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**30-watt audio amplifier**  
**Sensitive f.e.t. voltmeter**

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## SOMETHING NEW FOR THE DESIGNER —FERRANTI 24V LOGIC

To supplement the existing range of 6V and 12V Logical Circuit Elements, Ferranti now introduce a range designed to operate from a single 24V supply.

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### **Ferranti 24V Logic Features:**

- EASY TO HANDLE AND MOUNT
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- HIGH NOISE IMMUNITY AND GOOD DRIVING CAPABILITY
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## FERRANTI ELECTRICAL CONNECTION SYSTEMS

### **LFC Connectors**

Ferranti LFC Connectors have proved themselves to be outstandingly reliable in service—in equipment having 460,000 LFC contacts, no failure occurred during an operating period of 1½ years. Recent indications are that this standard of reliability is being maintained. LFC Connectors are designed for use as rack and panel connectors, or, when used with the appropriate connector cover, as a free plug or free socket. Available in 35, 50, 70 and 91 pole sizes. TYPE APPROVED DEF 5325-4 PATTERN 109.

### **EWD Edge Connectors**

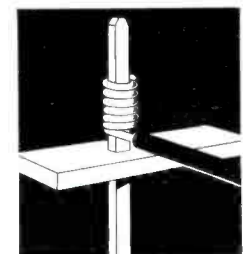
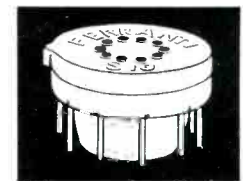
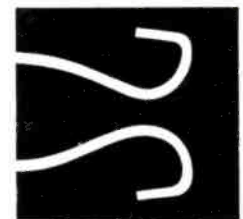
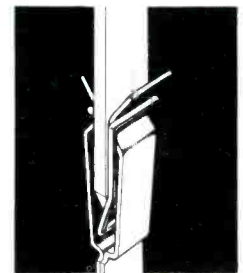
The latest range of Ferranti Edge Connectors offer even greater reliability. The design incorporates a unique rolling-leaf spring contact, which has a low rate stress limiting characteristic, giving controlled contact pressure and remarkably low insertion and withdrawal force. AVAILABLE WITH 8, 16, 24, 32 or 40 POLE POSITIONS SINGLE OR DOUBLE SIDED CONTACTS. G.P.O. APPROVED.

### **Integrated Circuit Sockets**

Ferranti S-range Sockets are available for use with 8 or 10 lead TO-5 and 14 lead Dual-in-line encapsulations. The sockets are particularly useful in the environmental testing of integrated circuits where the test equipment used is subjected to high temperatures and high standards of endurance. The S-range sockets have proved extremely reliable in this type of test equipment. These sockets are also ideal for use in experimental and prototype equipment. Ease of insertion and withdrawal ensures rapid replacement of integrated circuits.

### **Wrapping Tools**

The Ferranti range of Wrapping Tools enable wrapped joints to be made quickly and easily with the minimum of staff training. Wrapped joints are the most reliable joints known, take less space and completely eliminate the possibility of damage caused by heat. A full range of Hand and Power operated tools is available for making standard or miniature joints. Standard power tools are driven by compressed air and miniature power tools by low voltage rechargeable power packs.



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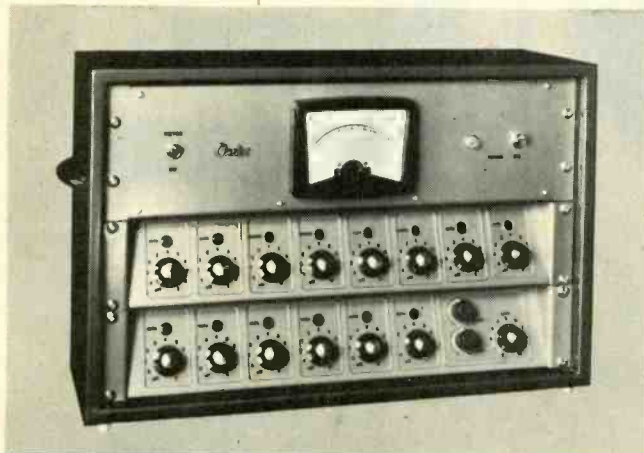
## SOUND SYSTEMS and ELECTRONICS

TAILOR-MADE  
TO YOUR OWN  
REQUIREMENTS

● HIGH PERFORMANCE ● COMPACT MODULAR CONSTRUCTION ● RACK OR CONSOLE MOUNTING

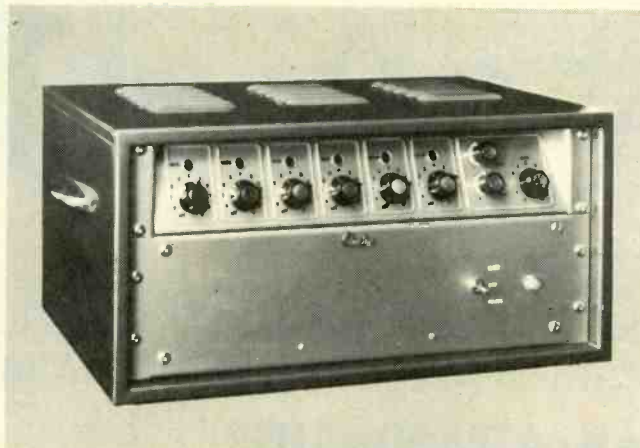
### MODULAR AUDIO MIXERS

Model MXT/6 Assemblies offer a combination that will fulfil every requirement for pre-amplifiers and mixing. From 4 to 22 channels can be utilised each with its own independent Gain control and with overall Master Gain, Treble and Bass controls.



### MODULAR AUDIO AMPLIFIERS

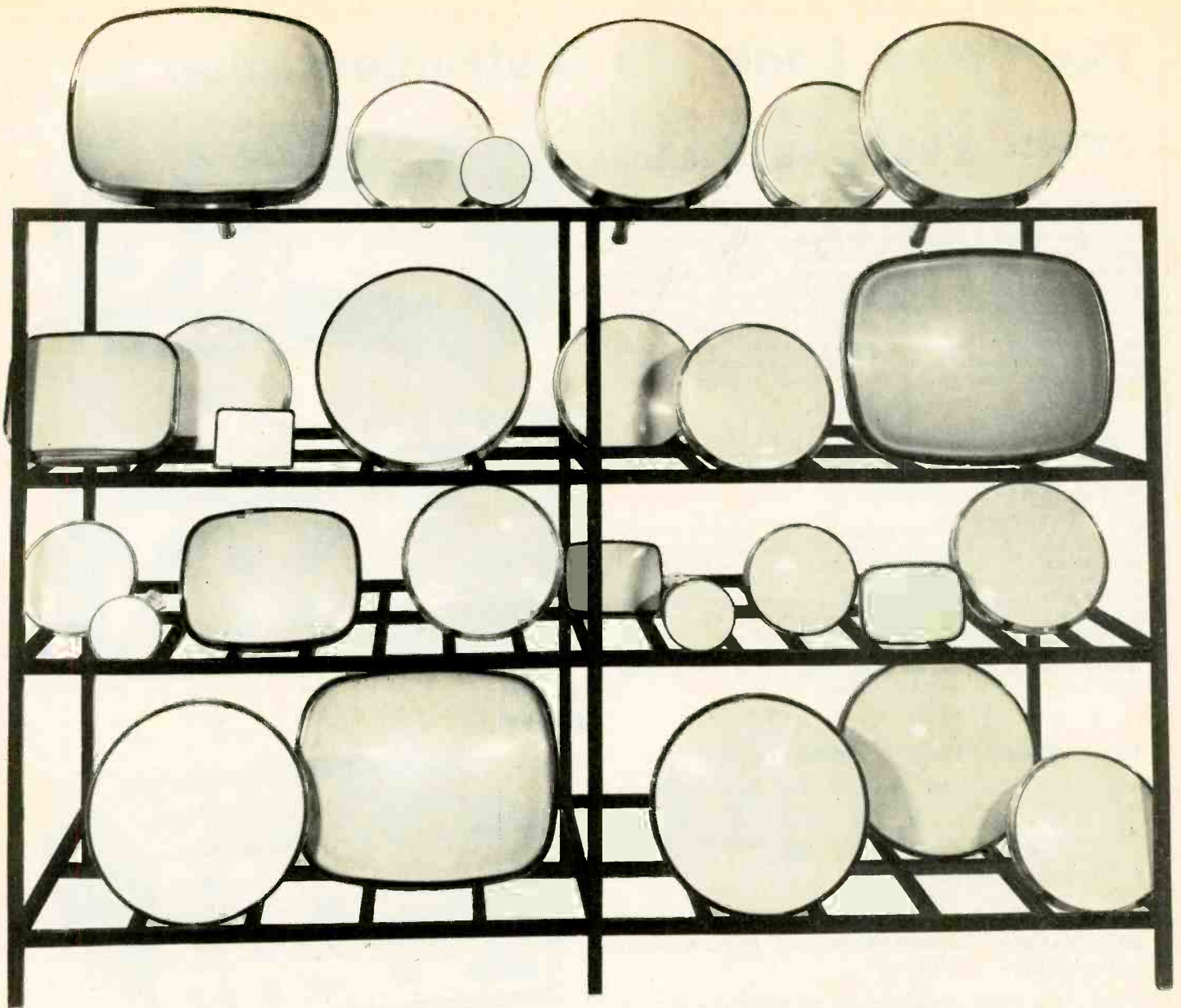
Audio Power Amplifiers having outputs of from 10 to 80 watts and to operate in conjunction with MXT/6 Mixing Assemblies. Silicon Transistorised throughout—stable—high performance—overload and output protection—distortion better than .5% 20 Hz to 15,000 Hz—output 15 ohm and 100 volt to line.



For mounting in Cabinet Rack or Console on 19" standard panels—finished gun metal two tone blue or to requirements—Microphone, Tape, Gramophone, Radio and Priority Tone Signal Modules.

Integrated Mixer/Amplifiers Models A25—30 watts, and A80—60 watts, having inputs for two Microphone Channels balanced at 30 ohm, Auxiliary inputs for Microphone, Gramophone and Tape, each channel independently controlled. Overall Master Gain Control. Treble and Bass tone controls giving  $\pm 12$ db lift and cut.

**AUDIX SOUND SYSTEMS & ELECTRONICS STANSTED ESSEX Telephone: STANSTED 3132/3437**

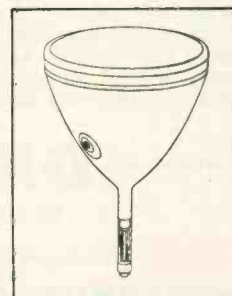


## CRTs off the shelf

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AP300

# The "New Look" In Instrumentation is From Heathkit

The newest and most practical innovation in electronic instrumentation is the exciting new ultra-functional styling format from Heath. New instruments feature a unique cabinet frame consisting of the front and rear panels and side rails which completely supports the component chassis independently from the top and bottom cabinet shells. This allows complete freedom from assembly, check-out, and calibration. The sturdy side rails conceal retractable carrying handles. The die-cast front panel bezel styled in chrome and black, the black side rails, and the beige front panels and cabinet shells give the new instruments an appearance as up-to-date as their functional performance. See these new instruments and more in the new 1968 American Heathkit catalogue.

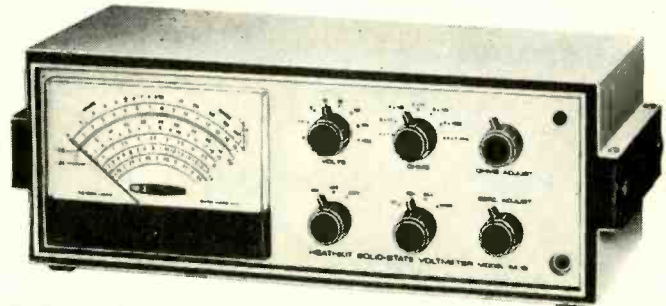


KIT IM-25  
£48.10.0

Ready to use prices on request of all models.

## New Solid-State High-Impedance Volt-Ohm Milliammeter . . . IM-25

- 9 A.C. and 9 D.C. voltage ranges from 150 millivolts to 1500 volts full scale
- 7 resistance ranges, 10 ohms centre scale with multipliers  $\times 1$ ,  $\times 10$ ,  $\times 100$ ,  $\times 1k$ ,  $\times 10k$ ,  $\times 100k$ , and  $\times 1$  meg . . . measures from one ohm to 1000 megohms
- 11 current ranges from  $15\mu A$  full scale to 1.5A full scale
- 11 megohm input impedance on D.C.
- 10 megohm input impedance on A.C.
- A.C. response to 100 kHz
- 6in.  $200\mu A$  meter with zero-centre scales for positive and negative voltage measurements without switching
- Internal battery power or 120/240 volt A.C., 50-60 Hz
- Circuit board construction for extra-rugged durability.



KIT IM-16  
£28.8.0

## New Solid-State Volt-Ohm Meter, IM-16

- 8 A.C. and 8 D.C. ranges from 0.5 volts to 1500 volts full scale
- 7 ohm-meter ranges with 10 ohms at centre scale and multipliers of  $\times 1$ ,  $\times 10$ ,  $\times 100$ ,  $\times 1k$ ,  $\times 10k$ ,  $\times 100k$ , and  $\times 1$  megohm
- 11 megohm input on D.C. ranges, 1 megohm on A.C. ranges
- Operates on either built-in battery power or 120/240 volt A.C., 50-60 Hz
- Circuit-board construction.

## New Variable Control Regulated High Voltage Power Supply . . . IP-17

- Furnishes 0 to 400 volts D.C. @ 100 mA maximum with better than 1% regulation for 0 to full load and  $\pm 10$  volt line variation
- Furnishes 6 volt A.C. @ 4 amperes and 12 volt A.C. @ 2 amperes for tube filaments
- Provides 0 to -100 volts D.C. bias @ 1 milli-ampere maximum
- Features separate panel meters for continuous monitor for output current and voltage
- Terminals are isolated from chassis for safety
- High voltage and bias may be switched "off" while filament voltage is "on"
- Modern circuit board and wiring harness construction
- 120/240 volt A.C., 50-60 Hz operation.



KIT IP-17  
£37.4.0

## New Improved Version of the famous Heathkit Solid-State, Voltage-Regulated, Current-Limited Power Supply . . . IP-27

- New zener reference
- New improved circuitry is virtually immune to overload due to exotic transients
- 0.5 to 50 volts D.C. with better than  $\pm 15$  millivolts regulation
- Four current ranges 50 mA, 150 mA, 500 mA and 1.5 amperes
- Adjustable current limiter: 30 to 100% on all ranges
- Panel meter shows output voltage or current
- "Pin-ball" lights, indicate "voltage" or "current" meter reading
- Up-to-date construction
- Unequalled performance in a laboratory power supply.



KIT IP-27  
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# Heathkit for Quality Test Instruments

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## 5in. WIDE-BAND GENERAL PURPOSE OSCILLOSCOPE IO-12U

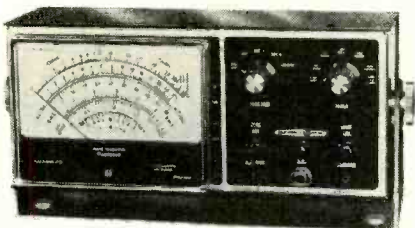


- "Y" sensitivity 10mV r.m.s. per cm. at 1 kc/s.
- Bandwidth 3 c/s-4.5 Mc/s.
- Frequency compensated input attenuator X1, X10, X100. T/B, 10 c/s-500 kc/s. in 5 steps.
- Two extra switch selected pre-set sweep frequencies in T/B range.
- T/B output approx. 10 v. peak to peak.
- Built-in IV calibrator.
- Facility for "Z" axis modulation.
- Electronically stabilised power supply.
- Power req. 200-250 v. A.C., 40-60 c/s., 80 watts.
- Fused.
- Front panel, silver and charcoal grey.
- Cabinet, charcoal grey, size 8 $\frac{3}{8}$  x 14 x 17in. deep.
- Net weight 23lb.

Kit £35.17.6 Ready-to-use £45.15.0

Attenuator and demodulator probes available as optional extras.

## 6in. VALVE VOLTMETER, IM-13U

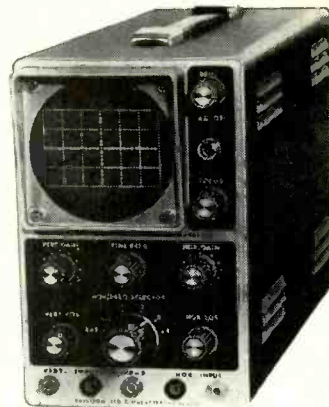


- Modern styling
- The ideal VVM for the Electronic Engineer
- 6in. Ernest Turner 200 $\mu$ A. meter with multi-coloured scales
- Unique gimbal bracket allows bench, shell or wall mounting
- Measures A.C. (r.m.s.) D.C. volts 0-1.5, 5, 15, 50, 150, 500, 1,500
- Resistance range 0.1 to 1,000M $\Omega$  with int. battery
- Vernier action zero and ohms adjustment
- Roller-tinned printed circuit
- High input resistance (11M $\Omega$ )
- Size 5 x 12 $\frac{1}{8}$  x 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ in. Complete with test prod and leads.

Kit £18.18.0 Ready-to-use £26.18.0  
- HV and RF probes available as extras.

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## 3in. PORTABLE GENERAL PURPOSE SERVICE OSCILLOSCOPE, OS-2



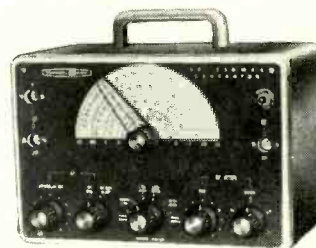
- The ideal 'scope for service man, laboratory technician, amateur radio enthusiast or hobbyist
- "Y" bandwidth 2 c/s-3 Mc/s  $\pm$  3dB
- Sensitivity 100 mV/cm
- Push-pull vertical and horizontal amplifiers
- Wide range time-base generator 20 c/s-200 kc/s in four ranges
- Automatic lock-in synchronisation
- Mu-metal c.r.t. shield
- Printed circuit board construction
- Power req. 200-250 v. 50-60c/s A.C. 40 watts
- Fused
- Front panel silver and charcoal grey.
- Size 5in. w. x 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. h. x 12in. deep.
- Weight: 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb.

Kit £23.18.0 Ready-to-use £31.18.0

## GENERAL PURPOSE RF SIGNAL GENERATOR RF-1U

An outstanding generator for service test, lab. and hobbyist. Ideal for the alignment and trouble shooting of RF, IF and audio circuits

- Large easy-to-read dial
- Pre-aligned coil and bandswitch assembly RF output of at least millivolts
- 100 kc/s-100 Mc/s. fundamentals up to 200 Mc/s harmonics
- 400 cycle audio signal with 4 v. output
- Dimensions 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. high x 5in. deep.



Kit £13.18.0 Ready-to-use £20.8.0

Full specification sheet available on any HEATHKIT model

## NEW PORTABLE SOLID-STATE VOLT-OHM-METER IM-17



Kit £4.10.0

- Solid-state circuit
- FET input, 4 silicon transistor, 1 diode
- 4 A.C. voltage ranges
- 4 D.C. voltage ranges
- 4 ohm ranges
- 11 megohm input on D.C.
- 1 Megohm input on A.C.
- 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. 200 $\mu$ A meter
- Battery powered
- Rugged polypropylene case with self cover and handle
- Storage space for test leads
- PCB construction.

Kit £12.12.0

## NEW, HANDY PORTABLE TRANSISTOR/DIODE CHECKER IT-27

Ideal test bench or service kit

- Checks shorts, leakage, open element, and current gain.

Other instruments in range include:

## 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. VALVE VOLTMETER V-7AU

7 A.C. 7 D.C. 7 ohms ranges

- 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. 200 $\mu$ A meter measures r.m.s. and pk-to-pk
- 11 megohm input resistance.

Kit £13.18.6 Ready-to-use £19.18.6

## 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. MULTIMETER, MM-1U

50 $\mu$ A meter

- 22 voltage, current and resistance range
- 20,000 ohm/volt D.C. and 5,000 ohm/volt A.C. sensitivities
- Polarity reversing switch.

Kit £12.18.0 Ready-to-use £18.11.6

## SINE/SQ. GENERATOR, IG-82U

Covers 20 c/s to 1 Mc/s in 5 bands

- Simultaneous Sine and sq. wave outputs
- Separate attenuator controls.

Kit £25.15.0 Ready-to-use £37.15.0

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# Heathkit for value in Hi-Fi-Audio

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## 12+12W STEREO AMPLIFIER, TSA-12

This luxury-quality amplifier utilises transformerless output circuitry using complementary transistors giving superior performance, lower phase shift, wider response and lower distortion. All power transistors are adequately heat-sunked for cool operation and long life. It delivers 12 watts R.M.S. per channel into 8 ohms over an extremely wide frequency range of 16 to 50,000 c/s. A six-position source switch easily handles your records, radio or auxiliary inputs—stereo or mono. The output of one channel relative to the other may be varied by the Balance control and there are Baxandall type tone controls for Bass and Treble boost and cut. Input level controls are mounted on the rear panel for gram and radio inputs. Its high-class performance is matched only by its sleek and attractive low silhouette styling, with its brushed gold-anodised-aluminium front panel and matching brown knobs with spun-gold insets.

Ready to use **£38.0.0** Kit **£30.10.0** Cabinet **£2.5.0** extra



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## AM-FM STEREO TUNER, AFM-2



The purity of FM, the stirring realism of FM stereo, or the music, news and sports of AM... this quality tuner has them all at the turn of a switch. 18 transistors and 7 diodes for cool, instant performance, and long, dependable life. Freedom from distortion, crisp, clear reproduction... and all at a price far below comparable models! A built-in stereo decoder separates the stereo signal into two channels. A stereo indicator lamp lights when a stereo signal is received.

There is a phase control for minimum distortion with maximum stereo separation. A hinged lower front panel protects the secondary controls, adding to the neat, overall appearance, and greatly simplifying the operation of the unit. This is a high-quality precision instrument which will add sophistication and efficiency to your hi-fi system.

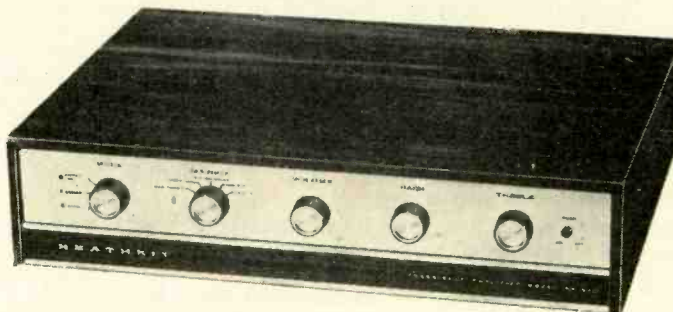
Ready to use price on request Total price kit **£32.13.0** Cabinet **£2.5.0** extra

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## 20+20W STEREO AMPLIFIER, AA-22U

This high-performance "International Class" amplifier has all the hallmarks of professional elegance. Five stereo inputs (five on each channel) accommodate a stereo magnetic or ceramic pick-up, radio-tuner, tape recorder, and two other sources. There are output terminals for 4, 8 or 16 ohm loudspeakers. Separate output sockets are provided for tape recording from the amplifier. All controls are on the front panel, the secondary ones—to avoid the possibility of inadvertent adjustment—being elegantly concealed behind a slim hinged cover. The major controls include a 3-position mode switch (Mono-Stereo Rev.), a 5-position input source selector switch, volume, bass, and treble controls, and a push-push A.C. on-off switch. A brushed-golden anodised front panel and matching brown knobs with spun-golden insets complete the unit, putting this amplifier undoubtedly into the top class.

Ready to use **£59.15.0** Kit **£39.10.0** Cabinet **£2.5.0** extra



**While stocks last, Low Cost Transistorised**

## STEREO AMPLIFIER, TS-23



The TS-23 is a self-contained stereophonic amplifier designed for use with high-quality ceramic pickups. It provides a good frequency response (15 c/s to 18 kc/s) at lowest possible cost. A 6-position source selector switch easily handles your record, radio or tape inputs... stereo or mono. Separate controls provide bass boost, treble cut, amplifier balance and volume. 16 transistors 4 diode circuitry gives cool, instant operation... no warm-up time. The output of 3 watts per channel is adequate for small and medium-sized rooms. Compact, slim-line styling with attractive gold/brown Perspex front panel! Choice of 2-way installation... in a cabinet or freestanding (cabinet available optional extra) on a bookshelf.

Ready to use price on request Kit **£17.15.0**  
Cabinet **£2.5.0** extra

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## FM STEREO TUNER, TFM-1S

This de-luxe 14 transistor stereo tuner receives both mono and stereo signals... automatic stereo indicator lamp lights whenever a stereo signal is received. The switched A.F.C. (automatic frequency control) ensures that the station remains "locked-in"... high sensitivity 4-stage IF amplifier for best programme value at all signal strengths, all four stages act as limiters on strong signals ensuring noise-free reception. The unit includes a phase control to ensure maximum stereo separation. Accidental system setting changes are minimised. Only the tuning knob and on/off switch are in open view on the front panel. The hinged lower front panel protects the secondary controls. The whole unit is sleek and attractive, and like the other HEATHKIT models in this range incorporate an anodised "brushed-golden" aluminium front panel and matching brown knobs with open golden insets.

Ready to use price on request Total price kit **£25.2.6**  
Cabinet **£2.5.0** extra



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# HEATHKIT Home Entertainment products

All models are available in ready-to-use or kit form

## Latest Portable Stereo Tape Recorder STR-1

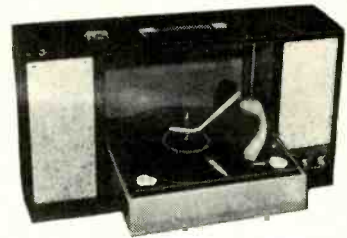
No other British model offers this specification for this price. Not only a tape recorder but a complete stereo sound system in one compact unit  $\frac{1}{2}$ -track stereo or mono record and playback at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  i.p.s. Latest 18 transistor circuit. Recording level indicator. Well known British deck with digital counter. Stereophonic mic. and aux. inputs. Speaker/headphone outputs. Built-in audio amplifiers give 4 watts output (rms) per channel. Two high efficiency 8in. x 5in. loudspeakers. Versatile recording facilities. So-easy to build. Attractive black Rexine cabinet with pastel grey matching panels.



