's whereas some of the most encouraging beginnings of commercial applications occurred during the depression years of the early and middle 30's.

During the next few years, it will be interesting to watch the extent to which some recently announced electronic research accomplishments come into profitable use. Examples of this are the traveling-wave tube, ceramic tubes ${ }^{4}$ and the transistor ${ }^{5}$. In following such developments, it must be kept in mind that sometimes it is their by-products that turn out to be important rather than the form in which the initial development took place.

## Expediting Procedures

It is essential that satisfactory operating samples of the device be available, as well as necessary associated items. One can never tell when conditions for getting approval of a new device will suddenly become favorable. The ability to follow up some suggestion promptly and actively when enthusiasm is fresh and high is a very important factor.

Complete information on a device, particularly as regards its operation, advantages, limitations and unusual characteristics, is essential. Again, everything should be done to make the initial trials or tests


Built and successfully demonstrated by the author in 1919, this high-frequency induction heating unit was 20 years ahead of its time. Commercial acceptance did not come until about 1939 when industry realized its potentialities for surface hardening
favorable as otherwise doubts are substituted for high hopes.

No opportunity should be lost to tell as many people as possible about the device and demonstrate it to them. All the good ideas are not under one hat. In our field, there is probably no better way of telling the world than an article in Electronics. The more propositions entertained for a new device, the more likely a successful one will be found.

The initial applications chosen to be followed up actively should, if possible, be relatively simple ones. There will be enough complications and unforeseen problems without introducing extra or unnecessary ones.

It is often easier to introduce some radically new idea as an added feature of an existing product rather than attempt to force it through as an entirely new device. It is less upsetting to the factory and involves less commercial risk.

## Conclusion

Radio engineers are born pioneers. They are always on the lookout for something new and very often will decide to incorporate a new thing in a product even before the engineer promoting the device feels it is ready to use. This adventuresome spirit in radio is un-
doubtedly a characteristic of a new art, but it is probably not so pronounced today as it was a number of years ago.

On the other hand, introduction of a new tube or application in the industrial field may meet with quite a different reception. There the attitude is more often to question the proposal on the basis of too high cost, fear of unreliability, unsatisfactory tube life and the many other factors involved. In other words, conservatism is a much more powerful factor than the pioneering spirit. Fortunately, this too has changed during the past few years and even now there is a tendency in some cases to think of doing it electronically first.

Two or three years may seem like a long time to realize a dream on even a simple idea, but a century ago the dreamer was lucky if he lived long enough to see it in successful use. Much progress has been made.

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## Design for

# Engineered for maximum flexibility and operating economy, New York's newest vhf television transmitter overlooks the city from the New Jersey Palisades. Its 810 -foot tower includes an f-m antenna. Microwave stl's, coaxial cable and high-quality telephone lines link studios and remote pickup points 

THE completion of the WOR-TV television transmitter plant will interest radio engineers because of its several unique features. The latest of the New York stations to broadcast a television program from its own facilities, it has had the advantage of time and experience in planning an effective installation.

Although this article deals primarily with television equipment, the apparatus and its use have been carefully integrated into the whole field of radio entertainment. Television is the newest and most compelling of the radio mediums, but $a-m$ and $f-m$ will continue to serve for a long time. For that reason, the f-m transmitting facilities have been combined, from the operational standpoint, with those of television. Existing a-m facilities, requiring different terrain, are adequate, and satisfactorily located elsewhere (in Carteret, near Rahway, N. J.).

The facilities described in this article comprise television studios, which are located in New York City at 20 W .67 th St., and f-m and television broadcasting facilities installed in North Bergen, New Jersey. The television studio facilities are not yet completed, so that only a brief description of them is given. The television transmitter facilities, however, are now completed, and include a television
transmitter, a source of auxiliary or emergency picture signal for that transmitter, and suitable microwave and other terminal equipment to enable television pictures to be brought to the transmitter. The $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ facilities include an $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ transmitter and suitable auxiliary equipment. All of these transmitter facilities are housed in a specially designed building. Adjacent to the building is the transmitter tower, which carries both the f-m and television antennas.

## Choosing a Location

The proper siting of a radio transmitter is the most important decision a radio engineer can make for he must usually live with his decision a long time. Compromises among the factors of propagation, cost, or availability of a satisfactory site must always be made. However, in spite of the impossibility of obtaining CAA permission to erect a tower at the most favored spot in Fort Lee, New Jersey, the present approved North Bergen location is considered a satisfactory compromise, with the propagation factor weighing somewhat more favorably in the balance here.

The decision to locate the transmitter in New Jersey rather than in New York was predicated upon economic as well as engineering considerations. In the first place,
although the states of New Jersey and New York are major political subdivisions, the populations are homogeneous. Nominal residents of either state are often employed in the other. So far as the whole geographical region is concerned, it is essentially one market area.

Because of their relative convenience to studios and talent, the New York skyscrapers were first used to support the high antennas needed for television. Only two vhf stations (both of them f-m broadcasters) have, until the advent of WOR-TV, exploited the natural elevation furnished by the Palisades, the rocky western bank of the Hudson River. This high ridge commands both the eastern shore of the Hudson, the flat land of Long Island and also the area to the west towards Pennsylvania. Immediately to the west are the Jersey Meadows, a low swampy region abounding in a-m stations.

It is well known that the ghosts that plague television reception in some locations are caused by signal reflections from obstacles, the reflected signal being weaker and delayed in time by the somewhat longer path it has traveled. The most troublesome interference by ghosts occurs when the receiving location is shielded in some way from the direct, or desired, ray. By locating the WOR-TV antenna well

# the Future 

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away from the tall buildings of New York City, it is expected that there will be few locations at which the direct signal is not obtained with very much greater signal strength than reflected signals.

The 5,000 and 500 -microvolt contours computed according to FCC formulas in application for construction permit are shown by solid lines in Fig. 1. An estimate of population served is also indicated.

The layout of the site is shown in Fig. 2. The transmitter building and the adjoining garage are modern one-story construction of brick, covering 5,000 square feet. Besides the transmitter cubicle space, equipment racks, and the control room, there are washroom, a dining space and kitchen, and an office. At the rear of the building are the utility room housing the ventilating and cooling equipment, and a wellequipped shop. The garage has space for three large remote pickup trucks.

The outdoor substation, surrounded by a wire fence, contains two banks of three 50 -kva transformers, each bank connected to a different feeder. Power comes in at 440 volts and is stepped down to $120 / 208$-volt 3 -phase 4 -wire circuits. In the event of a power failure on the line in use, the load is automatically and instantaneously switched to the transformer bank


WOR-TV-FM tower in North Bergen, N. J. overlooks New York City


Transmitter control is centered at console in foreground. Television transmitters at left and f-m at right. Turntables and cueing desk just show at left and camera control and mixer desks at right
that is fed from the alternate substation.

An important feature of the electrical installation is the ground system. An expanded-metal copper mat covers the ground beneath the tower. Tied in with this is a system of 20 radials extending from the tower base to the edge of the property, A main girdling system of $250-\mathrm{mcm}$ bare copper cable extends the full perimeter of the property. All metal columns, conduits, equipment grounds, and even the window frames of the building are tied into this system.

The most striking feature of the external plant is the tower itself, visible for many miles in any direction. The fabricated portion rises 760 feet above the ground and is surmounted by a 50 -foot pole supporting the $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ and television radiators. It weighs about 420 tons.

At the base, the legs of the quadrupod are spread out 96 feet apart on a side, narrowing at the top to 5 feet. Each leg is secured by eight steel bolts, each one 13 feet long and weighing 800 pounds. Steelreinforced concrete bases are imbedded in the solid granite ledge that shows above ground.
The tower has been designed to withstand winds of 120 miles an hour. The maximum average wind velocity recorded in this area for a five-minute interval was 81 miles an hour during the hurricane of 1944. It is estimated that a wind of 35
miles an hour causes a sway at the top of only 7 inches.

By virtue of the antenna construction and the fact that the tower is tied into the extensive grounding system, the structure will probably tend to equalize opposing charges between the earth and the atmosphere. Although this condition constitutes no assurance that the tower will never suffer a severe lightning stroke, the chances of damage are minimized. Other features of the tower installation, such as the microwave relay station at the 555 -foot level are discussed in detail below.

WOR-TV bears the curious distinction of being not the first, but the seventh and last of the New York VHF television transmitters allowed by present FCC allocations. There are many reasons for this situation, but the editors of ELECTRONICS are concerned mainly with the fact that here is a carefully designed installation that should profit from the mistakes as well as the good points of every comparable station that has already gone into regular operation. Of equal importance is the fact that after WOR-TV engineers decided what they needed, they had the relatively unlimited financial resources with which to back up their engineering de-cisions.-THE EDITORS

The top of the tower supports a one-bay circular antenna for WORFM and above this, a six-bay, superturnstile antenna that is used for both television sight and sound from WOR-TV on Channel 9.

The f-m antenna is the doughnut, a special form of the folded dipole. The extreme ends of the folded dipole are joined by an adjustable capacitor that is factory tuned for the desired frequency. The center point of the larger ring, and one end of the lower ring are grounded, thus affording lightning protection.

A matching section is used between the $3 \frac{1}{8}$-inch line and the antenna. This type of antenna has a power gain of 0.79 referred to a half-wave dipole. The effective radiated power of 3.4 kw at 950 feet is attained with a transmitter output to the transmission line of 5.7 kw. The calculated coverage is shown by dashed lines in the contour map (Fig. 1).
Each bay of the six-bay superturnstile antenna for television consists of four bat wing radiators mounted at 90 -degree intervals about the supporting pole. These radiators are formed from seamless steel tubing and are attached at their top and bottom ends to the supporting pole.

The method of feeding the eastwest pairs is shown in Fig. 3. The north-south pairs are similarly fed, but at 90 -degree phase displacement. The horizontal pattern from


Audio equipment, video monitors, sync generator and associated equipment form the outer wall of the shielded room to the transmitter operator's right
this antenna is essentially circular deviating little more than plus or minus 0.5 db . For channel 9 , the power gain over a half-wave dipole is 6.78 . Combined sound and picture carriers from a diplexer unit near the television transmitter are fed through two $3 \frac{1}{8}$ inch copper coaxial lines up the south-west leg of the tower to the matching unit and junction for the antenna feed harness.
An interesting and important feature of the antenna installations is the means of keeping the radiating structures free of ice. This protection is essential not only because the ice may affect the characteristics of the antenna, but because the radiators are less rugged than the supporting structure. An accumulation of ice presents a greater wind surface as well as a greater weight.

The f-m ring antenna has heated capacitor plates and partially heated arms dissipating about 240 watts in all. If normal voltage is insufficient to melt ice, the voltage can be raised on the Calrod units until the power is approximately doubled, with no damage to the equipment.

A differently shaped 250 -watt heating unit is built into the vertical portion (next to the mast) of each element of the six-bay turnstile. The whole assembly dissipates six kilowatts. It is possible to connect the individual units in parallel, series-parallel, or series, for different degrees of heat. There are two


One of the coaxial cable terminal racks (leit) and monitoring equipmeni (right) are located in the hallway outside shielded room
controls for the heaters; an automatic thermostatic control and a manual control that shorts out the thermostat.

Icing, or the formation of hard rime, takes place over a very narrow temperature range near 32 F . It is caused by the deposition of supercooled water droplets on an obstacle.

On this account, a thermostatically controlled heater is usually set to operate between the limits of 27 and 32 F . When the air is colder than 27 F , there is little danger of icing. Rime, or frost feathers, is another source of trouble. This phenomenon is caused by a cloud of supercooled droplets (of a different


FIG. 1-Service areas for WOR-TV (solid lines) and WOR-FM (dashed lines). Note that the contours for tv and f-m are not directly comparable


FIG. 2-Ground plan of the North Bergen property showing relation of the tower, transmitter building and power substation
character from an icing cloud) that freeze when they hit an obstacle and build out into the wind. Although lighter in weight, their wind resistance is likely to become greater than that of the icing deposition. Rime forms at temperatures from 32 to as low as minus 50 F , but the amount decreases as the temperature drops. Probably the manual control of the antenna heating will be seldom used to cope with any riming conditions.

As an additional aid to discourage the buildup of ice or rime, the antenna has been covered with three layers of special paint to give it a smooth surface.

## Ground Plan of the Station

The layout of equipment and facilities within the station is shown in Fig. 4. Operating activities center at the transmitter control desk in the center of the operating room. The operator on duty normally faces the transmitters. Easily accessible are the turntables, to his left; the camera control and mixer desks (television sight and sound) to his right. Ordinarily, the television program is originated elsewhere and sent to the transmitter via television master control located at the main television studios at 67th Street in New York City. Similarly, f-m programs are routed through WOR-FM master control at 1440 Broadway. Emergency and testing operations only will require the use of the auxiliary equipment at the transmitter.

All television camera and slide projection equipment is effectively isolated in the shielded room to the right of the operator. The synchronizing, testing, monitoring, and all the audio equipment is at least partially shielded. Ceiling, walls and floor of the room are covered with fine copper screening heavily tinned so that the individual strands are joined one to another. This shielding, together with that afforded by the metal cabinets and doors on the operating-room side, cuts down direct radiation from the transmitters, the antennas, and also from the several a-m broadcasting stations in the vicinity

During construction of the tower, an intercommunication system employed between the hoisting engi-
neer and the top construction level picked up strong signals from these local a-m stations until the equipment and line were adequately shielded. Without proper shielding, a great many of the high-impedance, low-signal circuits, particularly in the camera equipment, would undoubtedly pick up strong signals.

Monitoring and testing equipment, along with telephone terminals, is in the broad hallway to one side and behind the transmitter cubicles. The utility room contains cooling and heating facilities for the building as well as high-and-low-pressure air for the transmitters, and cooling water for some of the tubes.

A well-appointed shop contains everything from hammers to lathes, from communications receivers to square-wave generator. Drawers and cabinets of spare parts line one wall.

## The Television Transmitters

The type TT-6-D comprises a 5 kw picture transmitter and a 2.5 kw aural transmitter in adjacent cubicles at the operator's left. This is standard equipment. The picture transmitter employs low-level plate modulation, five push-pull stages ending in a pair of 9 C 24 tubes that employ forced air and water cooling. No high-level sideband filter is required because all but the standard vestigial sideband signal is eliminated by the amplifier bandpass tuning.

When once adjusted it is the work of a few minutes to check the tuning of the amplifier stages, starting with the final and working back to the first stage. Crystal monitors are provided in each r-f amplifier stage, and there is a built-in sweep oscillator, as well as marker oscillators for use with an external oscilloscope, to give a visual indication of proper tuning.

The f-m sound transmitter employs the Phasitron circuit for phase-initiated frequency modulation. The carrier frequency is thus directly controlled by a crystal. Output of the transmitter comes from a pair of type 5513 forced air cooled tubes.

In practice, these transmitters will operate very much under their


Coaxial cable hangers compensate different coefficients of expansion of steel tower and copper line. Upper clamps cre merely lined with asbestos compound. Lower copper-lined clamps grip coax. Downward thrust is taken by springs. Ground is carried by the copper braid from lower clamp to tower
maximum power ratings. Television stations are licensed for a maximum of 50 kilowatts effective radiated picture carrier power at an antenna height of 500 feet, and 25 to 75 kw sound power on the same basis.

Since the effective height of the WOR-TV antenna is 975 feet above average terrain the effective radiated power has been restricted by FCC to 9 KW . To obtain this the operating power of the transmitter must be reduced to 2.04 KW . This computation includes a 35-percent loss in the transmission line and a power gain of 6.78 for the antenna. For similar legal reasons, the sound transmitter will operate at about 2.5 kw to give 11
kw erp at 975 feet (this includes a loss of 875 watts in the transmission line).

The f-m transmitter for WORFM operating at 98.7 mc (channel 254) and installed to the operator's right is standard commercial equipment. Styled the type BT-4-B, it comprises a Phasitron modulator, 250 -watt amplifier, and $3-\mathrm{kw}$, followed by a $10-\mathrm{kw}$ amplifier. Final tubes in this rig are a pair of forced-air cooled 5518's.

The output of each transmitter is converted to single-ended connection by means of a balun. Output from the WOR-FM transmitter is taken directly out of the building and up the tower through $3 \frac{1}{8}$-inch


Engineers making final tests af the six-bay superturnstile artenna just prior to hoisting it into place. Man at left reads meter indicating standing waves on slotted-line section. Signal gene-ator on table (righti
coaxial line and fed into the singlebay circular antenna through a quarter-wave matching section.

Output from the picture and sound transmitters feeds into a diplexer or bridge circuit of which the two sets of radiators appear as resistive elements. The visual transmitter is fed across one diagonal of the bridge and the aural transmitter across the other. From the diplexer unit two $3 \frac{1}{8}$-inch lines ran out and up the tower, one to the east-west elements and the other to the north-south elements. An additional quarterwave length of line is introduced in the north-south feed to obtain the desired quadrature effect between the sets of elements.
Provision is made for gassing the external lines with either dry nitrogen or dry air. The f-m line and the television pair each has its own compressor that draws room air
through a silica gel filter. The machine automatically cycles so as to dry out the silica gel and discharge its moisture before another cycle of pumping into the line. Ordinarily, this equipment is adequate to handle routine pressurizing which need be very little more than atmospheric to prevent breathing of moist air.

In the event of trouble, compressed nitrogen from tanks can be introduced instead. The lines inside the building operate without pressure since the temperature of the air inside the building near the equipment tends to be higher than the dew point.

## Dummy Load

The picture carrier output r-f line to the diplexer is so arranged that by loosening and swinging a 90 degree elbow this output can be fed instead into a dummy load in order


FIG. 3-Detail of the East-West feeder system to the television superturnstile. The North-South feeders are identical
to measure the r-f power generated by the transmitter. A water-cooled resistor of 51.5 ohms terminates the line in its characteristic impedance. Water flows around the resistor and is heated according to the power that the resistor dissipates. In practice, when the water flow is adjusted to 3.8 gallons per minute, the temperature difference directly indicates kilowatts of power dissipated.

## Transmitter Controls

One of the fantastic aspects of television is its tremendous appetite for personnel. Covering a ball game in the good old days, an announcer and an engineer might arrive a half hour before the game time with a bagful of audio equipment. Television is certainly not this simple, and in order to avoid inordinate personnel costs, television equipment and its layout must be engi-



TRANSMITTER CONTROL ROOM
OFFICE



Distilled water cooler, water pumps and cubicle cooling fans in the utility room. Flow control equipment and safety interlocks are mounted on wall at the rear
operator will tend to catch incipient faults such as antenna icing and moisture in the coaxial lines by abnormal deflection of the reflectometer needles.

An automatic power cutoff operates if the line or antenna arcs over. The reason for the shutoff is indicated to the operator by a lighted pilot.

An interesting feature of the picture, sound and f-m power controls is that power can be turned on from the console but not turned off. Since the great problem in broadcasting is keeping the station on the air rather than taking it off, this arrangement makes good operating sense. Once the transmitter is on the air, accidental contact with the control buttons can not knock it off.

In front of the operator is the program control panel. As in the first panel, television functions are to the left and f-m to the right, corresponding to placement of the respective transmitters. Repeater meters that indicate percentage of tv sound and f-m modulation are placed on each side of the vu meter that is used primarily for television sound. The overmodulation lamps show when a preset level is being
exceeded by the transmitter.
The four sets of vertical six-key monitor switches allow the operator to make a rapid check of overall performance for video (the picture is viewed on a large screen and the waveform on a smaller tube to to the left of the operator) and both sound and f-m transmitters. The interlocking switches have separate level controls beneath the hinged covers on which the designations appears. This feature allows the operator to equalize levels for monitor scopes and speakers. Normally an off-the-air monitor is viewed. When trouble develops, the operator checks back through various outputs and inputs until the source of the disturbance is localized.

Regular and auxiliary (or emergency) inputs are arranged to give the transmitter operator some flexibility without burdening him with control-room duties. A rotary switch is provided for input either from incoming line from master control in New York, or the output of the mixer desk at North Bergen. There are two telephone toggles for $t v$ sound and $f-m$. The switch at the extreme right allows a selection
of any three combinations that may be patched into the console for special events. The gain controls associated with these switches appear immediately below. The picture line fader is not a usual control but has been included here to increase flexibility.
Three other controls also of prime importance for the picture signal appear at the lower left. The sync stretcher permits adjustment in the sync amplitude relative to the picture. It might need adjustment, for example, when a remote program is put on the air following a local program, although ordinarily this will have been taken care of at master control. The peak power control sets the power output at synchronizing peaks so that the modulation envelope can be made to conform to FCC specifications. The r-f gain control adjusts the screen voltage in the first $r$-f stage and serves to raise or lower power output when the correct modulating conditions have been established.

There is a monitor speaker in the control room for each transmitter as shown in Fig. 5, with ather monitor speakers mounted elsewhere in the building. It has been suggested
that those attempting to monitor two different audio programs may be in danger of developing a new form of schizophrenia or split personality. However, the practice of dual listening is not unknown in the radio art. An operator is usually unaware of or only passively interested in specific program content. But if noise develops or if the program is cut off he notices immediately. For example, an operator dozing on his own living room couch will probably spring to his feet if his wife suddenly switches off the radio midprogram!

## Video Equipment

Facing the man at the video control desks are three type TA-153-A terminal facilities racks for incoming video signals. Each unit comprises a 12 -inch picture monitor and two 5 -inch waveform screens for both line and frame signal monitoring. Besides containing a sync stretcher, each unit has a special patch and switch panel in order to increase the flexibility of the equipment and facilitate its use at various points in the system.

The type TA-137-A picture distribution equipment contains a four-channel studio mixing line amplifier that is controlled by the switching unit in the mixer desk. The patch panel gives flexibility for special events or testing.

A single sync generator (type TA-107) is deemed sufficient for operation at the transmitter for testing and emergency operations.

All the above equipment, each unit in its own metal cabinet, forms the wall of the shielded room facing out on the transmitter control room. Within the shielded room, also enclosed in metal cabinets, are the iconoscope camera used with both the slide projector and the film projector, and the associated electronic equipment. This equipment, together with shading and other controls, is operated from the camera control desk. Six spare rack cabinets stand empty for future expansion.

## Tower Control House

Some details of the microwave relay equipment have not yet been worked out. The tentative plan is to provide a 2 -kilomegacycle and
two 7 -kme links for remote pickups at North Bergen. The receiving dishes will be located on the tower and coaxial lines will feed the signal to the shielded room for monitoring and despatching to master control at the New York studios.

The control house itself is located at the 555 -foot level of the tower, or 795 feet above sea level. It houses an electric winch and 600 feet of steel hoisting cable, serves as control point for the antenna heater thermostat control, and contains the microwave receivers and associate equipment. In addition,
there is a 300 -pound capacity block and tackle to aid in moving gear about the inside of the structure.

Although it is not expected that personnel will be stationed regularly at this point, the stairway up the tower is brought up to this level, with a vertical steel ladder going from here to the top of the tower. There is a steel grating around the house and a fence so that personnel can safely inspect the outside of the enclosure or set up experimental equipment in that area.

Above the roof of the control


FIG. 6-Simplified diagram of the coaxial cable circuits between studios and transmitter


FIG. 7-Facilities are provided for carrying one remote while setting up for another simultaneously. Switching is done at studios and desired program fed back to transmitter


FIG. 8-Video signal switching and check points at the transmitter plant


Dummy load used for testing transmitters. Metered water flows over a power-dissipat-
ing resistor. Temperature difference of water between input and output shows power
house is another steel grating surrounded by a fence. This upper area is used for mounting the microwave dish antennas. A hinged trap door is provided for lowering equipment, and there is a 2 by 6 foot trap door in the house, near the winch and motor, to allow hauling equipment up to this level by power.

The house itself is 10 by 10 feet and has 8 feet headroom inside. The walls are RPM V-beam 22-gage siding with a half-inch lining of insulation. The proper closing and weatherproofing of this building is extremely important if it is reliably to perform its function of sheltering microwave circuit equipment. Temperature effects, either heat or cold as well as the effect of humidity, will be accentuated by the winds that will be considerably higher in velocity than those on the ground.

The exact placement of the microwave antenna dishes will not be settled until experience has shown both what is possible and exactly what the circuit problems will involve. In the early stages, manually adjustable dishes will be employed. The ultimate arrangement will involve antennas that can be remotely oriented both in azimuth and direction controlled from within the main transmitter building. These antennas in plastic radomes will shoot through the steel tower members in the desired direction. Experiments so far made indicate that at 2 kmc there will probably be no great difficulty in picking up remote transmitters with a receiving dish located inside the


FIG. 9-Control areas in the studios. Program control rooms (A) are located at approximately studio floor level. Camera control and equipment ( $B$ ) are located on floor above looking out over studios
tower. Whether or not this can also be done at 7 kmc has not been determined.

Wire facilities for WOR-TV and WOR-FM are of three types: subscriber's line for regular telephone conversations, high-quality audio program lines, and broadband video circuits for video signals. All of these facilities are leased from the Telephone Co.

There are two video circuits provided to convey signal from master control to the transmitter. In addition a third video circuit is being provided to convey signals from North Bergen to the studios in New York. This latter circuit will also be furnished by the Telephone Co., but will probably consist of a microwave link.