Kit £45.18.0 Ready to use £55.10.0

## Latest Portable Stereo Record Player SRP-1

This stereo, fully transistorised, mains operated player offers new standards of reproduction. Automatic playing of 16, 33, 45 and 78 r.p.m. records. All transistor—cool instant operation. Dual LP/78 stylus. Plays mono or stereo records. Suitcase portability. Detachable speaker enclosure for best stereo effect. Two 8in. x 5in. special loudspeakers. For 220-250V. a.c. mains operation. Overall cabinet size 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Choice of handsome two-tone blue and grey or red and grey fabric coverings. Compact, economical stereo and mono record playing for the whole Family—plays anything from the Beatles to Bartok. All solid-state circuitry gives room filling volume.



Kit £27.15.0 incl. P.T. Ready to use price on request

Complete your motoring pleasure with a

## LUXURY CLASS CAR RADIO, CR-1



A small, compact, high output unit. Superb long and medium wave entertainment whenever you drive. For 12v. positive or 12v. negative car earth system. 8 latest semi-conductors (6 transistors, 2 diode circuit). Powerful output (4 watts) will drive two speakers. Styled to harmonise with most car colour schemes. Supplied in two units, pre-assembled and aligned RF unit kit. £11/3/6 inc. P.T. IF/AF amplifier kit £11/3/6

Total price kit (excl. LS) . . . . £12.17.0 inc. P.T.  
L/speakers and accessories available as extras.

## LOUD SPEAKER SYSTEMS

A wide range of speaker systems available from model SSU-1 kit. . . . . £11 17 6  
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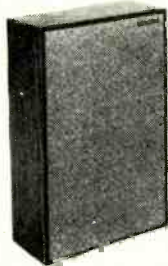
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### AVON Mini SYSTEM



Excellent performance from a smallest possible size. Ideal for housing in a bookcase or other small spaces. Features: Special 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  bass and 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  mid/high frequency units. Inductor/capacitor cross over net work. Very strongly constructed with 12 mm. plywood. Fully finished walnut veneered cabinet. Supplied in two parts, both required. Cabinet kit £8/18/-. L. Speakers and crossover network £4/18/-.  
Total price kit £13.16.0

### BERKELEY slim line SYSTEM



The system you have all heard and read about.  
● Beautiful walnut veneered, fully finished cabinet.  
● Two specially designed 12in. and 4in. speakers.  
● New compact "slim line" size. ● Build it in an evening. ● Professional attractive styling. ● Use one for mono and a pair for stereo. ● Outstanding performance at a low price. ● Shelf or floor standing. ● Use Vertical or horizontal. ● Designed to harmonise with modern or traditional decor. Takes up less than 1 sq. ft. of floor space.  
Kit £19.10.0 Ready to use £24

## Portable Radios to Entertain you wherever you are

### UXR-1—Portable

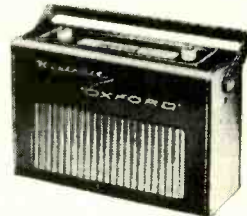
Strong, robust construction with reliable performance. 6 transistor, 1 diode circuit provides the power and range you can't get from miniatures. Covers long and medium wavebands. Cabinet finished in beautiful real leather or in the attractive colours Navy Blue, Coral Pink, Lime Green (please state second choice).



Kit £11.19.0—colour case  
Kit £12.18.0—real leather

### UXR-2—Portable

A De-luxe 7 transistor, 3 diode circuit offers big-set sound. Battery saving circuitry—batteries last for months. Push buttons for Long and Medium wave coverage and tone control. Easy-tune slide-rule dial. Double-tuned I.F. stage. Output for phone or tape recorder. Choice of real brown or black leather case and handle.



Kit £14.18.0

## LOW-COST AUDIO AMPLIFIERS

### 5 watt Mono Amplifier, MA-5



● Built-in pre-amplifier. ● Two switch-selected inputs. ● Separate bass, treble and volume controls. ● 5 watt r.m.s. output. ● Less than 0.5% distortion at 5 watts, ref 1 kc/s. ● Printed circuit board construction. ● Easy-to-build. Outputs for 3 or 15 ohm speakers.  
Kit £11.9.6 Ready to use £15.15.0

Kit £11.9.6 Ready to use £15.15.0

### 3+3 watts Stereo Amplifier, S-33H



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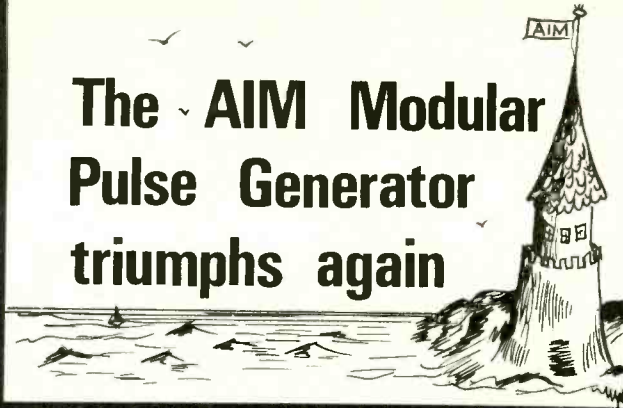
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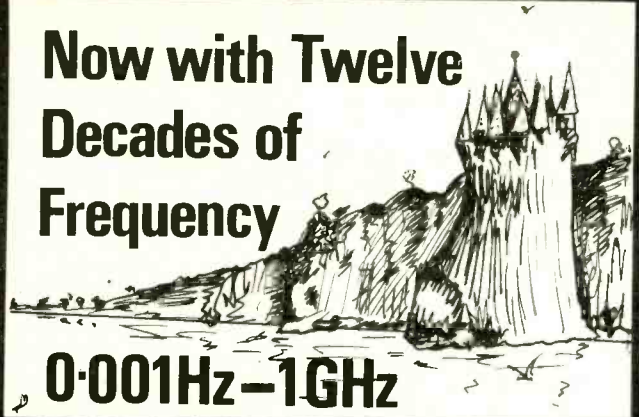
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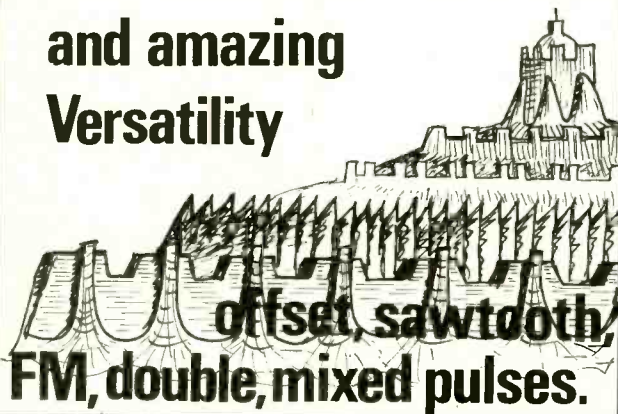
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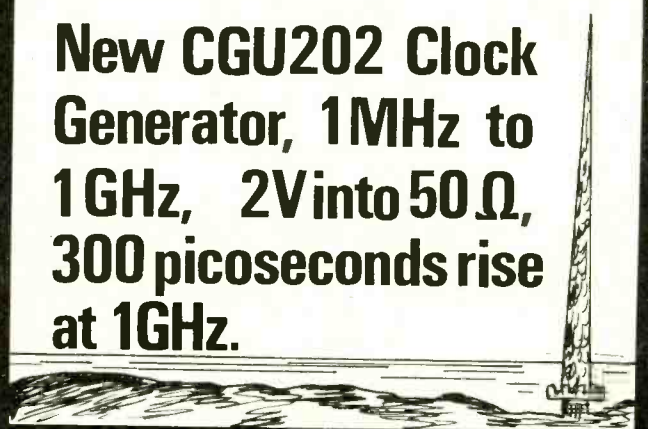
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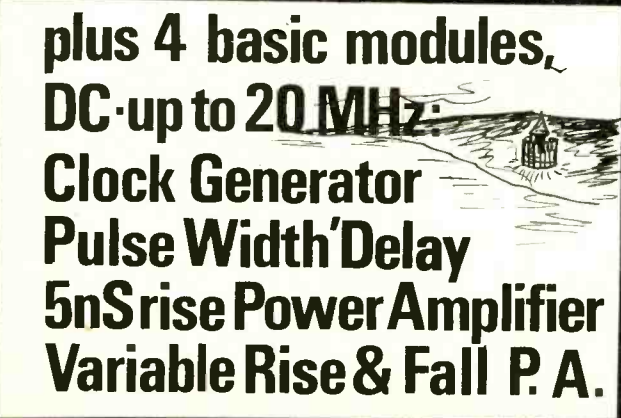


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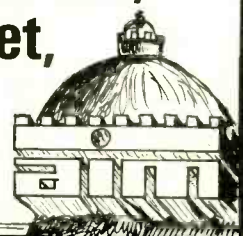
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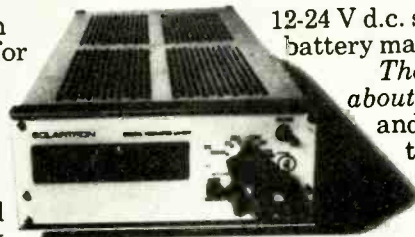
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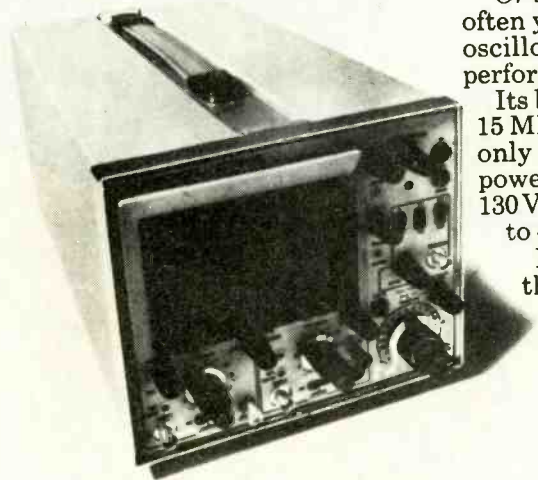
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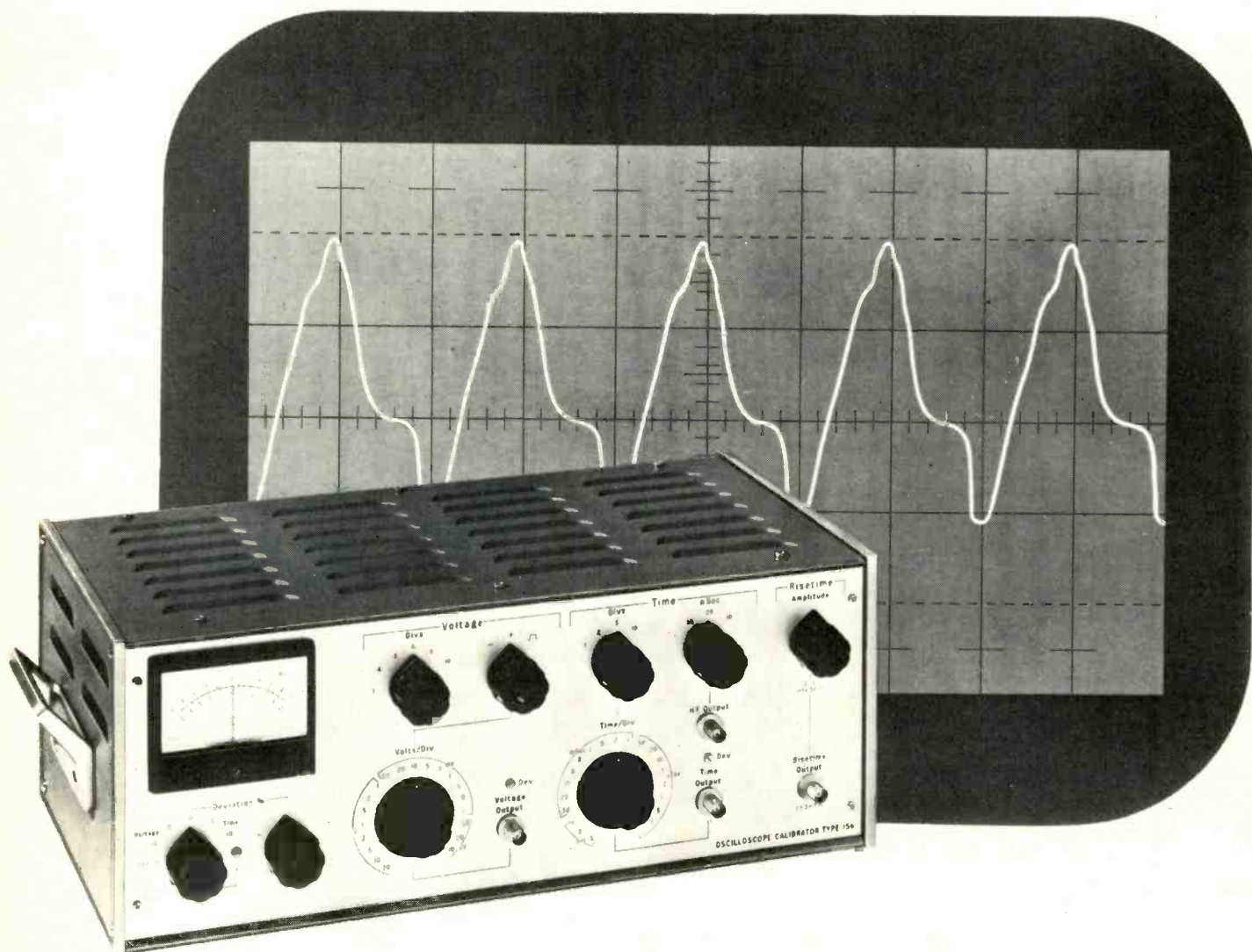
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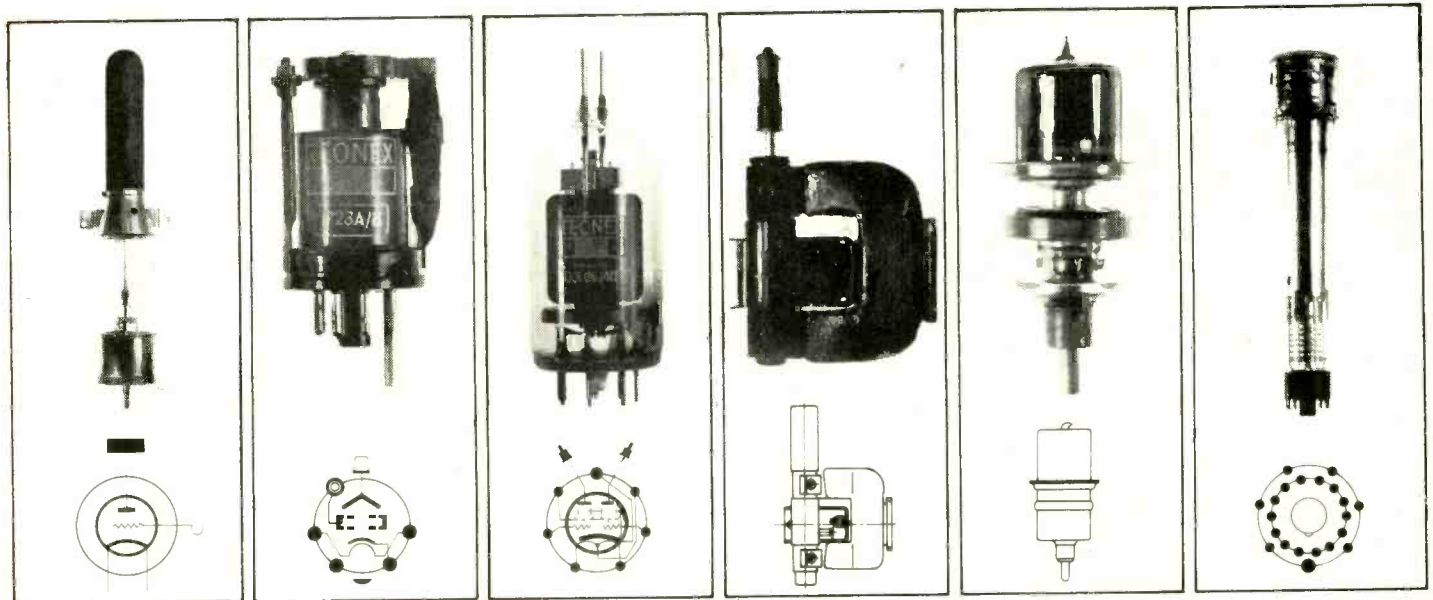
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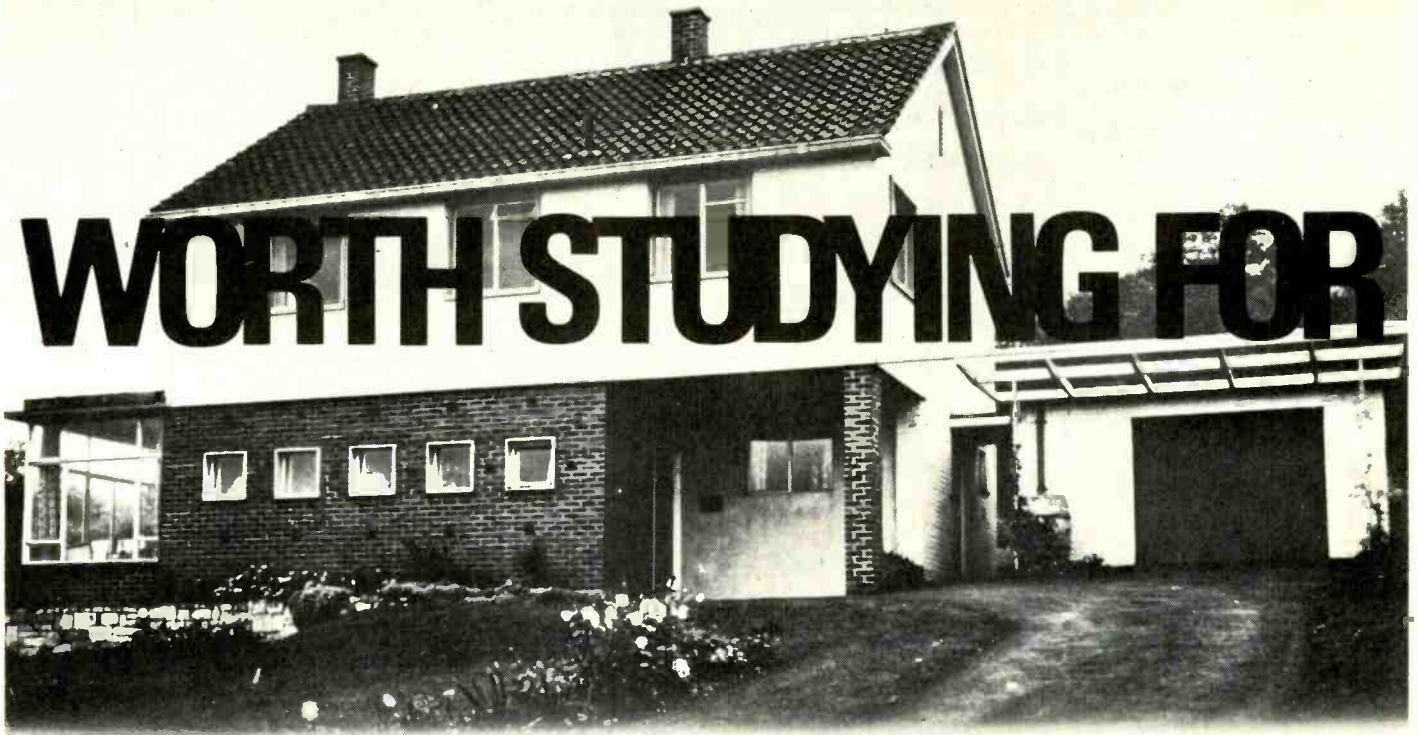
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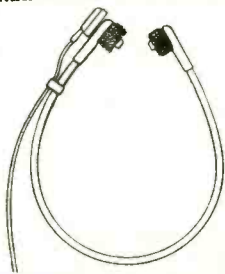
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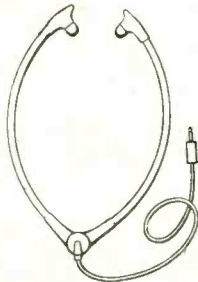
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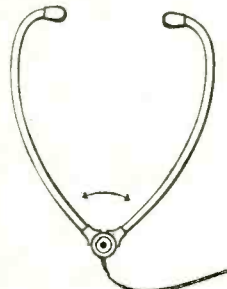
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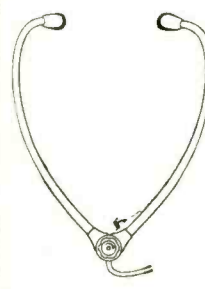
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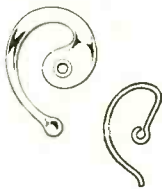
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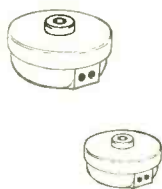
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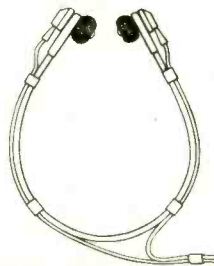
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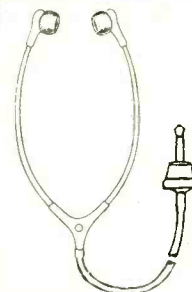
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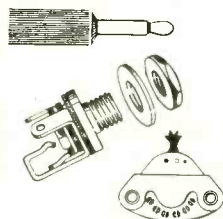
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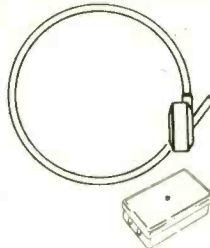
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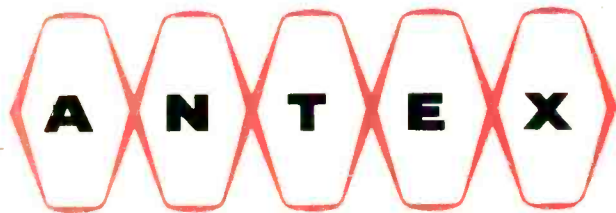


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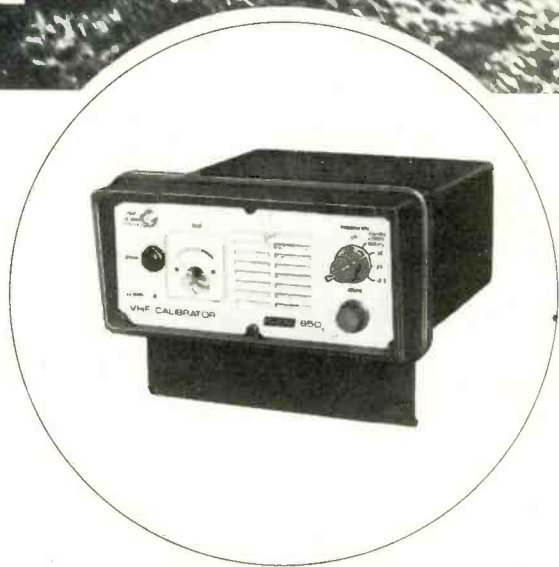
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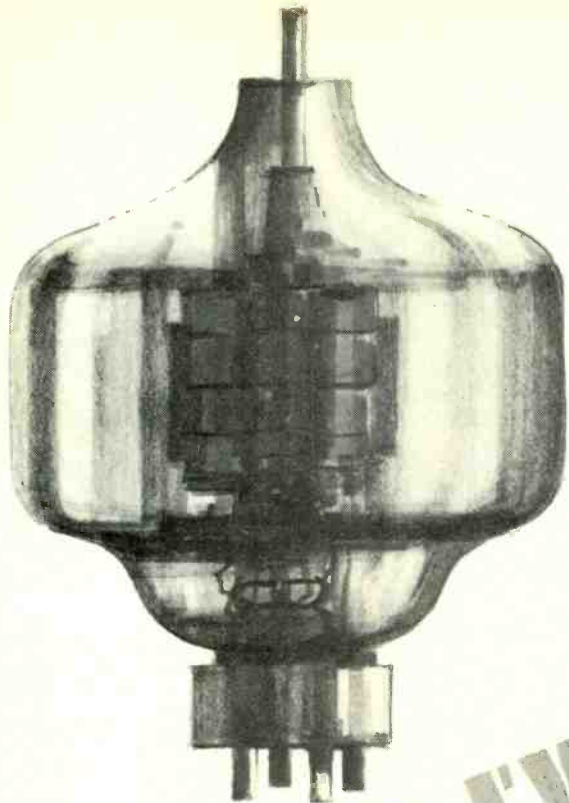
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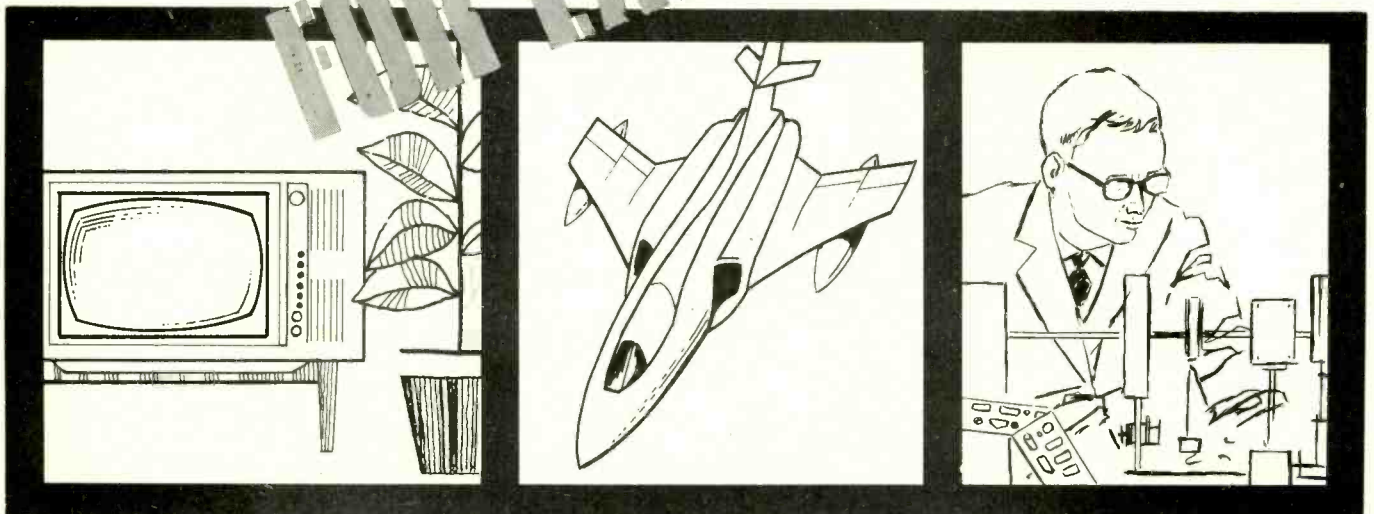


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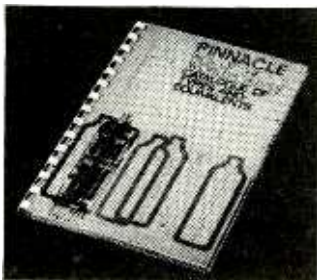
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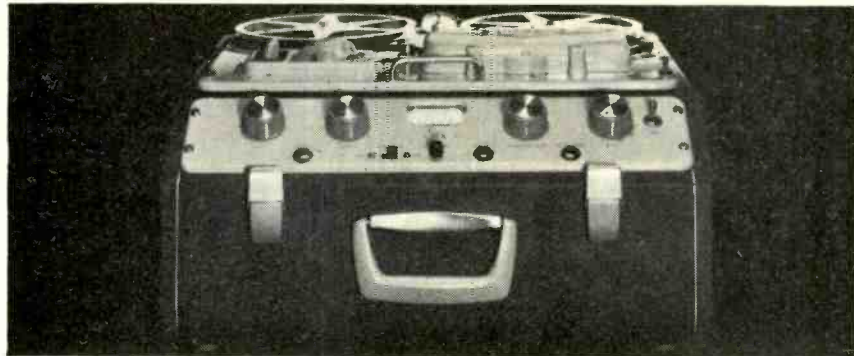
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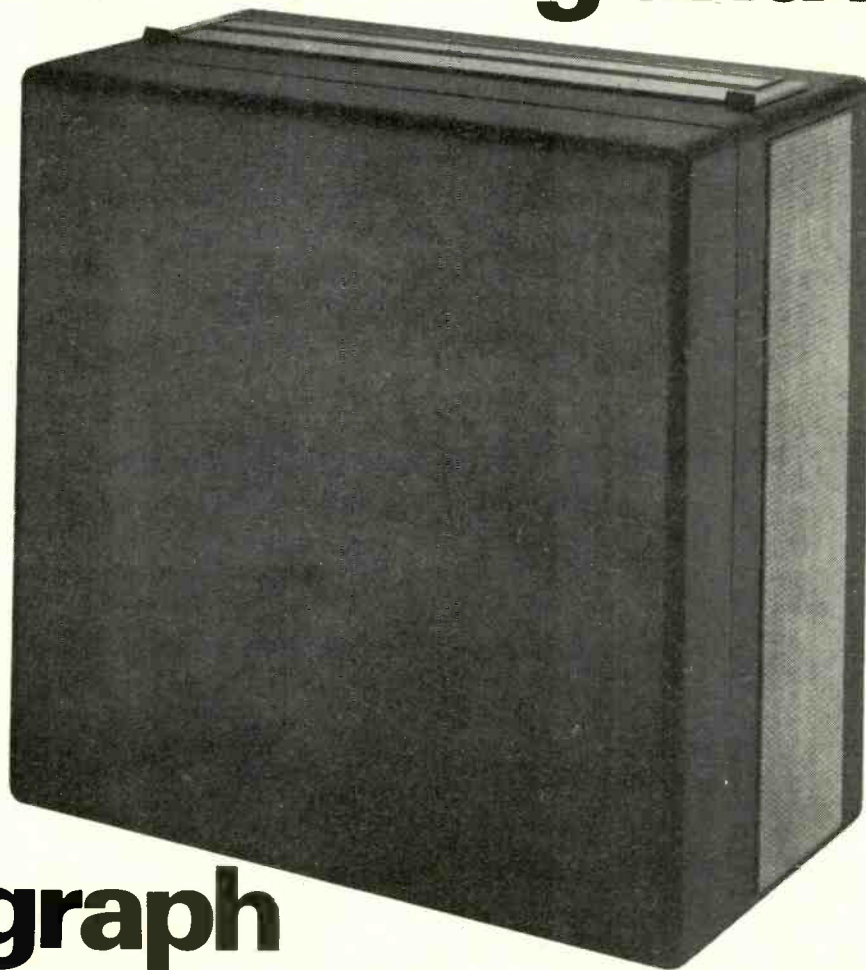
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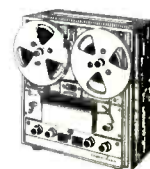
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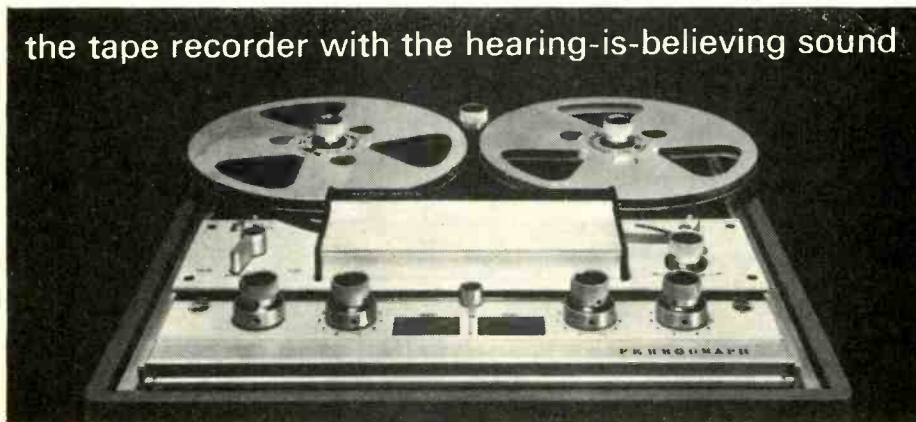
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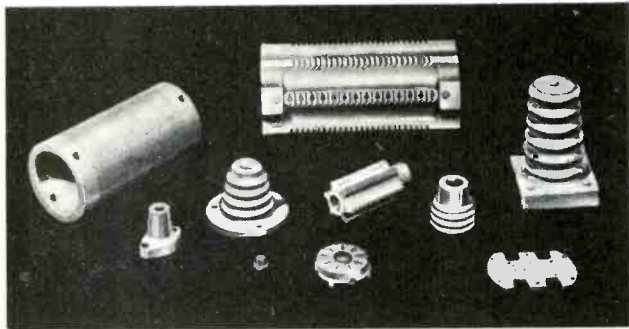
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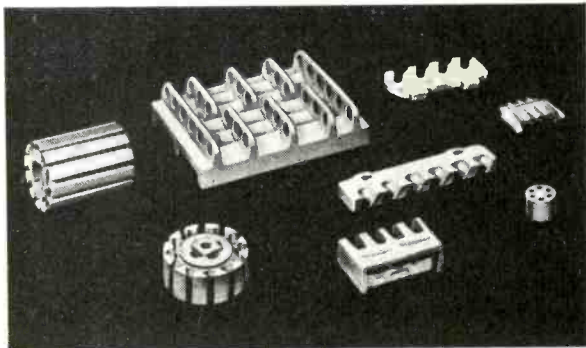
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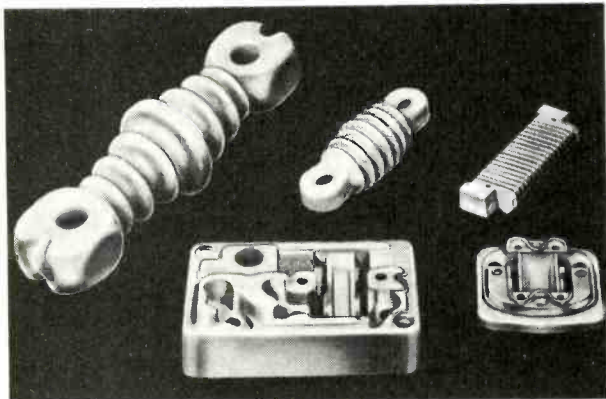
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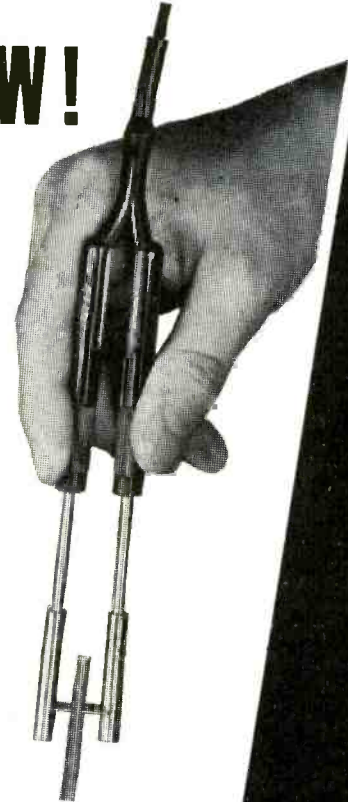
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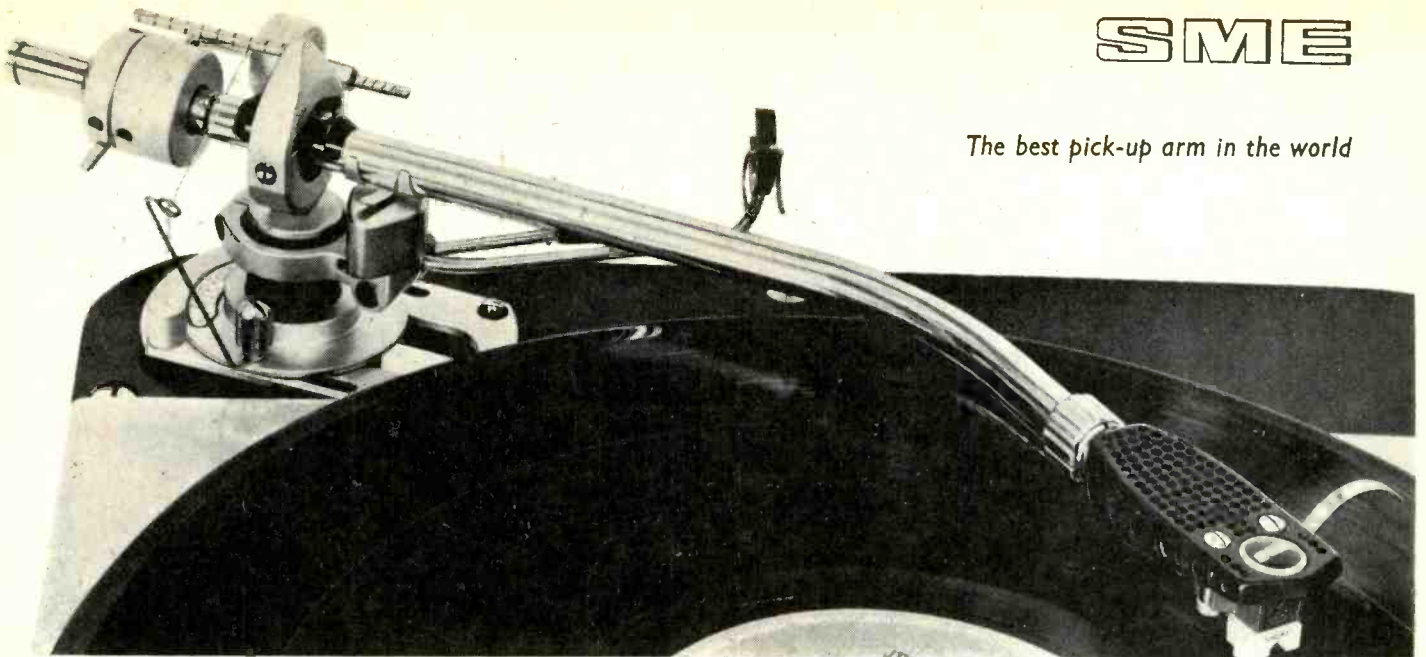
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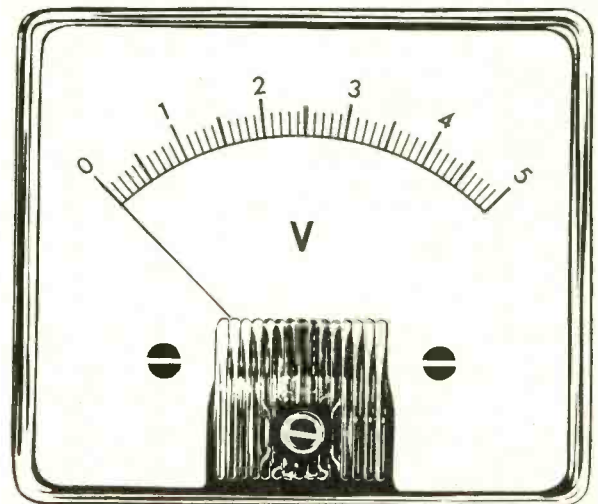
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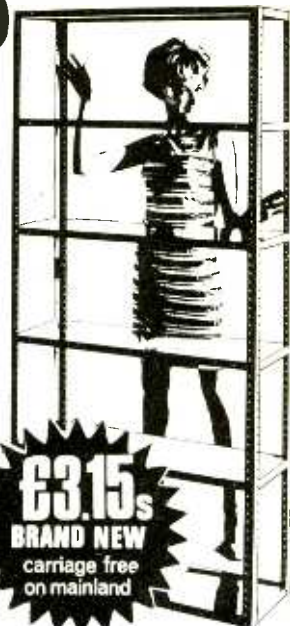
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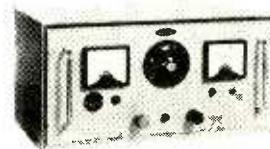
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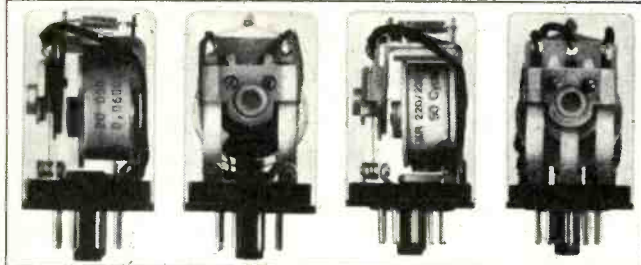
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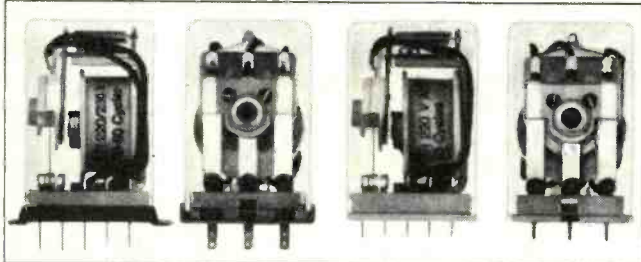
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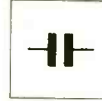


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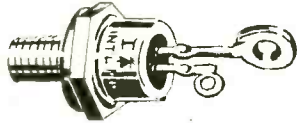
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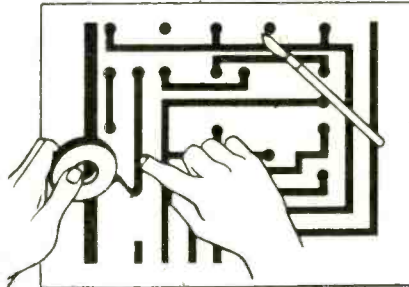


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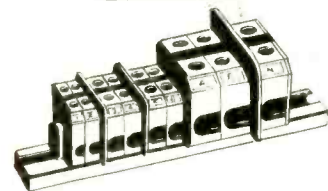
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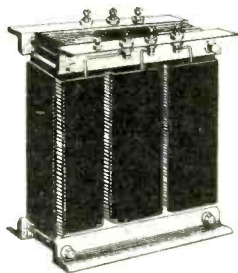
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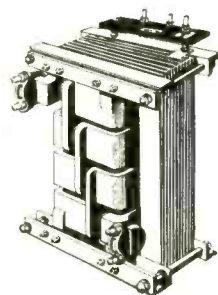
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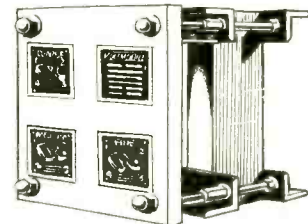
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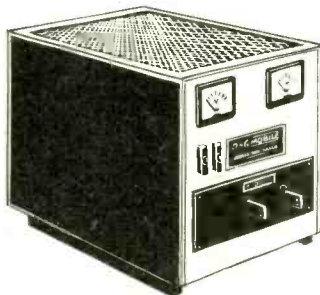