Regular telephone service is handled through the WOR PBX board at 1440 Broadway. Between 40 and 50 extensions will serve television operations, most of these lines being used at the studios and offices at 67 th Street.

For f-m programming, there are two lines, one for regular service and a spare, between the 1440 Broadway studios and North

Bergen via the Lincoln Tunnel. These lines are substantially flat from 40 to 15,000 cycles. A similar pair of program lines for television sound is provided between the 67 th St. studios and the transmitter.

The two coaxial cable circuits are outlined in Fig. 6. They have a response essentially flat up to 4 mc .

## Progress of a Program

Although it is intended to receive remote pickup signals at the transmitter, best operating practice dictates that they be returned to the studio for switching, both back to the transmitter and onto the network. It is therefore necessary to provide return circuits as shown in the tentative diagram of Fig. 7. This is the purpose of the third video circuit mentioned above.

The progress of an incoming video signal from the coaxial line through the numerous switching and check points to the transmitter is shown in Fig. 8.

## Studios

The studios at 67 th Street are still under construction at this writing. They have been arranged to
complete the overall plan for flexibility and economical operation. The control rooms outlined in Fig. 9 look out into studios that are about 45 by 60 feet. Equipment is kept to a minimum in the control rooms by eliminating camera control units from this area. They are centralized as described below. However, adequate monitoring is provided, the aim being to have not only one monitor available for each camera associated with the studio, but also one monitor for each additional picture source that might be used in a given program presentation. This is accomplished by having a director's console with seven monitors, which should give adequate flexibility in this respect, and avoid the confusion of continual switching of monitors.

The camera technical control is centralized on the second floor along with other programming functions that do not require a view of the studios. By means of good intercommunication and camera switching systems, the flexibility of equipment is enhanced and more than the normal four camera chains per studio can be employed.

# How VOA 



Master control jack field and program amplifiers at VOA, New York

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THE problems of international broadcasting are very different from those of commercial a-m broadcasting as practised in North America. Coverage is dependent, as it is in any service, upon field strength, signal-to-noise ratio, and interference. The selective fading


FIG. 1-Schematic circuit diagram of the audio peak clipping amplifier

# Combats Jamming 


#### Abstract

Successful international broadcasting by the Voice of America depends upon many factors including choice of radio frequency, location of transmitters, and efficient modulation. The predistorter and peak limiter described accentuate speech intelligibility when multiple use of frequencies causes jamming


#### Abstract

that is characteristic of skywave signals upon which international broadcasting depends sets a low maximum for signal quality. Particularly when it is desired to transmit speech with a maximum of intelligibility, wide departures from standards of broadcast music quality can be tolerated. The criterion for desirable transmission becomes one of efficiency, or optimum use of modulating power.


## Speech Characteristics

Studies of speech characteristics indicate that most of the energy is carried in the lower frequency vowel sounds. Intelligibility of speech in almost all modern languages, however, resides in the higher frequency consonant sounds. These paradoxical factors have been reconciled in the design of an audio peak-clipping amplifier employed for broadcasting speech at the highest possible percentage of modulation and minimum distortion.

There are available a number of
devices and circuits for limiting percentage of modulation that are satisfactory for standard broadcast or communications operations. When considered from the point of view of voice intelligibility they are inadequate. The lower frequency vowel sounds carry energy and are also impact vowels that act as the triggering pulses in the control circuit of automatic gain-control devices. Overmodulation transients are not automatically avoided with simple limiting or compressor circuits because all of the first peak is not limited. Time is required for gain reduction to occur. Moreover, in terms of intelligibility, it can be shown that although the average percentage of modulation of the transmitter is increased, the resulting signal loses in intelligibility.

The gain reduction of a limiting amplifier is initiated by peaks of the impressed signal caused by the low-frequency vowel sounds. Because the device requires a finite time to come into and go out of


Front panel view of the audio peak clipping amplifier
operation, not only does the peak of the action sound pass through the transmitter at full amplitude, but the compressor device is left in a low-gain state for the following consonants. As a direct result, the gain into the transmitter must be kept at sufficiently low level as not to cause overmodulation on peaks, and the consonants are, so to speak, doubly penalized by such a system.
In addition, the high frequency of occurrence of the impact vowels tends to keep the limiter, when operating with normally used gain restoration time constants, in a continuous state of gain reduction.

## Advantages of Clipping

The desirability of the clipping technique becomes apparent when it is realized that all usual limiting action involves finite time intervals, both for the attack and release, whereas clipping acts instantaneously. There is a consequent deterioration in intelligibility when limiting even though there may be an increase in the overall transmitted energy, whereas, with clipping there is an improvement in the intelligibility and an increase in the overall transmitted energy.

The equipment used at Voice of America increases both the intelligibility of the transmission and the average percentage of modulation (without danger of overmodulation) by a combination of two techniques. The audio signal is first predistorted and the resultant signal is then clipped.

Because of the greater amplitude of the low-frequency vowel sounds, most of the clipping takes place in that region and the consonant sounds are not normally affected. As a result, there is now a greater
relative amplitude of consonant than vowel sounds. Pre-emphasis of the higher frequencies, from 2 to 7 kc , again increases the relative amplitude of the consonants.

The four filters incorporated in the clipping amplifier are essential to its optimum operation. The first shown in Fig. 1 is the R-C network comprising $R_{1}, C_{1}$, and $C_{2}$. The effect of this network is to cause the lowfrequency end to droop 8 db at 50 cycles. This characteristic not only improves the intelligibility, but also eliminates considerable distortion owing to clipping at these very low frequencies.
The second network, $Z_{1}$, is a tuned m-derived low-pass filter that cuts off sharply above 7,000 cycles. This circuit restricts the bandwidth of the radiated signal and eliminates adjacent-channel interference. The suppression of the higher-order frequencies before clipping eliminates potential high-order harmonic generation that might arise from clipping.


FIG. 2-Gain characteristic of the amplifier. At 1,000 cycles for 50 db the noise is 67 db below a milliwatt

Filter $Z_{2}$ is used for pre-emphasis of the frequencies between 2,000 and 7,000 cycles, peaking at 4,800 cycles. The overall resultant curve shown in Fig. 2 is complementary to the average energy curves for voice and music.

A fourth filter, following the clipper section, uses an R-C balanced phase shift filter to suppress high-order harmonics and transients that might otherwise cause interference on adjacent channels. An R-C filter was used in order to avoid the resonant transient effects inherent in the L-C type.

## Point of Clipping

The point of clipping is arbitrarily defined as the point reached when a $10-\mathrm{db}$ increase at the input to the device results in not less than a $9-\mathrm{db}$ increase in the output, and beyond which the peak voltage output does not increase by more than approximately 10 percent regardless of increased signal input. The clipping action has been set at a predetermined point, up to which the amplifier is essentially linear with little distortion. For instance, using a 400 -cycle tone, there is less than 1.25 -percent distortion at 5 db below the point of clipping and less than 6 percent at the point of clipping. In application, this amount of distortion can be tolerated because of the distortion developed by the short-wave transmission paths and that inherent in many receivers. It should be noted, further, that the distortion curve shown in Fig. 3 is


FIG. 3-Output and distortion curves of the clipping amplifier
for single-tone sine-wave signals and therefore does not truly reflect the aural distortion experienced under actual conditions using complex program material, as can be proved by listening to one of the broadcasts.

It should also be noted that the input-output curve shown in Fig. 3 is based on measurements of rms amplitude and therefore in no way reflects the true peak clipping characteristics of the unit. Oscilloscope indications must be employed to show the comparison with rms readings.

In operation, three controls are used: the input, output and the mechanically interlocked clipping control. With a single tone of 1,000 cycles applied to the input of the clipping amplifier, the input control is varied until a deflection of 100 is indicated on the vu meter. With the output connected to the transmitter input, the output control is increased until the desired percentage of modulation (normally about 85 percent) is obtained. Under operating conditions with program input, an oscilloscope is required for determining the percentage of modulation. The usual modulation monitor reads rms values and hence any reading made while clipping will be high compared to the true peak percentage of modulation.

## Adjustment and Operation

With normal program, the input control is again readjusted until peaks cause a meter deflection of 100. Ordinarily, 9 db of clipping is used. Beyond this point harmonic distortion becomes increasingly apparent. The 12 - or $15-\mathrm{db}$ switches are used only during periods of severe interference.

The equipment has been designed by International Broadcasting Division engineers of the State Department and manufactured by Langevin Mfg. Corp.

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## PHOTOCELLS

# Measure and Control Gas 

A metered flow of gas passes through chemically sensitized fabric tape which turns brown in the presence of hydrogen sulfide. The degree of stain is measured by a differential photometer consisting of two photovoltaic cells in a bridge circuit

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NOXIOUS QUALITIES of hydrogen sulfide in many phases of chemical technology, its corrosive action in gas storage and distribution systems, the corrosive character of its products of combustion, its contamination of furnace charges in metallurgical operations and other objectionable characteristics of this common constituent of both manufactured and natural gas have long been recognized. In the atmosphere its toxic effect is well known and is the subject of legislation defining the maximum permissible concentration for continuous exposure of the worker.

Despite the technical and hygienic significance of the control of hydrogen sulfide, no method for the automatic periodic measurement of its concentration in the ranges of interest was available prior to the advent of the photoelectric cell. Because of the very low concentration involved, of the order of a few parts per million or a few tenths of a grain of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{~S}$ per 100 cubic feet, the more common methods of gas analysis based on the measurement of thermal conductivity, specific heat, heat of combustion, electrolytic conductivity of aqueous solutions of the gas, or other non-specific property cannot readily be employed.

Although lead acetate has been employed for many years in the detection of hydrogen sulfide by visual
means, the conditions under which the test is normally made are conducive neither to sensitivity nor reproducibility. Credit for defining the conditions under which high sensitivity and accuracy can be attained, and for establishing the basic features of design of the automatic recording and controlling
analyzer here described, is due $D$. V. Moses and his associates at E. I. du Pont de Nemours \& Co.* The generous cooperation of this company is gratefully acknowledged.

Gas from a suitable sampling line is fed continuously into the analyzer

* U. S. Patent 2,232,622.


Installation of the analyzer in the metering room of a gas and coke producing company
and is there brought to a predetermined temperature and humidity. A metered flow of gas is then passed through a restricted area of a sensitized white fabric tape previously impregnated with lead acetate, glycerin and acetic acid. In its passage through the tape the hydrogen sulfide reacts stoichiometrically with the lead acetate, forming the characteristic brown lead-sulfide stain.

The area of the tape subjected to the flow of gas is illuminated with light of appropriate spectral quality and the relative reflectance, compared to a similar area of tape not exposed to the gas flow, is measured by a differential photometer consisting of two photovoltaic cells in a bridge-type circuit feeding into an automatic continuous-balance recorder of the null type. As the gas flow continues the lead-sulfide stain deepens, the reflectance decreases, and the recorder indicates the progress of the change. A schematic diagram of the apparatus is shown in Fig. 1.

At the conclusion of a preselected test period the photometer is automatically disconnected from the recorder whose indication remains at the position corresponding to the reflectance of the tape at the end of the test period. At the conclusion of a preselected cycling period an explosionproof motor releases the tape, advances it sufficiently to expose a new section, rewinds the used section, and reclamps it, all within approximately one second.
The recorder is automatically reconnected to the photometer, returns to zero indication, and the succeeding test period begins.

This cycle is repeated, resulting in a chart record consisting of a series of peaks or plateaus whose height is a measure of the total amount of hydrogen sulfide reaching the tape in the preceding test period. A typical record is illustrated in Fig. 2.

Means are provided for varying the test period and for repeating the entire measuring cycle as frequently as may be required. For gas of extremely low hydrogen sulfide concentration, of the order of 0.1 part per million or approximately 0.005 grain per hundred cubic feet, the test period may be
continued for as long as two hours. For gas of moderate or relatively high concentration the test may be limited to as little as one minute or less.

The basic calibration, Fig. 3, of the analyzer relates reflectance or recorder readings to the absolute amount of hydrogen sulfide required to produce a stain of the corresponding reflectance. This relationship is similar to that between transmittance and concentration in conventional colorimetric analysis with transmission photometers. From the basic calibration, working calibrations for any given rate of gas flow and for any selected test period may be readily computed.

## Gas Train Details

Gas entering the equipment passes first through a preliminary humidifier, after which a portion is allowed to escape through a spill bottle, thus establishing a constantpressure head on the remainder of the gas train. The gas then proceeds successively through a trap, a stainless-steel needle valve and a flowmeter. From the flowmeter, the gas passes through a secondary humidifier and trap, thermostatically controlled at 35 C , and is then fed into an annular compartment surrounding the tape exposure cell which is also thermostatically controlled.

The secondary humidifier contains a saturated solution of ammonium nitrate over excess crystals
of the salt and is thus capable of imparting a fixed water-vapor tension to the gas. The relative humidity is thereby controlled at approximately 60 percent. From the annular compartment, the gas passes through small orifices into the tape exposure cell, then through the tape which is tightly clamped above the cell, and then to exhaust.

## Photometer Details

Two Mazda 1493 6.5-volt microscope illuminator lamps are employed, one for illuminating the test area and the other for illuminating the reference area of the tape. The lamps are series connected to assure that small current fluctuations will affect both lamps equally, thus maintaining proper balance in the bridge-type photocell circuit.

To avoid gross changes in lamp currents, the lamps are energized from a twelve-volt constant-voltage transformer designed for 115 -volt 60 -cycle frequency-regulated circuits. Provision for other circuits can be made when required. A variable resistor in series with the two lamps affords means for operating the lamps well below their rated voltage, normally at about 4.5 volts. The photometer lamps are stabilized by operation at 4.5 volts for 48 hours before installation.

The measuring and reference photocells are of annular shape and are placed in the thermostatted chamber, immediately below and facing the impregnated tape. Light


FIG. 1-Schematic diagram of hydrogen sulfide analyzer. The sensitized fabric tape passes through one chamber unchanged but turns brown in the one at right
beams from the two photometer. lamps are filtered to isolate a spectral band corresponding to the absorption band of the lead sulfide and are then focused so as to pass through the openings in the annular photocells, diverging sharply beyond the cells to illuminate the exposed tape areas.

The light beams are diffusely reflected by the tape and are intercepted by the measuring and reference cells which are connected in the balanced bridge circuit shown in Fig. 4. Circuit parameters are so chosen that linearity in the currentillumination relationship is maintained.

Referring to Fig. 4, voltages derived from the loading circuits of the reference and measuring photocells are connected in opposition through the converter of the con-tinuous-balance recorder. Any inequality in these voltages causes the recorder balancing mechanism to drive the slidewire in the appropriate direction until balance is restored. The system is initially balanced, with fresh tape in position above the reference and measuring cells, by manipulation of the zero adjustor until the recorder indicates a reading of 5 on its 100 division chart.

The zero adjustor permits balance to be achieved irrespective of inequality in sensitivity of the two photocells and of possible asymmetry in the optical system. Since the balance position, either in set-
ting the zero or in indicating a measurement, is a function only of the ratio of the voltages, the accuracy of the analyzer is affected neither by the small lamp current changes which persist despite the use of the voltage-regulating transformer, nor by chance variation in the absolute reflectance of the tape from roll to roll.

The use of an isolated spectral band for the reflectance measurement not only increases the sensitivity of the analyzer but contributes also to permanence of calibration irrespective of color temperature changes in the lamps.

A chart reading of 5 for the photometer zero is chosen in order to permit automatic indication of any unusual condition which might disturb the initial setting. In the normal course of operation the recorder returns to the zero position of 5 ( $\pm 1$ division representing random variation in reflectance from spot to spot on the tape) at the beginning of each test. The development of any condition affecting the zero balance is indicated on the succeeding test cycles by departure of the zero from its normal setting. As long as the zero remains on scale it is possible to calculate new reflectance values corresponding to the new zero position, thus permitting accurate evaluation of data obtained even before normal operating conditions are restored.

Because of the exponential rela-


FIG. 2-Portion of a typicai hydrogen sulfide analyzer record covering several hours showing a 10 -minute test period in each 15 -minute cycling period


FIG. 3-Basic calibration of the analyzer


FIG. 4-Slide-wire photometer bridge circuit
tionship between the absolute amount of hydrogen sulfide passed through a given area of the tape and the relative reflectance of that area, the lower portion of the reflectance range becomes exceedingly crowded and cannot be used to advantage. For this reason the relative reflectance covered by the recorder scale ( 5 to 100 ) has been limited to the range from 100 percent down to 34.5 percent. Other ranges can be provided by changing the 20 -ohm resistor at the lower end of the recorder slidewire to the appropriate value.

## Ranges

By changing the timer settings and the rate of gas flow, full-scale deflection of the recorder may be made to correspond to any chosen concentration of hydrogen sulfide between 2 and 500 parts per million. On the lower range a concentration of 0.04 part per million produces a deflection of 5 divisions on the recorder scale.

By appropriate modification of the basic design, concentrations as high as 25 percent of hydrogen sulfide can be readily handled. Equipment for use in the higher ranges is individually designed to meet the specified requirements for each installation.

# CITIZENS RADIO 

THe gradual push toward more widespread use of the frequencies above 300 megacycles by the general public, and by non-commercial and non-research organizations such as radio amateurs and owners of Citizens Radio Service equipment, has created a need for some means of checking transmitted frequency in this range.

Perhaps the simplest method is by means of a Lecher line, but this is subject to the limitations of maximum accuracy obtainable, susceptibility to external influence, maximum sensitivity, and fineness of tuning. For example, the AN/ APT-5 radar jammer (recently available as surplus equipment) was furnished with a simple paral-lel-line wavemeter, calibrated directly in centimeters. By careful adjustment, this wavemeter should indicate the half-wavelength being monitored to $\pm 0.2 \mathrm{~cm}$, yielding a limiting accuracy at 50 cm (600 mc ) of $\pm 0.4 \mathrm{~cm}$, or $\pm 0.8$ percent. The pilot-light indicator on this wavemeter requires only about 50 milliwatts for a reasonable indication. This type of device, however, can be thrown far off calibration by proximity effects and poor contacts on the slider. In fact, one commercial manufacturer of a similar instrument rates it at 2 -percent accuracy.
Cavity frequency meters (more correctly, wavelength meters) should be inherently free from external influences, being entirely shielded. They may be made and calibrated as accurately as machine tools and temperature effects will allow and may be made as fine in tuning as machined screw threads can be fashioned.

## Basic Design

Consider first a section of airdielectric coaxial line, as shown in Fig. 1. For the physical constants



Final coaxial-type wavemeter for the Citizens Band


Preliminary model of the wavemeter
shown, this section will have a characteristic impedance $Z_{0}$ equal to 138 $\log _{10}(b / a)$. If this line is completely shorted at one end, and power is coupled in at that end, the cavity so formed will have a reactance $X$ at any frequency $f$ given by the relationship

$$
X=Z_{0} \tan (2 \pi l / \lambda)=Z_{0} \tan (2 \pi f l / c)
$$

If, now, a capacitance $C$ is added across the open end from the center to the outer conductor, such that $X_{c}=-1 / 2 \pi f C=-Z_{\iota} \tan (2 \pi f l / c)$, the line will be tuned to resonance. If the capacitor is made variable, the whole instrument, when calibrated, comprises a wavemeter.
To improve the shielding, the open end of the line is usually closed by adding an end plate or disk, after
which the simple calculation for unloaded resonant wavelength must be considered approximate, since the radial electric field near the end of the center conductor is distorted by the end disk. Further, the capacitance between the end disk and the center rod itself becomes a pertinent part of the loading or tuning capacitance. If the center rod is made larger in diameter, and its separation from the end disk made variable, this variable capacitance may be made to alter the resonant frequency of the unit, which now may be considered to be a loaded coaxial $\mathrm{TE}_{м}$-mode cavity, with variable capacitance loading.

The amount of loading capacitance may be calculated as described above, from the equation

# Two coaxial-type wavemeters are described in detail for guidance of experimenters developing equipment for the band from 460 to 470 mc . Accuracy may be made adequate for use with class B gear or, by greater construction precision, with class A transmitters 

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|\frac{1}{2 \pi f C}\right|=\left|Z_{0} \tan (2 \pi f l / c)\right|, \\
C=\frac{1}{2 \pi f Z_{0} \tan (2 \pi f l / c)}
\end{gathered}
$$

Assuming that all of this capacitance will be provided between the center rod and the end disk, the approximate equation $C=0.2235 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{d}$ for parallel-plate capacitors may be applied, giving
$\mathrm{d}=0.2235 A \times 2 \pi f Z_{0} \tan$
$2 \pi f l / c=0.447 \pi A f Z . \tan 2 \pi f l / c$ where $A$ is area of one plate in square inches and $d$ is plate separation in inches.

Thus, all of the factors necessary for design of a simple cavity wavemeter may be calculated, with the exception of the effect of distortion of the field near the end plate. The coupling loop, for example, must not be too large, or the variable reactance of the cavity, while tuning, will be strongly reflected into the circuit being calibrated. This may cause detuning of the oscillator, or pulling, or cavity heating on a high-powered circuit.

A large loop will project out of the high-current high-magneticfield end of the cavity, into the region where the radial electric field should be appreciable. Since a conductor cannot tolerate an electric field gradient along its length, the field must be distorted, and so one more error in the basic cavity calculation is introduced.

If the loop is too small, on the other hand, then it will not be able to cut enough lines of flux in the cavity to couple the cavity into the external circuit. This will result in too low an apparent $Q$, evidencing itself in extremely broad tuning, and a consequently inaccurate indication of resonance. A compromise must be effected on the undercoupled side, to prevent overcoupling,

[^1]pulling, and a large error in the prediction of the range of operation.

## Practical Design

In the 460-470 megacycle region, a quarter-wavelength is about 6.5 inches, and so an inside cavity length of about four inches was tried in the first experimental model. The length must be shorter than a quarter-wavelength so that it may be tuned to resonance by the addition of the loading capacitance.

For the cylinder, stock brass tubing $2^{3}$-inch O.D., 2-9/16-inch I. D. was used. The center rod was a piece of 1 -inch brass rod, with the end facing the plunger tapered to one inch. The characteristic impedance was calculated to be about 43 ohms. End pieces were machined from $3 \frac{1}{2}$-inch diameter brass rod, and the variable capacitance was provided by threading a $1 \frac{1}{1}$-inch diameter rod into one end piece, at 48 threads per inch.

Power was coupled into the cavity by a coupling loop placed in a radial plane at the low-voltage-highcurrent end of the cavity. In addition, a fixed capacitance of about 3 micromicrofarads (Erie type NPOK) was soldered across as shown in Fig. 2.

Calibration was accomplished by loosely coupling the cavity as a shunt on the line from an oscillator to an antenna, and monitoring the radiated power with a broad-tuned radiated power meter and a Lavoie microwave frequency meter. A section of RG-21/U cable was used as an attenuator after the oscillator, to minimize pulling effect on the unstabilized BC-645 oscillator. The arrangement is shown in Fig. 3.

The cavity impedance was actually reflected, through the r-f transformer action of the coupling loop, back to the main line where it appeared as a shunt reactance.

Standard r-f cable (RG-8/U) was used throughout, except for the section of high-attenuation cable mentioned. Standard type N fittings (UG-21/U, UG-58/U, UG$29 / \mathrm{U}$ and UG-107/U) were used.

No difficulty was experienced in determining the position corresponding to cavity resonance; a distinct dip in radiated power was observed. Care must be taken to avoid spurious responses, if other frequencies are present in addition to the fundamental. The curve of Fig. 4 shows the calibration of this first model. The tuning sensitivity near 465 mc is about 90 degrees plunger rotation for one megacycle, or about four megacycles per turn.

## Second Model

On the basis of this rough model, a second cavity was built, as shown in Fig 5. Stock brass tubing of 1.75 -inch O.D., 0.083 -inch wall thickness was used as the cylinder. The center rod was machined down to 0.415 -inch diameter, from $0.875-$ inch brass rod, leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$-inch portion at full diameter as a fixed capacitance plate.

All pieces were silver plated before assembly. After plating, the characteristic impedance was expected to be near 80 ohms, 77 ohms being the figure generally quoted as the impedance for optimum $Q$.

End pieces were machined from 2-inch O.D. brass disks $\frac{3}{8}$-inch


FIG. 1-Basic concept of coaxial line used to develop wavemeter
thick; the variable capacitance was provided by threading a $\frac{7}{8}$-inch diameter rod into one end piece, at 64 threads per inch.

Calibration was again accomplished by recording resonant frequency versus angular rotation of this plunger, instead of longitudinal displacement. A scribe mark was placed on the external portion of the plunger and the outer face of the end disk was marked off every 30 degrees, thereby providing a dial on which to read plunger rotation and, therefore, displacement.