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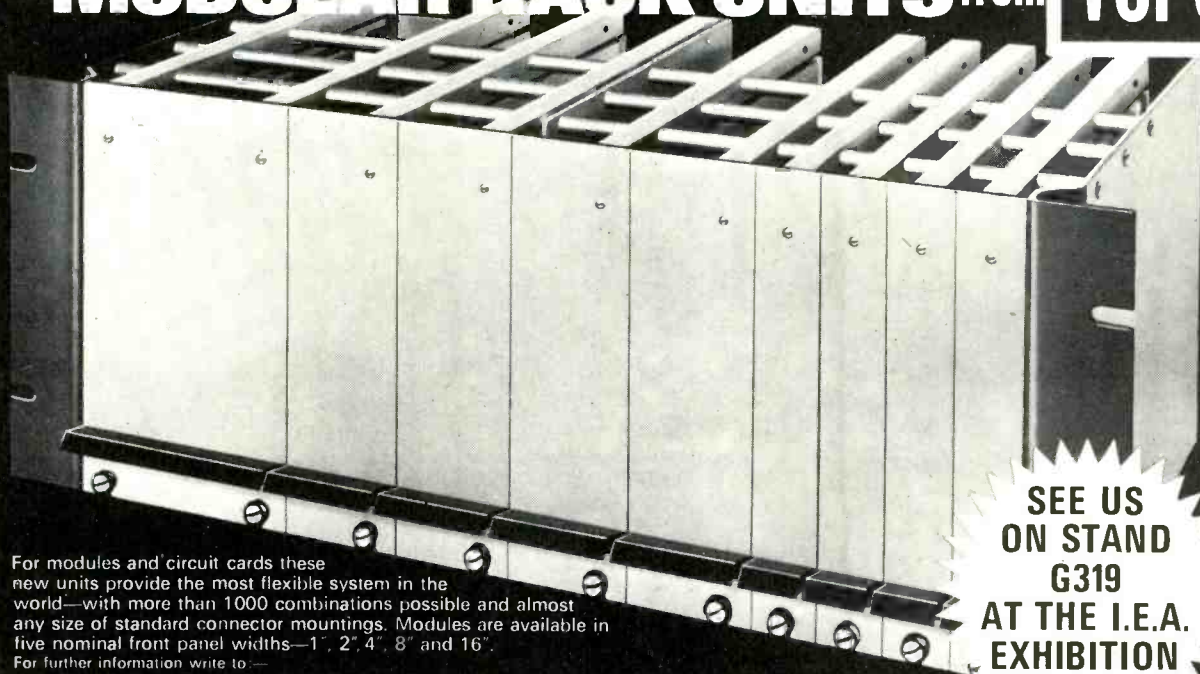
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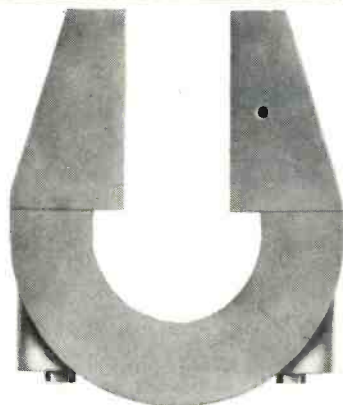
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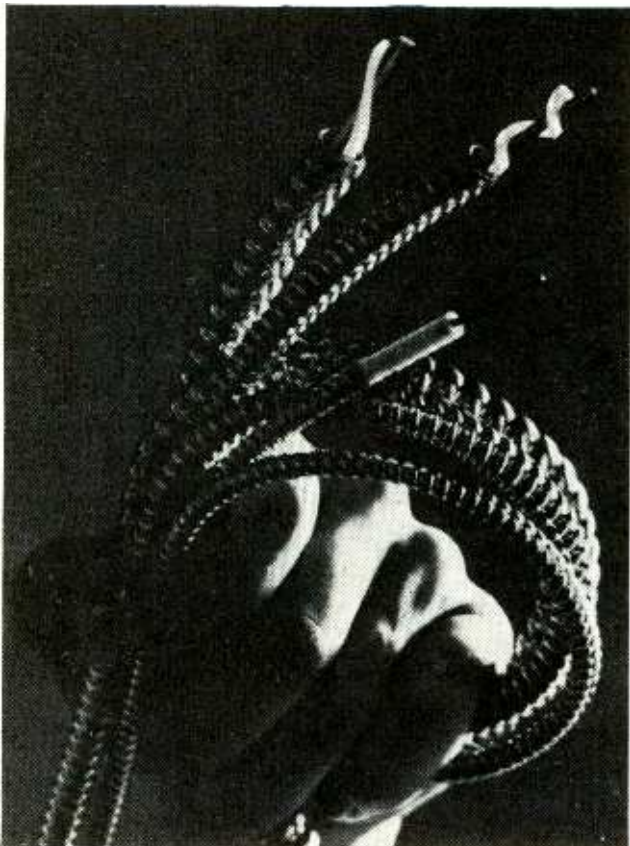
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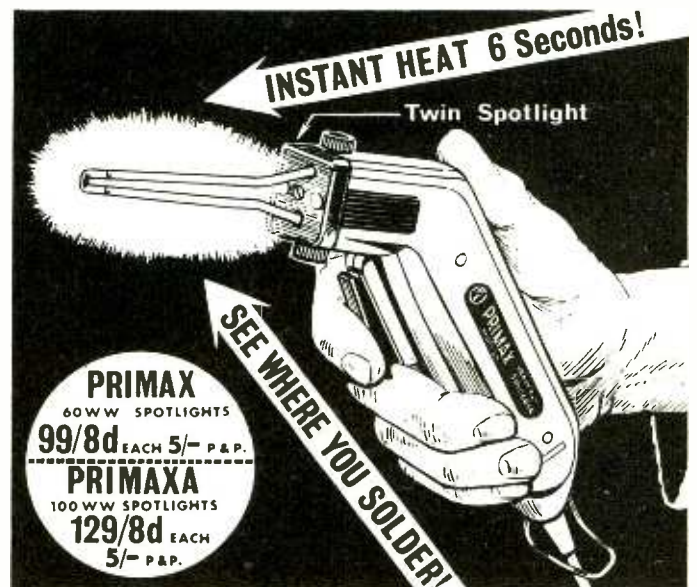
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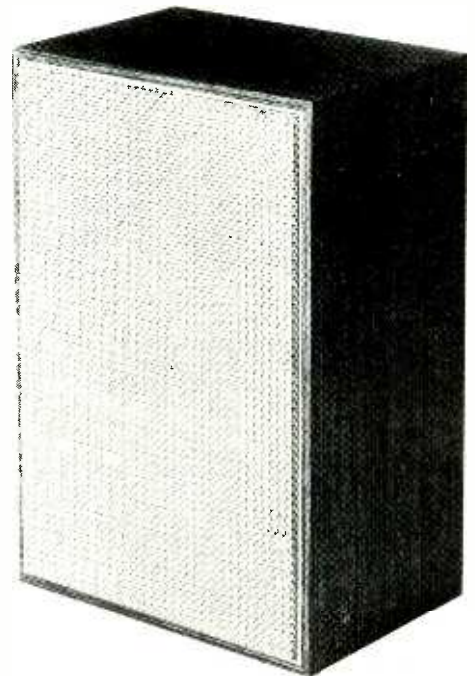
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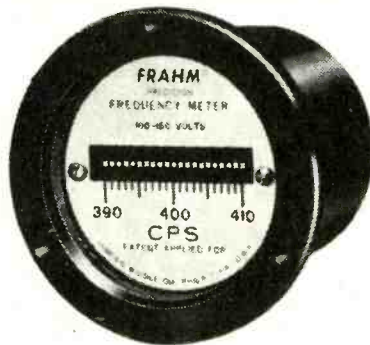
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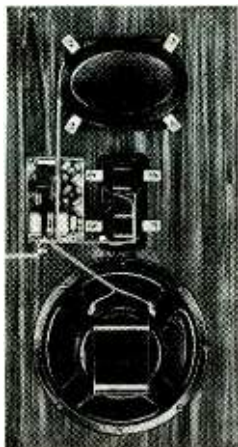
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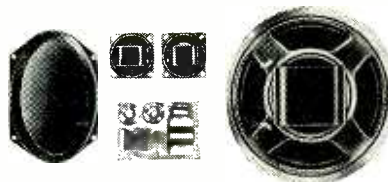
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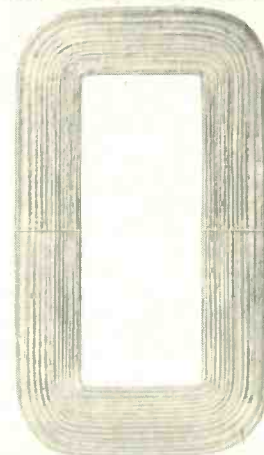
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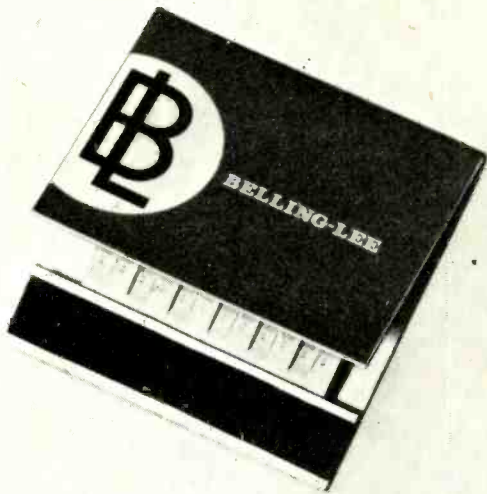
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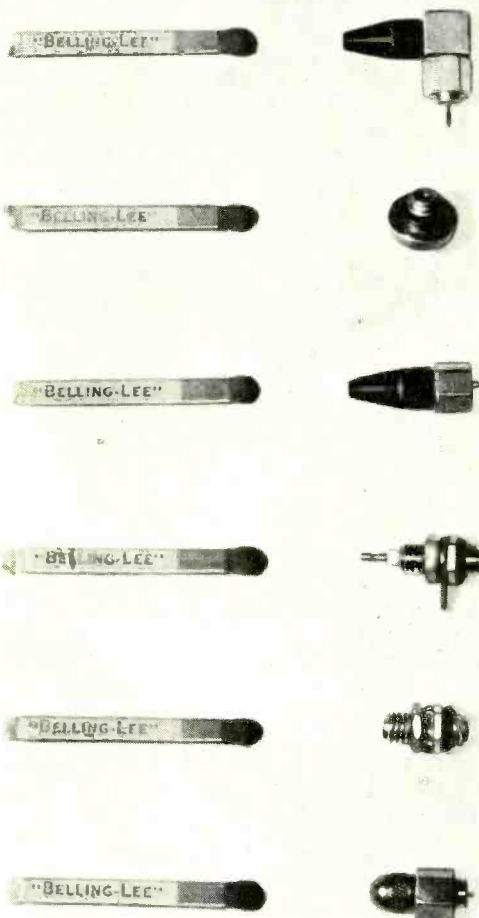
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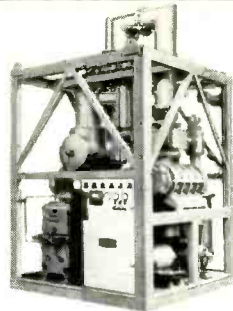
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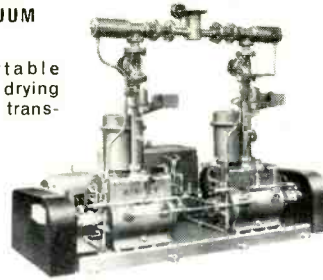
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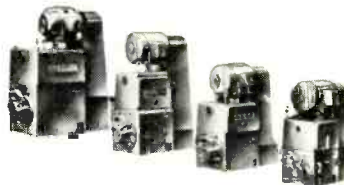
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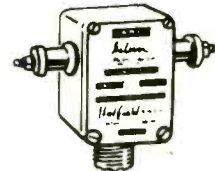
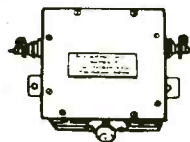
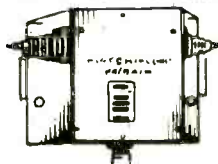
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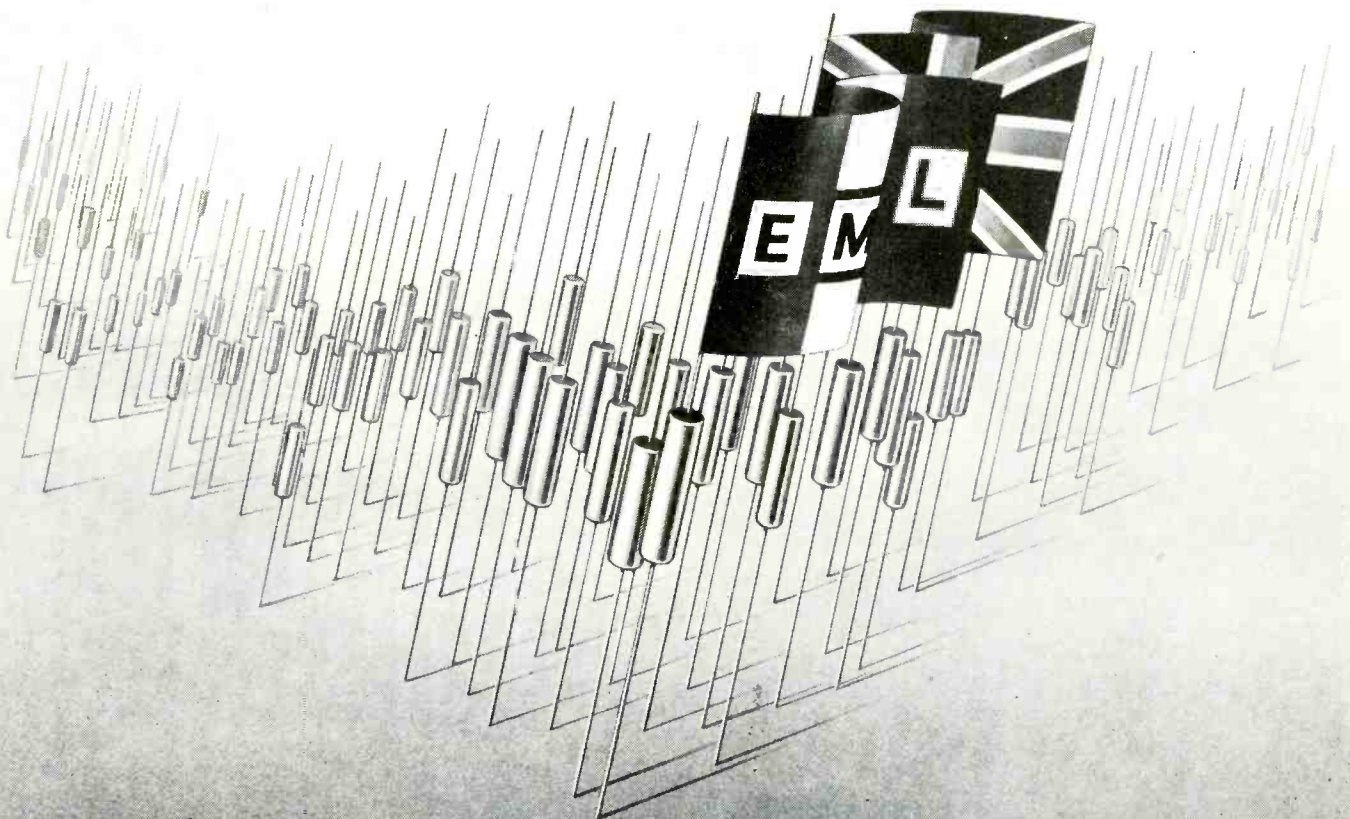
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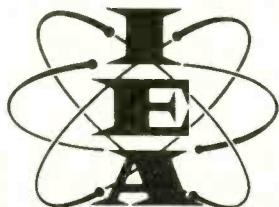
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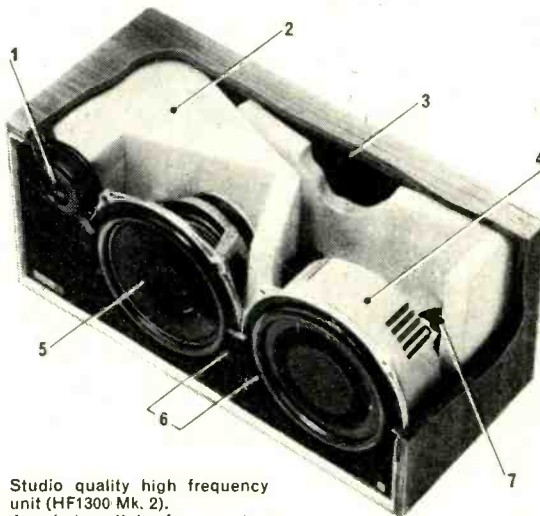
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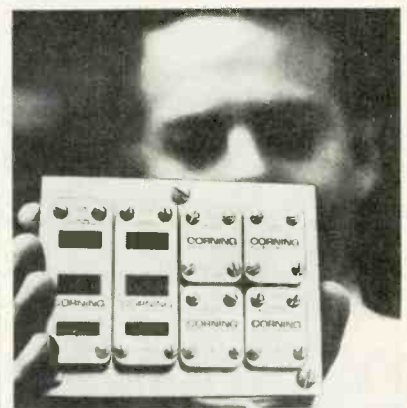
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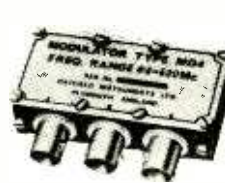
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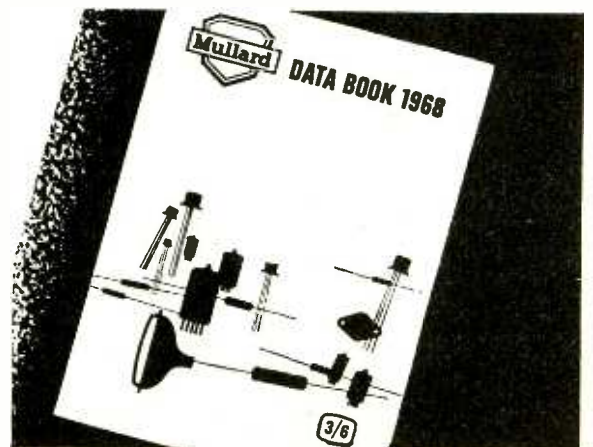
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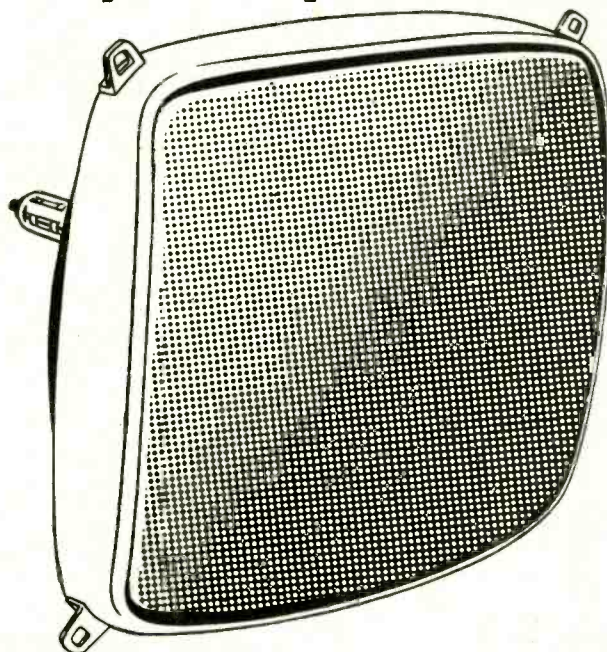
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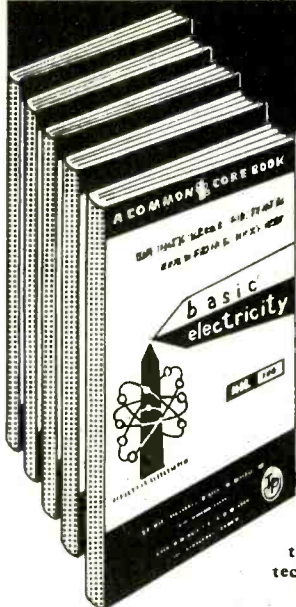
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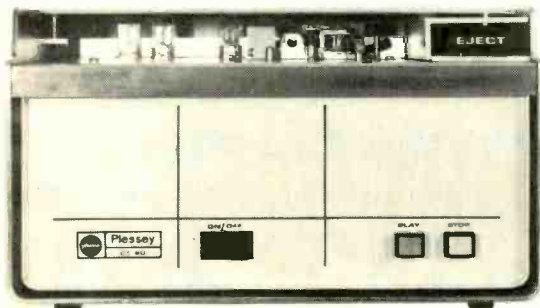


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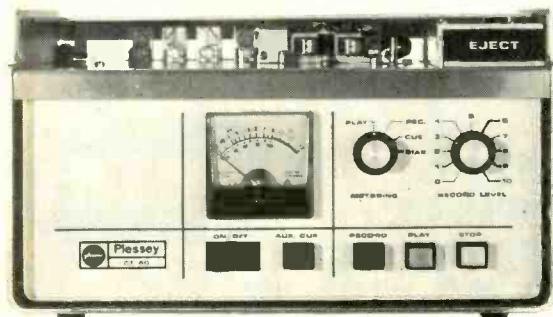


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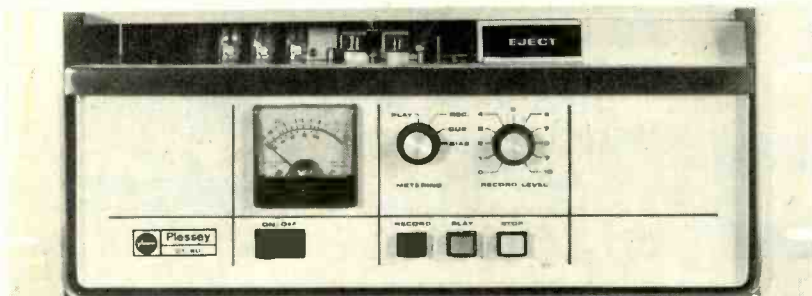
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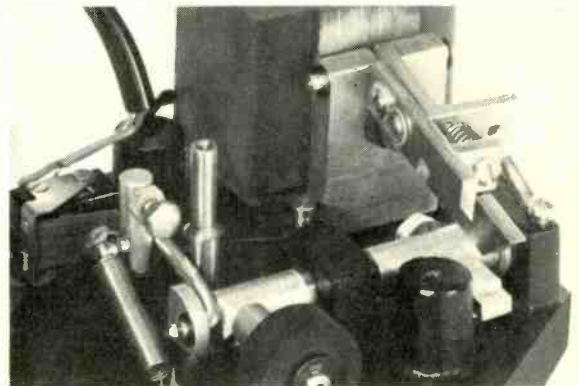
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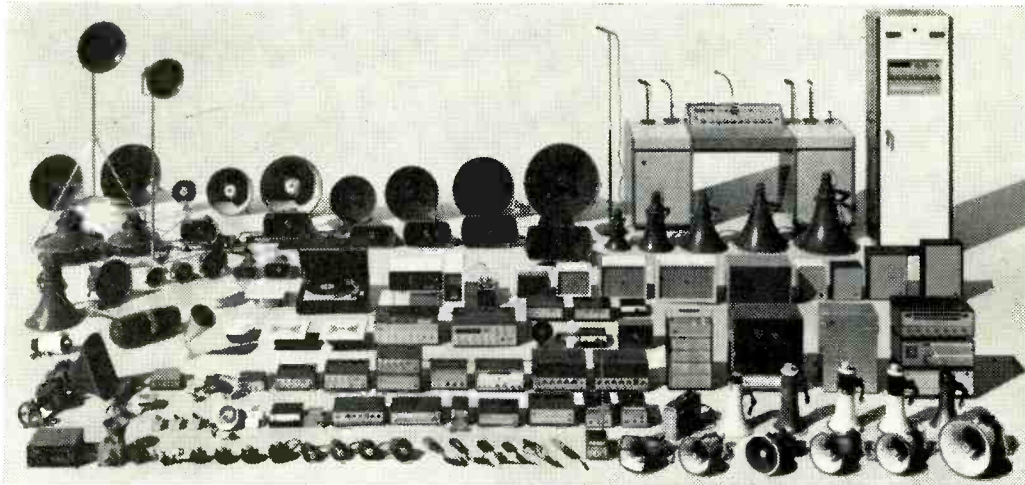
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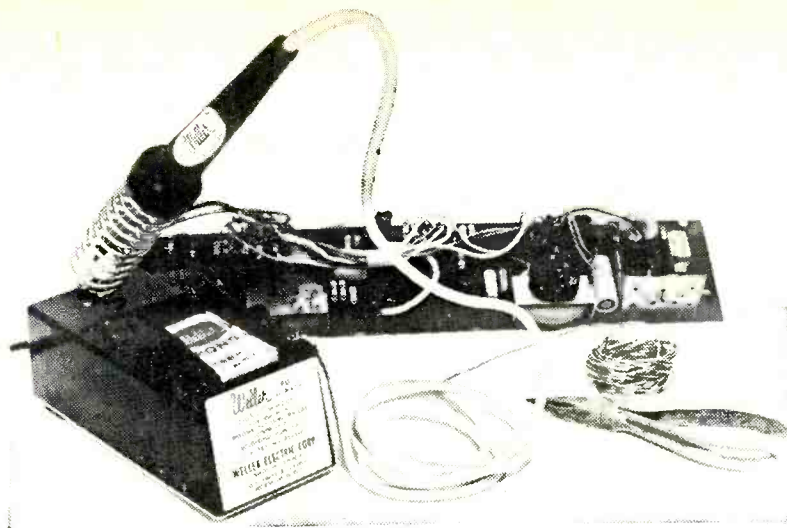
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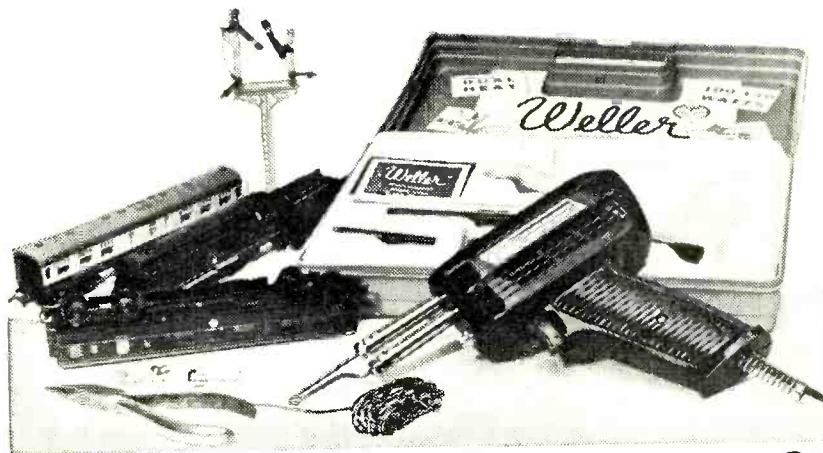
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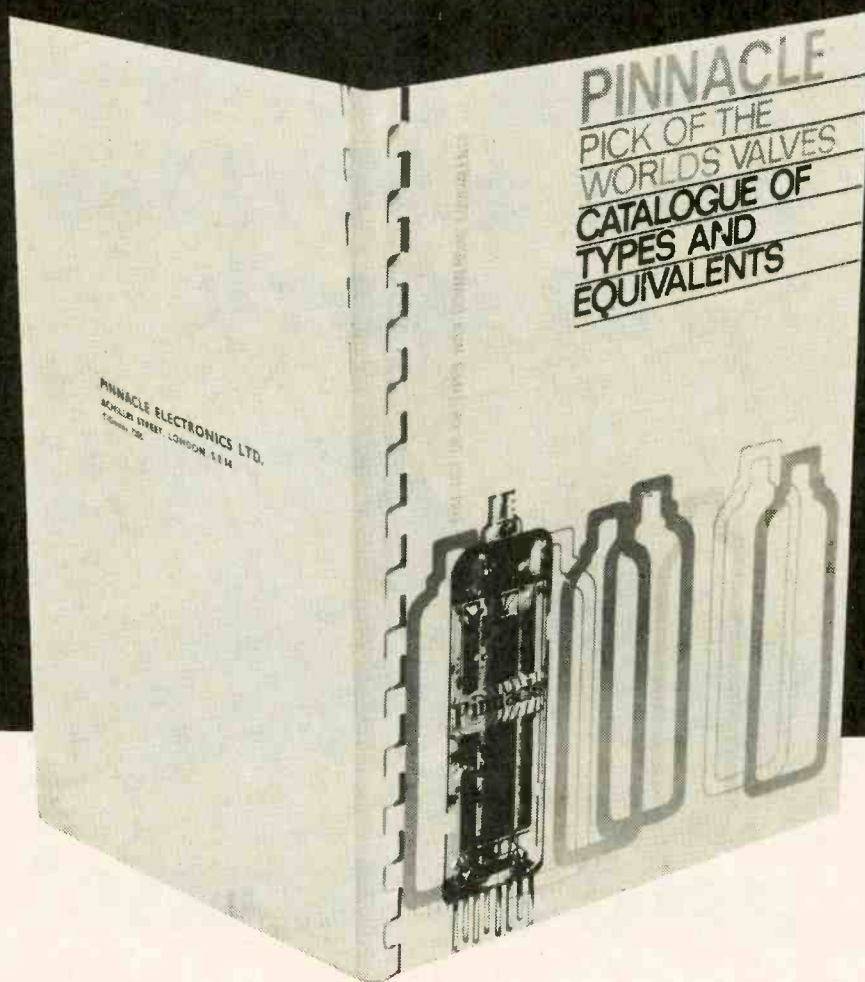
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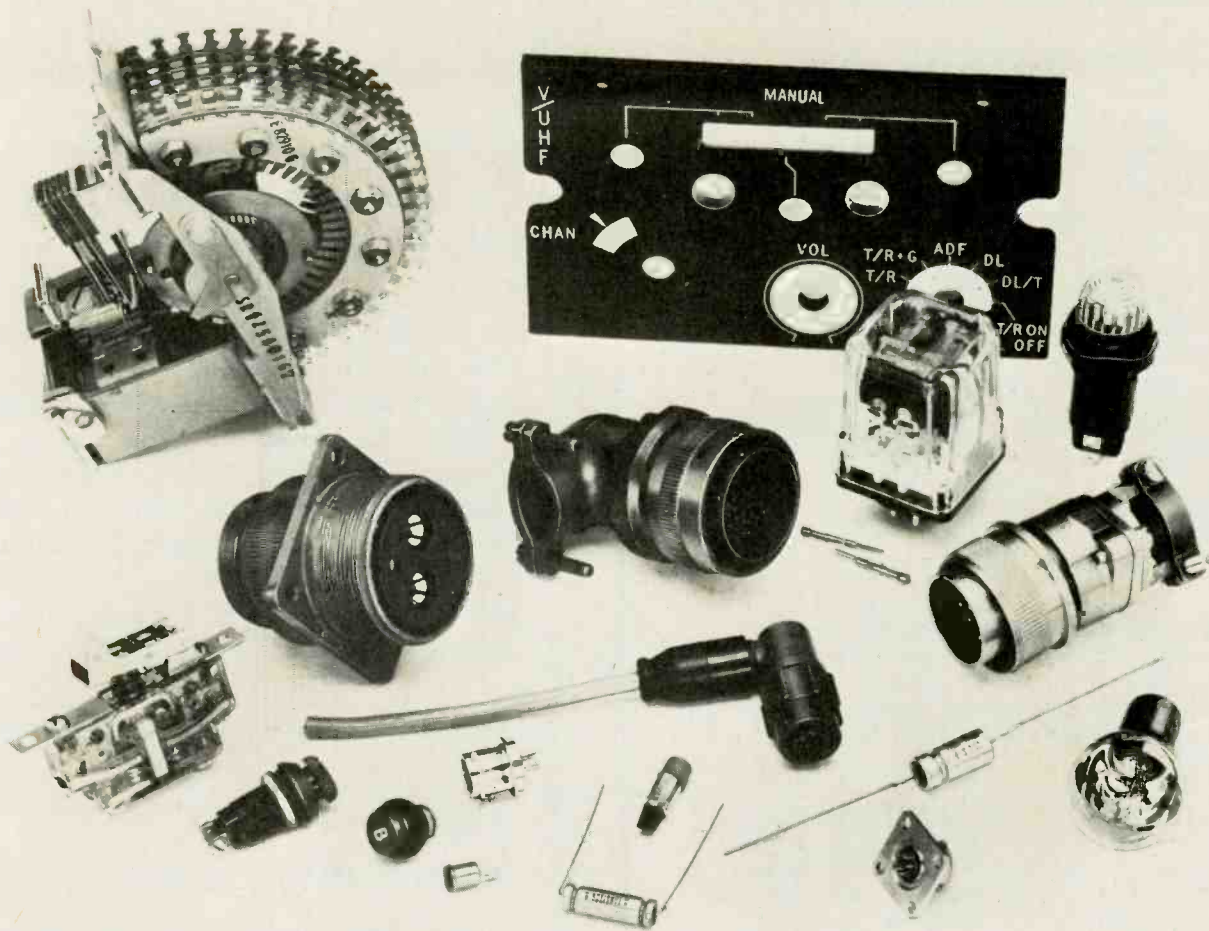
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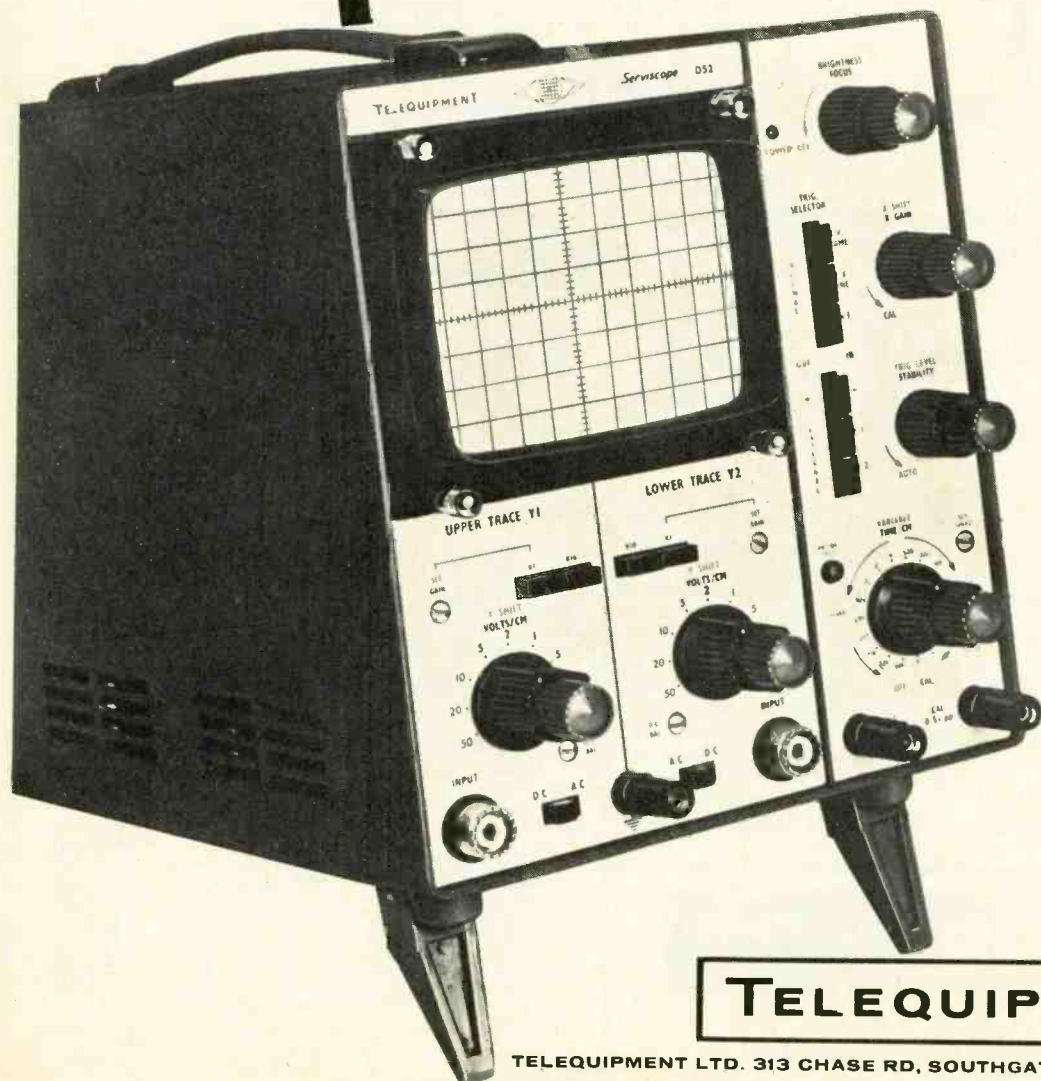


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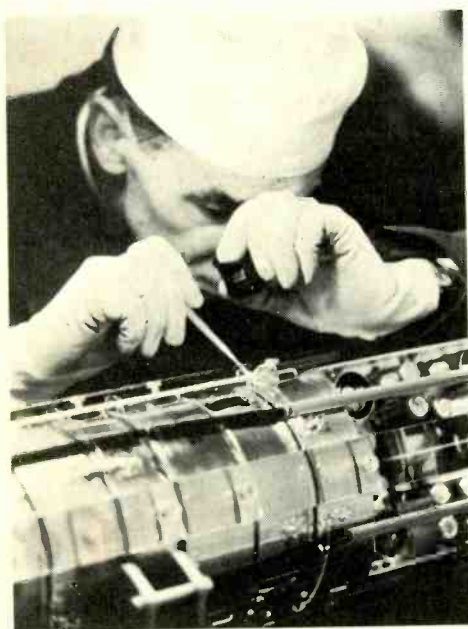
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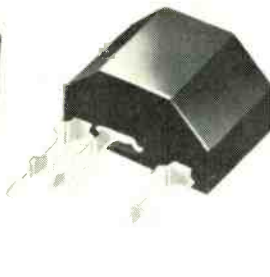
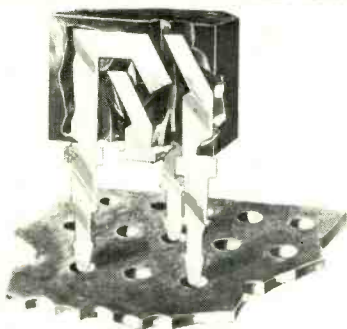
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We make no apology for once again returning to the subject of the engineer; we are prompted to do so by two recent incidents. The first was when H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh was addressing a gathering of about 600 graduate and student members of the 14 constituent societies of the Council of Engineering Institutions. As recorded elsewhere in this issue the Duke stated, without any reservations, that he saw no reason why technicians should be forced to join a separate institution. This is particularly interesting in view of the efforts now being made by the C.E.I., of which the Duke is president, to "establish the qualifications of non-chartered engineers", and also of the possibility of setting up a technician counterpart to the C.E.I\*.