Calculations from the formulas are as follows: $l=5$ inches $=12.7$ $\mathrm{cm} ; A=0.6$ square inches, $Z_{\circ}=80$ ohms. Then $1 / C=502 f$ tan 2.66 $\times 10^{-3} f$.
In the region of $460-470$ megacycles, a change of 10 mc should require a shift of 0.0096 inch, while one turn of the plunger at 64 threads per inch advances it 0.0156 inch. One turn, then, should be about 16 megacycles, at a center


FIG. 2-Mechanical drawing of first model of cavity wavemeter

frequency of 465 mc , or about 13 me at 475,11 at 485 , or 9.4 at 495 megacycles. Actual tuning as measured on the first cavity of these dimensions was 9 mc per turn at 465 megacycles, indicating that the effective capacitive effect of the field distortion at the highvoltage end was about $0.45 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, sufficient to shift the resonant frequency 30 megacycles.

## Accuracy

Since the tuning sensitivity was 9 mc per turn, or per 360 degrees, the accuracy of scale reading should be better than $\pm 5$ degrees, or $\pm 0.13 \mathrm{mc}$, or $\pm 0.028$ percent. Even allowing for $\pm 10$ degrees backlash in threads, $\pm .08$ percent at any one temperature should be assured.

The question of temperature, however, is of major concern. Making all parts of brass, an expansion coefficient of about 18 parts per million per degree Centigrade may


FIG. 4-Calibration curve of first model constructed


FIG. 3-Block diagram of setup for calibration and schematic circuit of cables to wavemeter
pe expected ( 1.000018 ). Since the fundamental resonant wavelength is proportional to the physical length of the cavity (unloaded), the resonant frequency will lower 0.0018 percent per degree rise in temperature.

In the 5 -inch long $460-470 \mathrm{mc}$ cavity, the unloaded resonant frequency is 590 mc , and will therefore shift $590 \times 18 \times 10^{-9}$, or 10.62 kc per degree C. However, the spacing between the center rod and the plunger will increase in proportion, 0.0018 percent of 0.1292 inch, or $2.32 \times 10^{-6}$ inch per degree $C$.

A tuning sensitivity of 9 mc per $15.6 \times 10^{-3}$ inch has been observed, corresponding to 1.33 kc for $2.32 \times$ $10^{-8}$, giving an overall frequency shift of 9.29 kc per degree C. Over a range of 50 to 90 F , or about $\pm$ 10 C , a frequency uncertainty of $\pm 0.093 \mathrm{mc}$, or $\pm 0.02$ percent is introduced, bringing the total to near 0.1 percent.

Using low-expansion coefficient material, a saving of only 0.002 percent per degree $C$ may be realized, while backlash effects in worn or poorly machined threads can produce forty times this effect. Even so, an amateur machinist should be able to manufacture a cavity wavemeter which, after calibration, should meet the class $B$ FCC tolerance of $\pm 0.4$ percent for Citizens Radio Service equipment.

## Increased Sensitivity

An interesting design improvement is the substitution of a fixed capacitor for a portion of the loading capacitance. It has been calculated that $1.406 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ is required at 470 mc , of which $0.45 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ is supplied in stray and fringing capacitance, leaving 0.956 to work with. If $0.5 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ of fixed capacitance is added in the form of a small ceramic capacitor, such as an Erie Ceramicon, type N330K, soldered directly across from the flared end of the center rod to the brass cylinder near the end plate containing the tuning screw (see Fig. 2), then distances $d_{1}$ in Table I are applicable, instead of $d$. These have been calculated assuming $0.45+$ 0.5 or $0.95 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ of fixed capacitance, plus $0.456 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ of variable capacitance at 470 megacycles.

The tuning sensitivity near 465


FIG. 5-Complete mechanical details of final wavemeter. All parts were silver plated before final assembly


FIG. 6-Frequency calibration with a fixed capacitor forming a portion of the loading capacitance
mc has now been changed from 9 me per turn ( 0.0156 inch) to about 2 mc per turn, and the error caused by $\pm 15$ degree plunger uncertainty has been reduced to $\pm 87 \mathrm{kc}$, or $\pm 0.0187$ percent. Furthermore, use of a negative temperature coefficient capacitor of $0.5 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ will provide some correction for thermal expansion of the cavity. The change of a $0.5 \mu \mu \mathrm{f} 330 \mathrm{~K}$ capacitor in one degree C is $165 \times 10^{-6} \mu \mu$; the sensitivity to a capacitance shift is 10 mc per $0.156 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, or 10.57 kc for $165 \times 10^{-0} \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, very closely balancing the 9 to 10 kc calculated.

Another attempt at temperature compensation may be made by making certain portions of the cavity of material of thermal expansion
coefficient different from that of brass. The center rod, for example, may be made in two pieces, one of brass, (of expansion coefficient about $18 \times 10^{-9}$ per degree C ), and one of steel (of expansion coefficient about $12 \times 10^{-8}$ per deg. C.

Theoretically, by careful adjustment of the length of the steel section, the natural overall negative temperature coefficient of frequency may be exactly balanced, but actually this is not practicable. Furthermore, the effects of soldering, whether low-temperature or high-temperature, are such as to make the exact expansion coefficients unpredictable. Also, the mathematics of the capacitanceloading calculation shows that such

Table I-Calculated Values

| $f$ in mc | $\tan _{10^{-3}}{ }_{f}^{66} \times$ | $\begin{gathered} 502 f \\ \left(\times 10^{22}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 / C \\ \left(\times 10^{12}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $C$ in $\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ | $d$ in inches | $d^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 450 | 2.55 | 0.2259 | 0.576 | 1.735 | 0.0771 | 0.171 |
| 460 | 2.77 | 0.2309 | 0.640 | 1.563 | 0.0858 | 0.219 |
| 470 | 3.105 | 0.2359 | 0.711 | 1.406 | 0.0954 | 0.294 |
| 480 | 3.312 | 0.2410 | 0.798 | 1.254 | 0.107 | 0.441 |
| 490 | 3.664 | 0.2460 | 0.901 | 1.110 | 0.1209 | 0.839 |
| 500 | 4.087 | 0.2510 | 1.026 | 0.975 | 0.1375 |  |

a correction would only be effective over a narrow temperature range. In practice, it is wise to calibrate a cavity wavemeter at several temperatures.

## Alternative Design

The last variable source of error may be eliminated by using a highgrade micrometer movement for the plunger, careful machining of the threads, or the use of two threaded pieces as a differential thread for the plunger movement, making one 26 and one 28 threads per inch, and making one left-handed and one right-handed. In large threads of this type, a tighter fit is allowable, and turning one turn on each will provide a net plunger movement, axially, of 0.03846 minus 0.03571 or 0.00275 inch, as compared with 0.01563 inch per turn on 64 turns per inch. This complicates calibration somewhat, but the improvement of accuracy by a factor of five would be highly desirable, and would bring the percentage error below 0.01 percent, suitable for use with class A Citizens Band equipment, required to be within $\pm 0.02$ percent.

# Converters for UHF 

IMMINENT POSSIBILITY of commercial television operation in the uhf band of 475 to 890 mc has made it highly desirable to investigate the problems of receiver circuit design peculiar to this region of the spectrum.

- Within this awkward frequency range, conventional lumped constant circuits tend to become impractical, and likewise waveguides and cavity resonators tend to be unwieldy because of their large physical dimensions. A compromise must therefore be sought in which lumped elements are replaced in part by distributed circuits such as transmission lines or butterfly circuits.

One of the most important choices to be made in uhf converter design is that of an appropriate intermediate frequency. This choice will influence the image response, response to spurious signals, local oscillator radiation, tuning range required of the local oscillator, performance obtainable in the i-f amplifier, and receiver noise figure.

## I-F Problem

Table I illustrates the effects of a wide range of intermediate frequencies on various of the above factors. For the tuning range of 475 to 890 mc , local oscillator tuning ranges and image ranges are listed corresponding to four different intermediate frequencies.

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Fixed-tuned converter being tested in conjunction with a standard television receiver. Vernier tuning of the local oscillator is provided

Image rejection is calculated for the case of a typical single tuned mixer input circuit with $10-\mathrm{mc}$ bandwidth between $3-\mathrm{db}$ points, tuned to 500 mc .

The values tabulated represent the ratio of impedance of the tuned circuit at resonance to the impedance at the image frequency, and do not take into account the mismatch arising from the frequency dependent source impedance of a typical antenna. Estimates of the best noise figures currently obtainable for the various i-f values are based on measurements made on low noise i-f strips by the Radia-

Table I—Effect of Choice of I-F on Converter Design

| I-F Value in mc | Local Osc Tuning Range in mc | Local Osc Tuning Ratio | Image Range in mc | Ratio of Signal to Image | Estimated Best Noise Figure for I-F Amp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25.75 | 502-911 | 1.82 | 527.75-936.75 | 20.6 db | 1.35 db |
| 55.25 (Ch. 2) | 421-830 | 1.97 | 365.75-779.75 | 28.0 db | 2.1 db |
| 175.25 (Ch. 7) | 301-710 | 2.36 | 125.75-5.34.75 | 43.6 db | 5.5 db |
| 205.25 (Ch. 12) | 271-680 | 2.51 | 65.75-474.75 | 48.6 db | 6 db |

tion Laboratory, M.I.T. ${ }^{1}$, and do not include the noise figure of the mixer.

The first intermediate frequency listed is the existing standard for vhf television, and therefore implies the use of single conversion (one i-f) in the receiver. In this case the local oscillator must be higher in frequency than a received signal if the existing standards on the shape of the i-f pass band are to be preserved. It is evident from the table that image rejection is very poor, and high local oscillator radiation can be expected. Furthermore, most of the image range lies within the band tuned by the mixer.

While the local oscillator tuning ratio is only 1.82 to 1 , the upper frequency limit of 911 mc precludes the use of any but a very few expensive tube types now existent. Improvement of the image rejection and reduction of local oscillator radiation could be accomplished only by means of complex input tuning networks which would materially increase the cost of the con-

# TELEVISION RECEPTION 

Arrangements of front ends described include semi-butterfly oscillator, tap-switch oscillator and cylinder oscillator. Crystal mixers for low noise employ a rolled-up line, a parallel line and a coaxial cavity


FIG. 1-A semi-butterlly oscillator is shown at $A, a$ tap-switch oscillator at $B$ and $a$ cylinder oscillator at $C$
verter, and require great tracking accuracy between the local oscillator and mixer tuning.

A frequency in the order of 200 mc appears to offer a reasonable compromise between noise figure and image rejection. While this choice requires a local oscillator tuning ratio of 2.5 to 1 , such ratios are readily obtainable with circuits of the butterfly and cylinder type, as shown in Fig. 1.

Considerations of circuit economy point toward the selection of one of the vhf television channels as the i-f for a uhf receiver, to obtain the high i-f required for good
image rejection. The last three frequencies listed in Table I correspond to existing vhf channels 2 , 7 , and 12 , and the choice of channel 12 appears to be optimum.

Restriction of the tuning range may effect considerable simplification in the converter, and materially reduce the production cost. Accordingly, local oscillator and mixer circuits corresponding to three different degrees of coverage will be described. These are complete coverage of the 475 to $890-\mathrm{mc}$ band, coverage of the lower 200 mc of the band, and essentially fixedfrequency conversion.

For complete coverage of the 475 to $890-\mathrm{mc}$ band with an i-f of 205 me , the local oscillator tuning range is 271 to 680 mc , or 2.51 to 1 . This tuning range is readily obtainable with the butterfly and cylinder oscillator circuits, both of which have been developed considerably in recent years. ${ }^{2}$

## Local Oscillators

A cylinder oscillator designed for the above tuning range is shown in Fig. 1C, with the associated circuit diagram in Fig. 2. The fre-quency-determining element consists of a metal block of $15 \times 1 \overline{8}$ inch cross section, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inches long. A $1^{\frac{1}{4}}$-inch diameter hole is bored longitudinally through the block, and a longitudinal slot is milled through one of the sides.

A type 6F4 acorn triode is mounted across the slot, the plate capacitively coupled to one side, and the grid connected directly to the other. The block behaves essentially as a single-turn coil, resonating with the tube capacitance plus the capacitance of the longitudinal slot.

Tuning is accomplished by means of a rotor consisting of a longitudinally slotted hollow metal cylinder, fitted concentrically within the hole in the block. The rotor varies the capacitance across the slit, and also effects a small


FIG. 2-Circuit of the cylinder oscillator


FIG. 3-Tap-switch oscillator circuits similar to that shown in Fig. 1B


FIG. 4- $\bar{A}$ rolled-up line mixer is shown at $A$ and a semi-butterfly mixer at $B$


FIG. 5-A coaxial form of mixer is shown at $A$ and a parallel-line mixer at $B$
change in the inductance of the block.

The tuning range obtained with the oscillator of Fig. IC using a gap between cylinder and block of 0.015 inch was 300 to 640 mc (2.14:1), and with a gap of 0.004 inch it was 184 to 670 mc (3.64:1). From these data it may be concluded that a slight reduction in the diameter and a spacing of about 0.006 to 0.008 inch will give the desired tuning range.

Figure 1A shows an oscillator of the semi-butterfly type, adapted specifically for use with the 6 F 4 .

The circuit is made up of a slotted cylindrical stator, and a rotor consisting of a solid half-cylinder. End plates are connected to the stator and, in conjunction with the end faces of the rotor, provide capacitive loading across the stator slot at one end of the tuning range. At the other end of the tuning range, the capacitive loading is at a minimum, while the rotor acts to reduce the inductance of the stator cylinder. The 6 F 4 tube is mounted across the stator slot in the same manner as for the cylinder oscillator.

The oscillator of Fig. 1A tuned the range of 350 to 750 mc ( 2.14 to 1). While this is not sufficient for use with a $205-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f, a number of small modifications to the design would undoubtedly produce the desired range.

When a high intermediate frequency such as 205 mc is used, the local oscillator for a converter tuning the lower 200 mc of the band becomes a much simpler device than the previously described cylinder circuits. Figure 1B illustrates a typical band-switching oscillator which covers a frequency range from 255 to 470 mc in seven steps. It utilizes a vernier tuning capacitor to tune the oscillator within each of the seven bands, and thus, in connection with a 205 mc i-f will give coverage of the uhf band from 460 to 675 mc .

Two alternative circuits which can be used in such an arrangement are given in Fig. 3. The circuit of Fig. 3A has the advantage that temperature compensation can be adjusted separately for each switch position.

## Mixers

The selection of a tuned circuit suitable for use as a mixer is a fairly difficult problem if the entire 475 to $890-\mathrm{mc}$ band is to be covered. A crystal mixer has been chosen because of the lower noise figure at these frequencies.

Figure 4A shows a typical mixer designed to tune 475 to 890 mc . This circuit is essentially a rolled-up parallel-strip transmission line with a half-cylindrical brass slug rotating in the center to vary both the inductance and capacitance of the line. ${ }^{3}$ A diagrammatic sketch with some of the important dimensions is shown in Fig. 6. Such a circuit is particularly well suited for use with a balanced transmission line input, but can also be used with unbalanced inputs.

Another mixer circuit with wide tuning range is shown in Fig. 4B. This circuit is essentially a form of butterfly or cylinder and covers the frequency range of 270 to 850 mc when loaded with a 1 N 21 crystal as illustrated. The wide tuning range is a result of the variation of both capacitance and inductance achieved by the semi-cylindrical
rotor section. The high-frequency end of the range is reached when the rotor is completely outside of the stator end plates.

A straightforward approach to the problem of a mixer tunable over a portion of the uhf band is the parallel-line circuit illustrated in Fig. 5B. Here the crystal is tapped across the line near the shorted end and tuning is accomplished by means of a movable short. The frequency range of the model shown is 370 to 600 mc but a greater range is doubtless possible with this form of circuit.

A coaxial form of mixer has been constructed to investigate the possibility of tuning such a device by means of a section of line of variable length. Figure 5A shows one such circuit which has a restricted tuning range but is otherwise quite satisfactory. The coaxial mixer operates on the premise that the impedance of a 1 N 21 crystal has a resistive component in the vicinity of 50 ohms and hence the coaxial line input can be connected directly to the crystal.

In order that the mixer will be tuned, it is necessary to connect reactance across the crystal in such a manner that the impedance of the mixer is purely resistive at the desired frequency and is largely reactive at other frequencies. This result is accomplished by shunting the crystal with a short-circuited stub line which has a low value of inductive reactance at the operating frequency. Resonance is achieved by connecting another length of line across the crystal, so arranged that it presents an equal capacitive reactance.

The capacitive stub is an opencircuited line with a movable polystyrene cylinder between inner and outer conductor which varies both the effective length and characteristic impedance of the line. Such an arrangement is theoretically capable of giving an appreciable tuning range and consequently might be satisfactory as the mixer for a converter covering the lower 200 mc of the band.

A fixed-tuned, parallel-line mixer is sketched in Fig. 7. This mixer has been designed to be fabricated at low cost for use in a single-channel converter. A ceramic trimmer
capacitor is used to select the exact resonant frequency, 530 mc in the model shown here. The crystal bypass capacitor is built into the circuit and is approximately $10 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. The capacitance of the bypass was chosen as a compromise between that necessary to provide a low impedance at the signal frequency and that which could be tolerated from the standpoint of input circuit bandwidth in the i-f amplifier.

## Fixed-Tuned Converter

A simple, essentially single-channel converter has been developed for use in the field testing of an experimental uhf television station. This converter uses the parallel-line crystal mixer illustrated in Fig. 7 and a local oscillator consisting of a 955 acorn triode in a parallel-line circuit. The local oscillator is tunable over a small range by means of a two-plate variable capacitor. The intermediate frequency used is
nominally 207 mc , corresponding to the center of vhf television channel 12.

Since a loss of from 6 to 8 db is suffered in a crystal mixer, it is important that the uhf converter incorporate an i-f amplifier with sufficient gain to overcome this loss. The amplifier described here accomplishes this successfully and provides performance at uhf which equals or exceeds that generally obtainable in a standard vhf television receiver. The circuit chosen for the i-f amplifier is the cascode, developed at the MIT Radiation Laboratory for use in low-noise radar i-f strips. ${ }^{1}$

The amplifier consists of two triodes connected in cascode, the output from the crystal mixer being connected through an autotransformer to the grid of the first stage, a triode-connected 6AK5. The complete circuit is shown in Fig. 8. The output from the plate of the


FIG. 6-Mechanical details of the rolled-up line


FIG. 7-Simple fixed-tuned mixer for 530 mc

6AK5 is coupled to the cathode of the second i-f stage, a $6 J 4$ connected in a grounded-grid circuit.
The output tuned circuit of the 6 J 4 consists of a single-turn hairpin loop, coupled closely to a second hairpin loop in the output circuit. Coils of this type were found necessary to achieve the desired degree of coupling and at the same time provide a reasonably balanced output circuit.

Tuning of the i-f amplifier to its center frequency of 207 mc is accomplished with slug-tuned coils in the input and interstage circuits, and by small ceramic variable capacitors in the output circuit, as may be seen from Fig. 9, which is a bottom view of the i-f amplifier subchassis. The overall voltage gain was measured to be 7.7, a quite reasonable figure in view of the fact that there is a considerable voltage stepdown in the output circuit, necessitated by the impedance transformation between the 6J4 plate circuit and the 300 -ohm balanced output.

The width of the pass band of the i-f amplifier is approximately 17 mc between $3-\mathrm{db}$ points. Inasmuch as the mixer bandwidth is approximately the same, the converter may be tuned over this range merely by varying the local oscillator frequency. In the experimental applications for which the converter is designed, this degree of flexibility is an advantage, but in converters


FIG. 9-Bottom view of $205-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f amplifier. Chassis is approximately 2 inches wide and $43 / 4$ inches long
for use in areas where more than one or two stations may be broadcasting, a somewhat narrower bandwidth would be desirable.

Local oscillator injection is obtained by tapping a short length of RG-58/U coaxial line across the oscilllator circuit and capacitively coupling the center conductor to the mixer at the far end. The capacitance necessary is quite small and consists of about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of the center conductor spaced $\frac{1}{8}$ inch from the mixer circuit. Rectified crystal current is metered, and is adjusted to approximately 0.5 milliampere.

A standard $A / N$ coaxial connector is provided for the uhf antenna input in anticipation that 50 ohm coaxial line will be used between antenna and converter. The coaxial input is coupled to the


FIG. 8-Complete circuit of a converter with output on channel 12
parallel-line mixer by a simple balance-to-unbalance transformer made from a short length of RG58/U line.

In conjunction with a Meissner Model 24TV television receiver the noise figure of the combination was found to be 11 db approximately. The sensitivity is 190 microvolts for 40 volts peak-to-peak at the crt grid when maximum receiver gain is used. The image response is 42 db down from signal. Local oscillator radiation is 56 millivolts across a 50 -ohm resistance connected to the antenna terminals of the converter. The bandwidth is essentially that of the tv receiver alone.

The noise figure of the combination was obtained by adding a three stage i-f amplifier with a bandwidth of 7 mc to the television receiver so that the noise level of the system could be measured by a barretter bridge connected into the last i-f stage. With the noise power initially measured, the amount of c-w signal at 530 mc required to double the power in the i-f was measured. This value of r-f signal was then compared with the theoretical amount based on the value of source resistance and the overall bandwidth to obtain the noise figure.

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# Instantaneous Deviation Control 


#### Abstract

Audio signal of an f-m transmitter is differentiated, clipped and integrated so that the output wave is identical to the input except for slope limiting. Transmitter frequency deviations are held to definite limits determined by the maximum allowable slope


AFEW YEARS ago the performance of a radio communications system depended primarily on two factors, the power of the transmitter and the sensitivity of the receiver.

Interference between stations or systems was no serious trouble because their operating frequencies were sufficiently separated with unused channels which acted as guard bands. As more services acquired frequency assignments, the number of guard bands decreased. The spectrum is now crowded and greater use of radio communication will be curtailed and limited unless greater use is made of available channels.

Concentrated attention has been given to control receiver images and spurious response, receiver radiation and transmitter harmonics. The selectivity of receivers has been greatly improved. The engineering art has reached a point where, today, alternate channels can be used successfully with adjacent channels serving as guard bands. It must be concluded, therefore, that half the available channel space is being wasted.

Phase-modulation transmitters are particularly vulnerable to over modulation. Without control, loud voices, sharp voices, transients, or noise pulses produce wide excursions of the transmitter frequency, extending the deviation into the adjacent channel and even into the alternate channel. For operation on the desired channel, this means loss of intelligibility and a decrease in the signal to noise ratio as the transmitter deviates beyond the pass band of the receiver. Adja-

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cent channel operation will not be possible until the frequency deviation of all transmitters is kept within their assigned channel.

## Principle of Operation

In attempting to control the frequency deviation of a phase-modulation transmitter, it is of ten customary to use conventional amplitude compressors. These devices are not instantaneous. The attack time is slow and the device remains paralyzed after a transient. Even if the audio amplitude is controlled the frequency deviation of the transmitter is not controlled because the frequency deviation of a phase-modulated transmitter is a
function of both the frequency and the amplitude of the audio wave.

The desired answer to the problem of controlling frequency deviation would be a device which would virtually place a barrier or limit on the frequency excursions caused by the phase modulator. It is difficult to place such a barrier on the frequency after the radio waves have passed through the phase modulator. However, if an audio wave is synthetically produced, which would graphically look like the frequency deviations produced by the modulator, then barriers could be introduced which would hold the amplitude to certain prescribed limits.

After the audio wave has passed through the amplitude limiting barriers it might be restored by a reversible process to its original form and delivered to the phase modulator.

The manner in which this can be


FIG. 1--Basic circuits illustrating the fundamental principle
done is illustrated in Fig. 1. This circuit provides instantaneous deviation control (IDC). The synthesized wave is produced by a differentiation circuit. This differentiator is a simple device consisting of only a resistor and a capacitor.

As shown in both the first graph and the second column of illustrated wave forms, the differentiated voltage is proportional to both the input voltage and the frequency; more precisely it is proportional to the slope or steepness of the input wave. Since the differentiator is a gain losing device it is usually de-


FIG. 2-Sine waves with various degrees of clipping, before and after integrating
sirable to use an amplifier to raise the signal to a suitable level for clipping. This also provides electronic isolation, with zero loading of the differentiator and a more suitable source impedance for the clipper.

The clipper may be a pair of biased diodes, also shown in Fig. 1, which become conducting when the instantaneous peak value of the differentiated wave exceeds the bias. One diode will clip positive peaks and the other the negative peaks. This is shown in the illustrated wave forms of clipped voltage.

After the wave has been operated on by the clipper, the differentiation process can be reversed by passing the wave through an integrator circuit. This is also a simple device consisting again of a resistor and a capacitor as shown in Fig. 1. The second graph shows the response of the integrator circuit to be inversely proportional to the frequency.

The output wave is now identical with the input wave except for the slope limiting. The transmitter
frequency deviations will be held to very definite limits as dictated by the maximum allowable slope. The third graph indicates the overall fidelity of the instantaneous deviation control circuit to be flat over a wide band. The usable bandwidth will depend on accepted tolerances and the frequencies that need to be controlled.

The distortion caused by IDC is quite small. This is illustrated in the output voltage wave form shown in Fig. 1. Distortion is introduced only into those wave fronts which have a slope that exceed a predetermined amount. These distortions in general consist of higher order harmonics which fortunately are eliminated by the integrator to a point where they are readily tolerated.