The second was the announcement by the C.E.I. that the meeting to be addressed by the Duke would be attended by "young *professional engineers* [our italics] . . . . . drawn from the graduate and student sections of the professional engineering institutions". Was this a slip of the pen of the writer of the announcement or was it inspired prophecy? In the present situation no graduate or student would dare to call himself a professional engineer, which would of course be comparable to a medical student calling himself, a doctor.

Great efforts have been made, especially over the past few years, to improve the "image" of the engineer and to give him a status comparable with other professional men, for instance doctors, barristers and lawyers. But are we in danger of overplaying our hand? What is expected of an engineer? It would appear from pronouncements from the hierarchy of some institutions that their chartered engineers are the theorists who know the "how" and "why" of, for instance, electronic engineering but do not get their hands dirty as practising engineers. Whether we like it or not the term engineer conjures up in the mind of the layman one who gets down to doing the job. This fact was borne out by the remark of one of the students at the meeting addressed by Prince Philip who said that he told his friends he was a scientist, because to them, an engineer was one who "went around repairing television receivers". Where have we as engineers gone wrong? Have we tried to over glamorize the profession?

Speaking at the annual dinner of the I.E.E. at the end of February Sir John Wolfenden, chairman of the University Grants Committee, was deploring the shortage of suitable boys and girls to fill the vacancies in the technological disciplines in Universities. He blamed the prejudices of parents and schoolmasters and also the distorted "image" so often portrayed in the press. He instanced how that when a spacecraft is successfully launched it is hailed as a "triumph of science" but if it fails to go into orbit it is a "failure of engineering"! This image, he said, must be changed.

What is the answer to this whole question of the engineer in society? We would venture to say that it will not be solved by a proliferation of societies for various stratas of engineers, nor by merely raising the academic standards required for membership of the "professional" institutions.

The answer is in the hands of the professional institutions who should let the public see that the "general practitioner" is as much a professional as the "Harley Street specialist".

\* See "The Technician Engineering Scene" *W.W.* April 1968, p. 73.

# 30-watt High Fidelity Amplifier

## Output stage using complementary transistors

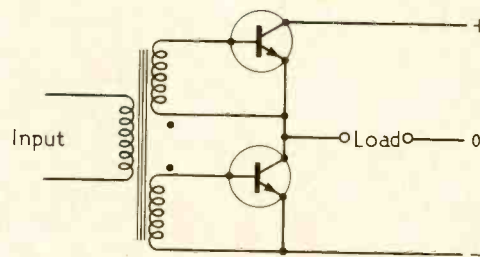
by Arthur R. Bailey\*, M.Sc., Ph.D., M.I.E.E.

It is only recently that matched complementary output transistors, capable of high dissipation, have been available at a reasonable price. In the past this has had the effect of concentrating high power amplifier design into two main streams. The first uses a driver transformer with a pair of identical output transistors in a series connection. The use of a driver transformer is undesirable mainly on account of the cost, as the bandwidth of a well designed component may well extend from the sub-sonic region up to several megahertz. Nevertheless a circuit that does not require the use of such a component will obviously be an advantage.

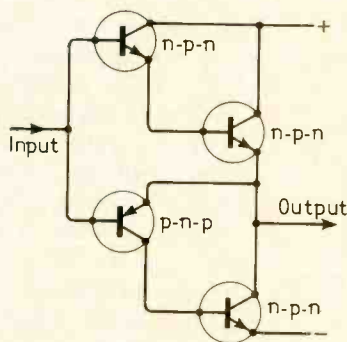
The alternative circuit that has been used by many designers is the quasi-complementary output stage. In this design identical output transistors are used and a complementary pair of driver transistors is arranged so as to give phase-inversion to the bases of the two output transistors. These two circuits are shown in Figs. 1(a) and 1(b) respectively. A correctly designed fully complementary output stage (Fig. 1(c) shows the basic arrangement) is capable of better performance than either of these common circuits and the reasons for this will be examined.

Compared with the quasi-complementary amplifier, the transformer-driven amplifier has the great advantage that the input impedances to the two sides of the output circuit are identical. This means that if a suitable quiescent current is used in the output transistors, cross-over distortion will be almost completely absent.

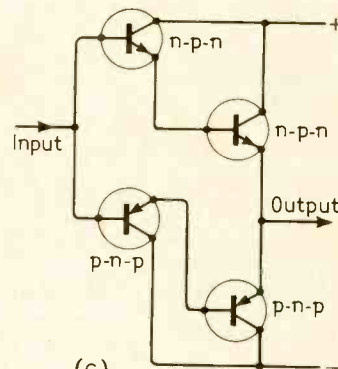
The quasi-complementary amplifier, however, gives greater overall distortion even if identical output transistors are used. This increase is due to the different input impedances of the two halves of the output stage in the quasi-complementary circuit. In the upper half of Fig. 1(b) the input impedance is due to two emitter-base junctions in series, whereas in the lower half the signal feeds into only one transistor. The effect of this is an extremely marked asymmetry between the input impedances of the upper and lower halves of the output stage.



(a)



(b)



(c)

Fig. 1. Direct-coupled output stages: (a) with driver transformer; (b) quasi-complementary; (c) fully complementary.

Unfortunately the two input impedances cannot be equalized by the use of a series resistor as the curvature of the two stages is completely different. This dissimilarity of curvature can be seen in Figs. 2 and 3, these being the transfer characteristics of the upper and lower halves of an output stage using matched transistors.

The dissimilarity in input impedance is most marked at low values of collector current. Hence in the case of a class B output stage there is an abrupt change in slope at the cross-over point, giving rise to the well known phenomenon of cross-over distortion. This distortion may not be particularly serious when measured on an r.m.s. basis, but as it unfortunately occurs mainly within a small part of the overall output swing, the peak value of the distortion can be surprisingly high. Also the distortion does not normally decrease appreciably as the output swing is reduced, since the effect is occurring at small signal levels. The overall effect is quite serious, therefore, and the ear seems to be very sensitive to such types of distortion.

This then is perhaps the reason why two amplifiers may sound quite different even though their "paper" performance may be identical on the basis of normal amplifier measurements. Very few valve amplifiers suffer from cross-over

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### Specification

Sensitivity	1.0 volt for 30 watts into 8-ohm load 0.8 volt for 20 watts into 16-ohm load
Rise time	approximately 0.7 microsecond
Distortion	below 0.1% over the whole of the audio-frequency range at rated power outputs
Load stability	unconditional
Abnormal load protection	provided adequate heat sinks are used the amplifier will not be damaged by operation into incorrect loads
Noise	better than 80 dB down on full power output
Hum	depends on layout if stray hum fields exist. Negligible hum in output if normally smoothed supplies are used.
Distortion generated	predominantly third harmonic, cross-over distortion being absent.

distortion, and this may be the reason why the best valve amplifiers are difficult to evaluate on subjective tests. Certainly there are much greater subjective differences between the performances of current transistor amplifiers.

If cross-over distortion is present it would appear that the common 0.1 per cent harmonic distortion rule for an acceptable limit at peak output is no longer valid, and at least one manufacturer is working on the basis of far lower distortions being necessary.

There appear to be two ways of tackling this problem. The first is to use a larger value of overall feedback so as to reduce the effect to inaudible proportions. The main drawback with this method is that high values of overall feedback make the amplifier closer to instability, and it may be difficult, if not impossible, to achieve a reasonable stability margin. Stability may then be obtained by decreasing the cut-off frequency of a stabilizing step-network, but this has the effect of decreasing the available power at high frequencies as well as degrading the distortion characteristics at high frequencies.

### Complementary Symmetry Output Stage

In view of these considerations the author decided that the best line of approach was to use a fully symmetrical output stage based on complementary transistors. With such a symmetrical system, there is no difference between the input impedances in the upper and lower halves of the circuit. From the basic circuit in Fig. 1(c) it will be seen that both halves of the circuit have the same input impedance characteristics because of their identical configurations. By a suitable choice of standing quiescent current, cross-over distortion can be reduced to levels where it is extremely difficult to detect. This absence of cross-over distortion means that perfectly satisfactory results will be obtained if the overall distortion factor of the amplifier is similar to that commonly found in valve amplifiers, i.e. about the 0.1 per cent mark. In fact lower distortions than this are possible while maintaining both unconditional load stability and good high-frequency performance.

During the development of this amplifier it was discovered that the overall performance was not as good as might have

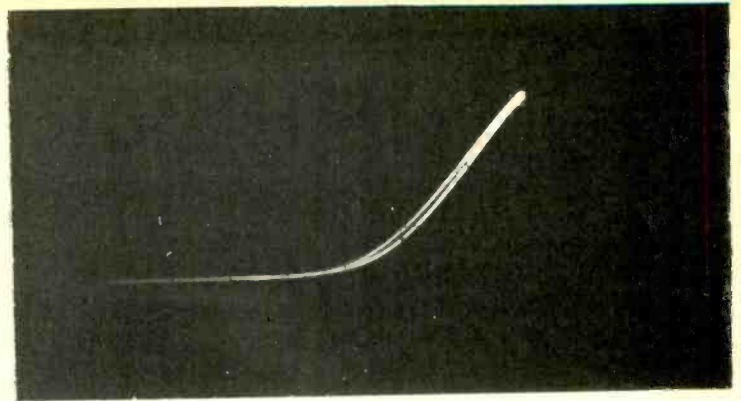


Fig. 2. Transfer characteristic of upper half of Fig. 1(b).

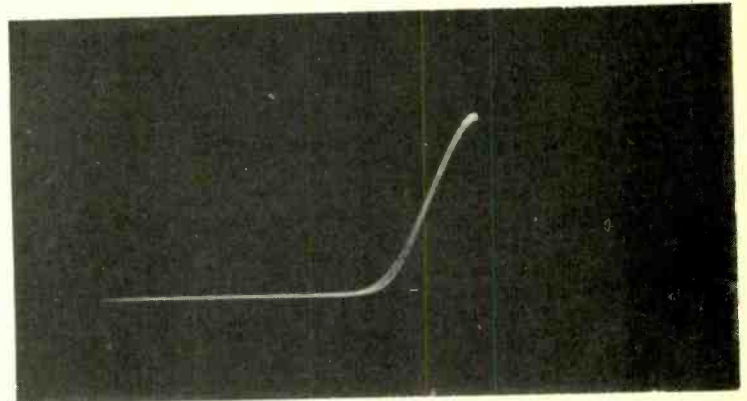
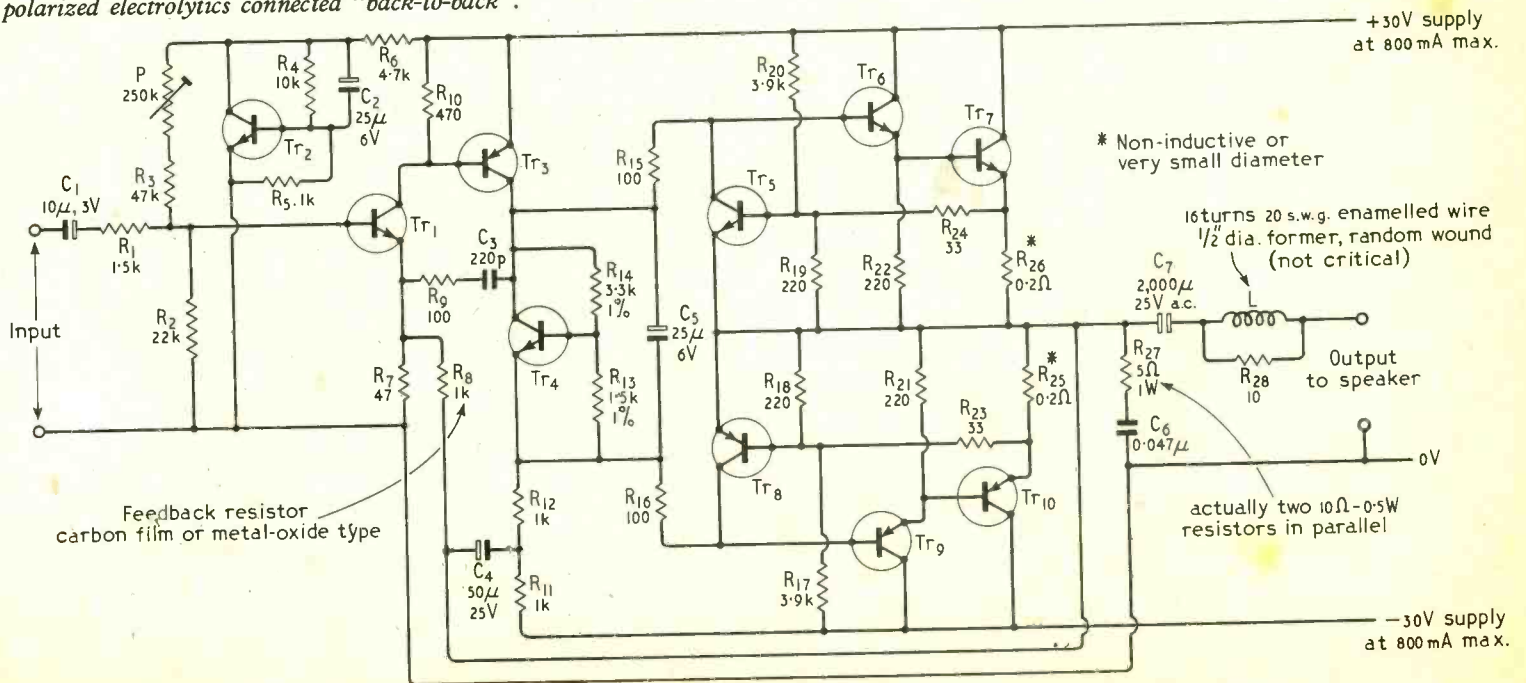


Fig. 3. Transfer characteristic of lower half of Fig. 1(b).

been expected from the output stage characteristics. This distortion increase was traced to the common-emitter amplifier stage that drives the output stages. This is transistor  $Tr_3$  in the complete amplifier circuit shown in Fig. 4. The effect was found to be caused by "Early effect", the high collector voltage swing modulating the gain of the stage. In fact the overall distortion was approximately three times that which would have been expected. As this effect depends entirely on

Fig. 4. Circuit of complete power amplifier. The transistors used are:  $Tr_1$ —40361 (R.C.A.);  $Tr_2$ —BC109 (Mullard);  $Tr_3$ —40362 (R.C.A.);  $Tr_4$ —BC107 (Mullard);  $Tr_5$ —BC125 (Fairchild);  $Tr_6$ —40361 (R.C.A.);  $Tr_7$ —MJ481 (Motorola);  $Tr_8$ —BC126 (Fairchild);  $Tr_9$ —40362 (R.C.A.);  $Tr_{10}$ —MJ491 (Motorola). Note that  $C_7$  is a reversible electrolytic and could be made up of two 4000- $\mu$ F polarized electrolytics connected "back-to-back".



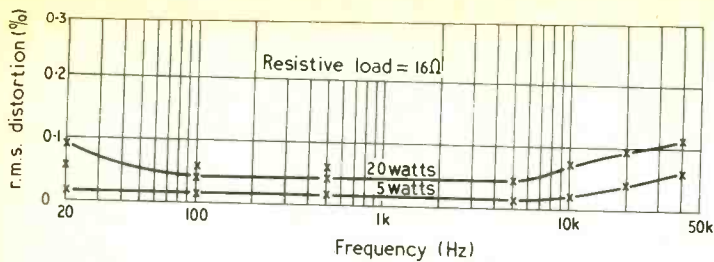


Fig. 5. Distortion characteristics of amplifier with 16-ohm load.

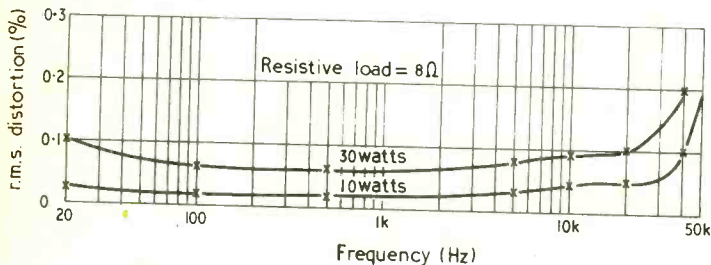


Fig. 6. Distortion characteristics of amplifier with 8-ohm load.

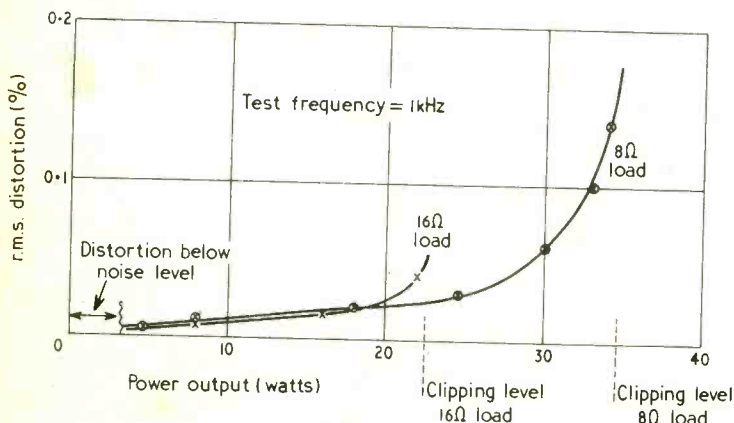


Fig. 7. Variation of distortion with output power level.

the design of the transistor in use, it was necessary to select a suitable transistor type for this position in the amplifier. This source of distortion seems to have been largely overlooked in the past, but it is obviously a possible source of extremely bad distortion. In addition, the high-frequency distortion was found to increase more rapidly than was expected and this was traced to the modulation of the collector-base capacitance of this transistor. The high collector voltage swing was causing non-linear capacitive feedback, and this in turn was increasing the high-frequency distortion. Again the only cure is by transistor selection. The type used appears to be the best currently obtainable, and the distortion introduced by these effects is below that of the output stage proper, over the whole of the audio-frequency range.

For low distortion at high frequencies, it is essential that the transistors should have as high a cut-off frequency as possible. Planar transistors are used in all but the output stage to give this bandwidth. The output transistors used have a cut-off frequency of several megahertz and this enables low distortions to be obtained at 20 kHz at full power output.

The design of the remainder of the amplifier circuit is fairly straightforward. The input stage is a common-emitter amplifier, but the current and voltage swings associated with it are very small, so there is little difficulty in the operation of this stage. To correct for the emitter-base voltage change of this input stage with temperature, a transistor is used to regulate the base supply current. This transistor  $Tr_2$ , operates as a rather crude temperature-sensitive Zener diode and also as a hum filter. The net effect is to stabilize the d.c. base current of the

input transistor, the supply voltage to the base of this transistor decreasing with increased temperature. This stabilization of the d.c. operating conditions enables the amplifier to deliver full output over a wide temperature range.

The bias for the driver and output transistors is produced by means of a transistor,  $Tr_1$ , rather than a string of diodes as is commonly used. This is mounted in the heat sink of one of the output transistors, being as close to the output transistor as possible. This method of compensation works extremely well, and the transistor type is not critical provided a silicon one is used. The standing current in the output stage can easily be adjusted to its correct value (which is not critical) by slightly adjusting the ratio of the two resistors in the base circuit of the transistor.

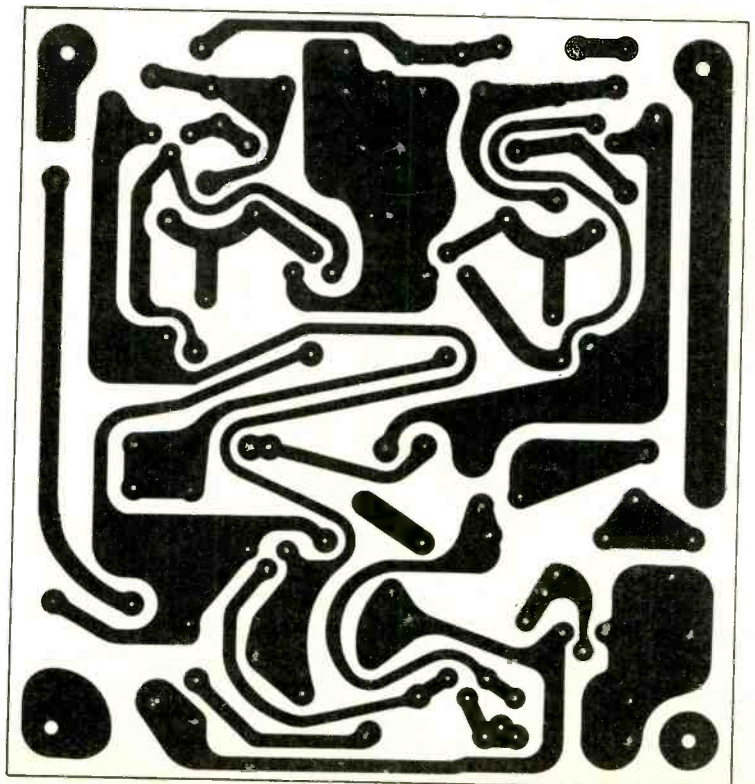
For full power output from the amplifier the d.c. potential existing at the output of the amplifier proper should be as low as possible. This can be adjusted by the potentiometer in the base of  $Tr_1$ . If this is not done the amplifier will not be able to swing equally in the two output polarities.

The quoted figures for the amplifier were obtained using regulated supplies. Unless the amplifier is to be called on to deliver large sustained outputs, this is not really necessary. On the other hand, reduced mains voltage will severely restrict the power output of an amplifier with unregulated supplies. Commercially, a thyristor regulated supply is being utilized, and this has the two advantages of small heat dissipation and saving in components.

### Constructional Points

The overall bandwidth of the amplifier is extremely wide and the stabilizing step-network necessary only becomes operative in the ultrasonic region. Equally the inductor in series with the output lead, which improves the stability with capacitive loads, need have only a very small inductance. This wide bandwidth gives exceptional high-frequency performance as can be seen from the distortion figures in Figs. 5, 6 and 7. Unfortunately, however, wideband amplifiers are very susceptible to layout,

Fig. 8. Layout of suitable printed-circuit board, actual size. (Courtesy Radford Audio Ltd.)