The distortion introduced in a sine wave can best be understood from a graphical study as shown in Fig. 2. A moderate amount of clipping produces trapezoidal waves with curved sides. After integrat-
ing, the curved sides become the rounded extreme of the alternating current and the flat top becomes the straight line sides of the same current. The rounded portion is identical with the rounded part of the original sine wave before being applied to the differentiator. From a geometric standpoint the only distortion introduced has been over that part of the sine wave which had too great a slope.

Obviously the greatest distortion that can possibly exist would occur when the clipper produces square waves. The output from the integrator would then be a triangular wave having only odd harmonics. The third harmonic would be $1 / 9$ th of the fundamental, the fifth harmonic $1 / 25$ th of the fundamental and other harmonics trivial.

The distortion introduced by IDC into voice frequencies does not lend itself quite so well to such a simple analysis. Many voice frequencies are quite peaked and jagged and can pass through the IDC circuit


FIG. 3-Fixed station instantaneous deviation control circuit


FIG. 4-Circuit of a mobile IDC unit
without having their intelligence content seriously altered yet the transmitter frequency deviation may be reduced by a large margin. The voice level between syllables is usually lower and experiences little or no clipping. It is therefore possible to provide greater deviation for the lower voice levels or greater overall average deviations without exceeding the desired or authorized deviation limits.

## Commercial Equipment

In making a practical application of IDC to a transmitter there are a number of considerations which may dictate the final design.
Size, cost, power drain, the fidelity desired and the range of offending frequencies will affect the choice of components and circuits. The type of differentiator, clipper, or integrator may vary considerably from the one illustrated in Fig. 1.

Figure 3 is the circuit diagram of a fixed station IDC unit. Differentiation is accomplished by the capacitor $C_{1}$ and the resistor $R_{1}$. The clipper circuit differs from that previously described.

The combined diodes are fed a constant direct current. Normally half this current goes through each diode. Any small signal variation, positive or negative, applied to the cathode of the input diode, will normally cause the same variation at the cathode of the output diode. The diodes therefore serve to conduct the variations from input to output. However, if large variations of signal are applied at the input, the first diode will become nonconducting on positive peaks and the second will become nonconducting on negative peaks.

Integration is accomplished by the capacitor $C_{2}$ and the resistor $R_{2}$. The clipping level, or the deviation, is adjusted by a potentiometer regulating the diode current. The volume level is adjusted at the input where no interaction exists between it and deviation. A resistor shunting $C_{1}$ affords some bass compensation. The output is pushpull.
Figure 4 is the circuit diagram of a unit useful for mobile application because of its low cost, small space requirements and low power drain.


This unit is designed to accommodate a carbon microphone in the input and deliver a balanced or pushpull output for the grids of the phase modulator tubes. No amplification is used within the circuit and clipping is performed with germanium crystal diodes. Differentiation is performed with the $C_{3}-R_{1}$ and $C_{3}-R_{2}$ circuits; integration with the $C_{0}-R_{2}$ and $C_{1}-R_{4}$ circuits.

## Performance

When the action of an IDC circuit is observed on an oscilloscope connected to the discriminator of a good f-m receiver, the voice wave seems to strike an invisible barrier even when subjected to 20 or 30 db overload. The barrier remains fixed even when subjected to sudden bursts of signal or transients. There is no attack time or paralysis, it is instantaneous. This makes close talking possible thereby reduc-
ing background noise. It tolerates a wide range of audio level.

The control prevents transmitters on nearby channels from spilling over into the pass band of system receivers. But more important is the fact that it holds the system transmitted frequency within the associated receiver bandpass response, permitting a higher average modulation level. This results in an increased signal-to-noise ratio and improved reception in fringe area operation.

Adjacent channel operation in the mobile field is now a requirement and it is axiomatic that deviation control is necessary. Since IDC is quite simple, economical, and fool proof, it is destined to see wide application.

Acknowledgement is due John Hultquist who was the first to try the idea, and others who have contributed the commercial developments.

# Metal Detector for 

Features include a new bridge coil arrangement, designed to provide more uniform sensitivity to objects embedded in logs and lying at various angles in the logs. Complete circuit diagrams with values and pickup coil winding data are included

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THE PROBLEM of detecting unseen metal fragments in logs is becoming increasingly important to the operators of small saw mills. In many areas of this country and Europe, farmers are harvesting second and third growth timber, which may and often does contain spikes, horseshoes, fragments of wagon tires, steel fence posts, sections of fence, knives and other metal objects. Even unexploded artillery shells have been found in logs from forest areas in the West. ${ }^{1}$ When a rotary saw strikes something of this nature, the flying teeth are a real hazard to personnel.

Even the constant expectation of
the saw hitting something is responsible for much nervous fumbling when feeding the saw, and this is an accident-producing factor in itself. Much timber which is actually free of metal objects is going to waste simply because the mill operator does not dare to process $\log s$ which are questionable.

## Available Techniques

There are three basic and separate approaches to this problem. All make use of variations in the pattern of a magnetic or electromagnetic field: the first, by the variation in the self or mutual inductance of a coil system; the second, by detecting variations in the earth's magnetic field with a flux gate, cathode ray, or inductor compass; the third, by variations in the absorption or reflection of radio waves generated by a local oscil-


FIG. 1-Top view of two mutual inductance coils arranged in the regular way for use with the Felici mutual inductance bridge


FIG. 2-Improved metal detection coil system which detects nails driven radially into a $\log$ as well as axially oriented objects
lator and radiated by a local antenna system.

The operation of the radio method raises many difficulties. The radiation resistance of the antenna will depend upon the dielectric properties of the $\log$, which in turn are determined by the moisture and mineral content of the wood. Also, the distance between the antenna and the surface of the log must be kept constant. The $300-\mathrm{mc}$ radiation from the AN/PRS mine detector, for example, penetrates only a few inches of damp wood, and the instrument is sensitive only to relatively large pieces of metal. ${ }^{2}$

So far, any magnetic compass methods have not shown adequate sensitivity and stability.

Early electromagnetic methods used the Hay, Owen or Maxwell bridges to detect the increase in the self inductance of a coil when a magnetic metal was brought near, or the decrease in self inductance in the case of a non-magnetic metal. ${ }^{3}$ In these systems, if the size of the metal piece is relatively small with regard to the radius of the coil, and if its distance from the coil is relatively great with respect to the radius of the coil, the variation in the self inductance of the coil is inversely proportional to the sixth power of the distance between the coil and the metal. A single coil may also be used in the resonant circuit of an oscillator; in this case the presence of metal within the field of the coil will be indicated by a change in the frequency of the oscillations, and may be detected by a frequency meter. The danger in the use of any single-coil method

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The photograph shows a typical metal detector setup with the coils mounted to inspect the logs on their way to the saw
lies in the fact that for any specific frequency there is a certain size for magnetic objects at which the increase in self inductance due to the permeability of the material is exactly balanced by the decrease in self inductance due to the eddy-current losses, and no change in self inductance results. Again, there are certain conditions under which a magnetic object may act normally at a specified distance from the coil, but behave like a non-magnetic object at another distance, depending upon the way in which the electromagnetic field is intersected. ${ }^{\text {. }}$

## Two-Coil Systems

Systems using two coils, or two pairs of coils, arranged so that their mutual inductance is zero in the absence of any metal in the field, have consistently shown the best sensitivity and stability. One of these systems was selected for the metal detector described in this
paper. The Felici balance (or Hughes balance), the Campbell mutual inductance bridge, and the Carey-Foster bridge are all suitable for this purpose. ${ }^{5,5}$ The Felici balance has the advantage of both electrical and mechanical symmetry, so that any variations in the coils themselves due to changes in ambient temperature and humidity are usually balanced out. The theoretical concepts involved are well treated in a paper by Leslie F. Curtis. ${ }^{\top}$

The first and most important design step was the determination of the operating frequency. Previous designs have been based upon frequencies all the way from 60 cycles per second to several hundred megacycles. A popular army mine detector was operated at 1 kc , so that the unbalance signal denoting the presence of a mine would be audible in a pair of telephone receivers. In order to get valid
preliminary design data, frequencies between 60 cps and 300 mc were tried, with the variations occurring in discrete steps of approximately one octave each. Coil systems, oscillators and detectors were constructed in accordance with the frequency used in each test. For magnetic metals it was found that general sensitivity is proportional to frequency; that is, the higher the frequency the higher the sensitivity. However, for nonmagnetic metals and water the sensitivity is proportional to the square of the frequency.

With the requirements of the lumber industry in mind (moisture content of green logs may run to 80 percent), a rather low frequency becomes the logical choice. Sixty cps and 180 cps were judged undesirable from the point of view of interference from power lines and motor fields at the fundamental and third harmonic respectively. Audio
frequencies did not have to be considered from the standpoint of requiring an audible unbalance signal, so 120 cps was selected. A stable generator of this frequency is easily derived from the 60 -cycle supply line. This frequency is low enough so shielding of coils in the bridge system is unnecessary. The small amount of capacitive coupling is balanced out with a small variable capacitor which requires adjustment only at the time the in. stallation is made.

Various coil arrangements were tried next. The Felici bridge, with two identical pairs of coaxial coils, shows its greatest sensitivity to a nail whose axis lies parallel to the coil axes, and its lowest sensitivity to a nail whose axis is at right angles to the coil axes. This is illustrated in Fig. 1. Unfortunately most nails that are driven into trees are in the position shown at $B$, and the coil arrangements that have been used previously are at a disadvantage. This ratio of maximum to minimum sensitivity, according to the relative position of the nail, varies with the coupling coefficient of the pairs of coils used and the coupling coefficient between the nail and the coil nearest to it, but generally lies between a ratio of 8 to 1 and 10 to 1.

## Four-Coil System

The four-coil arrangement shown in Fig. 2 was originated to overcome these variations in sensitivity; sensitivity is at a maximum both for nails whose axis is parallel to the coil axes and for those whose axis is at right angles to the coil axes. A deviation of 45 degrees from either position produces only a 20 -percent decrease in sensitivity, and this is easily taken care of in the design of the detector. Each metal particle is detected twice as it goes through. In the interest of stability it was decided not to resonate the bridge coils; very little would have been gained by doing so anyway, for the $Q$ of these coils at 120 cps is only slightly greater than unity.

The physical arrangement of the coils is such that the coefficient of coupling is zero in the absence of any metal in their fields. A piece of metal entering the effective area


Since space conservation is of no importance at lumber mills, no cowding of components was felt necessary, as may be seen from the above photograph of the metal detector oscillator chassis and power supply


FIG. 3-Schematic diagram of 120-cps oscillator used to drive pickup coils
distorts the field in its vicinity, and an unbalance current flows in the detector coils, is amplified, rectified, and operates a sequence of relays which actuate warning devices.

To derive the maximum voltage from a slightly distorted field requires a great many turns. The two detector coils consist of 700 turns of No. 30 copper wire, Formvar insulated, layer-wound in tinch deep grooves in a 24 -inch square wooden form which has previously been impregnated with Bakelite varnish and baked at a low temperature to give it dimensional stability. (Molded Mycalex coil forms will be used for future models.) The two generator coils are wound on identical forms, but have 160 turns of No. 16 copper wire. One thickness of 0.005 -inch Kraft paper is laid in between layers in both the detector and generator coils.

The 120 -cycle generator of Fig. 3 is basically a full-wave rectifier whose power comes from the $60-$
cycle line through a Variac. The ripple frequency is fed into the series resonant circuit formed by $C_{1}$ and $L_{1}$, and feeds the push-pull grids of the 807 tubes with a $120-$ cycle voltage having excellent waveform. Forty watts of power is delivered to the bridge coils from this generator, although only about ten watts is actually radiated in the form of an electromagnetic field. The plate power supply and battery bias are conventional. The output is taken from two British-type coaxial connectors. Only JAN-approved resistors and oil-filled capacitors are used. The $8-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor across this output absorbs any transients or harmonics which may originate in the 807 tubes. The 100 -ohm potentiometer in the cathodes of the 807 tubes is set for minimum second harmonic output.

## Null Detector

A schematic of the amplifier and detector is shown in Fig. 4. The


Metal detector chassis, power supply and meter which is used to zero the instrument and to give an indication for extremely small metallic objects where the relay would not normally be operated


FIG. 4-Schemaiic diagram of metal detector amplifier and null detector
input transformer is a well-shielded (both magnetically and electrostatically) line-to-grid unit. The 1603 was selected as an input tube becanse it was found to inject a lower 120 -cycle hum component into its output than any other types which were tried. The parallel resonant circuit following this stage has a $45-\mathrm{db}$ rejection ratio to 60 -cycle intererence. As the heaters of all amplifier tubes are regulated by a small Sola transformer, and the plate and screen supply for the 1603 is stabilized with the two 874 regulator tubes, no inverse feedback was found necessary except that in the minor loop between the 6 J 5 plates, whi hactually is effective only in stabilizing the gain of the second 6.5.

A feedback loop that might have incladed the parallel resonant circuit at $L_{1}-C_{1}$ would have been undesirable because of the phase shift introduced by this circuit. A 9percent change in overall gain is
the maximum that results from a power line voltage variation of 100 to 125 volts.

It was decided to operate the first relay on a semi-power basis to insure positive operation, hence the use of a 6A3 and 6X5. Overall voltage gain to the 6A3 grid is 80 db with the gain control at maximum.

As this metal detector is to be used in lumber camps, where space is not at a premium, no consideration was given to the size or weight of any component. Rather, each item was selected with the idea that the equipment would require service only once a year with this service consisting mostly of tube replacements and the cleaning of relay contacts. Relay $R E_{1}$ is of the plate circuit type; $R E_{2}$ is energized by 115 volts, 60 cycles, and its contacts are designed to handle current for a large bell and warning light.

The 0-1 ma meter is useful in zeroing the bridge coil system, and
also to give an indication of ve y small pieces of metal which no:mally would not actuate the relay. As the detector is usually set up, a piece of metal the size of a 16 penny nail is required to trip the relays, but the presence of a thin finishing nail or wire brad an inch long will give an easily visible deflection on the meter.

## Special Problems

In order to keep the coil system free from components whose values might be altered by changes in temperature or humidity, no variable self or mutual inductances are used. Instead, the generator and detector coils are accurately matched when they are wound, and the final mutual inductance balance is achieved by a slight adjustment of the rigid mounting that holds the coils in place on the frame of the log carrier. In spite of these precautions, some rebalancing is required every day or two that the detector is in operation. This is accomplished by sliding a thin soft iron wire in or out of the field of one of the detector coils. This method of trimming a mutual inductance bridge has been known for many years, and no credit is claimed for its use here.

This detector may be operated bry inexperienced personnel. It requires very little maintenance, and will give a rapid and positive warning of the presence of any metal objects large enough to damage a saw. Its operation is not affected by normal outdoor ranges of temperature and humidity, nor by relatively large variations in power supply voltage.

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# Potted Subassemblies for 

Capsulation of amplifier and oscillator subassemblies in casting resin permits up to 500 tubes per cubic foot of space for computers, telemetering setups and other complex multitube equipment. Design and construction procedures for potting are fully covered


Steps in potting a three-tube strain gage amplifier. Left-casting-resin chassis with imbedded silver-clad beryllium-copper wires serving as stiffeners, tie points, plug prongs and lead wires. Center-assembled chassis with built-in limiter and voltag gain of 20,000 , adjusted in production so all units have same gain within 1 percent. Right-complete plug-in unit as potted in casting resin. Other examples of potted plug-in units are shown in color on the front cover of this issue


Top-conventional construction of 14 -tube wide-band i-f and video amplifier with afe and agc, for input frequency of 100 mc . Center-first step in miniaturization, using potted subassemblies but retaining the chassis and a conventional low-noise preamplifier. Bottom-final miniaturized assembly complete with preamplifier, with each unit plugging into its neighbor to eliminate the chassis. Mosi of the subassemblies are coated with silver shielding paint

DESIGN PROBLEMS of complex multi-tube equipment are simplified by using as few tubes as possible because the principal limiting factors are heating, circuit interaction, and density. In normal practice the use of a minimum number of tubes involves using carefully selected tubes and parts, with sacrifice of interchangeability. If cost factors warrant, these practices are tolerable in subminiaturized assemblies, providing the assemblies are potted to avoid component replacement, and providing no use is made of tube characteristics which change with age.

The use of the potted subassembly makes possible the design of a complete functional circuit as a subassembly. So long as each subassembly is completely interchangeable with others of the same type, internal differences are quite tolerable. This means, for example, that amplifiers may be built and adjusted to a known gain for use in a circuit. The matching of tubes with components makes possible a much more efficient use of both tubes and components in circuits. This can result in less heating, fewer circuits to interact with one another, and lower density.

The power supply forms a large proportion of the size and weight of all large equipment. Time and effort spent on improving the efficiency and decreasing the weight of power supplies probably pays bigger dividends than any other point. In this connection the use of high-temperature (200 C hotspot) transformers and inductors will save almost 50 percent in the weight and volume of these units.

Since most subminiature tubes require but 100 volts plate supply, the conventional series regulator is extremely inefficient and bulky. The use of thyratron regulated supplies with miniature thyratrons as recti-

# Subminiature Equipment 

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fiers has been found to increase the efficiency of the 100 -volt regulated power supply circuit in Fig. 1 by almost 50 percent, with a correspondingly large decrease in size and heating.

When printed circuits are used for miniaturization, it is always necessary to solder in tubes. It is usually necessary to solder in capacitors, and if accuracy is required, it is usually necessary to solder in resistors. It is practical to print wire and some inductors, however, and to use printed subassemblies whenever they are available commercially in the desired combinations of $R$ and $C$.

Conventional circuit construction uses multitudes of terminal boards, terminal lugs, and other holding and mounting devices. These all add space and weight, and contribute little or nothing to the electrical performance of a circuit. A construction eliminating them, therefore, is a worthwhile advance.

Potted circuit technique or capsulation is such a construction. It permits selective assembly and use of nonweatherproof components, since the potting compound weatherproofs the entire assembly. This enables the use of smaller components, stripped of their weatherproof containers. All holding means except one plug and socket are eliminated.

Potted construction makes it possible to replace and design subassemblies on a unit basis, rather than as a miscellaneous collection of parts. It is further possible to modernize equipment from time to time by modernizing the individual subassemblies, only keeping them interchangeable electrically and mechanically with their predecessors.

It has been found essential to consider the design of a potted circuit as a unit. It is not practical to design a piece of equipment and then ship it to a chemist for potting.


FIG. 1-Example of miniature thyratron regulated power supply circuit used with potted subassemblies to decrease size, weight and heating. Thorough shielding is necessary to avoid radiated noise from thyratrons. All $0.0015-\mu f$ capacitors are ceramic feed-through units to prevent conducted noise

Each component must be selected for its compatibility with the potting compound. Those components which are not suitable for direct potting must be given a suitable pre-treatment, and the whole mechanical design must be considered integral with the potting process.

Components must be selected which will withstand the high ambient temperatures (105-115 C) concomitant to the operation of large miniaturized equipment. Tubes must be protected from shock by a resilient coating before mounting in the equipment. Many small points, too numerous to mention here, must be watched with care if a useful product is to result. A close liaison among chemists, mechanical designers, and electronic engineers has been found absolutely essential to insure good results.

A standardized form factor is useful in the production design of any complex assembly of subunits. Since most subminiature units are plug-in, a convenient socket to use is the standard nine-pin miniature tube socket. Typical units are one inch wide by either one or one and one-half inches deep, by three inches high. The wires forming the plug at the base of the unit are molded in place during the casting operation. A tapped reinforced hole at the top of the unit provides means for removing it from its socket. Units constructed in this way include strain gage amplifiers.
video amplifiers, pulse generators, sawtooth generators, flip-flop multivibrators and bridge drive oscillators.

## Potting Materials

No single plastic has been found suitable for all jobs. The NBS casting resin, while superb electrically, lacks temperature range. Five very different resins, each compounded to give good results for a specific type of operation, are currently being used. In general the polyesters are most versatile, although as a class they leave much to be desired and must be compounded to achieve satisfactory results.

Assemblies of the units described make possible the construction of equipment having a density (including power supply) of between 200 and 500 tubes per cubic foot. Shielding, where necessary, is provided by silver paint over the plastic. Internal temperature of the equipment is high, but careful construction can minimize the presence of hot spots.
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# Field Test of UHF TELEVISION 

Report on field strength and picture quality at 60 locations in and near Washington, D. C. confirms need for high power to secure adequate service over 20 -mile radius. Data obtained from NBC experimental picture transmissions on 505.25 mc

THE PURPOSE of uhf television tests described in this paper was to study field coverage, multipath transmission, gain of various types of receiving antennas, and the reception of uhf signals when the receiving antenna is shaded from the transmitter by hills or buildings.

The tests utilized the standard black-and-white television signal transmitted by the experimental NBC station operating in the frequency band from 504 to 510 mc (picture carrier, 505.25 mc ) with an effective radiated power of 3.6 kw.

Tests were conducted starting October, 1948, at sixty locations in the vicinity of Washington, D. C., at distances from the transmitter ranging from one and a half to twenty-three

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miles. The test locations were selected to provide the wide variety of receiving conditions typical of a large city and its adjacent communities. The field strength was measured and the television picture was analyzed at all test locations for degradation of picture quality due to multipath transmission, extraneous signals and receiver noise.

## Receiving Equipment

Three antennas were used: a half-wave dipole, a Yagi array (folded dipole with two directors and one reflector) and an eight-element stacked array with screen reflector.

The antennas were adjusted to be resonant at 507 mc . The radiation resistance of the Yagi and of the eight-element array was approximately 90 ohms, while that of the half-wave dipole was 72 -ohms. The Yagi antenna had a measured voltage gain, relative to a half-wave dipole, of 1.98 and a front-to-back voltage response ratio of approximately 10. The eight-element array had a voltage gain of 4.36 and a front-to-back ratio in excess of 20 . Any of these antennas could be mounted on the top of a wooden pole twenty feet in length carried on a station wagon. The pole was so mounted that, when raised, the center of the antenna was approximately 23 feet above the ground. The lead-in consisted of 30 feet of RG-71/U coaxial cable (attenuation of a 30 -foot length at 500 mc equal


FIG. 1-Circuit diagram of the cavity-tuned $500-\mathrm{mc}$ uhf television converter. The output is fed into a standard television receiver with 300 -ohm balanced line


FIG. 2--Schematic diagram of special vtrm and manual gain control circuits


Photograph of the mobile receiving station used. The 8 -element array is shown in place 23 feet above ground
to about 3.0 db ). The characteristic impedance of $\mathrm{RG}-71 / \mathrm{U}$ cable ( 93 ohms) provided a good impedance match to the antennas used.

The converter was designed to produce an intermediate frequency of 54 to 60 mc (channel 2) from the 504 to $510-\mathrm{mc}$ r-f signals. The converter (Fig. 1) includes a fixedtuned coaxial cavity, a 1N21-C crystal mixer, a 6F4 local oscillator operating at 450 mc , and a singletube 6AK5 i-f amplifier with a center frequency of 57 mc and a bandwith of 6 mc . The output of the converter is fed into the antenna terminals of a Philco model 48-1001 television receiver by means of a seven-inch length of $300-\mathrm{ohm}$ balanced transmission line. The power supply of the 48-1001 was altered for vibrator operation from storage batteries. Meters were provided in the equipment to measure the 450 me oscillator plate current, the 1N21-C crystal current, the afc voltage of the television receiver, and the field strength.

## Calibration of Field Strength

To read field strength, a vacuumtube voltmeter, (Fig. 2), consisting of a 6AL5 diode, a 250,000 -ohm load resistor, and a 25 -microampere d-c meter, was connected across the $26-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f output of the receiver. The load resistor and meter were by-


Interior view of the mobile setup used in the Washington field strength measurements. The four meters mounted below the receiver read $450-\mathrm{mc}$ local oscillator injection current and plate current, the receiver afc voltage and the field strength
passed with a $0.1-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor, giving the circuit a long time constant, and allowing the capacitor to be charged by means of the diode to the peak value of i-f carrier during the time the sync pulses are transmitted. The indication of field intensity therefore did not depend on the percentage modulation of the television station at the time readings were being taken, but only on the peak value of carrier during the time sync information was transmitted. As indicated in Fig. 2, a calibrated manual gain control was used to vary the gain of the television receiver by applying a variable bias to the r-f and first two picture i-f tubes. The receiver was designed to operate with a composite video signal level of two volts peak-to-peak across the video detector load resistor, which corresponded to a reading of 20 microamperes on the vacuum-tube voltmeter when receiving an 85 -percent modulated television picture. The reading of 20 microamperes was established as standard output for the field measurements.

The receiver was calibrated in the following manner: The converter was connected to the receiver and an unmodulated sound carrier at a frequency of 509.75 mc was applied to the input of the converter from a signal generator. The frequency of
the $450-\mathrm{mc}$ oscillator in the converter was then adjusted to produce zero afc volts. This insured that the signal output of the converter was at a frequency of 59.75 mc (channel 2 sound carrier). The 450 -me oscillator injection was adjusted to produce 0.5 ma of crystal current. Various levels of unmodulated picture carrier at a frequency of 505.25 mc were applied from the signal generator and the variable bias control setting was noted for standard output (20 microamperes). From these data a curve was plotted of dial setting versus microvolts input.

The following method was used to determine the noise figure of the receiver. The receiver was fed from a signal generator having an internal resistance of 93 ohms. A thermocouple meter connected across the final video amplifier plate load was used as an indicating device. Unmodulated carrier from the signal generator was applied to the receiver input and increased in amount until the noise power output stopped increasing, care being taken to insure that the second detector and the amplifiers were operating at normal signal levels. Sine wave modulation was then applied to the signal generator and the percent modulation required to double the reading of the output meter
observed and recorded.
The carrier open-circuit voltage from the 93 -ohm generator was 67.2 microvolts and the necessary modulation was 10 percent. Hence the noise voltage was 6.72 microvolts, or 8.8 db greater than the theoretical noise of 2.44 microvolts across 93 ohms at 4 -mc bandwidth.

## Performance of Receiving Antennas

Any of the three antennas could be used to measure the field strength at locations where signal is being received from only one direction, a different calibration figure being required for each antenna to relate measured receiver microvolts to field intensity.

There are some locations, however, in which the situation is complicated by signals arriving at the receiving point from several different directions, some of which are unusable because of excessive delay. In locations of this sort a nondirectional antenna may deliver more power to the receiver than a much larger directional antenna. In some of these cases, the signal from the nondirectional antenna is perfectly satisfactory, but in other cases it is contaminated by intolerable ghost images.

Whether a particular indirect path signal is useful or detrimental depends on whether it lies within a certain area surrounding the re-
ceiving location. The boundary of this area is approximately a parabola, opening towards the transmitter and crossing the continuation of the direct line from transmitter to receiver at a point approximately 125 feet behind the receiver. The delineation of this boundary is based on the fact that video signal contributed by any scattering object within it will be delayed no more than about $\frac{1}{4} \mu \mathrm{sec}$, corresponding to approximately two picture elements displacement of information or about $\frac{1}{32}$ inch on a ten-inch cathode-ray tube. Scattering objects outside of this boundary may cause either loss of resolution or distinct ghosts.

This boundary crosses the perpendicular to the direct line, erected at the receiving point, at a distance of about 250 feet and the area enclosed by the parabola continues to widen gradually as a function of distance towards the transmitter, as shown in Fig. 3.

A nondirectional antenna can receive signals from many scattering objects simultaneously, and if these objects lie principally in the useful area, a net gain in performance is contributed by the scattered signal. If on the other hand, a large proportion of the scattered signal is of the detrimental type, originating from outside of the boundary, then a nondirectional antenna, even though it
delivers large power to the receiver, cannot be used. While a highly directional antenna cannot utilize scattered signals over a wide angle and therefore may not deliver the expected increase in power in such cases, yet the signal delivered by directional antennas as a rule has higher resolution and less ghost images than that from nondirectional antennas. It should be emphasized that these remarks pertain to only a small minority of field locations. In the vast majority, the directional antennas are superior in performance by an amount dependent upon their gain.

It can be seen that the field strength in microvolts per meter inferred from several antenmas having different directivity will have different values. The field strength measured by a simple dipole will generally be larger because scattered signals are included. It is for this reason that the term "effective field strength" has been used in this report, different fractions of the received signal being effective with each type of antenna.
In the course of these tests very few locations were found in which the array failed to realize considerable gain over a dipole.
The open-circuit voltage across the terminals of a half-wave dipole resonant at 55 mc (television channel 2) is approximately twice the

The $500-\mathrm{mc}$ converter used in making the uhf measurements. The coaxial input cavity is mounted next to the oscillator


The three types of receiving antennas used in the Washington, D. C. uhf television field strength measurements are shown above. They are the half-wave dipole, a 4 -element Yagi and an 8-element array



FIG. 3-Plan view of receiver vicinity showing areas of useful and detrimental scattering
field intensity in microvolts per meter. However, the open-circuit voltage across the terminals of a half-wave dipole resonant at 500 mc is approximately one-fifth the field intensity in microvolts per meter. For the same field intensity, at these frequencies, the ratio of voltages across the resonant half-wave dipoles will be approximately ten to one. Thus even over flat terrain either much higher transmitter power or high-gain receiving antennas are required for coverage on 500 mc comparable to that at 55 mc .

At 36 of the test locations two or more antennas were tried. At 32 of these locations the use of high-gain receiving antennas gave an increase in signal voltage applied to the receiver. There were four test locations where the use of an eightelement receiving array did not increase the signal voltage applied to the input. At one of these locations the Yagi antenna gave a gain over the dipole but the array produced a lower signal than the Yagi.

## General Propagation Effects

The field strength in microvolts per meter at all locations plotted against distance between receiving and transmitter antennas is shown in Fig. 4. The theoretical curve for propagation over flat earth shows the received signal strengths to be much lower than that of the theoretical curve. The theoretical curve does not take into account the irregularities of the terrain between the transmitter and receiver, the ground contour at the point of reflection, and the phase relationship of the various signals arriving by multipath transmission. In addition, the shadowing effect of obstructions such as buildings and hills increases with frequency.

This is demonstrated by the re-
ception at test location $1,4,707$ Windom Place which is only 2.4 miles from the transmitter. The ground contour of Fig. 5A, which does not show trees and buildings, places this location at a shadowed point, not line-of-sight. The field intensity with the array antenna was $E_{i}=1,306$ microvolts per meter and, with a converter having a noise figure of 8.8 db above thermal noise, the reception was marginal. In comparison, the channel 4 television transmitter in Washington with its antenna located on the same tower as the 500me transmitting antenna, produced a noise-free picture at location 1. The power output of the channel 4 station was of course greater (approximately 5.7 to 1 ) but this alone does not account for the low field strength at this location.

As other investigators have reported, the decrease in received signals is caused by the increased shadowing effect at 500 mc when the receiving antenna is located behind a hill or building. Locations 10 and 12 are also shown on this same contour diagram (Fig. 5A), as they fell within a degree or two of the radial joining the transmitter and location 1. The field strength measured at location 10 , Wriley Road, north of Massachusetts Avenue, 3.45 miles from the transmitter which was also a shadowed point (not line of sight), is low, producing a marginal picture. The effective field intensity, again with the
array antenna, is $E_{f}=4,200$ microvolts per meter at location 12 (the junction of routes 190 and 191, near Campbells Corner, 8.9 miles from the transmitter) on the same radial, in line of sight, and at a distance from the transmitter four times that of location 1 . This signal resulted in a picture of excellent quality.

Figure 5B shows ground contours from the transmitter to locations 46,33 and 16 , all along approximately the same radial. The field strength of $E_{t}=3,150$ microvolts per meter, resulted in a good quality picture at location 16 (Georgetown Preparatory School campus, near route 240 , eight miles from the transmitter) the most distant of all three points. The ground contour for two miles in the direction of the transmitter from this location was relatively low and sloping upward to the receiving location which was within line of sight.

The reception at location 46, field strength $E_{f}$ (Yagi antenna) = 4,530 microvolts per meter, (Connecticut Avenue and Northampton, near Chevy Chase Circle, 3.15 miles from the transmitter, line of sight) produced a good quality picture.

The picture quality at location 33, field strength $E_{\text {, ( }}$ (array antenna) $=2,860$ microvolts per meter, ( 6721 Fairfax Road, Bethesda, Maryland, 4.75 miles from the transmitter and line of sight) was good.

At locations 35 and 20, both on


FIG. 4-Curve showing theoretical field strength (assuming flat earth) and typical measured values


FIG. 5-Ground contours for radials containing typical measuring locations. It may be seen that the fieid strength at any location is highly affected by the existence of obstructions between transmitter and receiver
the same radial, the transmission paths were in the clear. The field strength at location 20 (University of Maryland campus, 7.2 miles from the transmitter, and line of sight) was $E_{f}(\mathrm{Yagi})=8,300 \mathrm{microvolts}$ per meter. The ground contour for approximately one-half a mile in front of the receiving antenna was relatively low and flat. The field strength at location $35,(1,343$ Perry Place, N. W., 1.4 miles from the transmitter), was $E_{f}$ (array antenna) $=2,430$ microvolts per meter and produced a good picture. The relatively low field strength at a location so close to the transmitter was caused by houses in front of and above the receiving antenna.

At locations 8 and 21 the paths were also in the clear, but on different radials, and approximately the same distance from the transmitter. The field strength at location 21 (the drill field at Fort McNair, 4.6 miles from the transmitter), was $E_{f}$ $(\mathrm{Yagi})=29,600$ microvolts per meter, producing an excellent picture. It is significant that the ground profile for $3 \frac{1}{2}$ miles in front of the receiving antenna was very low and flat. The field strength at location 8, (Lee Blvd and Filmore

Street, Arlington, Virginia, 3.95 miles from the transmitter) was $E_{f}$ (Yagi) $=713$ microvolts per meter, producing a noisy picture. There was a row of houses approximately thirty feet high and one hundred feet in front of the receiving antenna which caused a shadowing effect.

## Reflecting Surfaces

Tests were made at location 5 , which is approximately 500 feet from the United States Capitol Building and 3.37 miles from the transmitter. With the eight-element antenna array oriented toward the transmitter, an excellent picture was obtained, the field strength measuring $E_{f}=4,200$ microvolts per meter. The array was then turned 100 degrees clockwise to use the reflected signal from the Capitol Building and a good picture was obtained except for a slight leading ghost due to the directly transmitted signal.

At location 53, (23rd and Constitution Avenue), with the antenna array oriented toward the transmitter an excellent quality picture was obtained and the field strength was measured to be $E_{t}=147,000$.

The antenna was then turned 180 degrees and the reflected signal from the Lincoln Memorial produced a field intensity $E_{t}=18,500$ microvolts per meter. The picture definition was marred to some extent by a number of closelyspaced following echoes, an effect which did not appear in the signal reflected from the dome of the Capitol Building. There was a prominent leading ghost, displaced three-eights of an inch to the left, caused by direct pickup from the back lobe of the antenna array. The front-to-back gain ratio of the antenna array was great enough so that the receiver was synchronized from the reflected signal.

In tests made at location 55 (16th and H Streets, N. W., 1.95 miles from the transmitter) the receiving antenna was surrounded by buildings, and all received signals were obtained by multipath transmission. The Yagi antenna was slowly rotated through 360 degrees and all positions gave high field strength readings; but a good quality of picture, not marred by multipath transmission, was obtained only over a 30 -degree range, in the direction of the transmitter.

The shadowing effect caused by obstructions such as hills, buildings and trees, at 500 mc , is greater than at the lower frequency television channels. Reception at the higher frequency will be improved by increased transmitter power, but of perhaps equal importance is the elevation of the transmitting antenna above obstructions and average terrain.

The use of high-gain receiving antennas to build up the signal voltage applied to the input circuit is highly desirable in many locations, and our investigations showed that at 90 percent of the locations where such antennas were tried, there was a definite gain in signal applied to the receiver input with a consequent improvement of signal-tonoise ratio.

Multipath transmission is present at 500 mc but, even when using a half-wave dipole, seemed less than that experienced on the lower channels. The possibility of multipath signals degrading a picture is decreased by the use of high-gain directional receiving antennas, which were found to be generally desirable to provide a clean signal in locations where multipath reception was severe.

When the receiving antenna is shaded from the transmitter by hills and buildings it is sometimes possible to use a reflecting object such as a building as a signal source. However, the reflected signal suffers a definite attenuation due to scattering and absorption at the reflecting surface, and the general construction of the reflecting structure at times gives rise to a number of closely-spaced following ghosts which lower the overall
definition of the picture.
Man-made noise, such as that from automobile ignition systems, affects picture quality a great deal less at 500 mc than at the lower frequency television channels. Therefore, when receiving in city locations, less received power is necessary to overcome man-made noise and provide reliable reception than is required on the low channels. Throughout these tests the limiting noise was receiver noise and not man-made interference.

There were many city locations in which an open-circuit voltage of 500 microvolts at the receiver end of the feed line provided a fair picture. Twice this value, or approximately 1,000 microvolts open-circuit voltage at the receiver end of the feed line, produced a good quality picture. This level of signal ( 1,000 microvolts open-circuit voltage out of 93 ohms ) would require a field strength of 6,500 microvolts per meter when using a half-wave resonant dipole. If a high-gain receiving antenna were used the required field intensity in microvolts per meter would be reduced, in most locations, by the ratio of the voltage gain of the directional receiving antenna compared to a single halfwave dipole. In a few locations the usual types of high-gain antennas do not deliver their nominal gain, and it is felt that this matter should be further investigated. There is some indication that, in shadowed areas, vertical directivity is to be preferred to horizontal directivity as a means of obtaining antenna gain. Some of the scattered signals arriving from widely different directions in the horizontal plane contribute usefully to the output.

Table I-Field Strength vs Picture Quality

|  | Good to Excellent <br> Picture Quality | Marginal Picture <br> Quality | Poor to Unusable <br> Picture Quality |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Measured Open Circuit <br> Voltage at Receiver <br> End of Feed Line <br> (Microvolts) | 1,000 <br> or over | 300 to <br> 1,000 | Under <br> 300 |
| Field Strength Using <br> a Halfwave Dipole <br> and allowing for 3 db <br> Feedine Loss <br> (Microvolts per meter) | 6,500 <br> or over | 2,000 to |  |



FIG. 6-Curve showing the relationship between the percent of receiving loca. tions and the measured field intensity in db below theoretical for smooth earth

Since receiver noise limits quality of performance more than does man-made interference, converters should be designed with the best possible signal-to-noise ratio.

An evaluation of the picture quality in terms of receiver noise as noted by the observers is given in Table I.

## Conclusions

The measured field strengths were generally lower than that calculated on the basis of smooth earth. The deviation of received field strength from the calculated value is plotted versus percentage of stations affected, in Fig. 6. While no complete theory of terrain effects exists at the present time, all indications are that these effects rapidly diminish as the transmitting antenna height is increased.

While the transmitter power required to give a predetermined percentage of coverage cannot be estimated reliably without involving matters such as population distribution which are beyond the province of this investigation, some facts bearing on coverage can be derived immediately from the above data. For example, to produce a field of 3,000 microvolts per meter in at least 55 percent of the receiving locations twenty miles from the transmitter with a dipole and reflector with a gain of 4 db for a receiving antenna, the transmitter effective radiated power must be 125 kw .

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## Choke-Input Filter Chart

For given bleeder current, chart gives optimum values of $L$ and $C$, resulting output ripple and resonant frequency, and magnitudes of four significant transients for nine combinations of single-phase and polyphase rectifier circuits with various power input frequencies

PREvIOUS charts for chokeinput filters give the ratio of choke reactance to capacitor reactance or the $L C$ produet needed to attenuate the ripple to the required level, but individual values of $L$ and $C$ are not thereby determined. Where regulation is important, $L$ and $C$ must have definite values to avoid capacitance effect, or the tendency for the d -c voltage to rise at light loads.
For the circuit of Fig. 1 it can be shown that

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{1}=\left(X_{L}-X_{C}\right) / P_{A} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $R_{1}$ is maximum bleeder resistance to prevent voltage rise, $X_{L}$ is choke reactance at fundamental ripple frequency, $X_{c}$ is capacitor reactance at fundamental ripple frequency and $P_{A}$ is peak amplitude of fundamental ripple frequency in the rectifier output, which depends on the type of rectifier.

Attenuation in this filter can be expressed by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{P_{A}}{P_{R}}=\frac{X_{L}-X_{C}}{X_{C}} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P_{R}$ is the peak ripple amplitude in the load. Combining Eq. 1 and 2 gives $X_{r}=R_{1} P_{\mathrm{R}}$, and therefore

$$
\begin{equation*}
C=\frac{1}{\omega R_{1} P_{R}}=\frac{1}{R_{1}}\left(\frac{1}{\omega P_{R}}\right) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Description of Chart

For a given rectifier, filter capacitance $C$ thus depends only on the bleeder resistance and percent ripple. Once capacitance is fixed, the minimum inductance is also fixed; these are the values plotted on the chart.

Abscissa values of the righthand scale are bleeder conductance in milliamperes per volt; and of the left-hand scale, filter capacitance in microfarads. Ordinates of the lower vertical


FIG. 1-Basic choke-input filter circuit. and curves illustrating four transient conditions affecting circuit design
scale are inductance in henrys. Lines representing various amounts of ripple in the load are plotted in the first quadrant, labeled both in db and percent ripple. In the second quadrant, lines are drawn representing different types of rectifiers and supply line frequencies. A similar set of lines is shown in the fourth quadrant.

Two orthogonal sets of lines are drawn in the third quadrant. Those sloping downward to the right represent resonant frequency of the filter $L$ and $C$ and also load resistance $R_{L}$. The other set of lines is labeled $\sqrt{L / C}$, which may be regarded as the filter impedance. It can be shown that the transient properties of the filter are dependent upon the ratio of $\sqrt{L / C}$ to $R_{L}$.

Ripple is plotted in two ways. Percent values are rms ripple voltage in the load divided by d-c voltage output $E_{d-c}$, according to the IRE standard definition; db values are equal to $20 \log _{10}$
(rms ripple)/0.707 $E_{d-c}$. Instruments for measuring hum normally read the db value, which is the noise-to-signal ratio for 100 percent modulation of $E_{d-c}$, expressed in -db . It is 3 db less ripple than would be obtained by 20 times the logarithm of the percent ripple expressed as a fraction. This distinction should be borne in mind if an attempt is made to correlate the two methods of plotting ripple.

## Use of Chart

In using the chart, it is well to start with bleeder resistance, or milliamperes bleeder current per volt $E_{d-c}$ and draw an ordinate to intersect the desired value of load ripple, trace horizontally to the type of rectifier, and read the value of $C$. Now return to bleeder resistance and trace downward to the type of rectifier, and read the value of $L$. More detailed step-by-step instructions are given under the chart.
The $L$ scale requires a correction to compensate for the fact that ripple is not exactly a linear function of $L$, but rather of $X_{L}-X_{c}$. The curves in the lower part of quadrant IV give the amount of correction to be added when the correction is greater than 1 percent.

Bleeder current given is the minimum necessary for continuous current from the rectifier. Steady-state peak ripple current is read directly on the same scale.

The third quadrant has a series of lines labeled $f_{r}$, and the intersection of $L$ and $C$ thereon indicates the resonant frequency of the filter. It should be no higher than the value given in the small table in quadrant IV in order to avoid excessive ripple in polyphase rectifiers due to

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## Choke-Input Filter Chart

supply-line phase unbalance.
If the supply voltage is suddenly impressed, or if the load varies suddenly, the filter is subject to transients. The bottom
scales of quadrant III give the magnitudes of the four transients indicated on the curves in Fig. 1.

Additional data on the use of
this chart for swinging-choke and shunt-tuned choke applications and for two-stage chokeinput filters is given in the Electron Art department.


1. Assume suitable value of bleeder resistance or bleeder current $I_{1}$ in ma per volt of $E_{d-c}$. This is also steadystate peak ripple current in ma.
2. Trace upward on desired bleeder ordinate to intersect desired value of load ripple, and from here trace horizontally to the left to diagonal line for rectifier and supply frequency used. Directly under read value of $C$.
3. Trace downward on same desired bleeder ordinate to intersect diagonal line below for rectifier and supply frequency, and read value of $L$.
4. From desired ripple value, determine correction for $L$ on graph at lower right, and add indicated correction to value of $L$.
5. Using corrected value of $L$ and next standard value of $C$, find intersection in third quadrant and read maximum resonant frequency $f_{r}$.
6. Using same values of $L$ and $C$ as in 5 , read value of ratio $\sqrt{L / C}$.
7. Under intersection of $\sqrt{L / \bar{C}}$ with load resistance $R_{L}$ read values of the four transients.

Example (shown dotted) :
Three-phase full-wave 60 -cycle rectifier; $E_{d-c}=3,000 \mathrm{v} ; I_{2}=1 \mathrm{amp} ; I_{1}=$ 96 ma ; load ripple $=-50 \mathrm{db}$

Solution:
Bleeder $\mathrm{ma} /$ yolt $=0.032$
$C=4.5 \mu \mathrm{f}$ (use $5 \mu \mathrm{f}$ )
Scale value of $L=0.78 \mathrm{~h}$; corrected value $=0.82 \mathrm{~h}$

Resonant frequency $=75$ cycles
Load resistance $R_{L}=3,000$ ohms
$i_{m}=7 I_{2}=7 \mathrm{amp} ; \Delta \boldsymbol{E}_{S}=79 \%$ : $\Delta \boldsymbol{E}_{D}$
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## Photoelectric Bus Washer

Cleaning of the outside of a bus in two minutes is being done by electronic equipment. The bus is driven between two guide rails that are spanned by the light beam of a photoelectric system. This enables the driver to ascertain when he is in the correct position for the washer to be operated. The position is not very critical since the washing machine is suspended from the roof and is free to align itself as it descends and embraces the bus.

The washing machine consists of a horizontally suspended rectangular trough, the inner surface of which is open. Shafting driven by motors extends all round this framework. The shafting carries a series of rubber fabric flaps which when rotated act as mops to swab
the surface of the coachwork.
The trough is suspended from the garage roof and can be raised or lowered electrically. Beneath the flaps a horizontal water pipe is fitted from which water at gentle pressure can be sprayed through a number of fine holes.

When the framework is lowered over a bus, water first flows over the surface of the coachwork, followed by the revolving flaps which effectively loosen all mud and dirt. The framework after being lowered to the ground is raised again, during which operation the water spray gives a final wash.

When the bus is driven in, the light beam is interrupted and a red lamp signal shows up at the end of the garage. The driver then proceeds slowly until he is just free of


Both sides of the bus are embraced simultaneously by the trough while being washed
the beam and the pilot lamp goes nut.

The bus is then in the correct position for the washing machine to operate. Since the ground is often practically under water, the alternative use of contacts operated by the wheels of the chassis would offer some difficulty.

Four 1-hp, 3-phase motors are used to drive the flaps and a $\frac{1}{-1}$-hp motor to operate the raising and lowering winch. Each traverse of the bus occupies about 35 seconds. A bus can be completed and cleaned every two minutes.

The Essex bus-washing machine is marketed by Messrs. Strathstone Ltd. of London and produced to the design of the chief engineer of the Eastern National Omnibus Co. of Chelmsford, Essex, England.

## Coin-Operated Slave Television

Whether soda fountain coin-operated television will be practical or impractical will be determined by an experimental installation in a luncheonette in Hoboken, New Jersey. The sylstem uses a master television receiver, located at some convenient place in the building, and a series of slave units, one mounted at each booth so that the screen can easily be viewed by the occupants.

The installation was made as an experiment, using General Electric equipment. The slave sets consist essentially of the standard GE model 810 chassis with the front ends, i-f amplifiers and audio discriminators removed. The master station is a standard receiver with the addition of a cathode-follower output tube fed from the grid of the picture tube.

The picture tubes in the slave units are mounted vertically, to conserve space, and the viewers actually see a reflected image from a slanting mirror. This method of viewing, of course, required the reversing of the picture tube image. This was accomplished by rotating the deflection yoke 180 degrees and reversing the vertical sweep electrically. The master set will power

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up to 20 slave units at distances up to 2,000 feet.

This experimental installation has already suggested several desirable alterations of the original system. It is planned that future slave sets will use a new transformerless chassis and the audio discriminator will be retained at the slave position, permitting the combined audio and video to be fed through one cable instead of the two now used. The planned future slave will have two output tubes, a video amplifier, necessary for isolation, and a cathode follower fed from the plate of the first video amplifier.

## Voice-Controlled Intercom System

By John R. Cooney<br>Waldo Theatre Corp. Walduboro, Maine

The Problem of designing an intercommunicating system which does not require manual operation of a talk-listen switch is a rather interesting one, and can be approached in various ways. The system to be described represents a fairly straightforward development which has proved highly satisfactory after prolonged use under typical industrial operating conditions.

The installation and operation is exactly similar to that of the usual simple master-substation system, where the substations consist of simple p-m loudspeakers, except that the caller at the master station is not required to operate a talklisten switch, the switching being accomplished electronically by the sound of his voice.

As in the case of the ordinary type of system, a remote station may be placed in any kind of location, and answered at almost any distance from the loudspeaker. The master station is expected to be installed in a relatively quiet situation, such as an executive's office, but the requirements for its successful operation are not critical.

After a given substation has been connected by operation of the usual selector switch, sounds originating


FIG. 1-Complete schematic diagram of automatic intercom system. Tubes in top row comprise outgoing amplifier: bottom row is incoming amplifier (normally on)
at the substation are heard normally over the master loudspeaker. However instead of operating a talk-listen switch when he wishes to reply, the home operator has only to speak (above a certain low threshold level) and the system is


FIG. 2-Simplified block diagram of voicecontrolled intercommunication system
instantaneously switched to the outgoing condition, returning to normal immediately after he stops talking.

Although the operator at the master station is expected to be within a few feet of his microphone (a normal situation if he is operating the selector switch anyway), the threshold adjustment can actually be set, in a quiet location, so that he can carry on a conversation as much as 30 feet away from it.

The principle involved in this system is simple, but the actual development of a workable circuit presented many problems, because of the necessity of precise timing of the sequence of events.

## Circuit Details

The circuit details appear in Fig. 1 and the principle of operation is illustrated in Fig. 2 in simplified form.