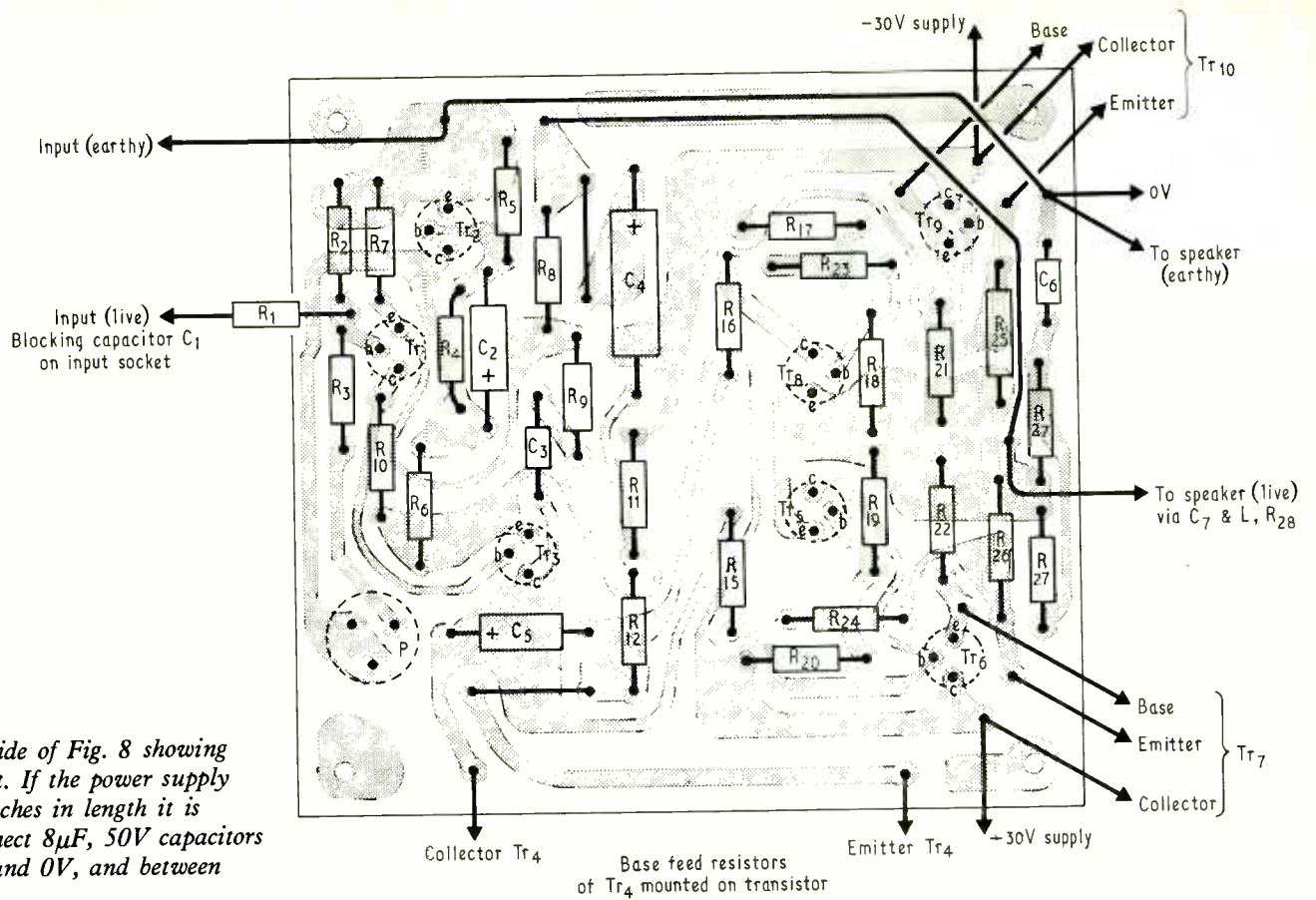


Fig. 9. Reverse side of Fig. 8 showing component layout. If the power supply leads exceed 6 inches in length it is advisable to connect  $8\mu\text{F}$ , 50V capacitors between +30V and 0V, and between -30V and 0V.

particularly common coupling leads. Provided lead lengths are kept *very* short there should be no difficulty, but the author experienced tremendous variations in high-frequency stability when "rats-nest" construction was used. For this reason the safest course is to use a printed-circuit, so that the strays can be kept to a minimum. The design of a suitable board along with its component layout is shown in Figs. 8 and 9. The performance details given were measured using this particular layout. The leads to the output transistors should be as short as possible, preferably no longer than 3 to 4 inches. The size of the heat sinks for the output transistors is a matter of personal choice, the author having used sinks of finned aluminium about 4in. by 4in. square. This size is not really necessary for high-fidelity use, and sinks of half this size would be adequate provided that extended periods of testing were not undertaken.

The overall performance of the amplifier is very good, considerably better in fact (on paper) than the best valve amplifiers. Unfortunately, listening tests have shown that the performance of the amplifier is only slightly, if any, better than the best valve amplifiers. Extensive listening tests indicate only a very slight improvement in audible results, the subjective effects being almost identical. It would therefore appear that any further improvement will be of no real benefit for high-fidelity applications, the main need for work here definitely being in the field of loudspeakers, discs, etc.

Owing to the absence of cross-over distortion, the distortion at low levels is very difficult to measure and the curves appear in Fig. 7. The wide bandwidth can be seen from the curves in Figs. 5 and 6, where it will be observed that the amplifier will deliver full power output from 20 Hz to 20 kHz with less than 0.1 per cent of distortion. Indeed it is possible to obtain about 15 watts of power at 200 kHz. The square-wave tests are far better than with any known valve amplifier. Even with pure capacitive loads there is no tendency whatever towards instability. The waveforms are shown in Figs. 10, 11, 12, and 13.

The protection circuits of the amplifier operate very satisfactorily, short-circuits and 50 microfarad capacitors giving no

distress to the amplifier whatever. One word of caution is necessary however; extended tests on low impedance reactive loads and short-circuits can cause high junction temperatures in the output transistors because of the finite heat-sink size. Unless one uses very large heat sinks, it is therefore undesirable to run the amplifier at full drive for extended periods when applying such abnormal load conditions. If 16-ohm load opera-

Fig. 10. Square-wave response, 1kHz and 8-ohm load.

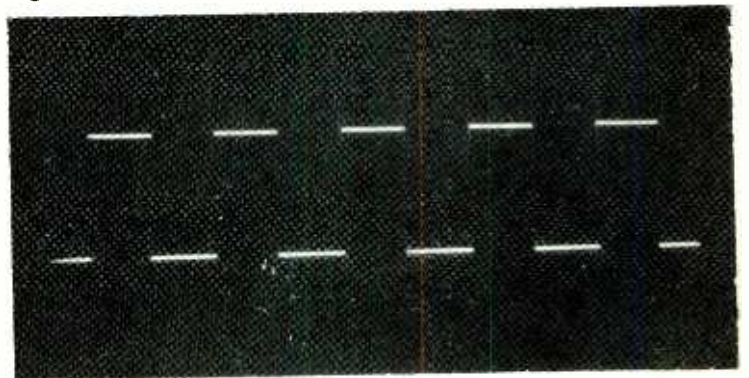
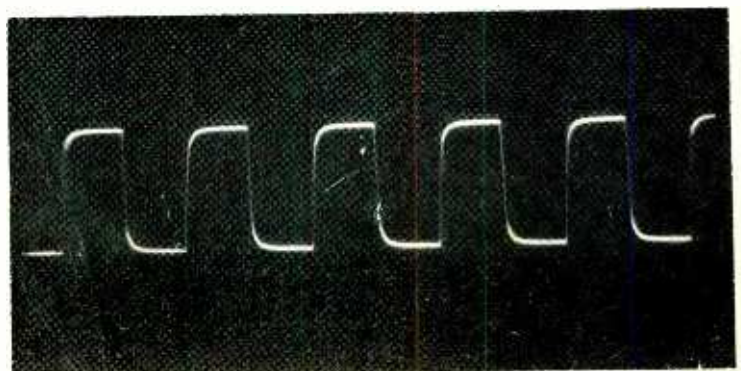


Fig. 11. Square-wave response, 50kHz and 8-ohm load.



# Announcements

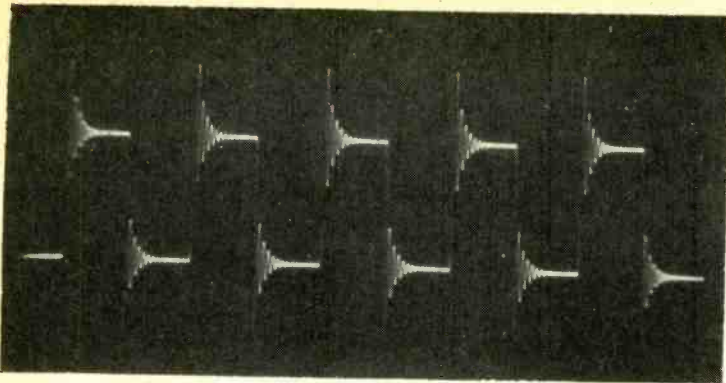


Fig. 12. Square-wave response, 10kHz and 0.1- $\mu$ F load.

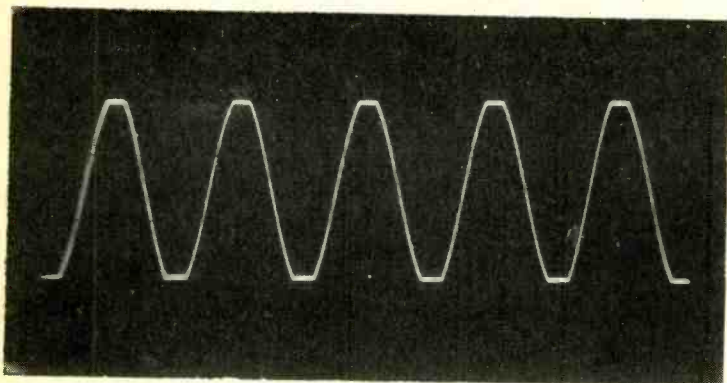


Fig. 13. Overdrive with sine-wave input, showing clean limiting (1kHz and 8-ohm load).

tion only is to be used, then the emitter resistors in the output stage can be increased up to 0.4 ohm, with a corresponding halving of the transistor dissipation under abnormal load conditions.

The specification is shown on page 94. The overall sensitivity may be either doubled or halved by doubling or halving the value of the 1000-ohm feedback resistor. This has the effect of increasing the sensitivity at the expense of distortion if the increased amplification is felt to be necessary. With the increased feedback the overall distortion is halved, and even with this value of overall feedback the amplifier is still unconditionally load stable.

When the amplifier is operated in the reduced feedback condition for 500-millivolt sensitivity, the author cannot hear any difference in performance as compared with the halved distortion characteristic obtained with the 2-volt sensitivity. It appears therefore that no further improvement in amplifier performance will be detectable until other limiting factors are greatly improved. In fact the author has a sneaking suspicion that this may be the end of the road so far as amplifier design for sound reproduction is concerned, further improvements being limited to power and cost.

In conclusion the author would like to acknowledge the interest and comments of the many readers who wrote to him after the publication of the previous article on transistor amplifier design. There were often delays in replying, but short of employing a full-time secretary such delays are sometimes inevitable. One obvious question is whether the earlier germanium circuit sounds as good as the one just described. Personally the author cannot hear any appreciable difference, but on such a controversial point it is unwise to be dogmatic!

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A special course entitled "Tape Transport and Systems" has been organized by the Department of Electronics and Communications Engineering, Northern Polytechnic, Holloway Road, London, N.7. The course comprises twelve lectures to be held each Thursday from 6.30 to 9 p.m. commencing 25th April.

The I.E.E. and I.E.R.E., in collaboration with the University of Southampton, are arranging a conference on **computer aided design**. It will be held under the aegis of the United Kingdom Automation Council at Southampton University from 15th to 18th April 1969.

Home Radio (Components) Ltd, of 187 London Road, Mitcham, Surrey, have been appointed as **retail stockists for Lektrokit** electronic rack and chassis construction systems manufactured by A.P.T. Electronic Industries Ltd.

Cole Electronics Ltd., Lansdowne Road, Croydon, Surrey, have been appointed U.K. distributors for **Bosch television test equipment**. The range of equipment includes level oscilloscopes, video test signal generators, group delay test sets, colour bar generators etc.

The Ever Ready Company (Great Britain) Ltd has acquired from the receiver of Royston Industries the factory and assets relating to the telecommunications section of **Burndept Electronics Ltd**, at Erith, Kent. The company will continue under the name Burndept Electronics (E.R.) Ltd.

Aveley Electric Ltd, of South Ockenden, Essex, have been appointed U.K. representatives for **Systron Donner products**, previously handled by Dynamco Ltd.

A marketing agreement has been signed between the **Decca Navigator Company** and **Atlas Elektronik**, of Bremen, whereby Decca will handle the non-European sales of the Atlas AN 6014 survey echo sounder. This instrument is unusual in that two frequencies are employed, 30 kHz and 210 kHz, giving very high penetration and an accurate narrow beam.

**Radiall S.A.**, of Paris, have formed a new company to market their products in the U.K. The company, Radiall Microwave Components Ltd, will operate from Station Approach, Grove Park Road, Chiswick, London, W.4.

**Add-a-Vision**, the electronic viewfinder for film cameras developed originally by the Livingston Group which recently went into liquidation, is now being produced and marketed by Prowest Electronics Ltd, of Maidenhead.

**T. J. Sas & Son Ltd**, of Victoria House, Vernon Place, London, W.C.1, have been appointed U.K. distributors for the COBEM range of motors manufactured in Belgium.

**Greenray Industries Inc.**, the American manufacturers of oscillators, have appointed G. A. Stanley Palmer, Island Farm Avenue, West Molesey Trading Estate, Surrey, as U.K. agents for their products.

The Copenhagen firm **Radiometer A/S** have appointed Omega Laboratories Ltd., 57 Union Street, London, S.E.1, as sales and service agents in Britain for their range of test equipment. This follows the recent collapse of the Livingston Group who used to fulfil this function.

Semicomps Ltd., have added semiconductors produced by **Motorola** to the range of products marketed by them.

The American company, **Electro Scientific Industries** have appointed D. A. Pitman Ltd, of Mill Works, Jessamy Road, Weybridge, Surrey, as U.K. representatives for their complete range of precision laboratory standard measuring instrumentation.

**The Marconi Company** have signed an agreement with the Sylvania Division of G.T. & E. International for marketing their microelectronic microwave devices in the U.K.

**S.C.E.E. Ltd**, of Reddicap Trading Estate, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire, have changed the name of the company to Cressall Printed Circuits Ltd.

The West German company **SABA Gmbh** and **General Telephone & Electronics International**, of the U.S.A., have agreed on a programme of technical and economic co-operation aimed at providing research and export facilities for SABA and further European engineering facilities for GT & E.



# Sensitive F.E.T. Voltmeter

## 50 MΩ input resistance volt/ohmmeter utilizing f.e.t.s in a balanced circuit employing negative feedback

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The transistor millivoltmeter is now a firmly established instrument for measuring alternating voltage from a few hertz up to several megahertz. To date very few circuits exist for high input resistance millivoltmeters which measure direct voltage. This is almost certainly because of design problems. Simple direct coupled transistor amplifiers are temperature sensitive and consequently suffer from zero drift. Balanced circuits<sup>1</sup> offer a considerable improvement in performance but, because of leakage current effects, the input resistance is limited to a few tens of thousands of ohms. It is possible to side-step the problem<sup>2</sup> by chopping the input voltage with some form of switch thus converting it to alternating voltage for subsequent amplification and detection. This type of circuit has its own problems, not the least of which is noise and, unless synchronous detection<sup>3</sup> is used, there is no way of knowing the polarity of the input. For some time it has been apparent that the f.e.t. should provide the answer as its characteristics are very similar to those of a thermionic valve, i.e. high input impedance,  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ , etc. But, until fairly recently, prices have been prohibitive. Now reasonably priced junction f.e.t.s are readily available.

### Specification

Voltmeter ranges	30 mV to 1000 V in nine ranges
Accuracy	±5%
Input resistance	50 MΩ
Ohmmeter ranges	1 k, 10 k, 100 k and 1 M
Power supply	27 V at 7.25 mA

The basic amplifier used is a modification of the well known long tailed pair, but instead of a single stage for each half of the pair, a two stage amplifier of the type shown in Fig. 1 is employed. The voltage gain of this circuit is approximately equal to  $(R_1 + R_2)/R_2$  and provided that this is set fairly low (e.g. <5), changes in f.e.t. and transistor parameters have very little effect. Two of these amplifiers are combined to make the long tailed pair used (see Fig. 2). The voltage gain of each half of the amplifier is now approximately  $(R_1 + R_2 + R_4)/(R_2 + R_4)$  and  $(R_3 + R_2 + R_4)/(R_2 + R_4)$  so that if  $R_1 = R_3$  and  $R_2 = R_4$  the effective gain of the amplifier will be  $(R_1 + R_2)/R_2$ . In order to set the gain precisely, a variable resistor  $R_5$  in series with a fixed resistor  $R_6$  is shunted across  $R_2$  and  $R_4$ . This method of gain control has the advantage that adjustment does not affect the meter "zero". In order to ensure that the resistance of the "tail" has negligible effect on the gain setting components and at the same time to keep the supply voltage within reasonable limits, a transistor  $Tr_5$ , connected as a constant current source, is used. The absolute value of the current provided in this way is not critical so long as it is not affected at all by the input signal. As the performance of the circuit would deteriorate if this current were to change drastically (e.g. very low battery voltage), a Zener diode is used to stabilize the base voltage thus keeping the current sensibly constant.

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The voltmeter zero is set by adjusting  $R_7$  so as to balance the currents through each half of the circuit. To achieve this balance it is essential that a matched pair of f.e.t.s is used. Matching of the transistors, on the other hand, is not really necessary.

### Voltmeter Ranges

Although it is not so important to have logarithmically compatible meter scales for direct voltage measurement where dBs are seldom if ever used, it was decided that scales in the sequence 1,  $\sqrt{10}$ , 10,  $10\sqrt{10}$ , etc., should be used. This choice helps to simplify the range switching as will be seen.

The amplifier just described serves two functions—voltage amplifier and resistance transformer. The voltage gain is set to be  $\sqrt{10}$ , the input resistance is very high,  $10^9 \Omega$  and the output resistance is only a few ohms. As there is only 1 mA flowing through each of the output transistors, it is only possible to

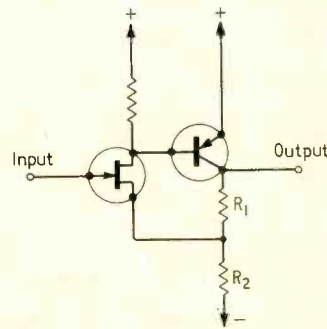


Fig. 1 The basic two-stage amplifier used to make up the long tailed pair.

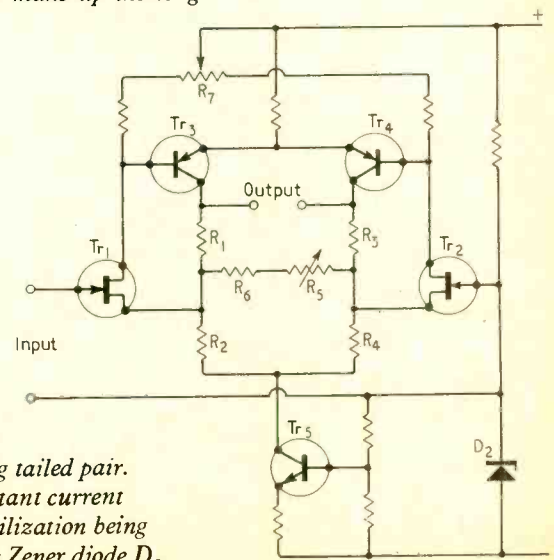


Fig. 2 The long tailed pair.  $Tr_5$  forms a constant current source, base stabilization being performed by the Zener diode  $D_2$ .

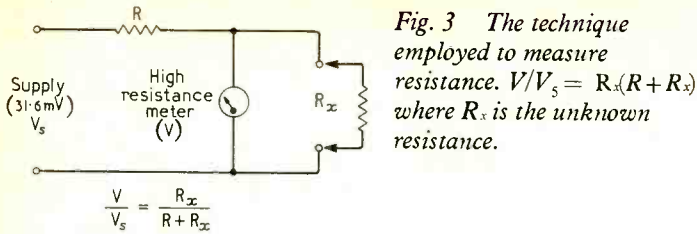


Fig. 3 The technique employed to measure resistance.  $V/V_s = R_x/(R + R_x)$  where  $R_x$  is the unknown resistance.

divert up to about 500  $\mu$ A through the meter but the available voltage swing is up to  $\pm 5$  V. In this design a 100  $\mu$ A meter movement is used. For the lowest range the meter resistance was made up to 1 k $\Omega$  thus giving a full scale sensitivity of 100 mV for the meter on its own and 31.6 mV with the amplifier. Ranges up to 1 V are obtained by switching resistors in series with the meter as shown in Fig. 3. In order to obtain yet higher voltage ranges, the input is switched so as to give an attenuation of  $\sqrt{1,000:1}$ , the 100, 300 and 1,000 mV ranges are then used to give f.s.d.s of effectively 3 V, 10 V and 30 V. The 100 V, 300 V and 1,000 V ranges are obtained in a similar manner by switching the input to give an attenuation of 1,000:1. It will be noticed that the most sensitive meter/amplifier combination is only used for the 31.6 mV range. In this way, zero drift effects on all other ranges are reduced by a factor of at least  $\sqrt{10}$  and thus become insignificant.

For a long time the author has felt that it would be very useful to possess an ohmmeter which applied so little potential to the circuit under test that it did not "switch on" semiconductor junctions. This would make it possible to measure true resistance values with transistors or diodes connected in circuit.

TABLE ONE  
Meter scale calibration in terms of the percentage of full scale deflection.

Ohms ranges							
$\Omega$	%	$\Omega$	%	$\Omega$	%	$\Omega$	%
20 ... 95.5		2.5 ... 71.4		0.9 ... 47.4		0.35 ... 26	
10 ... 91		2 ... 66.6		0.8 ... 44.4		0.3 ... 23	
8 ... 89		1.8 ... 64.0		0.7 ... 41.2		0.25 ... 20	
6 ... 85.8		1.6 ... 61.5		0.6 ... 37.5		0.2 ... 16.7	
5 ... 83.2		1.4 ... 58.2		0.5 ... 33.4		0.15 ... 13.2	
4 ... 80		1.2 ... 54.4		0.45 ... 31		0.1 ... 9.1	
3 ... 75		1 ... 50.0		0.4 ... 28.5		0.05 ... 4.8	

0-1 V range							
V	%	V	%	V	%	V	%
0.05 ... 5		0.3 ... 30		0.6 ... 60		0.9 ... 90	
0.1 ... 10		0.4 ... 40		0.7 ... 70		1 ... 100	
0.2 ... 20		0.5 ... 50		0.8 ... 80		- ... -	

0-3 V range							
V	%	V	%	V	%	V	%
0.2 ... 6.3		1 ... 31.6		1.8 ... 56.9		2.6 ... 82.3	
0.4 ... 12.6		1.2 ... 38		2 ... 63.3		2.8 ... 88.6	
0.6 ... 18.9		1.4 ... 44.3		2.2 ... 69.7		3 ... 94.9	
0.8 ... 25.3		1.6 ... 50.6		2.4 ... 76		- ... -	

This millivoltmeter provided the opportunity as 31.6 mV is sufficiently low not to switch on most junctions. To measure resistance, therefore, the necessary excitation voltage is picked off from the potential divider which supplies the base of the constant current source. The actual metering circuit is of the form shown in Fig. 3. This method relies on the meter resistance being very high in comparison with the resistance being measured. The meter calibration is shown in Table 1.

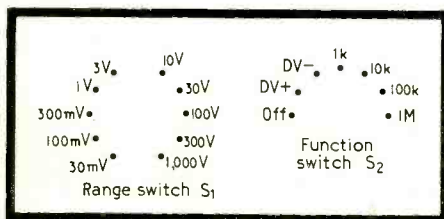
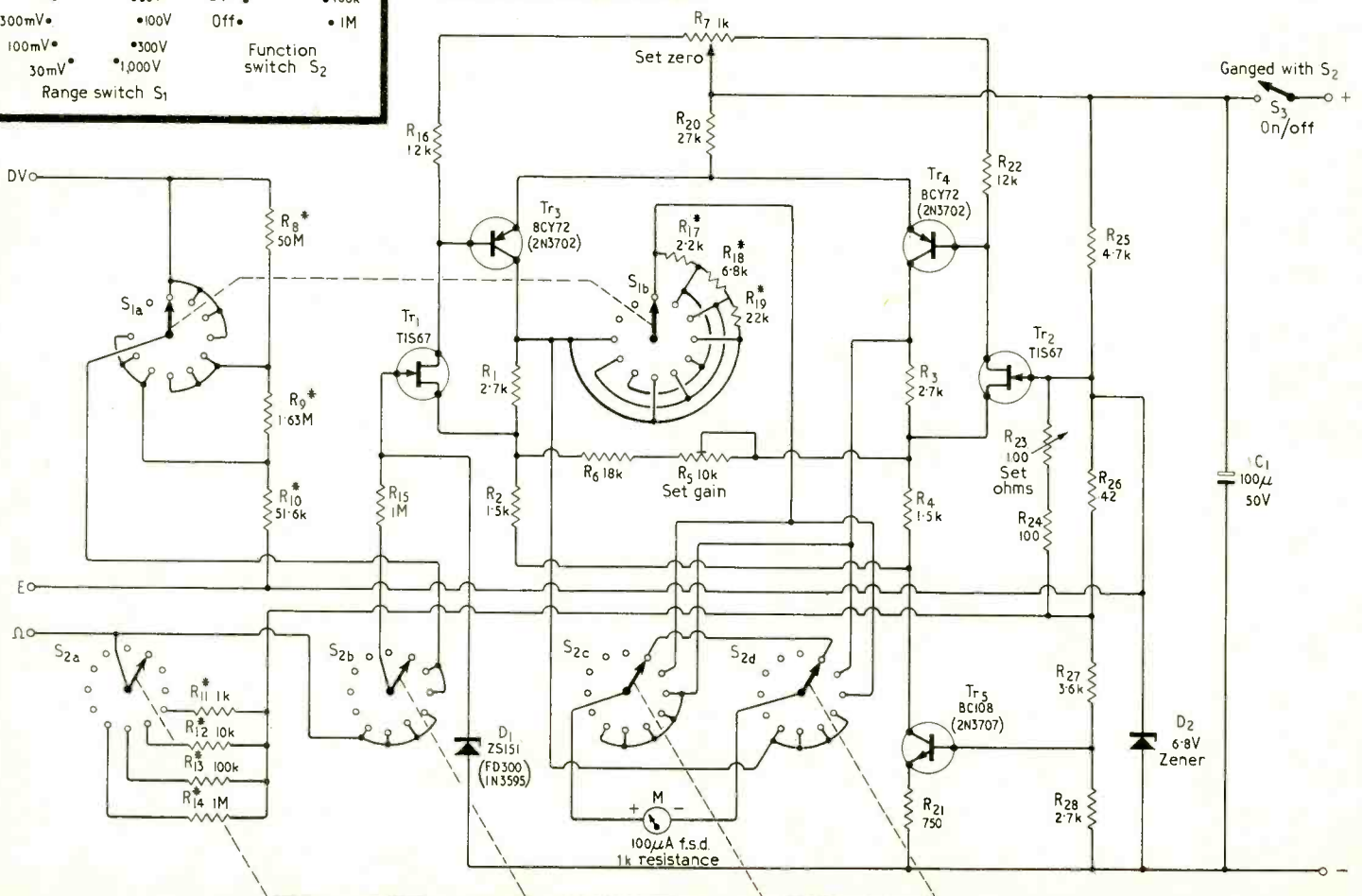


Fig. 4 The complete circuit of the instrument. A 27 V power supply is required that would normally be provided by connecting three nine-volt batteries in series.