The system consists roughly of three sections: an out-going amplifier, incoming amplifier, and a control section. The amplifying sections are conventional, except that
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## Magnetic Fluid Uses

Recent studies of the iron-oil mixtures used in the electromagnetic fluid clutch developed by the Na tional Bureau of Standards reveal that magnetic fluids can be employed to good advantage in hydraulic systems, shock absorbers, and dash pots, to form casting molds and as variable electrical resistors. The basic property on which all these applications depend is that the viscosity of a magnetic fluid is directly related to the strength of the applied magnetic field. The fluid may be changed from a liquid to a nearly solid state and back again at will.

An electrical resistor adapted to remote control can be made by immersing two electrodes in a magnetic fluid. When the fluid is in an unmagnetized condition, the resistance between the two electrodes will be extremely high because of the very loose contact among the conductive iron particles that are randomly distributed in the nonconductive oil. In the presence of $a$.
magnetic field, however, the iron particles apparently form chains along the lines of magnetic flux and draw into close physical contact. The flux density will determine the massiveness of the chain and, thus, the conductivity of the mixture. When the system is de-energized, the conductance does not drop back to its former very low level. This property of magnetic fluid resistors is attributed to the coherer effect that has been previously investigated by Branly, Marconi, and others.

Electromagnetic fluids are also being investigated for use in molding operations. A fluid is placed in a pot surrounded by a currentcarrying coil, a model of the part to be cast is placed in the fluid, and the coil is then energized so that the fluid will solidify around the model. When the model is removed, a detailed impression remains outlined in the solidified magnetic fluid. Molding compound can then be poured into the mold and


Test setup for demonstrating solidification of magnetic fluid by a steady magnetic field. With coll deenergized at left, fluid flows into pan under pipe. When direct current is sent through coil, flow is cut off instantly and even tluid in air below pipe has hardened


Demonstration of use of magnetic tluid as universal positioning device for heavy camera. Fluid in nonferrous metal cup solidifies around camera support rod when coil surrounding cup is energized with d-c. Current is interrugted with switch in foreground whenever camera needs repositioning
allowed to harden. After the coil current is turned off the molded replica can easily be removed from the liquid. In any application of this kind, the boiling point of the magnetic fluid must of course be higher than the temperature of the molten casting material.

## C 'omposition of Fluid

The success or failure of any device utilizing magnetic fluid will depend to a considerable extent on the particular components in the iron-oil mixture, the choice of suspension fluid and iron powder in large measure being determined by the application for which the mixture is intended. The iron powder is one component of the mixture not generally varied from one application to another. In order to achieve maximum magnetic efficiency the iron powder must have high permeability; to minimize wear and abrasion on moving parts the particles should have smooth, continuous exteriors; and the iron powder must be chemically stable, resisting oxidation in the suspension fluid. A great many powders have been tried, including pure iron, alloys, oxides, and ferrites. The powder which has proven most universally successful is a carbonyl iron in the form of particles about 8 microns in diameter.

The choice of a suspension fluid is not so simple. Some of the fac-

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## Photoelectric Librarian

A PHOTOELECTRIC bibliography compiling machine developed by Engineering Research Associates, Inc., St. Paul, Minn., for the U. S. Department of Commerce and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, stores vast amounts of scientific information in its system and automatically delivers a microfilm record of all items on any selected subject.

Known as the Rapid Selector, the device was developed from principles originated before the war by Dr. Vannevar Bush, then at MIT. The prototype machine is now being tested for performance at the Agriculture Department library.

The Rapid Selector uses standard $35-\mathrm{mm}$ motion picture films, on each reel of which can be stored 72,000 abstracts. This is equivalent to the contents of almost 500,000 conventional library cards since each abstract may have up to six subject classifications. Running time is 6.7 minutes per reel.

When the information is microfilmed, a predetermined code pattern, consisting of black and white squares representing up to six seven-digit numbers, is simultaneously printed on the film as shown in Fig. 1. To obtain everything the selector possesses on a particular subject, the operator places an interrogating punched card in the
mechanism. A photo electric system then scans the film at a rate of more than 60,000 subjects a minute, automatically selects the desired frames, and copies them on a separate film through the use of highspeed repeating photoflash techniques. Selection is based on matching of transparent squares on the film with those on the master key card.

This development is of inestimable value in research where all references in a particular field must be thoroughly checked before undertaking new work. Depending on the subject matter and the extensiveness of previous researches, a conventional hunt for references varies from days to weeks. In contrast, it would take the Rapid Selector only about fifteen minutes to review all the entries that have appeared in the last thirty years in Chemical Abstracts, assuming they had first been transferred to
microfilm and properly coded with light patterns for use in the machine. The selector can potentially be coded for ten million different subjects.

Before the machine could be put into operation a number of troublesome details had to be worked out. For example, as long as the abstracts selected by the machine for photographing were spaced a few inches apart, the machine photographed them at full speed. However, if the frames to be photographed were too close together, the mechanism could not move an additional frame of unexposed film into position quickly enough to photograph the second frame. The difficulty was solved by including a second photoelectric scanner that anticipates the approach of any frame which is too close to be photographed at high speed. The device slows down the whole machine
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Microfilm Rapid Selector as developed and constructed by Engineering Research Associates, Inc., St. Paul, under the supervision of Ralph R. Shaw (left), librarian of the Department of Agriculture. Film on reels is scanned by phototube system while running through optical system at 300 feet per minute. The twelve phototubes used are in the bright metal housing set at 45 degrees under right-hand film reel


## NEW PRODUCTS

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## Chopper Vibrator

Airpax Products Co., 1024 Greenmount Ave., Baltimore, Md., has available a chopper vibrator with an operating coil of 2 to 40 volts a-c, and a frequency range of 0 to 450 cycles. Power handling capacity is 0 to 30 watts, and noise level is less than 1 mv . Simplest application is the amplification of minute d-c potentials such as the output of a thermocouple. Acting as a selfdriven vibrator, the unit can generate its own control signal or provide a signal for another chopper.


It can be used to convert small d-c values to a-c, and can then rectify the amplified signal to produce d-c again whose polarity and level vary directly as the source.

## All-Record Pickup

The Astatic Corp., Conneaut, Ohio, Model CLD phonograph pickup uses the LQD double-needle cartridge and plays the three types of recordings at 8 -gram needle

pressure. Output voltages are 1.2 at 1,000 cycles with a $78-\mathrm{rpm}$ record and 0.9 with a 331 -rpm record.

## Mobile Radiotelephone

Federal Telephone and Radio Corp., 100 Kingsland Road, Clifton,

N. J. The FT-145-10 mobile radiotelephone unit has a power output of 10 watts at any frequency in the 152 to $162-\mathrm{mc}$ band. It features modulation limiting as an integral part of its design, special vibrationproof r-f coils and a novel neon squelch circuit. The unit draws 7.3 amperes standby and 23.9 amperes transmit.

## Highly-Sensitive C-R Tube

allen B. Dumont laboratories, Inc., 1000 Main Ave., Clifton, N. J. Type 5XP multiple-intensifier cath-ode-ray tube features a highly sensitive vertical-deflection system.


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## Keyboard Oscillator

Weinschel Engineering Co., 123 William St., New York 7, N. Y. Model $150-\mathrm{AO}-1 / 100 \mathrm{k}$ is an improved and redesigned key-

board oscillator covering a range from 0.3 cycle to 100 kc with decades of pushbuttons. Frequency accuracy for the lower ranges up to 10,000 cycles is 0.1 percent plus 0.1 cycle. If there is no abnormal change in room temperature, frequency drift after a short warmup period is less than 0.02 percent per hour.

## Midget Antenna Relay

Advance Electric \& Relay Co., 1260 W. 2nd St., Los Angeles 26, Calif., has announced a new midget 300 -ohm antenna relay. It is silicone glass-insulated on the arma-

ture and stationary contact assemblies. Coil data: a-c coils, consuming approximately 4 volt-amperes, available up to 220 volts; d-c coils, consuming 1 to 2 watts, available up to 110 volts. Overall dimensions are $15 / 16 \times 1 \frac{7}{8} \times 1_{16}^{9}$ inches.

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## Noise and Interference Locator

Tobe Deutschmann Corp., Norwood, Mass. Model 248 portable locator is used for identifying the source of radio noise and television interference. It provides four-band coverage from 200 kc to 18 mc , plus

spot checks at 50 and 150 mc . Interference intensity is indicated in headphones and on a dual-scale meter having 0 to 100 and decibel graduations.

## Magnetic Tape Splicer

Prestoseal Mfg. Corp., 38-01 Queens Blvd., Long Island City, N. Y. The MT-1 Presto-Splicer permits splicing of 4 -inch magnetic

recording tape without scraping, cementing, use of adhesives or loss of tape material. A plastic weld is obtained by a combination of electrically produced heat and precise pressure applied within an accurately controlled time cycle. The equipment is self-timing, operates on $115-\mathrm{v} 50$ or 60 -cycle a-c, with automatic line-voltage compensation. Each splice takes from 4 to 5 seconds with 5 seconds required after splice to permit tape to cool off.

## Vacumm Control Accessory

Skaneateles Mfg. Co., Inc., 122 Dickerson St., Syracuse, N. Y. The new adjustable leak for control of vacuum or pressure source is based on the Bachman pulsed leak principle and is continuously adjustable over the range from completely closed to completely open. Operating on 110 v a-c it may be used

alone to give a desired vacuum by balancing leak rate against pump rate, or with Skanascope vacuum relay monitor to maintain the desired degree of vacuum regardless of varying conditions within the vacuum system.

## Thickness Gage

Tracerlab Inc., 55 Oliver St., Boston 10. Mass., has announced the
type SM-2 industrial recording thickness gage. The essential components of the gage are a source of beta radiation from Strontium90 and a radiation detector. The sheet material to be measured is interposed between source and detector and part of the radiation is absorbed by the sheet material in proportion to its weight per unit

area. Weight per unit area or thickness is read on a calibrated recorder. No physical contact is made with the material being measured, causing no marking of delicate surfaces.

## Subminiature Plug-In Amplifiers

The Walkirt Co., 5808 Marilyn Ave., Culver City, Calif., announces a series of plug-in amplifiers designed for use in computers and

similar service. Amplification is substantially flat from 20 cps into the ultrasonic range. Voltage gains of 10,100 and 1,000 are available.

## Tele Antenna Rotator

The Radiart Corp., 3571 W. 62nd St., Cleveland, Ohio, has developed the Tele-Rotor which rotates the antenna to the point affording clearest reception and simultaneously indicates the position of the (Continued on p 178)

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## IRE West Coast Convention

The 1949 West Coast Convention of the IRE is being held in conjunction with the Fifth Annual Pacific Electronic Exhibit sponsored by the WCEMA, at the Civic Center, San Francisco, Calif., from August 30 to September 2. A tentative program of technical sessions is as follows:

## Tuesday, Aug. 30

10:00 A.M.--Session I
An Application of Frequency Selective Negative Feedback, by J. Edwards and T. J. Parker of U. S. Navy Electronics Lab, San Dlego, Calif.
The Constant-Voltage Audio Distribution System, by $V$. Salmon of Stanford Research Institute, Stanford, Calif.
Outlook for Miniature Electronics, by C. Brunetti of Stanford Research Institute, Stanford, Calif.
I:30 P.M.-Session II-Vacuum 'I'ubes
High Current High Voltage Gas Discharge Tube, by W. R. Baker, Q. A. Kerns, J. Reidel and R. F. Edwards of Radiation Lab, U. of California, Berkeley, Calif. High-Voltage Industrial Rectifier Tubes, Design Considerations for High-Power Applications, by M. H. Brown of Machlett Labs, Inc, Los Angeles, Calif.
The Effects of Contact Potential Difference on Electron Tube Characteristics, by G. D. O'Neill of Sylvania Electric ProdThe Transverse, Curi.
The Transverse Current Amplifier, by
L. M. Field of Stanford U., Stanford, Calif 7:30 P.M.-Session III—Circuitry I
Graphical Analysis of Tuned Coupled Circuits, by A. E. Harrison and N. W Mather of tI. of Washingion, Seattle Wash.
Design of Wide-Band Feedback Pulse Amplifiers, by D. A. Watkins of Los Alamos Scientific Lab, Los Alamos, N. M. Some Developments in UHF Power Osillator Circuits, by D. H. Preist of Eitel ccullough, Inc., San Bruno, Calif.
Front End Design in UHF Television keceivers, by D. K. Reynolds and M. B Adams of Stanford Research Institute,

## Wednesday, lug. 31

19:101 A.M.-Session IV-Instrumentation Multi-Channel Recording of Physical Prenomena, by L. P. Robinson and R. L Sink of Consolidated Fingineering Corp. 'asadena, Calif

Frequency Control With Synthetic Crustals, by C. E. Green of U. S. Navy Electronies lab, San Dlego, Calif.
The Measurement of Non-Linear Distortion, by A.P.G. Peterson of General Radio ('o., Cambridge, Mass.

U'se of Doppler Radar As Test Kange Instrumentation for Missiles, by E. R. Toporeck or Naval Ordmancł Test Niation, Inyokern, Callf.
3:00 A.MI-Session V-Control Systems Combination Open-Cycle Closed-Cycle Systems, by .I. R. Monre of North American Aviation, lnc., Los Angeles, Calif. Application of an Electro-Mechanical Feedback System to a Recording Manometer, by L. G. Walters of U. of California, los Angeles, Calif.

COSMIC RAY PROJECT


The equipment above, installed in a trailer, was recently aken by University of California scientists to a mountain top in the high Sierra for investigation of the behavior of cosmic rays under controlled conditions. It counts and identifies negative and positive mesotrons in the cosmic radiation. Cloud chambers in another trailer were used to measure momentum and mass of particles

Criteria Relating Steady-State Response to Transient Response of Closed-Loop Systems, by IRobert M. Osborn of Aerophysics Lab, North American Aviation, Inc., Downey, Calif.
184-Inch Cyclotron Fulse Tining Fquipment by W. R. Aiken and D. A. Mack of U, of California Radiation Lab, Rerkeley, Calif.
7:30 P.M.-Session V1—Mirruwive 'rechniques and Applications
Use of the Phase Front Plotter to Olserve Propagation, by H. Iams of Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif.
Near Zone Field Studies of Quasi-Optical Antennas, by W. G. Sterns of U. ot California, Berkeley, Calif.
Absorbing Surfaces, by $L_{\text {. }}$. E. Swaris of U. S. Navy Electronics Jab, San Diego,

Radio Circuits for Telephone and Teleision Service, A Progress Report, by D. I. Cone of The Pacific Tel \& Tel, Sai Francisco, Calif

## Mhursduy, Sept. 1

9:30 A.M.-Session VII-Circuitry II Unification of Basic Filter Viewpoints on the Complex Frequency Plane, by D. I Trautman, Jr. of Stanford U., Stanford Calif.
Steady State and Transient Response Obtained hy means of a Two-Dimensional Potential Analogy, by H. A. Rosen of California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif.
Analysis and Design of Trigger Circuits $1,{ }^{\prime} \mathrm{T}$. H. Meisling and D . Ir. Brown of T. of California. Berkeley, Calif.

Diode fhase-Discriminators, by R. H bishington of Rand Corp., Santa Monica Calif.
SYMPOSIUM-Airborne Antennas
1:30 P.M.-Session VIII—Theoretical Problems
Frequency Analysis of Variable Net works, by L. A. Zadeh of Columbia U. New York, N. Y
The Fxternal Field Produced in a Slot in an Infinite Circular Cylinder, by $S$. Silver and W. K. Saunders of U. of Cali. formia, Berkeley, Calif.
Slot Radiators, by N. A. Begovich of Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif. Microwave Guiding by Single Corrugated Surfaces, by F. J. Zucker and W. Rotman of Electronics Research Labs, USAF, Cambridge Field Station, CamSYMPOSITTM

## Color TV Committee Formed

The National Bureau of Standards recently organized a committee for the purpose of surveying the present status and future prospects of color television. Among other things this committee is concerned with problems of general policy in the radio communications field.

Membership of the color television committee is as follows:
E. U. Condon of the National Bureau of Standards, chairman; Newbern Smith of NBS, vice-chairman; Stuart L. Bailey of Washington, D. C.; W. L. Everitt of the University of Illinois; and Donald G. Fink, editor of Electronics.

The general scope of the committee's study will embrace (1) the necessary bandwidth for suitable color pictures; (2) prospective development of color television transmitting and receiving equipment: (3) radio propagation factors in the 174 to $216-\mathrm{mc}$ and the 470 to


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$890-\mathrm{mc}$ bands affecting basic technical principles of frequency allocation for color television service; and (4) adaptability of present receivers to color use, or to receive in black-and-white a program being transmitted in color.

## New JTAC Officers

Three recent appointments to office in the Joint Technical Advisory Committee were made by the boards of directors of IRE and RMA. The officers for the term July 1, 1949 to June 30,1950 are as follows:

Donald G. Fink, editor of Electronics, chairman; John V. L. Hogan of Radio Inventions Inc., vice-chairman; and Laurence G. Cumming, technical secretary of the IRE, reappointed secretary.

Formed jointly by the IRE and RMA in May 1948, JTAC reviews and evaluates technical and engineering information relating to electronics in order to advise government bodies and other professional groups. It has issued two reports on the use of uhf for television in connection with recent FCC hearings.

## MEETINGS

Aug. 29-Sept. 1: National Conference of Associated Police Communications Officers, Hotel New Yorker, New York City.
Aug. 30-Sept. 1: Fifth Annual Pacific Electronic Exhibit sponsored by the WCEMA and the 1949 IRE western regional convention, Civic Center, San Francisco, Calif.
Sept. 12-16: Instrument Society of America National Conference and Exhibit, Municipal Auditorium, St. Louis, Mo.
Sept. 15-16: Sixth joint Can-adian-U. S. industrial conference of RMA Board of Directors, Greenbrier Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, West Va.
Sept. 26-28: National Electronics Conference, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
Sept. 27-29; Twenty-sixth Annual Session of the Communications Section, Association of American Railroads, Wentworth Hotel, Portsmouth, N. H.

SEpt. 28-Oct. 8: 16th National Radio Exhibition (Radiolympia), Olympia Exhibition

Hall, London, England.
Oct. 10-14: ASTM 1949 West Coast Meeting, Fairmount Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.
Oct. 10-14: SMPE 66th Semiannual Convention, Holly-wood-Roosevelt Hotel, Hollywood, Calif.
Oct. 12-15: Ninety-Sixth Convention of The Electrochemical Society, LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, IIl.
Oct. 17-21: Annual Meeting of the Society for Non-Destructive Testing, Public Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio.
Oct. 31-Nov. 2: Second annual Conference on Electronic Instrumentation in Nucleonics and Medicine, Hotel Commodore, New York City.
Oct. 31-Nov. 2: 1949 Radio Fall Meeting of IRE and RMA engineering department, Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y.
Oct. 31-Nov. 2: Fall Meeting of the URSI and IRE, National Academy of Sciences and State Dept. Bldg., Washington, D. C.
Nov. 14-18: 23rd NEMA Annual Meeting, Haddon Hall Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J.

## Surgery Taught Via Television

Televised operations have recently become standard training procedure at Guy's Hospital in London, thus enabling medical students to
view advanced surgery without clustering around the operating table in the theatre.

The installation incorporates a


General view of the operating theatre in Guy's Hospital, London, shows the unobtru.
sive character of the television camera installation (upper left). The camera is attached to the lamp over the operating table and both are moved on an overhead track
C.P.S. Emitron camera fixed directly above the operating table, horizontally, with a mirror set at an angle of 45 degrees reflecting into the camera's lens the scene below. The camera is remotely controlled for lens selection and focussing. The area scanned depends upon the particular lens in use, there being a choice of life-size, three-toone reduction, or three-fold magnification of an area five by six inches.

A microphone located alongside the camera picks up the surgeon's running commentary. Camera and microphone are linked with remote receivers (in lecture rooms) by closed transmission circuits.

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FIG. 3-Front and rear views of typical master station
of $V_{1}$, to prevent plate-supply disturbances from appearing at this high-gain input.

Sounds at the microphone are amplified, and any above a certain level (determined by the setting of the threshold control) are able to overcome the cut-off bias of $V_{1}$. The output of this high $-\mu$ triode is then rectified and instantly cuts off triode $V_{2}$, so that $V_{1}$ is quickly returned to operability, at a rate determined by $R C$. This time constant must be short enough so that the beginning of words is accurately reproduced, yet long enough to avoid a disagreeable thump at the receiving end.

Slightly before $V$, becomes operable (because there are no large time-constants to slow it up) the grid of $V_{5}$ (normally cut off) is driven positive, and the incoming amplifier completely and silently blanked. It is desirable that the


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blanking operation be complete and as silent as possible, as well as instantaneous; therefore the rather complicated arrangement shown is used.

The plate of $V_{s}$ is pulled to ground, making this tube inoperable as an amplifier, and at the same time the direct-coupled grid of $V$; is restrained from going any further negative than ground, so that no click is apparent.
When the sound at the microphone ceases, the negative charge leaks off $C_{2}, V_{1}$ is then instantly blanked, and the clamping of $V_{\bar{\top}}$ released shortly thereafter. (As all coupling time-constants are very small, the effect of the heavy overload on $V_{s}$ caused by the outgoing signal has been dissipated by the time $V_{\tau}$ returns to operability, so that no disturbances are heard over the loudspeaker.)

## Operation

It is obvious that ordinarily sounds issuing from the home loudspeaker would be able to affect the home microphone as well as desired sounds (This would not cause howling as in an ordinary system, but a form of slow motor-boating as the system is periodically switched from one condition to the other). Therefore part of the output of $V_{T}$ is rectified ( $V_{\mathrm{s}}$ ) and applied in series with the normal d-c threshold bias to the grid of $V_{4}$. As this additional bias is always proportional to the amplitude of sound issuing from the loudspeaker, such sound can never be loud enough to take control of the system. This mechanism is aided by the slight acoustical lag before sound from the loudspeaker can reach the microphone.

In cases of loud ambient sound at the remote station, the home station operator has merely to talk slightly louder than the sound issuing at the moment from his loudspeaker to gain instant control at any time. However, it is found that most conversations are necessarily conducted with comparative quiet obtaining at both ends, so that the home loudspeaker is generally practically silent when the home operator wishes to talk.

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erator at the remote end will always have to shut down his machine, or come closer in order to be able to hear above the din. The talker at the home station can also adjust his incoming volume control to give a level satisfactory for any particular conversation, although this is not usually necessary.

The microphone may be located very close to the home loudspeaker, even in the same cabinet if desired. However, better results are possible if they are separated by a few feet.
(A convenient arrangement which has been suggested would be to combine a small microphone with the selector pushbuttons in a compact unit for the desk, while the rest of the equipment could be installed in some out-of-the-way location nearby.)

The system described above was used for a prolonged period in a shipyard, the master station being located in the main office, with substations in a boat-shed, mill buildings, machine shop, blacksmith shop, and an outdoor location; and operation proved completely reliable and highly satisfactory under all circumstances.

In the interests of simplicity, unnecessary details, such as distribution switching and provision for initiating calls from the remote stations have been omitted from the schematic diagram.

## Veneering Machine

## By S. M. Milanowski

Los Angeles, Calif.
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FIG. 1-Setup for r-f wood veneering machine
a layup table from which they are fed by friction conveyor belts through an electrostatic field created by a dead plate and two electrodes. Vertical spring pressure is exerted by the electrodes to maintain the horizontal alignment of veneer edges as curing action takes place, after which the veneered materials are passed through discharge friction belts to a conveyor belt for cutting to predetermined lengths with a clipper.

The fundamental arrangement of conveyor belts is indicated schematically in Fig. 1B. There are two upper belts for each lower belt and the former are actuated a few inches on either side of the lower conveyor. The upper belts exert spring pressure to maintain alignment by bending the veneers slightly before the latter are electronically adhered. In the discharge belt units, operational speeds are reduced to prevent crowding and vertical pressures are relatively slight.

Figure 1C shows how electrodes are positioned a few inches from one another at a twenty-degree angle to the conveyor system. The aforementioned dead plate is directly below these electrodes, and each glue line in its forward travel passes progressively through the r-f field so that the energy of the latter will be concentrated between alternating positive and negative plates.

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## Vacuum Capacitor Voltage Dividers

By E. F. Kiernan<br>U. S. Navesearch Division \(\begin{gathered}Electronics Laboratory<br>San Diego, California\end{gathered}\)

The vacuum-tube voltmeter has been applied extensively to the measurement of potential differences in the research laboratory, in radio servicing and in the field of electronics generally. The popularity of this instrument is due primarily to its high input impedance which allows measurements to be made with a minimum of disturbance to the circuit. High input impedance is achieved by the use of diode vacuum tubes of small interelectrode capacitance and restricted physical dimensions which allow the tubes to be contained in compact probes.

While small physical dimensions facilitate measurements in tight places, they impose limits on the maximum voltage which can be applied. The upper voltage limit gen-


FIG. 1-Vacuum capacitor valtage dividers can be used to extend the range of vacuum-tube voltmeters, and similar indicating devices, without destroying their high-impedance characteristics


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The problem of extending the range of a vacuum-tube voltmeter, while at the same time preserving its high-impedance characteristics has not received a great deal of attention. This writer has found that the recent appearance on the market of a variety of compact vacuum capacitors provides components which can be assembled into voltage dividers which will not only extend the a-c ranges of a vacuumtube voltmeter up into the kilovolts but will also increase the input impedance as well.