## Practical Considerations

The construction of this meter is not critical. It should be remembered that the circuit includes, and depends on high value resistances for its performance (some of the order of  $10^9$  ohms e.g. input resistance of the f.e.t.). The leakage resistance across paxolin circuit board and switches may be much less than this. The critical components are best mounted on ceramic stand-off insulators and it is advisable to use a ceramic switch wafer for the input range switch. Ideally the two f.e.t.s should be in the same encapsulation but, as neither dissipates much power, keeping them in the same draught-proof box appears to be adequate. External a.c. fields could prove troublesome so it is advisable to enclose the circuit in a metal box and to screen the input lead. One unforeseen effect encountered by the author during setting up was a mysterious input voltage which appeared to depend upon the position of the instrument. This was traced to photo-electricity developed by the input diode.

While it is relatively easy to obtain the low value resistors to the required degree of accuracy, the  $50\text{ M}\Omega$  may constitute a problem. The author found that the easiest way out was to obtain a  $50\text{ M}\Omega$  cracked carbon resistor, measure it and to adjust the values of  $R_9$  and  $R_{10}$  to suit. Metal oxide resistors should be avoided in building this circuit as most types generate thermo-electric voltages which could cause problems.

## Input Protection

Fig. 4 shows the protection circuit used. With a high positive input, the gate source diode of  $Tr_1$  is turned on hard and the current flow into it is limited to a safe level by the  $1\text{ M}\Omega$  series resistor  $R_{15}$ . For large negative voltages protection is provided by  $D_1$  in a similar manner.

The performance of the diode used here is very important as, if the effective reverse resistance is not high enough, a voltage will be developed across the input divider chain by current flowing through this diode from the negative rail. If none of the recommended diodes can be obtained, the best thing to do is to try out several until a suitable one is found.

The method of testing the diode is to connect the diode into the meter circuit in its normal position. Switch on, and with the input short circuited, set the zero on the most sensitive range. Remove the short circuit and connect a  $2.2\text{ M}\Omega$  resistor across the input. If the leakage of the diode is low enough, the meter zero will not shift by more than 0.5%. Care should be taken to ensure that a.c. pick up or thermal or photo-electric effects do not affect the measurement.

All resistors should be 5% cracked carbon  $\frac{1}{2}\text{ W}$ . For greater accuracy the tolerances of the resistors marked with an asterisk in Fig. 4 should be tightened, in particular  $R_{17}$ ,  $R_{18}$  and  $R_{19}$  should be selected to be  $2.162\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $6.838\text{ k}\Omega$  and  $21.62\text{ k}\Omega$ .

The accuracy of a meter of this type depends mainly upon the accuracies of the resistors used and the accuracy to which the gain may be set. In practice it would appear that 5% is relatively easy and, if 1% resistors are used, 2% accuracy may be obtained with a fair degree of confidence. The zero drift is very small—of the order of 2% of f.s.d. on the most sensitive range over a period of three hours with an ambient temperature change of about  $5^\circ\text{F}$ .

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# Transversal Filter

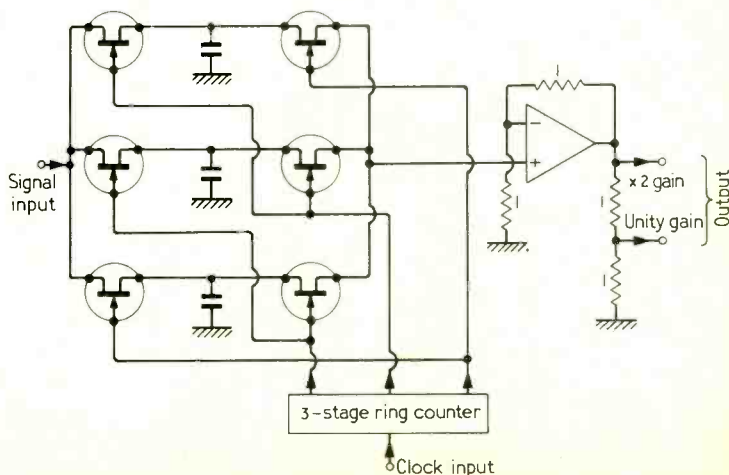
## Tapped delay-line principle

A transversal filter with individual delay sections made up of hybrid thin film and integrated circuit networks, was demonstrated to us by A.E.I. The transversal filter is a tapped delay line, the outputs taken from the taps being added, with weighting, in a summing amplifier. It is mainly used for the equalization of the combined amplitude and phase distortion suffered by signals in transit, and has particular application in television and high speed data links. Earlier filters for this purpose employed bulky *LC* networks that only approximated the required delays and often caused dissipation problems.

Individual delay sections of the line are made up from gated capacitance store delay networks of the type shown in the simplified circuit. In principle, the input signal charges a capacitor selected by an electronic commutator or switch and after a delay the charge on the capacitor is read out into a high impedance amplifier. In the circuit shown a three stage ring counter controls six m.o.s.t.s., forming the commutator, which in turn control the charge and discharge of the capacitors. The delay is variable by altering the sampling time (clock rate) and is equal to two clock periods. The delay obtained with the circuit shown could be varied between 2 and  $70\mu\text{s}$  for signal frequencies from 1.5Hz to 6kHz.

The transversal filter demonstrated will accept a variety of analogue and digital input signals and was seen equalizing severe distortion on a pulse train resulting from its having been passed through an all-pass phase shift network substituted for the transmission medium. It is thought that the filter could easily be automatically controlled and would then compensate for varying transmission conditions without the need for manual adjustment.

*Simplified circuit of the gated capacitance store. A delay of two sampling periods is obtained.*



# Physics Exhibition

Some of the more interesting of the developments seen at Alexandra Palace, London, where there were 150 exhibitors

## Semiconductor doping by ion implantation

Three organizations, Associated Semiconductor Manufacturers, United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority and the Services Electronics Research Laboratories, had exhibits concerned with doping semiconductors by the use of ion beams. Although the technique is still very much in its infancy initial results are very promising. In the process ions obtained from the desired impurity material are accelerated to a high velocity.

After being mass analysed in a powerful magnetic field to remove unwanted ions they are allowed to bombard the semiconductor slice through a slot in an opaque mask. The ion beam will not be of uniform density, so to ensure an even distribution in the semiconductor slice the beam is magnetically scanned in both the  $x$  and  $y$  directions.

The technique has a number of advantages over doping using the conventional diffusion methods; for instance, the depth that the impurity ions penetrate can be accurately predicted and controlled by altering the energy of, and the orientation of the crystal lattice relative to, the ion beam. The impurity material to be planted does not have to be chemically soluble, as is the case with diffusion, a feature that widens the choice of possible dopants considerably and, who knows, could lead to the development of entirely new devices. The maximum temperature that the crystal is subjected to is in the region of  $650^{\circ}\text{C}$ , well below that at which diffusion takes place, resulting in few unwanted impurities being introduced and in bulk carrier lifetime, under the implanted region, being less degraded than for higher temperature processes. The heating is carried out after ion implantation has taken place to allow those parts of the crystal that have suffered radiation damage to recrystallize epitaxially and to render the impurity ions electrically active. The directional property of the ions penetrating the crystal is such that the lateral spread of impurities through the slit in the mask is very much less than with diffusion, which after all, is essentially a three-dimensional process. In bi-polar transistors "push-over" effect, the tendency for the base region to push into the collector region during diffusion, is entirely eliminated, a fact that allows very narrow width bases with a high impurity content to be fabricated, reducing base resistance.

Work carried out at the U.K.A.E.A. in collaboration with A.S.M. has produced what is called an autoregistered m.o.s.t. The transistor is a p-channel device with parallel thermally diffused source and drain regions 37 microns apart. The gate electrode is placed between the source and the drain regions on the stable gate oxide, before ion implantation. The source and drain regions are now extended up to the gate by implanting boron ions through the oxide on either side of the gate into the silicon below. The metal of the gate electrode

acts as a mask against the ion beam (autoregistration). The device is annealed at  $500^{\circ}\text{C}$  to repair damage and make the implanted boron electrically active. The precise alignment of the gate electrode (better than 0.2 microns) results in a fifteen times reduction in gate/drain feedback capacitance.

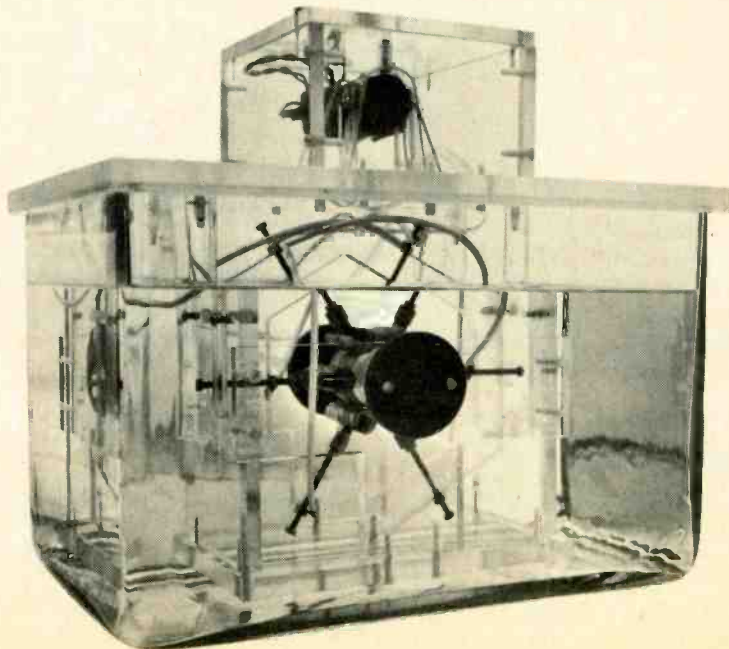
Many other devices have been made which include high voltage diodes with breakdown voltages approaching the theoretical maximum, variable capacitance diodes with closely controlled  $CV$  characteristics and an h.f. bi-polar transistor.

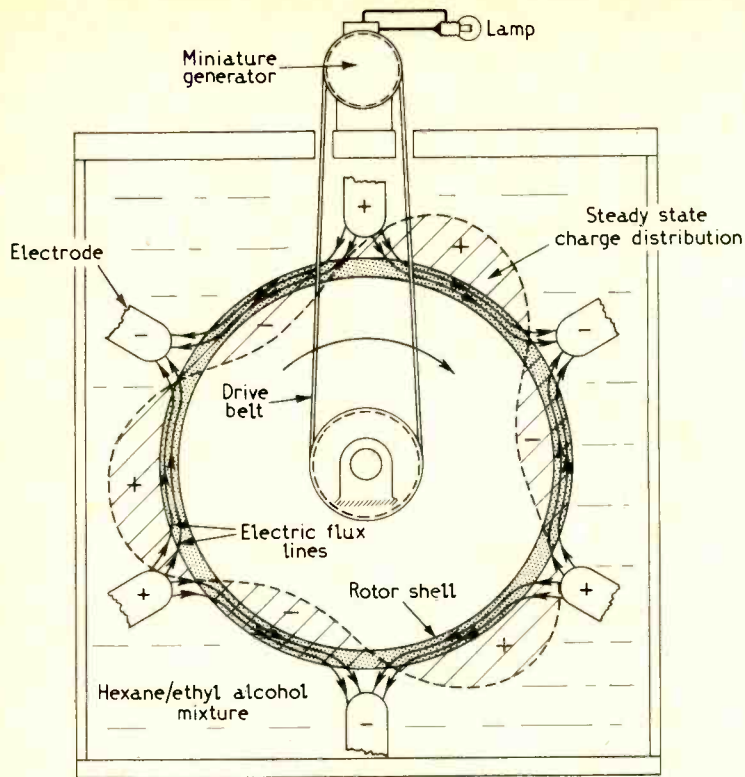
## Dielectric motors

The School of Engineering Science, University College of North Wales, demonstrated a novel type of electric motor, on which they have been doing research. Described as a dielectric motor, it comprises an insulated high permittivity cylindrical rotor and fixed electrodes, all immersed in a bath of semi-insulating fluid, a hexane/ethyl alcohol mixture.

When a suitable voltage is applied to the electrodes, charge carriers migrate through the fluid and establish a distributed charge layer on the rotor surface as shown by the shaded area

*The dielectric motor, fully immersed in a tank of hexane/ethyl alcohol mixture and above, in a separate compartment, a small electric generator which it drives via a belt and pulleys.*





*Symmetrical pattern of the electrical charge layer distributed round the high permittivity rotor, illustrated by the cross hatch area in this end-on diagram of the dielectric motor.*

in the diagram. The electrical stress and charge distribution patterns are symmetrical around the rotor, and the motor exists in a state of unstable equilibrium. If the rotor is given a small angular displacement (i.e. started mechanically) the resultant disturbance of the associated distributed charge is followed by conduction in the fluid in an attempt to re-establish the charge distribution equilibrium. The axes of charge maxima on the rotor and the nominal electric stress can thus be displaced from one another so that a net torque acts on the rotor. Rotation continues until steady-state conditions are established, depending on the time constant of this process. The time constant is significant because of the high resistivity of the fluid. An optimum conductivity exists for maximum torque.

Rotational speeds in excess of 2,500 r.p.m. were observed for an unloaded motor when a voltage of 10kV was applied. Power input was then one or two watts. The rotor speed varies approximately linearly with the applied voltage. The motor was coupled via a belt drive to a miniature generator, and with approximately 20kV applied between the electrodes of the motor, the output from the generator approached  $\frac{1}{2}$ W, sufficient to light a torch bulb. Power input was then about 5W.

The dielectric motor is not inherently self-starting and has no preferred direction of rotation, but at high electrical stress, random fluctuations in conduction near the rotor can result in its starting without external assistance. Maximum torque is achieved by the choice of a suitable fluid. The alcohol-doping level is critical, and if this level is either increased or decreased, the rotor speed for a given applied voltage is reduced.

### Optical store

A large capacity random access store being developed by I.C.T. relies on a simple kaleidoscopic effect for its operation, information being permanently stored as a pattern on a photographic plate. For read-out a spot of light 0.178mm in diameter is formed on the face of a short-persistence c.r.t. The position

of this spot on the tube face is determined by a servo system which locates it in any one position in a  $256 \times 256$  matrix, covering an area 58.4mm square. The size of the light spot is reduced by a factor of four in a minifying lens and focused into one end of an internally mirrored tunnel of square cross-section. The tunnel dimensions are so arranged that the multiple reflections that take place within it form 69 geometrically related apparent light sources when viewed from the far end. These are focused by a projection lens on to the photographic plate. Movement of the spot on the c.r.t. face within the 58.4mm square matrix causes each of the 69 spots to take up the corresponding position within 69 squares on the photographic plate. Each of these squares is coupled to a photo multiplier via a light collecting material.

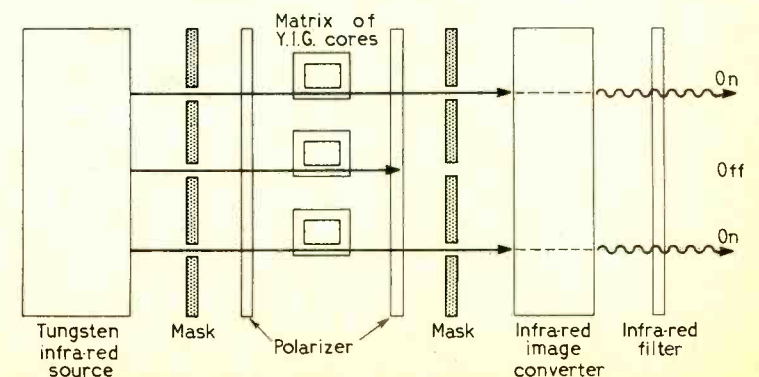
Each of the 69 squares on the photographic plate contains a  $256 \times 256$  matrix (measuring 25.4mm square), and each matrix consists of a pattern of opaque and transparent areas forming the stored information. With the spot in a given position each photo multiplier reads one bit from each matrix, the combined parallel output being in the form of a 69-bit word. The store capacity is therefore 63,536 ( $256 \times 256$ ) 69-bit words or almost 4.5 million bits. The time between successive accesses is less than  $3\mu\text{s}$ .

An interesting feature of the servo system that positions the c.r.t. spot is that movement of the c.r.t. electrodes due to vibration or ageing or, in fact, movement of the whole c.r.t. is automatically compensated for and does not affect the correct operation of the store. Part of the light output of the c.r.t. is diverted and formed into two bands (one horizontal and the other vertical) of one spot diameter wide. These bands are projected on to two Gray coded plates, one specifying the  $x$  and the other  $y$  matrix address. The address demanded by the interrogating computer is compared with the spot address as defined by photocells reading the coded plates and the difference is used to drive the spot to the correct position within the matrix. The coded plates are rigidly fixed in relation to the photographic plate (which is interchangeable between stores) rendering the system immune to effects caused by changes in the c.r.t. geometry. It is thought that the new store will be at least 50% cheaper than a ferrite core store of comparable capacity.

### Magnetic visual display

Television bandwidth compression and visual presentation of computer data are among possible applications of a magnetically controlled display device being developed at the University of Sussex under the sponsorship of N.R.D.C., on whose stand it was exhibited. The principle is based on the ability of yttrium iron garnet (y.i.g.) crystals when they are magnetized to produce the Faraday effect (rotation of the plane of polarization of

*Principle of the magnetic display. The light pattern (right) depends on the magnetic states of the cores.*



electromagnetic radiation in a magnetized material). The y.i.g. elements used in the display are cut from the bulk material in such a way that they have square hysteresis loops and can be switched between two stable magnetic states, in a manner similar to the switching of ferrite cores in stores. An array of these elements is wired so that individual elements can be selected (magnetized) by coincident-current pulse techniques. The crystal material is transparent to radiation in the near infra-red region, so that by placing an infra-red source behind the array and by interposing correctly oriented polarizers as shown in the diagram it is possible to obtain an infra-red pattern corresponding to the magnetic states of the individual y.i.g. elements. This pattern is then converted into a visible light pattern, and the visual information so produced is retained (without electrical regeneration) until the states of the elements are changed. The time required for an element to be switched between states is  $3\mu s$ . The digital addressing of the display, of course, makes it very suitable as a data output device, and it is the storage facility which suggests the idea of television bandwidth compression since this would allow one television field to be compared with the next and only the *difference* between them transmitted.

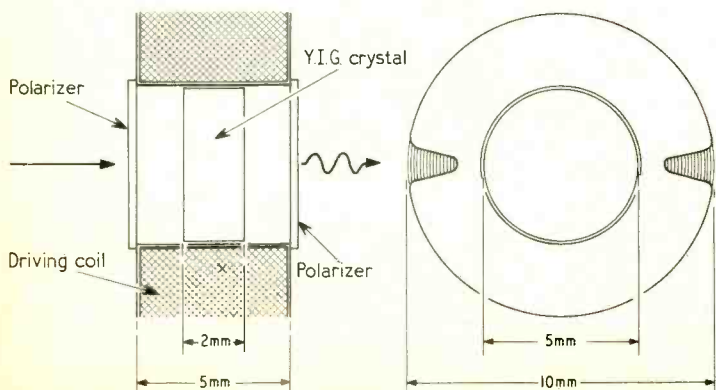
The work being done is a feasibility study to demonstrate the basic principle of the display.

### Light modulator

Faraday effect in an yttrium iron garnet crystal is exploited in an infra-red modulator developed by Mullard which was demonstrated in an optical communications link with an effective range of 2km. Faraday effect is the rotation of the plane of polarized light in a material by applying a magnetic field.

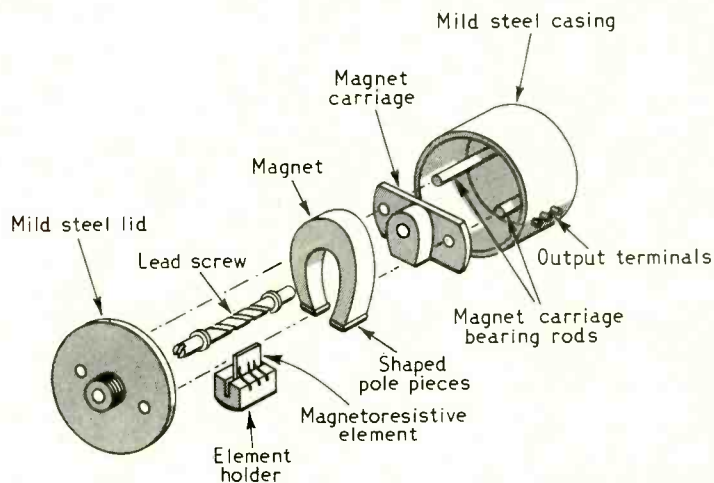
The y.i.g. modulator operates in the 1.1 to 4.5 micron region at modulation frequencies of up to 100kHz and consists of a single crystal 5mm in diameter and 2mm thick wound with a suitable coil (see diagram). Infra-red radiation generated by an incandescent bulb is passed through the crystal via a polarizing filter. The beam is subjected to polarization-modulation by passing modulating current through the coil. This is converted to intensity modulation by passing the beam through a further polarizing filter. The beam is then focused on to the receiving photo-cell and amplified in the normal way. The maximum modulation depth obtainable is determined by the saturation Faraday rotation and the thickness of the crystal. For the crystal specified the modulation depth for a rotation of  $\pm\theta$  is  $\sin 2\theta$  and is therefore linear (within 5%) with drive current for modulation depths of up to 50%. The coil used consisted of 1000 turns of 46 s.w.g. enamelled copper wire and required a drive current of 12mA r.m.s. for 50% modulation.

Showing the construction of the y.i.g. modulator.



### Magnetoresistive potentiometer

A potentiometer without wiping contacts, offering long life, low noise and high electrical resolution, was shown in experimental form by G. V. Planer Ltd. It is based on the magnetoresistive effect (increase of resistivity of semiconductor materials when they are placed in a magnetic field) and arises from new techniques in producing thin film elements of high sensitivity to magnetic fields. The potentiometer comprises two such elements of indium antimonide joined in series, and a leadscrew mechanism for moving a permanent magnet with respect to them so that one element is entering the field while the other is emerging. (In another version the elements are moved with respect to a fixed permanent magnet.) The shape and thickness of the elements and/or the geometry of the magnetic field (flux density 2 tesla)



Exploded view showing potentiometer construction.

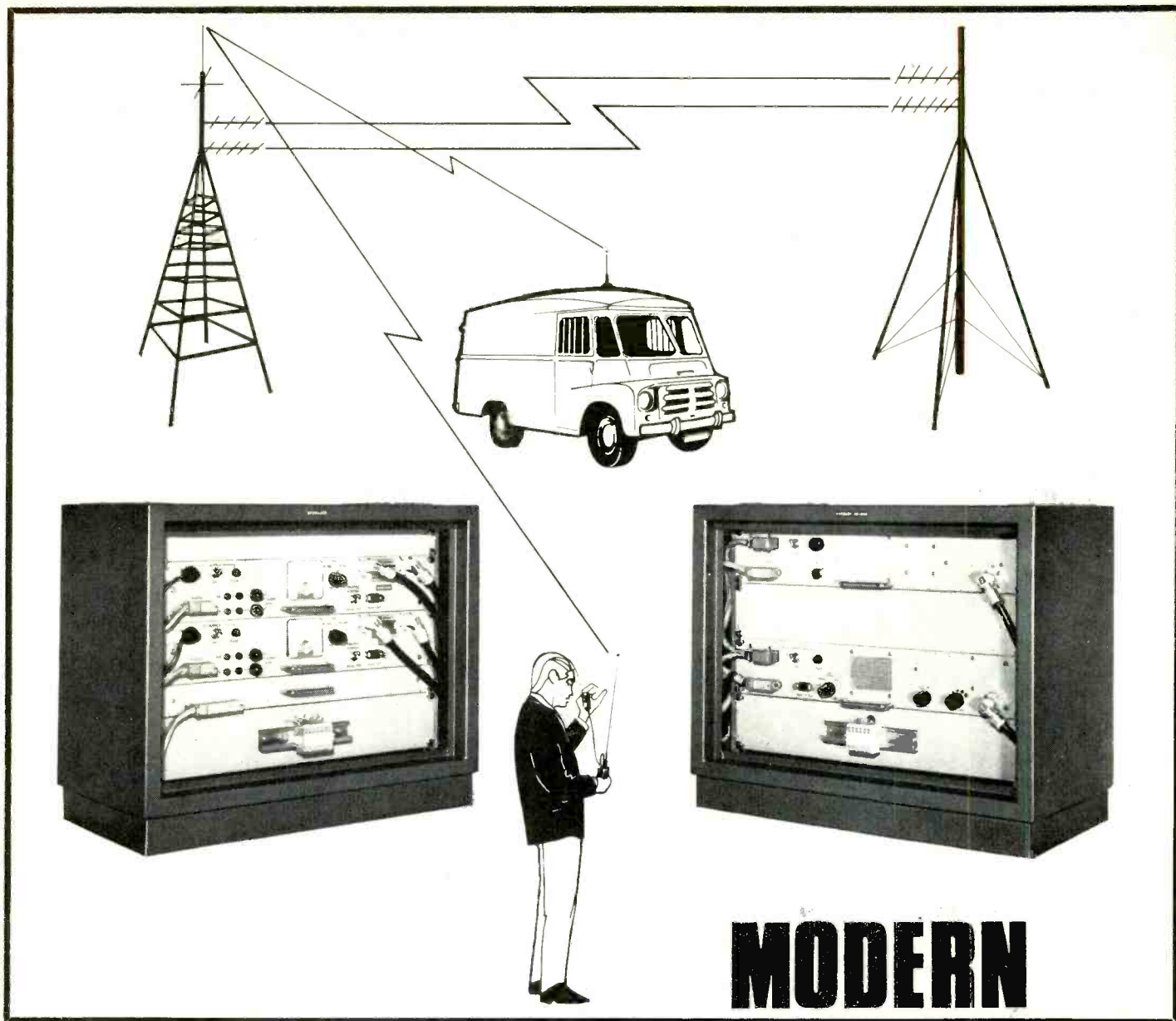
are adjusted to give the required potentiometer law. A linear type was actually shown. The resistance values of the elements available at present range from  $100\Omega$  to  $2-3k\Omega$  but higher values are said to be possible. The power rating is  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.