The vacuum capacitor voltage di-


Photograph of a vacuum capacitor voltage divider. The values of the capacitors shown are 5 and $500 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ with 17,500 -volt ratings-Official Photograph U. S. Navy
vider may be used in conjunction with a variety of indicators including the electrometer, the cathoderay oscilloscope, the vacuum-tube voltmeter and the electrostatic voltmeter. In conjunction with an electrostatic voltmeter, it can be used for d-c measurements ${ }^{1}$.

## Typical Divider

Although dividers may be fabricated by assembling a series of standard transmitting vacuum tubes, using the interelectrode capacitances in various combinations, the vacuum capacitor is much more adaptable. These capacitors may be obtained in values ranging from 1 to $1,000-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ or more; and in ratings of from 10 to 30,000 volts or higher.

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resistors - rheostats - relays - control devices
across the divider is proportional to the reactance of the sections. For instance a $5-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ section in series with a $100-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ section would divide the applied voltage in the ratio of twenty to one. If 100 volts were applied across the divider there would be a reactive drop of 95.239 volts across the $5-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ section and a drop of 4.761 volts across the $100-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ section, neglecting the shunt capacitance of a probe.

In practice, representative probe capacitance will vary between 3 and $9-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, depending on the type of diode used. In low-ratio dividers this shunt capacitance connot be neglected.

In Fig. 1, suppose $X_{1}$ is the reactance of a $5-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor, $X_{2}$ is the reactance of a $50-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor and $X_{3}$ is the shunt capacitance of a probe, say $6-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. If the reactance of $X_{1}$ is given the value of 1 , then the relative reactance of the other section will be

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\frac{1}{\frac{C_{2}+C_{3}}{C_{1}}}=0.0893
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The total reactance across the divider, relative to the $5-\mu \mu \mathrm{f} \mathrm{sec}$ tion, would be $1+0.0893$, or 1.0893 . The percentage drop across $X_{2}$ of any voltage $E$ applied across the divider would be $0.0893 / 1.0893 \times$ 100 or 8.2 percent. In other words, if $E$ equals 100 volts, $e$ would be 8.2 volts.

Since the leakage resistance of


Vacuum capacitor voltage divider using tube plate-to-filament capacitance in series with four $50-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ vacuum capacitors connected in parallel-Official Photograph U. S. Navy


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## References

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## Control Wood Press

FOUR MEN now do a job that formerly required the full-time services of twenty employees at Pallet Manufacturing Co. of Lebanon, Oregon.

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bonds). With the electronic press equipment, 18 different wood surfaces can be automatically coated with heat-setting resins, clamped between the press platens with an overall pressure of 150 psi , and cured with high-frequency heatso that three complete assemblies can be simultaneously ejected from the machine, ready for shipment, every six seconds
Three men load the three press hoppers with raw wood materials while a fourth man stacks the ejected assemblies for shipment. It is estimated that resultant production has lowered manufacturing costs by at least $\$ 15$ per hour.

Mechanical components of the assembly press are actuated at pre-cision-timed intervals by means of sense elements, comprising limit switches and potentiometers. The latter are wired to a master terminal board and energized by means of telephone-type relays actuated by a pair of vacuum tubes, whose output is adjusted by means of switches and dials on a control panel.

Tubes in the control system comprise a 6SN7 and a 2050 thyratron. Nine 833-A power triodes provide high-frequency heat for the three pairs of press platens.

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[^5]is actuated by a contactor so that three-phase power flows from the factory line to motors controlling the machine's operational components for a suitable period of time.

Signal lights are arranged on the control panel so that operating personnel will be immediately informed if any mechanical or control unit should fail to function properly, but the equipment has been in constant operation for several months without requiting repairs of any type.

## Washing Clothes with Sonnd Waves

A Pair of Australian inventors have recently announced the development of a device which employs sound waves to enhance the time-honored art of clothes washing. The ap-


Electrosonic clothes washer produces sound waves in wash tub which vibrate clothes to shake dirt particles loose
paratus, shown in the accompanying photograph, is immersed in the wash tub along with the clothes to be washed. The 100 -cycle sound waves produced by the device cause the clothes to oscillate back and forth a few thousandths of an inch, and this vibration shakes the dirt particles loose and holds them in suspension in the water. The entire cleansing process takes less than

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five minutes in most cases.
The transducer is contained in a metal cylinder about 8 inches in diameter and 16 inches long. The power unit is an electromagnet which has no moving parts and therefore does not deteriorate with prolonged use. This electromagnet vibrates a circular diaphragm $7 \frac{\pi}{2}$ inches in diameter which imparts the wave motion to the water when immersed.

In use, the clothes are packed around the machine and the tub filled with enough hot water to cover the clothes. The usual amount of flake or powdered soap is then added, and the vibrator goes to work.

For safety, the machine is operated with a step-down transformer which drops line voltages to about 32 volts. The inventors claim that this voltage makes the machine absolutely safe to use. The unit is being manufactured by a firm registered in Melbourne, Australia, in the names of the inventors, J. E. Excell and H. J. Jones. Special models have been prepared for export.

## High-Speed Rotation Counter

Highly accurate and convenient high-speed rotation counting is made possible by a recently developed tachometer shown in the photograph. The device, a product of the General Electric Company, consists of a high-frequency pulse generator which produces pulses in accordance with the speed of the rotation being measured, an electronic counting circuit, and a pair of speed-indicating units, one for local and one for remote indication.

The instrument has the advantage that readings are taken every second and rotational velocity is indicated directly in revolutions per minute usually with an accuracy of better than 1 revolution per minute.

In counting high-rotational speeds, a magnetic pulse generator is used which fits on the periphery of a drum that is attached to the shaft of the machine being tested. The drum is magnetized, one side containing 150 magnetic poles and the other side 1,500 . When rotated,


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For details,



The rotational speed of the turbine is being indicated in the electronic pulse counter. The pulse pickup is mounted on the shaft at the right
the drum generates electrical impulses in the magnetic pickup, and these pulses are carried to the electronic circuit where they are counted at speeds up to 50,000 per second. The indicators do the necessary calculation and interpolation, and flash on an opal glass screen the speed of revolution in rpm. The numbers change once every second in accordance with speed changes.

## Other Uses

The pulse generator mentioned above is quite unique in counting revolutionary speeds because it has two speed ranges, one when the pickup is brought close to the $150-$ pole drum, and one when it sees the 1,500 -pole side. Any device capable of producing pulses of the proper amplitude and polarity could be used in conjunction with this counting and indicating system. For instance, the shaft of the machine to be tested could be marked and viewed by a phototube.

## Television in Industry

Increased efficiency and safety in boiler operation have been made possible through the use of a special television system installed at the American Gas and Electric Service Corporation in Detroit. The system enables the control room operator to check boiler pilot burner flame conditions by actual observation without the necessity of having an observer present on the firing floor.

As illustrated by the accompanying photographs, the television camera views the pilot burner flames of a group of furnace ports through a

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The television system used bears the name Utiliscope and is a product of the Diamond Power Specialty Corporation of Detroit, Michigan. The pictures are sent over a video line instead of by radio waves, thereby eliminating the costly feature of television.

Among the other applications of this type of television system suggested by the producers are, the observation of radioactive material from behind barriers, breakdown testing, watching traffic in vehicular tunnels, reproducing readings from electric meters and liquid level or temperature gages located in remote or inaccessible places.


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sufficiently to enable the unexposed film to be moved in time to make the photograph. After the second picture is taken the machine resumes its normal speed.

## Photoelectric Systems

The main hit detector is an assembly of four gas-type phototubes, each of which scans one-quarter of the projected code area after screening by the interrogating card, together with vacuum-tube circuits which recognize simultaneous blackout of all four phototubes and furnish an actuating pulse to the flashtube and recopying camera circuits.


FIG. 1-Arrangement of abstract and code areas on master film, and method of assigning code numbers to squares to accommodate $10,000,000$ different subjects

The hit detector operates in conjunction with the framing-mark detector. In order that the abstract may be properly framed, it is necessary that the flashtube and recopying camera be actuated by the uni-formly-placed framing mark rather than the hit itself. Hence, the occurrence of a hit merely arms a storage system, which is subsequently triggered by the next succeeding framing mark to produce an actuating pulse.
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Phototube assembly with cover removed. Center row of four type 921 gas phototubes reacts when code dots on interrogating card correspond to those for an abstract on the film. Other two rows of phototubes anticipate hits for either direction of film travel and slow down film whenever abstracts to be recopied are too close
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The control circuit automatically performs this function following receipt of a command pulse from the main hit detector. The basis of the circuit is a self-returning or one-shot multivibrator driving a pair of 6 V 6 output tubes in pushpull fashion. The two clutch coils are the plate loads for the output tubes. The multivibrator return time constant governs the active interval of the clutch and hence the amount of advance of the film.

The major difficulties encountered with electronic components thus far stem from electron tube variability. In particular, the type 921 phototubes were found to vary widely in sensitivity. A selection process is necessary in order to obtain a properly matched set, as about 78 percent of the tubes tested proved unsuitable. Serious difficulty was also encountered with the type 12AX7 tubes used as cathode-followers immediately following the phototubes; about 75 percent of the tubes which were received for this installation were so far short of the published emission and transconductance ratings as to be unusable.

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Measurement of intense x-rays generated by voltages below 50 kilovolts has always been a problem. In recent years the situation has become acute because of two tube developments, a contact therapy tube in which the ray-producing target is placed against the skin or even inserted into the body cavities, and a beryllium-window tube yield-


Experimental arrangement used at National Bureau of Standards to expose a nylon thimble chamber to x-rays from a beryl-lium-window $x$-ray tube mounted behind a solenoid shutter control which admits definite amounts of radiation to the thimble ionization chamber
ing 10,000 times the output of an ordinary x-ray tube. In the first of these, the radiation in the tissues is very intense near the target and it is therefore essential to accurately measure and control the dosage. The second type is used primarily for skin therapy, biological research, and for some industrial purposes where high output is useful.

Studies of the measuring problem by the National Bureau of Standards have had two principal directions: first, designing and constructing improved performance standards and, second, obtaining data to permit the approximate correction of standard dosage meter readings for very soft x-rays.

## Ionization Chambers

The problem of devising a small free-air standard ionization chamber turned out to be not too difficult for radiation intensities up to 1,000 roentgens per minute. However, in the use of such a chamber, absorption of the very soft radiation between the diaphragming and measuring point may be very large and this loss must be known with an accuracy equal to that desired in the final measurement. A large series of such air absorption coefficients has been determined using a beryllium-window x-ray tube with voltages ranging from 10 to 200 kv in small increments. Since the coefficient of air absorption varies


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FIG. 1-Curves for determining the ratio of $\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$ to $\mathrm{e}-\mathrm{m}$ magnetic field for combination focus compensation of television receivers
ent makes) has become popular. Some manufacturers are even considering a device employing only a permanent magnet with a steel sleeve and steel end plates, focus adjustment being attained by varying the length of the air gap between the sleeve and one end plate.

When choosing the proper type of focus device, many factors must be considered, among the more important of which are original cost, power consumption, heat dissipation and compensation for voltage variation. This latter item becomes most important when little or no voltage stabilization is provided by the set. Ordinary household voltages may easily vary plus or minus 10 percent, and a great deal less variation may cause either a very unpleasant picture or the necessity for frequent refocussing. Consequently, each type of focus device should be examined in the light of this requirement.

## Analysis

Focus compensation is best analyzed by examining the deflection to which a single electron or a beam of electrons is subjected when passing through the focussing device under given conditions of field strength and accelerating voltage. If this deflection remains constant when the applied voltage to the receiver varies, the picture will remain in focus; if not, it will de-focus. It

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may be readily demonstrated that

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\begin{equation*}
D=K H / \sqrt{E} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $D$ is the deflection of electron beam passing through the focus device and subject to action of field strength $H$ and accelerating voltage $E^{\prime}, H$ is the magnetic field strength produced by the focus device, $E$ is the applied voltage to the receiver, and $K$ is the constant of proportionality including that relating $E$ to $E^{\prime}$.

## Field Strength

The field strength $H$ produced by an electromagnetic focus device will be directly proportional to the direct current $I$ flowing through its windings. This in turn (disregarding circuit nonlinearities) will be directly proportional to the applied voltage to the receiver, or $H=C_{1} E$. Hence, for this case $D=K_{1} \vee E$. This relation is shown by the appropriate curve of Fig. 1A.

The field strength $H$ produced by a permanent-magnet focus device will be constant with respect to impressed voltage variations. For this case $D=K_{2} / \sqrt{ }$. This relation is also shown in Fig. 1A. Obviously, neither of these relations present a desirable condition and both will result in picture defocusing upon relatively slight variation in impressed voltage.

## Combined Field Strength

The field strength $H$ produced by a combination $\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$ and e-m unit will consist of the summation of two factors, one of which is constant with respect to $E$ and the other of which varies directly with $E$, or,

$$
\begin{equation*}
H=A+B E \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Referring to Eq. 1, for $D$ to remain a constant the following relation must hold:

$$
\begin{equation*}
A+B E=C \sqrt{E} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $A, B$ and $C$ are constants, this equality is not maintained over all values of $E$; in fact, the equality exists at a maximum of only two values of $E$, one of which may be imaginary. The right-hand side of Eq. 3 is shown plotted in Fig. 1B. The left-hand side of Eq. 3 is the expression for a straight line of slope $B$ and vertical ordinate intercept $A$. By proper choice of the constants $A$ and $B$ this line may be

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Now, the mean value of field strength $H_{o}$ produced by the combination $\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$ and e-m focus device with a mean value of impressed voltage $E_{0}$ applied to the receiver is (from Eq. 2)

$$
\begin{equation*}
H_{o}=A+B E_{0} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

From Fig. 1B it is seen that $B$ is equal to the slope of the curve $C \vee E$ at the point $E_{0}$.

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\frac{d(C \sqrt{E})}{d E}=\frac{C}{2 \sqrt{E}} \\
B=\frac{C}{2 \sqrt{E_{o}}} \text { and } B E_{o}=\frac{C \sqrt{E_{o}}}{2} \tag{5}
\end{array}
$$

Since the two curves of Fig. 1B intersect at the point $E_{0}$, this point is a solution of Eq. 3 and we may write

$$
\begin{equation*}
A+B E_{o}=C \sqrt{E_{o}} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting Eq. 5 into Eq. 6 we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
A=\frac{C \sqrt{E_{0}}}{2}=B E_{o} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Referring back to Eq. 4, the above relation indicates that the best possible focus compensation with voltage variation is supplied by a combination p-m and e-m focus device so designed that the permanent magnet supplies 50 percent of the focussing magnetic field when nominal voltage is applied to the receiver.

## Additional Uses for Rectifier Filter Chart

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The Choke-Input filter chart given in the Reference Sheet for this issue can be applied to swinging chokes, shunt-tuned chokes and twostage filters by making certain corrections as set forth here.

## Swinging Choke

If the choke in the filter swings to $S$ times the full-load value in henrys, the regulation is improved

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considerably without affecting the full-load ripple. The chart may still be used for this case with certain corrections. At least this is true for the single-phase full-wave rectifier, which is where the swinging choke is used most commonly. The swinging choke requires less bleeder current for a given number of henrys at full load, but capacitance $C$ is not appreciably affected.

Since use of the chart starts with bleeder current, it is necessary to multiply the capacitance obtained from the chart by the ratio $S$, but to it must be added nearly the same percentage the chart gives in the curve of corrections for $L$.

The value of $L$ obtained by projecting the bleeder current downwards is the maximum or swinging value. It must be divided by $S$ to obtain the full-load value. Transient conditions may be approximated closely by using the full amount of capacitance in the filter and the full-load value of henrys in the choke. Peak ripple current is dependent on the full-load value of henrys and is therefore $S$ times the bleeder current.

## Shunt-tuned Choke

If the filter choke is paralleltuned to the fundamental ripple frequency, the ripple and regulation are less than they would be with an untuned choke. The inductance of the choke is held as constant as is practicable from bleeder load to full load, so that approximately the same ripple is obtained at all loads. With practicable tolerances on choke inductance and tuning capacitance, the choke impedance is effectively increased 3 to 1 , hence $R_{1}=$ $\left(3 X_{L}-X_{C}\right) / P_{A}$, and the ratio ( $P_{A} / P_{R}$ is equal to $\left(3 X_{t}-X_{c}\right) / X_{c}$. Combining gives $X_{C}=P_{r} R_{1}$, and the chart can be used directly for capacitance $C$. The values of inductance, however, must be divided by 3 in order to obtain the actual henrys in the choke. This lower value of henrys and the capacitance $C$ across the load determine transient conditions as shown by the third quadrant of the chart. Peak ripple current is limited by tuning capacitance.

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For example, if the filter consisted of two stages both equal to that in the example given in the Reference Sheet, the ripple would not be -100 db , but some lower figure, because of the fact that the rectifier output is less than 100 percent ripple. In the case of the three-phase full-wave rectifier this is 4.2 percent rms , or -25 db on the usual ratio of hum to maximum signal. Hence the net hum across the load, if two sections like that in the example were used, would be $-50 \mathrm{db}-25 \mathrm{db}=-75 \mathrm{db}$. The following table gives the amount of ripple reduction which must be applied to each of the three kinds of rectifiers shown on the chart in order to arrive at the ripple across the load with a two-stage filter having like sections.

| Type of Rectifier | db | rms |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single-Phase Full-Wave | 3.5 | 0.47 |
| Three-Phase Half-Wave | 12 | 0.18 |
| Three-Phase Full-Wave | 25 | 0.04 |

Instead of subtracting db , the chart value in percent may be divided by that given in this table, for the second stage.

The regulation in a two-stage filter, as far as capacitance effect is concerned, depends upon the inductance of the first choke as in a single-stage filter. Therefore the chart applies directly to the inductance and capacitance of the first stage. The peak ripple current likewise depends upon the inductance of the first choke, regardless of the location of the bleeder resistor.

Transients are more complicated, due to the fact that the two stages interact under transient conditions. The various transient properties of voltage and current obtained from the chart apply approximately to a two-stage filter; that is, the $L$ and $C$ of one stage roughly determine them. Considerable refinement must be used to obtain more accurate answers.

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Transmitter Mica Capacitors. Cornell Dubilier Electric Corp., South Plainfield, N. J. A single-sheet bulletin covers the Faradon NF transmitting mica capacitors with universal mounting. Rating, dimensions, outstanding features, description and uses are outlined.

Aluminum Cable Manual. Reynolds Metals Co., Customers Service Dept., 2500 So. Third St., Louisville 1, Ky. The new manual on steel-reinforced aluminum cable includes full technical data, a comprehensive collection of sagtension charts, staking tables and stringing-sag tables, with explanatory material on line design and line erection. Formal requests for the manual will be filled.

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Air Meter. Anemostat Corp., of America, 10 E. 39th St., New York 16 , N. Y. Bulletin 25A tells how the Anemotherm air meter measures air velocity, air temperature and static pressure. Included are illustrations of the instrument in operation for each of its functions.

Insulation Measurement. Associated Research, Inc., 3758 West Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill. Bulletin 209 covers the Vibrotest, an insulation and resistance measuring instrument. Specifications of all models from 100 to 50,000 megohms are listed. Also shown are the advantages of a self-contained power unit eliminating hand cranking.

Apparatus Notes. Andrew Technical Service, 4747 N. Damen Ave., Chicago 25, Ill. Bulletin 504 of the Apparatus Notes series is devoted to stop watches, interval timers, circuit control timers and chronographs. Bulletin 515 deals with a variety of technical device including temperature recorders, immersion heaters and manometers. Prices of all instruments are included.

Sweep Signal Generator. The Triplett Electrical Instrument Co., Bluffton, Ohio, recently issued a catalog sheet on the model 3434 television and $f$-m sweep signal generator with built-in markers. Illustration, general description and frequency coverage are given.

Mobile Communication Equipment.
Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J. Form 2 J 4628 is an 8 -page folder giving an illustrated description of the Carfone which features " 31 Circuit" selectivity for interference-free operation in the 152 to $174-\mathrm{me}$ f-m band. Complete specifications are listed.

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Broadcast • Engineers Manual. Hewlett-Packard Co., Palo Alto, Calif., is offering free on request to all radio station chief engineers a 37-page manual to aid broadcast engineers in making FCC-required station performance measurements. The manual states each requirement for both $\mathrm{a}-\mathrm{m}$ and $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ broadcasters, lists equipment needed to make appropriate measurements, and gives in detail proper procedures for measuring, recording, tabulating and presenting the required data.

Battery Eliminator, Raytheon Mfg. Co., Waltham 54, Mass., has published a brochure including illustrations, diagrams, schematics and full specifications of the new Rectifilter, the battery eliminator that has no moving parts, requires no adjustments and practically no maintenance.

Selenium Rectifiers. Standard Arcturus Corp., 54 Clark St., Newark 4, N. J. Three recent bulletins describe and illustrate a variety of selenium rectifiers for all electronic and industrial applications. Voltage regulation curves and specifications for half-wave strip, half-wave stack and power rectifiers are given.

Broadcast Equipment. Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J. Five new brochures describe the latest broadcast station equipment. Form 2J-4864 deals with broadcast microphones and accessories; Form 2J-4910, magnetic tape recorders; 2J-4784, professional recorder; $2 \mathrm{~J}-4770$, portable remote amplifier; and 2J-4771, Duo-cone monitoring loudspeaker. Also available are catalog sheets on a studio consolette, tone generator and field intensity meter.

Radio Timers. Telechron Inc., 285 Union St., Ashland, Mass. A recent bulletin includes illustrations, dimensional drawings, and


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Electrical Contact Metals. Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., North Chicago, Ill. Technical data bulletin 7.101 is a 12-page booklet dealing with Fastells, a group of materials made from metal powders for use as electrical contacts. Information and data of basic importance to design and production departments, as well as explanatory illustrations, are included.

Image Orthicon Data. Radio Corp. of America, Harrison, N. J. Three 12-page booklets of television camera tube data are available. They cover the 5655 , for applications with artificial illumination; the 2P23, for outdoor pickup; and the 5769, for outdoor and studio pickup.

Solder Manual. Kester Solder Co., 4204 Wrightwood Ave., Chicago 39, Ill. A comprehensive reference book now available on request is Solder and Soldering Technique. It gives a complete analysis of the properties of soft solder alloys and soldering fluxes.

Magnetic Materials. The Arnold Engineering Co., 147 E. Ontario St., Chicago 11, Ill. Issue No. 1 of the Magneteer gives 8 pages of technical information on Remalloy. Future issues will be concerned with the fabrication, utilization and application of magnetic materials.

Miniature Power Pentode. TungSol Lamp Works Inc., 95 Eighth Ave., Newark 4, N. J. Electron tube bulletin No. 1 is a catalog sheet describing the new tube type 5A6, a miniature power pentode intended for use as a Class $C$ power amplifier or oscillator. Filament voltage rating, power output and tube dimensions are given.

Decoder Chart. Aerovox Corp., 740 Belleville Ave., New Bedford,



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Mass., has issued the Duranite decoder chart printed in colors and showing the RMA color band coding for molded tubular paper capacitors, with corresponding numerical values of capacitance, tolerance and voltage. It enables the reader to match colors and read exact values.

Thermostatic Bimetal. The H. A. Wilson Co., 105 Chestnut St., Newark 5, N. J., has available a 4-page pamphlet on the thermostatic bimetal known as Thermometal R-16. The material described was developed primarily for application in high-capacity circuit breakers and similar devices where low electrical resistance is required.

Television Film Projector. Radio Corp. of America, Department 522, Camden, N. J. An eight-page descriptive brochure (Form 2J4685) provides comprehensive information on the $35-\mathrm{mm}$ television projector. The publication is well illustrated and gives complete operating data, suggested studio layout and simplified line drawings.

Printed Circuits. Haas Bros., 75 West St., New York 6, N. Y. A 6-page reprint covers the practice of printed circuits. Also available is bulletin No. 1 which is descriptive of the Elargol process, developed in England during the war, for the mass production of printed circuits on chassis. With the process described it is possible to print on both sides of the chassis, the only requirement being a black and white drawing of the type of circuit desired.

Camera and Recording Equipment. J. A. Maurer, Inc., 37-01 Thirty-first St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. A 27-page cardboard-covered booklet with spiral-type binding thoroughly describes a $16-\mathrm{mm}$ motion picture camera, sound-on-film recording system and film phonograph. The booklet is profusely illustrated.

A-C Generators. Kato Engineering Co., 1415 First Ave., Mankato,

Minn., recently issued literature on a-c generators with speeds from 720 to 1800 rpm . Bulletin $3149 \mathrm{de}-$ scribes those ranging from 5 to 175 kw at 60 cycles; and bulletin 21749 , those in the 150 to $300-\mathrm{kw}$ range.

Voltage Regulators. Union Electric Products Co., Inc., 24 Edison Pl., Newark 2, N. J. A single cata$\log$ sheet describes and gives illustrations and ratings for a line of step-down auto transformers and voltage regulators. Inquiries are invited for voltages and ratings not listed.

Electrical Insulation. Insulation Manufacturers Corp., 565 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago 6, Ill. Available widths and thicknesses for four types of woven glass tapes are shown in a one-sheet bulletin. The tapes described are designed to provide better insulated and longer lasting electrical products.

Liquid Level Gage. The Vapor Recovery Systems Co., P. O. Box 231, Compton, Calif. An illustrated account of the Electronic Gauger, a remote-reading liquid level gage, is given in a recent 8 -page folder. With the instrument described it is possible to gage tanks accurately to within $\pm \frac{1}{1 E}$ inch of tank level on a centrally located panel.

Portable Geiger Counter. Nuclear Instrument \& Chemical Corp., 223233 West Erie St., Chicago 10, Ill., has issued a bulletin describing the Sniffer, a two pound Geiger counter which is powered by two flashlight batteries. Chief features and method of operation are outlined.

Electric Control Devices. Ward Leonard, Electric Co., 31 South St., Mount Vernon, N. Y. Bulletin No. 100,000 describes and illustrates a complete line of electric control devices for industrial and commercial control applications. Devices covered are rheostats, resistors, relays, motor starters, contactors, control accessories and dimmers.


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## IRE-AIEE Nucleonics Symposium

Electronic instrumentation in nucleonics and medicine will be the subject of a conference at the Hotel Commodore, New York, on October 31, November 1 and 2. This is the second annual conference on the subject to be sponsored jointly by the IRE and AIEE.

The conference program will be similar to the one held last year in that the first day will be devoted to electronics in medicine, the second day to nucleonics in medicine, and the third day to the physical aspects of nucleonics instrumentation.

Some of the topics to be discussed are: audible interpretation of electroencephalograph; high - fidelity electrocardiography; electrical methods of blood-pressure recording; stable d-c amplifiers for biological recordings; design of c-r oscillograph; medical applications of ionizing radiation; dosage measurements of ionizing radiation; scintillation counters; measurements of low-energy beta-ray emitters; criteria in the selection of radioisotopes for industrial use; and desirable improvements in nuclear instruments.

## Electronics Attracts Vets

More than 136,000 World War II veterans are studying radio and television in schools and colleges under the G. I. Bill and Public Law 16. This figure was recently disclosed in a Veterans Administration Study as of Dec. 1, 1948.

Of the above number, 55,761 were studying electrical engineer-ing-including radio engineeringin colleges and universities under the G. I. Bill; 2,944 were training to become electrical engineers under Public Law 16; and 76,920 were taking courses in radio and television in trade and vocational schools under the G. I. Bill. Of the 76,920 students, 51,236 were training as radio and television mechanics, 1,856 as radio operators, 195 as ship radio operators, 151 as air-

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For Public Law 16, requirements are (1) military service between and 1940 and 1947 dates; (2) a discharge other than dishonorable; (3) a compensable service-connected disability; and (4) V.A's determination that training is necessary to overcome a handicap.

## Railroad Radio Progress

SysTEM-WIDE railroad radio communication was recently demonstrated by the Chicago, South Shore and South Bend R. R. The primary purpose in covering the entire 77 mile operating area between Kensington, Ill., and South Bend, Ind., was to facilitate service and maintenance operations along the road and to provide instant communication with any of the railroad's mobile units in case of emergency.

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bile units can be manually relayed by the dispatcher situated at the line's half-way mark.

## BUSINESS NEWS

Lenkurt Electric Co., San Carlos, Calif., has incorporated a subsidiary company with its plant at Vancouver, B. C., to be known as Lenkurt Electric Co. of Canada, Ltd.

American Television Inc., Chicago, Ill., manufacturers of cathoderay tubes, recently began the manufacture of direct-view television receivers.

Battelle Institute, Columbus, Ohio, recently completed a new laboratory area and enlarged its electrical engineering staff to provide adequate facilities for companies not equipped to conduct research on complex electrical engineering problems.

Atwater Television Co., has moved to new and larger quarters at 360 Furman St., Brooklyn, N. Y., to increase production of largescreen television sets.

Radio station KUSN, an independent $a-m$ and $f-m$ station in San Diego, Calif., recently purchased KYOR and has switched to the latter's frequency of $1,130 \mathrm{kc}$ as well as its construction permit for day and night operations at 5,000 watts. KUSN also has applied for a change of call letters to KSDO.

Isolantite Mfg. Corp. has moved from Lyndhurst, N. J., to its new plant in Stirling, N. J., enlarging its production capacity for steatite products and porcelain insulators.

Jensen Mfg. Co., a subsidiary of the Muter Co., Chicago, Ill., has purchased the fixed assets and inventory of Radio Speakers, Inc., Chicago, from Emerson Radio \& Phonograph Corp., New York City.

## PERSONNEL

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Sergei A. Schelkunoff of Bell Labs has been awarded the Stuart Ballantine Medal of the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia for his outstanding contributions to the extension of the electromagnetic wave theory.
H. S. OSBORNE, chief engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., has been elected chairman of the United States National Committee of the International Electrotechnical Commission.

Robert G. Breckenbridge, formerly assistant professor of electrical insulation at MIT, was recently appointed to the staff of the National Bureau of Standards to take charge of a special study on the electrical properties of semiconducting materials.

Virgil H. Disney, formerly an assistant section head in research at the airplane division of the Cur-tiss-Wright Corp., Dayton, Ohio, has been named a supervisor of electronics at Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology.

Warren S. Master was recently promoted from rectifier engineer to chief engineer of the RichardsonAllen Corp., New York City, manufacturers of selenium rectifiers.

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Dónald L. Benedict, during the last year a special consultant to Raytheon Mfg. Co. working on microwave tubes and dielectric heating for specialized applications, has been appointed assistant chairman of the department of electrical engineering of Stanford Research Institute, Stanford, Calif.

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Harold Jacobs, formerly with Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., has joined the Thermionics Branch, Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Belmar, N. J. He is in charge of tube processing research and development.
L. E. RECORD, formerly supervisor of the tube development laboratory, has been appointed supervisor of the tube development and testing laboratories of the Tube Division, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Royal C. Bergyall, after 11 years as assistant to the vice-president in charge of engineering, has been named engineering manager of industrial products at Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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By Paul E. Klein. Weidmann Pub. Co., Berlin, 1948, 210 pages, DM 19.

This German-language book treats the subject of cathode-ray oscilloscopes. Main chapters cover the cathode-ray tube, power supply, deflection system, brightness control, amplifiers, sweep circuits, representation of multiple phenomena, photographic recording, and construction and operation of complete oscilloscopes. There are many subchapters with useful graphs and formulas. The author endeavored to give a working knowledge of c-r tubes, and associated circuits, with most of the space being devoted to the subject of amplifiers. The book fulfils this aim, although certain chapters such as those on electron lenses and c-r tube construction are treated too sketchily. Other chapters include too much detailed information, as on stem mounting of electron guns and on rectification. The book requires a good knowledge of the German laneruage (Laufzeit $=$ transit time; Summer = buzzer). It is regrettable that the book is confined to the German art and omits references to important foreign litera-ture.-E. B. Steinberg, Remington Rand Inc.. South Norwalk. Conn.

## Micro Waves and Wave Guides

By H. M. Barlow, Prof. of Elec. Eng., University College, London. Dover Publications, Inc., New York, 1949, 122 pages, \$1.95.

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A final chapter on microwave measurements and applications deserves commendation for the quality and number of illustrations of specific applications. For its price, this book is definitely a bargain to student and engineer alike.-J.m.

## Electromechanical Transducers and Wave Filters

By W. P. Mason, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc. D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York, 2nd edition, 1948, 419 pages, $\$ 6.00$.
Although a second edition, this book incorporates 88 pages of important new material that has entered the art of designing transducers during the war. For example, the gyroscope, although long used in automatic pilots but only recently generally appreciated, is treated as a circuit element. A number of additional topics on propagating and filtering acoustic waves have been introduced. Crystals and techniques used in such applications as sonar are discussed. A paragraph on mercury illustrates how its high impedance suits it for use with crystals in wideband systems.

As a matter of publishing expediency the new material has been printed at the back of the book but numbered so it fits in with the content of the first edition. It follows the same pattern of basic analysis that characterizes the old material. For the graduate student and research engineer this book, first published in 1942, presents a unified and fundamental approach to several fields (electric circuits, acoustics, mechanics) that are usually treated separately. As such, it is quite in the growing spirit of view-
ing the various aspects of the electronic arts as different applications of a single set of principles.-F. H. Rockett, Jr., Airborne Instruments Laboratory, Inc.

Books Received for Review

PHYSICS PRINCIPLES AN゙, APPLICATIONS. By Henry Margenau, W. W. Watson and C. G. Montgomery. MeGrawHill Book Co., Inc., 1949,373 pages, $\$ 5.00$. Covering both classical and modern physics, this textbook is designed for college sophomores who require a thorough and accurate introduction to engineering and the physical sciences.

INTRODUCTION TO RADIOCHEMISTRY. By G. Friedlander and J. W. Kennedy. John Wiley \& Sons, Inc., New York, $1.949,412$ pages, $\$ 5.00$. Describes the nature and application of the entire field of radioactivity without assuming previous knowledge of nuclear physics. Each chapter has a separate bibliography of standard works on allied topics in recent literature. There are numerous illustrative examples and exercises to aid the reader
in understanding the material presented.

HOW TO KEEP INVENTION RECORDS. By H. A. Toulmin, Jr. Research Press, Inc., Dayton, Ohio, Second Edition, 1948, 78 pages, \$2.50. Specific instructions for keeping adequate records to help in obtaining valid patents, preventing costly litigation and reducing costs of fighting unavoidable litigation. Samples of needed forms are included.

TERRESTRIAL MAGNETISM AND ELECTRICITY, Edited by J. A. Fleming. Dover Publications, Inc., New York, 1949 , 794 pages, $\$ 4.95$. Reprint of first edition published in 1939 by McGraw-Hill Book Co. Twelve chapters by members of various National Research Council Committees and others, covering: The Earth's Magnetism and Magnetic Surveys; Magnetic Instruments: Magnetic Prospecting: Atmospheric Electricity; Instruments Used in Observations of Atmospheric Jelectrieity; Earth-Currents; on Causes of the Problems of Terrestrial Magnetism and Flectricity; Radio Exploration of the Eurth's Outer Atmosphere: The Upper Atmosphere; The Aurora; Polaris and the Upper Atmosphere; Thunder-clouds, Shower-clouds and Their Electrical Effects. Th+re are also 1523 selected references arranged by subject matter. plus extensilp bibliographical notes.

INDUCTION HEATING. By N. R. Stansel. McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, 1949,212 pages, $\$ 3.50$. Eléctrical and thermal principles involved in the use of eddy currents for heating service, as generated by rotating equipment. Shows relationships between electric, magnetic and thermal properties of conductive materials in equations and curves. Highfrequency electronic heating by induction is not taken up.

PHOTOFACT TELEVISION COURSE. Based on a series of lectures by Albert C. W. Saunders. Compiled and published apolis, Ind., 1949 , 215 pages, \$3.00. A well illustrated treatment designed to familiarize experienced radio technicians with the basic principles of practical television theory and operation.

OUR SUN. By D. H. Menzel, Harvard College Olservatory, The Blakiston Co. Philadelphia, Pa., 1949, 326 pages 84.50. as a natural resource, and effect of sun on radio transmission.

HANDBOOK OF PATENTS. By H. A. Toulmin, Jr, D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc. New York, 1949, 800 pages, \$9.00. Essentials of patent law, presented accurately and simply for reference by lawyers as well as laymen. Many specific references to leading cases.

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## Author's Answer <br> Dears Sirs:

I have read D. J. Braak's letter (Backtalk, August 1§49) with great interest. Braak is correct within 1 db in his statement that the a-m/f-m crossover occurs at 10 db output s/n ratio with perfect limiting. Figures 6, 15 , and 16 in the original manuscript on "A-M and Narrow-Band F-M" (Electronics, Feb. and Mar., 1949) show that the point is close to +11 db output $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{n}$ ratio, as is also stated in the text. Ideal limiting, however, results in serious vulnerability to detuning in the system considered, a factor which must be taken into account. All the superiority of $f-m$ with perfect limiting over a-m is lost with comparatively small off-center drifts, for example, with only 23 kc detuning of the f-m signal when the car-rier-to-noise ( $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{n}$ ) , ratio is +6 decibels, as illustrated in Fig. 19. Detuning of 23 kc at a carrier frequency of 328 mc amounts to only 0.007 percent or 70 parts per million, which must include the combined drifts of the transmitter, the local receiver heterodyne and i-f amplifier system, and the discriminator circuits of the f-m detector, as well as an allowance for crystal grinding tolerances in a crystalcontrolled system. Unfortunately, the f-m system's vulnerability to drift is greatest at $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{n}$ levels which give the lower values of output $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{n}$ ratio.

Considering the proposed system with 60 -ke bandwidth, a deviation of $\pm 20 \mathrm{kc}$ would represent 67 -percent modulation of the receiver's pre-detector bandwidth, as compared to about 11 percent for $\pm 7$ ke deviation in a bandwidth of 125 kc. The increased modulation per-

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centage will make the system less vulnerable to detuning, and it will change the $a-m / f-m$ crossover to $\pm 7.5$ decibels output $s / n$ for perfect f-m limiting, as against +11 decibels for the $125-\mathrm{kc}$ narrow-deviation system. (There seems to be a small error in Mr. Braak's Fig. B, which indicates the crossover for the $60-\mathrm{kc}$ system to be +5 decibels. In any case, however, the $s / n$ ratio for crossover is lower for the narrower bandwidth system.)

The 60 kc -wide system with $\pm 20$ kc deviation just accommodates the sidebands of the signal, which has components of more than 1 percent of maximum out to $\pm 30 \mathrm{kc}$. If distortion is a criterion, there then remains no allowance for system frequency drift, since any such drift would result in sideband cutting on one side or the other of the carrier. Assuming, however, that a symmetrical sideband clipping from $\pm 30$ to $\pm 20 \mathrm{kc}$ is accepted, we then have $\pm 10 \mathrm{kc}$ possible drift before more serious distortion is encountered. For a carrier of 328 mc , this represents a stability of only 0.003 percent, a tolerance which must be divided at least six ways. Thus each contributing drift source must be less than $\pm 0.0005$ percent or $\pm 1.7 \mathrm{kc}$, if the tolerance is divided equally amongst them.

Such an individual accuracy and stability for normal feasible designs is extremely difficult to obtain and maintain. Even afc sircuits are very difficult to stabiiize and maintain to within $\pm 10 \mathrm{kc}$ under most operational conditions with carrier frequencies above 100 me, and in vhf/uhf equipment, they practically force the use of a double-heterodyne receiver, with a considerable increase of complexity, size and weight, and to some extent increase in spurious responses.

It must also be remembered that reducing the pre-detector bandwidth of a superheterodyne receiver often requires lowering the $i-f$ amplifier center frequency so as to insure desirable values of transformer coupling coefficient and adjacent channel selectivity. If it is not feasible to increase the i-f transformer circuit $Q$ values so as to approach double what they were, a change of bandwidth from 125 to 60 kc may require reduction of the i-f amplifier center frequency to

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as low as one-half its former value. This would, of course, result in much poorer image rejection and a general increase in vulnerability to various other undesired responses.

The figure shown below is a comparison between the 125 and 60 kc bandwidth ideal cases as regards output $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{n}$ ratio. It should be noted that the abscissa is relative input carrier power, so that the comparison is on the basis of any given value of carrier power input to the detectors rather than input $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{n}$ ratio. This type of presentation is necessary to determine relative performance for a particular set of conditions in which the transmitter, the antennas, the orientation, and the distance are all held constant, and only the pre-detector bandwidth and the frequency deviation vary for any given level of radiated carrier power. This sort of comparison cannot be made on the basis of various given levels of $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{n}$ ratio, because changing the pre-detector bandwidth changes the noise factor, resulting in a new value of $c / n$. The curves show that changing the input bandwidth from 125 to 60 kc affects the a-m system very little, whereas the $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ system benefits considerably from the change, mainly because of lowering of the capture transition point ( $\mathrm{c}=\mathrm{n}$ or $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{n}=0 \mathrm{db}$ ), which comes about from the reduction in noise consequent to reduction of bandwidth. The change in noise power is directly proportionate to the change in bandwidth, so that halving the


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POWER RHEOSTATS

| Resist. | 25 WATT |  |  | 50 WATT |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mfg. | Shaft |  | $90 \Omega$ | Clarostat |  | \$.59 |
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|  |  |  |  | 100 WATT |  |  |  |
| 200 | IRC | $\frac{71}{16}$ | . 49 | 22.2 | Ohmite | T | 59 |
| 250 | Ohmite | " | . 59 | 25 | Ohmite |  | . 59 |
| 370 | IRC | * | . 49 | 10,000 | Ohmite | S.D. | . 79 |
| 1.500 | Clarostat | ${ }_{\text {ITH. }}^{1 / 4}$ | . 49 |  |  |  |  |
| 2.000 | Ohmite | ${ }^{\frac{1}{1 / 4}}$ | . 69 |  | 150 WA | TT |  |
| 2.500 | Ohmite | S.D.* | . 69 | $8 \Omega$ | Ohmite | $1 / 2$ | 1.99 |
| 3,500 | Ohmite | ${ }^{\frac{71}{16}}$ | . 69 | 75 | Ohmite |  | 1.99 |
| 5,000 | Ohmite | S.D.* | . 69 | 100 | Ohmite | ${ }_{1}^{16}{ }^{16}$ | 1.99 |
|  | 50 WATT |  |  | 300 WATT |  |  |  |
| 2 | Ohmite | $\frac{717}{1.6}$ | . 69 | $100 \Omega$ | Ohmite | $2^{\prime \prime}$ | 3.75 |
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| 10.48 | 13.02 | 20 | 147.5 | 705 |
| 11.85 | 13.52 | 79.54 | 220.4 | 2193 |
| 11.74 | 14.98 | 105.8 | 366.6 | 59,148 |
| 1/2 WATT-25c |  |  |  |  |
| . 2500 | 11.10 | 2358 | 4,4512 | 15,000 2 |
| . 334 | 13.15 | 260 \% | 5.000 | 15,750 |
| . 502 | 46 | 270 * | 5.900 | 17,000 |
| . 557 | 52 | 298.3 | 6,500 | 30,000 |
| . 627 | 55 | 400 | 7,090 | 100.000 |
| . 76 | 75 ¢ | 723.1 | 7.500 | 150,000 |
| 1.01 | 97.8 | 2,500 | 8,000 |  |
| 1.53 | 125 | 2.850 | 8.500 |  |
| 2.04 | ${ }_{21}^{180}$ | 3,427 | $\begin{aligned} & 10,000 \\ & 14,825 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 1 WATT-30c |  |  |  |  |
| 1.01 \% | $5.21 \Omega$ | 1,250 | 9,000 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $55.000 \Omega$ |
| 2.58 | 10.11 | 3,300 | 18.000 | 55.000 |
| 3.39 | 10.9 | 7,000 | 50,000 | 70,000 |
| 5.05 | 270 |  |  |  |
| 1 WATT-40c |  |  |  |  |
| 100,000 | 128,000 | 180,000ת | 522,000 0 | 700,000 $\Omega$ |
| 120,000 | 130,000 | 320,000 | 600.000 |  |
| 125,000 | 180.000 |  |  |  |
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| 6 -140 | .18 | 7.141 Y | . 37 | 11.142 | . 48 |
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| 10-140 | . 41 | $10.1413 / 4 \mathrm{~W}$ | . 47 | 13.142 3/4W | . 82 |
| 10-140 Y | . 40 | 11.141 | . 40 | 14-142 | . 61 |
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$\begin{array}{ll}\mathrm{FF}-45 & 10 \mathrm{H} / 120 \mathrm{ma} / 600 \text { ohms } \\ \mathrm{LFF}-21 & 20 \mathrm{OH} / 300 \mathrm{mag} / 125 \mathrm{ohms}{ }^{\prime} 5000 \mathrm{~V}\end{array}$
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"UHF" COAXIAL CABLE CONNECTORS


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }_{\text {No. }}$ | AN NO. | Description | ch | Per C |
| 83-1SP | (PL259) | Plug | . 35 | . 28 |
| 83-168 | (UG176U) | Adapter | . 15 | . 12 |
| 83-185 | (UG175U) | Adapter | . 15 | . 13 |
| 83-1SPN | (PL259A) | Plug | . 35 | . 28 |
| 83-776! | (UG203U) | Plug | . 61 | . 55 |
| 83-1R | (S0239) | Recept. | . 35 | . 28 |
| 83-1RTY |  | Recept. | . 66 | . 60 |
| 83-1H | (UG106U) | Hood | . 12 | . 10 |
| 83-765 | (UG177U) | Hood | . 31 | . 25 |
| 83-1AC | ...... . | Cap \& Chain | . 61 | . 50 |
| 83-1BC |  | Can \& Chain | . 38 | . 34 |
| 83-1 T | (1358) | T Connect. | 1.12 | . 98 |
| 83-1AP | (M359A) | Angle Adapt. | . 35 | . 28 |
| 83-1 J | (PL258) | Junction | . 85 | . 70 |
| 83-1F | (PL274) | Feed-Thru | 1.12 | . 98 |
| 83-22SP | (UG102U) | Twin Plug. | . 50 | . 40 |
| 83-22R | (UG103U) | Twin Recpt. | . 50 | . 40 |
| 83-22AP | (UG104U) | Twin Adapt. | . 98 | 80 |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| - | 1.56 | UG-97 | 3 |
|  | 1.45 | UG-98/ | 1.55 |
|  | 1.14 | UG-100/ | 2.34 |
| UG-13/U | 1.56 | UG-101/ | 2.95 |
| UG-14/U | 1.45 | UG-107/U | 2.25 |
| UG-15/ | . 95 | UG-108/U | 1.75 |
| UG-16 | 1.56 | $\mathrm{UG}-109 / \mathrm{U}$ | 1.75 |
| UG-17/ | 1.45 | UG-114/U | 1.50 |
| UG-18/ | 99 | UG-115/U | 5 |
| UG-18A | 1.05 | CW-123/U | - .45 |
| UG-18B |  | UG-15 | 0 |
| UG-19/U | 1.28 | UG-154/ | 5.35 |
| UG-19A | 1.38 | UG-155 | 5.35 |
| UG-19B | 1.45 | UG-156 | 4.25 |
| UG-20/U | 1.17 | UG-160/ | 1.90 |
| UG-20 | 1.26 | UG-160A | 1.55 |
| UG-20B | 1.41 | UG-167 | 3.00 |
| UG-21/0 |  | UG-173 | 30 |
| UG-21A | 1.05 | UG-176 | 5 |
| UG-2 1/B | 99 | UG-188/ | 5 |
| UG-2 $2 / \mathrm{U}$ | 1.08 | UG-201/U | 1.83 |
| UG-2 | 1.38 | UG-202/ |  |
| UG-22B | 1.34 | UG-206 | 1.02 |
|  | 99 | UG-208, | 28.50 |
| UG-23A | 26 | UG-212 | 4.50 |
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|  | 2.34 | UG-218 | 8.75 |
| G-29 | 1.22 | UG-213 | 3.10 |
| 30 | 1.75 | UG-218/ | 6.50 |
| UG-32 | 20.00 | UG-222/U | 35.00 |
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| UG-34/U | 17.50 | UG-236/U | 11.75 |
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| UG-38/ | 16.00 | UG-242/ | 2.50 |
| -37/ | 16.00 | UG-243/ | 2.75 |
| UG-37A | 16.00 | $\mathbf{U}$ | 2.50 |
| UG-57 | $.99$ | $\mathbf{U}$ | 1.25 |
| -5 | 2.75 | UG-252/ | 4.50 |
| UG-59A | 1.70 | UG-25 - U | 1.82 |
| UG-60/ | 1.90 | UG-255/ | 1.85 |
| UG-60A | 1.30 | UG-260/ | 99 |
| UG-61/ | 2.05 |  | . 95 |
| UG-61A | 18.80 | $\mathbf{U C}$ | 1.05 2.60 |
| UG-61/ | 28.00 1.50 | UG-27 | 1.60 1.50 |
| UG-85/ | 1.65 | UG-274/ | 1.98 |
| UG-86/U | 1.69 | UG-290 | . 85 |
|  | 1.40 |  | 1.05 |
| UG-88, | 1.17 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{UG} 306 / \mathrm{U} \\ & \mathrm{UG}-333 / \mathrm{U} \end{aligned}$ | 2.03 4.70 |
| UG-90/U | 1.05 | UG -334/U. | 5.75 |
| UG-91/U | 1.25 | UG-352/U. | 6.00 |
| UG-91A/ | 1.05 | UG-287/U. | 5.25 |
|  | 1.10 | UG-270/U. | 6.50 |
| UG-93/U | 1.25 | UG-259/U. | 4.10 |
| UG-93A | 1.45 | UG-279/U | 2.40 |
| U | 1.25 | UG-157/U. | 4.25 |
|  | 1.05 | MX-195/U | .75 |
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