### Parametric 'electrometer' amplifier

The well-known low noise characteristic of parametric amplification is utilized in an equipment developed by Devices Ltd. for use in measuring small voltages or currents, as required in physiological or electrochemical work. It is a transistor d.c. amplifier with a performance comparable to that obtained with electrometer valve amplifiers, but avoids the  $1/f$  noise associated with valve circuits by using a low-frequency parametric input stage. The parametric elements are silicon diodes and the pump frequency is 4MHz. This input circuit is coupled to the succeeding stages by a transformer, thereby allowing the input to be isolated from earth—a useful facility for some measurements. Input resistance of the amplifier is greater than  $10^{11}$  ohms and input current is 10pA. The bandwidth of the amplifier is approximately 20kHz.

### Waveform recovery from noise

Various techniques exist for recovering repetitive signals from noise of amplitude greater than the signal level, and they are usually based on the principle of integration over an interval of time: the signal values are integrated while the noise values average to zero. If the signal is sinusoidal a phase-sensitive detector can be used. An apparatus for use on non-sinusoidal



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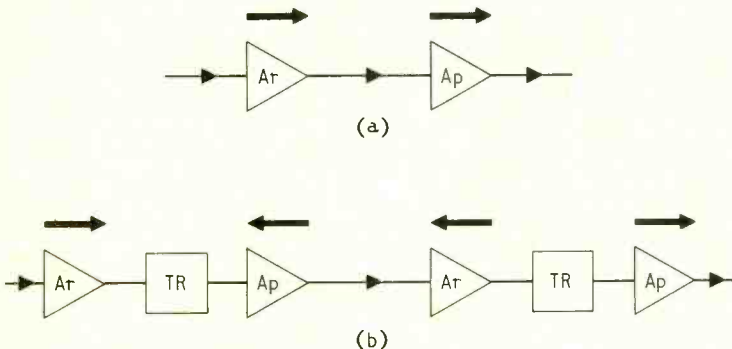
repetitive signals, known in American jargon as a boxcar integrator, was demonstrated by Brookdeal Electronics Ltd. In this a high speed gate regularly samples the signal at a given point in the repetition cycle, and this sampling point is made to gradually scan the signal waveform so that successive values of the cycle are sampled. The open period of the gate can be adjusted from 50ns to 5ms. The gate is connected in a negative-feedback loop which acts to hold the voltage sampled to zero and as a result the negative feedback voltage is accurately proportional to the sampled value of the signal, with a linearity of better than 0.1%. The feedback voltage is then integrated over a number of signal cycles, averaging the noise towards zero, and the output of the integrator is fed to the y channel of a pen recorder. The x-direction movement of the pen recorder is synchronized with the scanning of the signal waveform, so that a facsimile of one cycle of the signal waveform is gradually drawn as the scan proceeds. Of course, the improvement obtained in signal-to-noise ratio depends on the number of cycles of the signal waveform over which integration is performed at a given sampling point.

### New signal processing method

To demonstrate their work on signal processing using time reversal techniques to effect phase correction, the City University showed apparatus which reduced the method to its simplest form, and which consisted essentially of two identical tape decks modified to reproduce in the reverse direction as well as in the forward direction.

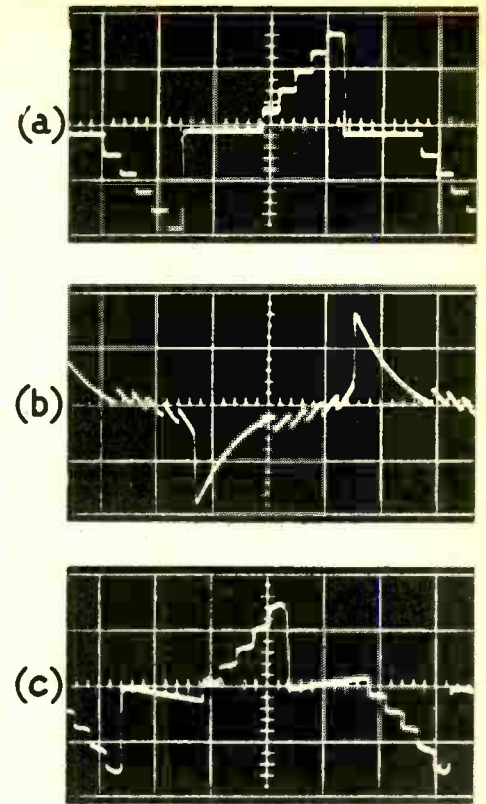
During recording on a conventional tape recorder, equalization is applied to provide a level amplitude characteristic over the working frequency range. Normally no attempt is made to equalize the phase distortion, introduced by filtering and by the

Fig. 1. The conventional recording cycle is illustrated in (a), while in (b) the recording cycle of the time-reversal method is shown. In the diagram (b), TR=time reversal.



recording process itself. These recorders therefore are not suitable for recording signals where preservation of the waveform is of importance. By using the "time reversal" method this disadvantage can be overcome. When recorded through a conventional tape recording process as illustrated in Fig. 1(a), the original waveform from a waveform synthesizer, shown in Fig. 2(a), receives the severe phase distortion shown in Fig. 2(b). If the recording is now played back and re-recorded in reverse, phase errors present in the first recording introduced by the recording process, will again be present, but this time the reverse-recorded waveform will be distorted by exactly the same degree of error in the opposite sense, thus cancelling out the original phase error. For example: Assuming a phase distortion angle of  $60^\circ$  lead is produced in the forward recording, this becomes a  $60^\circ$  lag in the reverse recording. It now only remains to reverse the tape again and play back to obtain a waveform close to the original but with some amplitude distortion, as

Fig. 2. The original waveform (a) is reproduced (b) after conventional tape-recording, and as (c) when tape-recorded with time reversal.



shown in Fig. 2(c). The complete time-reversal recording cycle is illustrated in Fig. 1(b).

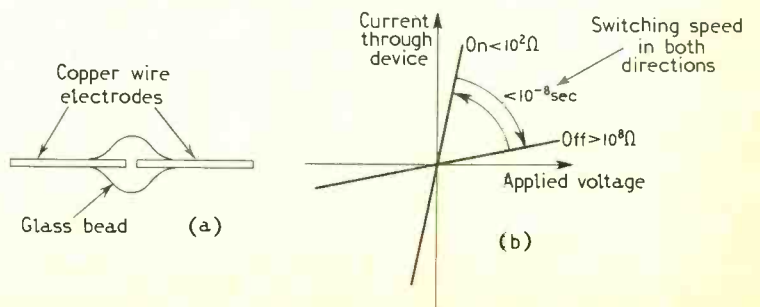
Time reversal techniques can be applied to any linear system that can be divided into two identical halves, and where, with the aid of suitable storage or recording devices, signals can be reversed in direction before passing through the second half. Readers will recognize the similarity between this technique and the PAL colour television system, where chrominance channel phase errors are cancelled out by reversal of the R-Y signal phase and storage on successive lines.

### Vitreous state devices

Perhaps a new name in electronics, vitreous state devices are solid state devices which make use of the imperfections in vitreous materials for the transport of electrons. Standard Telecommunications Laboratories demonstrated a two-terminal component in which they exploit the novel type of electrical properties peculiar to these materials, comprising two metal electrodes separated by a thin layer of special glass. The device can be in either of two resistive states: an "off" state with a resistance in excess of  $10^8 \Omega$ , and an "on" state with a resistance of less than  $10 \Omega$ .

It is essentially a fast switch. Switching from the "off" to the "on" state takes place when the terminal voltage exceeds

Vitreous switch (a) and simplified switching characteristics (b). Both states of the switch are stable at zero volts.



a critical value, typically 20V, and switching from the "on" to the "off" state is effected by a step-edged pulse from a low impedance source. Switching speed was given as being better than  $10^{-8}$  second in both directions. In its application as a memory element, the device will retain information indefinitely under open-circuit, short-circuit or load conditions.

### Cheap portable data-logging system

Developed by the University of Reading, a prototype data-logging system was demonstrated, which could be used in a sailplane to record its height and speed. This information could then be subjected to computer analysis to determine the sailplane's performance. The equipment's principal advantage in this application is its light weight (20lb for the complete system including transducers, recorder and batteries). It also has the added attraction of low cost.

A cheap commercial tape recorder is used to record one quantity per second with an accuracy of  $\pm 1$  part in 5,000, the quantity recorded being converted to frequency by a suitable transducer. The transducers shown were all phase-shift oscillators in which the frequency was controlled by a single RC time constant. In the height and air-speed transducers the capacitance of a parallel-plate capacitor was varied by the movement of aneroid capsules similar to those used in standard aircraft equipment. A temperature transducer used a fixed

capacitor and thermistor. All the transducers were adjusted to a frequency range of 4-10kHz to suit the recorder. Although the calibration curves of these transducers are not quite linear, it was said that this could easily be corrected by the computer.

To avoid the necessity of maintaining a constant tape speed, each transducer signal is gated for a defined time and the gated signals are recorded in turn on the tape with blank tape between. All gating signals are obtained by counting down from a 5kHz crystal oscillator so that the record, for example, of height is the number of cycles contained in the "height-pulse" on the tape. For analysis, the tape is played back into a squaring circuit which interrupts a computer once per cycle. The computer counts the cycles in each pulse and stores each count for subsequent processing. Because the lowest data frequency used is 4kHz, there is room on the same track of the tape for a speech channel with a bandwidth of, say, 100—3,500Hz.

### Sensitive TV camera tube

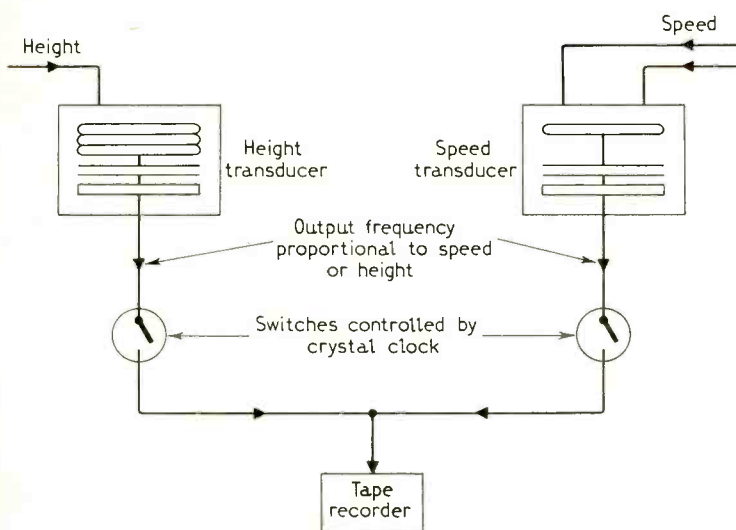
Most of the English Electric Valve stand was devoted to a demonstration of a new 3-in Image Isocon tube producing pictures from a scene too dark to be discernible by the naked eye. It was housed in a specially designed prototype TV camera. First announced at last year's International Broadcasting Convention in London, the Image Isocon is capable of producing good TV pictures when the photocathode illumination is only  $10^{-3}$  lux, and even when the photocathode illumination falls as low as  $10^{-5}$  lux, acceptable pictures can still be produced.

Designated P880, the tube is designed for special television purposes and can handle scenes having a very wide range of light levels. The image section is the same as in a normal image orthicon tube, but the scanning beam is made to follow a helical path to the target by two pairs of "steering" electrodes. On reaching the target, the beam divides in three ways. One part lands on the target to neutralize the charge at that point. Another part is specularly reflected and ultimately discarded, and a third part is scattered. This third beam of scattered electrons does not possess the helical motion of the original forward beam. Its magnitude is dependent only upon the charge present at that point of the target. Returning from the target to the gun, and influenced by the axial magnetic field, this beam passes through the steering electrodes and so acquires a helical motion. The radius of this helical path is such that the beam passes through the aperture in the separator electrode and enters a conventional image orthicon electron multiple system.

Thus it is the beam of scattered electrons which provides the signal. The magnitude of the beam increases with the light level, unlike the image orthicon where the specularly-reflected beam (the beam which is used) has its maximum value for zero light input. Signal-to-noise ratio of the Isocon is much better than that of an image orthicon and it is claimed that noise in the darker parts of the picture is virtually eliminated. In the demonstration booth the Image Isocon camera was mounted on a fixed tripod and focused on an inanimate subject, so that it was not possible to judge if a moving picture would be affected by lag.

### Autocorrelation pattern recognizer

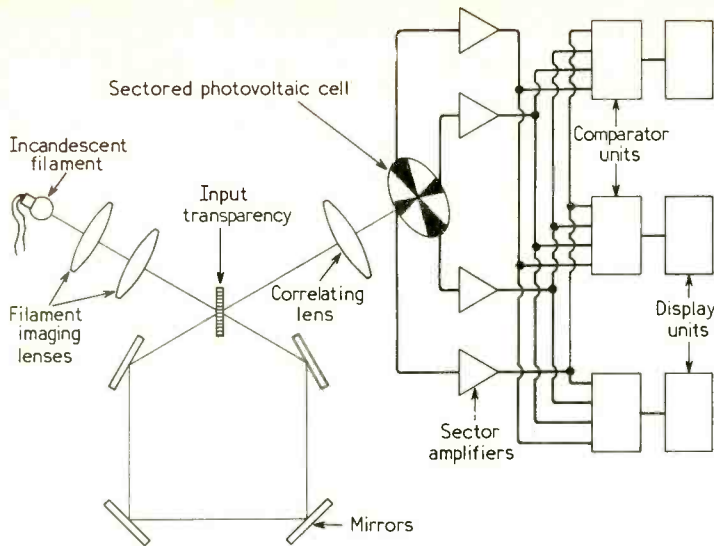
An apparatus capable of distinguishing between different photographic transparencies (e.g. letters of the alphabet or human faces) by means of optical autocorrelation was demonstrated by Hawker Siddeley Dynamics Ltd. The image of an incandescent lamp filament is focused on to the transparency and the resulting transmitted light pattern is directed by mirrors back through the same transparency. What then emerges



Schematic diagram showing the set-up of the cheap portable data logging system.

This photograph shows the complete airborne equipment comprising transducers, tape recorder and batteries.



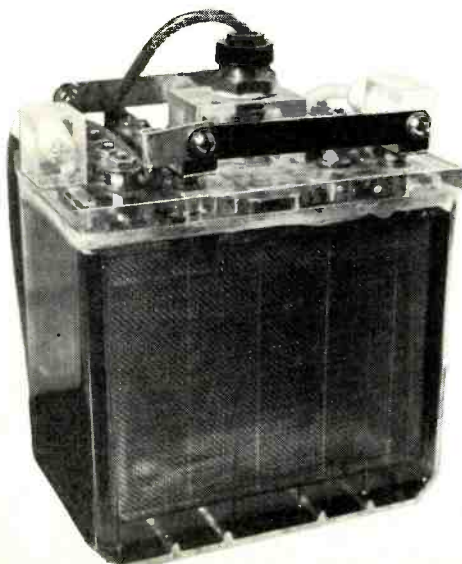


*Principle of autocorrelation pattern recognizer.*

is an optical pattern across which the variations of light intensity represent correlation coefficients between different parts of the original subject—a spatial autocorrelogram. This is then focused on to a detecting device—a photovoltaic cell divided into four sectors. The outputs from the four sectors are amplified and fed to three comparators. Each comparator is set to accept a code of voltages, and deviations from this code are detected and the moduli added. The output of each comparator is thus an indication of the total deviation from the pattern for which that comparator was adjusted to accept. The comparator outputs are fed into a display unit which has acceptance limits preset, and this indicates recognition.

### Hydrogen/oxygen fuel cell

A fuel cell which, while measuring only  $17.5 \times 17.5 \times 9$  cm, can deliver a current of 100A at 0.6V continuously, was shown by Research and Development Laboratories of Manchester. Fuel cells are devices which continuously convert energy from various chemicals directly into electrical energy, and in this instance the cell was a low-temperature, low-pressure, hydrogen/oxygen unit and the electrolyte was a 30% potassium hydroxide solution. Four hydrogen electrodes and five oxygen electrodes were interleaved alternately. The cell operates at a constant temperature (normally  $60^\circ\text{C}$ ) and the electrodes are supplied by oxygen and hydrogen gas at a pressure  $4\text{kN/m}^2$  ( $3\text{cmHg}$ ) above atmospheric,



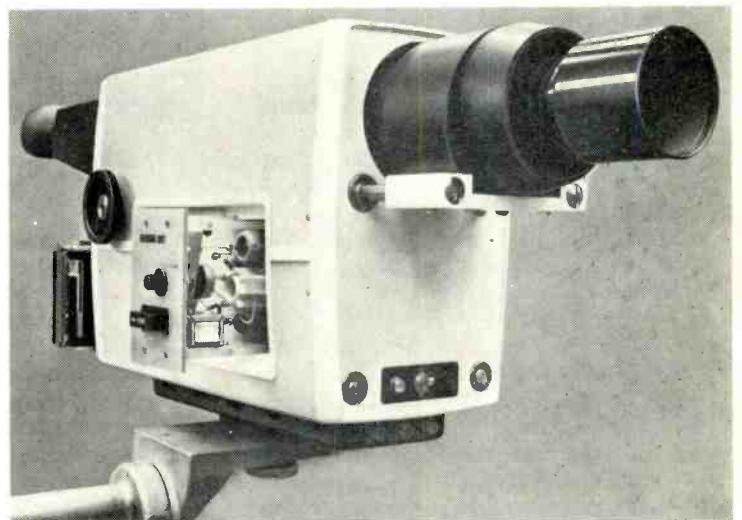
*The top manifold, through which the hydrogen and oxygen gases are fed in, distinguishes the fuel cell from the otherwise conventional "battery" appearance.*

via a manifold in the cell lid. A  $0.99\text{m}^3$  (3.5 cu.ft) capacity cylinder of each gas was estimated to give 30A for 7 hours.

The overall efficiency of the cell is 60%. There is no intermediate stage in the conversion process where energy must be expended to produce heat and there are no moving parts. The only by-product of the reaction is water and since this causes dilution of the electrolyte, some arrangement is necessary for removing the excess volume of liquid and adding sufficient potassium hydroxide pellets to bring the solution up to full strength. Batteries of up to 3kW output have been produced.

### High-speed electron-optical camera

A camera with electronic shuttering shown by John Hadland (P.I.) Ltd. presents on a fluorescent screen a sequence of frames showing the development of some high speed event such as the build-up and decay of ignition of a flash tube. The shuttering can be at any speed from  $10^5$  to  $6 \times 10^7$  frames per second and the actual number of frames presented—



*The high-speed camera showing the shuttering sine-wave oscillator module on the left.*

to the eye almost simultaneously—can be anything from 8 to 32. This is achieved by means of an image converter tube, the English Electric Valve Company type P856, which uses a sinusoidal shuttering technique developed by U.K.A.E.A. There are three pairs of deflector plates between anode and screen. The first pair of plates act as shutter plates: when a sinusoidal oscillation is applied to them they deflect the electron beam up and down across a slit in an aperture plate. The beam can only pass through the plate when it is traversing the slit and this results in repetitive shuttering. Because the electron beam is moving as it passes the slit it produces blurred pictures on the fluorescent screen. To arrest this blurring movement a second sinewave of the same frequency and amplitude, but of different phase, is applied to a second pair of deflectors on the far side of the aperture plate. As shuttering takes place each time each sine wave passes through zero voltage there are two exposures per cycle. Images are produced in superimposed pairs at the screen. To separate them a staircase voltage is applied to a third set of deflectors, and the staircase is synchronized so that its steps occur between alternate exposures. Thus two rows of pictures are produced, the framing rate being twice the frequency of the applied sine waves and the number of pictures twice the number of steps.

Sinewave oscillators for different shuttering speeds are provided as plug-in modules, as can be seen in the photograph.

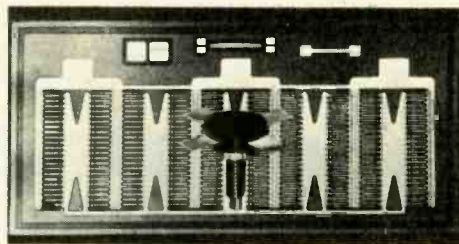
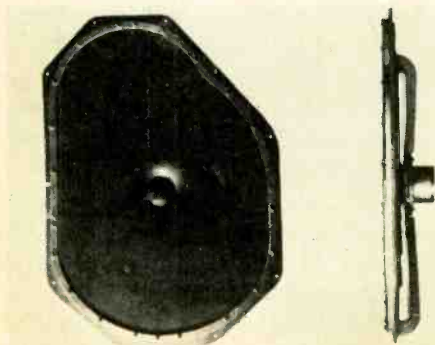
# Europe's Show-case for Components

## Paris exhibition is truly international

"For the first time I feel proud to be French," said the proprietor of a small Paris firm, an agency handling imported equipment, as we walked round the huge 11th International Electronics Components Exhibition at the Porte de Versailles, Paris. He was in fact contrasting the intransigence of the French Government in world affairs with the realistic and outward-looking attitude of the French electronics industry, which has sacrificed its pride and deliberately opened itself to competition in order to run a first-class international exhibition displaying the best components technology from all over Europe. This is, however, consistent with the French Government's open-door policy of encouraging foreign firms to set up plants in the country so that France can benefit from the advanced technologies they bring in. Notably this means American technology. As a result the native French electronics firms are feeling severe competition. Some have been taken over, in varying degrees, by American giants (for example, 40% of the semiconductor firm SESCO is owned by General Electric), while others are defensively merging (for example, C.S.F. and Thomson-Brandt). Yet another U.S. semiconductor manufacturer, Motorola, is opening a factory in France. This is near Toulouse and will have close links on fundamental research with Toulouse University—in fact a former professor of physics at the University, Dr. E. J. Cassignol, has been appointed general manager of the plant.

At one time it would have been possible for the British components industry to transform their R.E.C.M.F. Exhibition into an international show of the calibre of Paris, but the opportunity was lost through insularity or fear of competition on the part of those in

*Showing shape and construction of Yamaha loudspeaker.*



*Motorola r.f. power transistor, also showing electrode structure on the chip.*

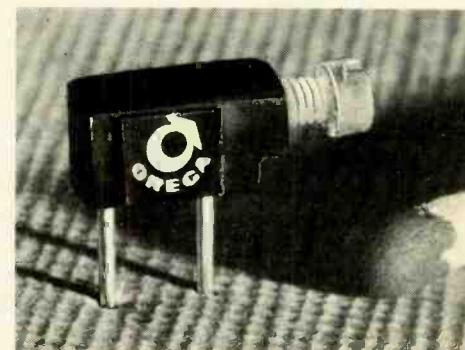
charge. Now the more progressive of the British components manufacturers regard Paris as *the* show at which they must be present before all others.

The following notes are on items selected as being of particular interest to *Wireless World* readers. British exhibitors are not mentioned as information on their products will be given in other ways.

**Loudspeakers.** One gets used to seeing strange loudspeakers in France, but the oddest looking one at the exhibition was in fact a Japanese moving-coil unit, shown by Hi-Fa of Paris and on the Japanese industry stand. Made by Yamaha of Hamamatsu, it has a large, flat, expanded polystyrene diaphragm of asymmetrical shape measuring, for example, in one model, 82cm x 57cm. This is fixed rigidly at the periphery to an aluminium frame and driven by a conventional voice coil (6.6cm diameter) and magnet system (1.4 tesla flux density). Yamaha are perhaps more widely known as makers of pianos, and they say, in fact, that they got the idea for the diaphragm from the sounding board of a grand piano. Sound is produced not by straight-forward piston action as in a cone loudspeaker but by flexural motions of the diaphragm similar to those of the sounding board of a musical instrument. Thus each part of the diaphragm vibrates separately and the radiation tends to be less directional than in a cone loudspeaker. The pressure/frequency response curve is extremely ragged because of the multiplicity of resonant structures, but the makers argue that colouration is a fact of life and anyway, this is how musical instruments produce their sound. (The device is called the 'Natural Sound' loudspeaker.) The purpose of the irregular periphery of the diaphragm is to prevent the formation of standing wave patterns, which would of course give undue emphasis to particular frequencies. To im-

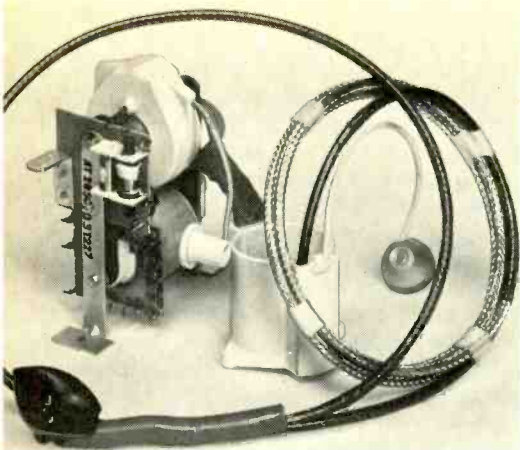
prove the efficiency at high frequencies the back of the diaphragm is moulded to form a number of radial ribs but Yamaha say that reproduction is not satisfactory in the treble and that equalization and an additional high-frequency loudspeaker should be used. Bass resonance of the largest model is 55Hz while continuous power handling capacity is 25 watts (100W instantaneous).

Another unusual loudspeaker, called the Projecteur de Son and shown by l'Automatic, has a moving-coil drive unit mounted in a cylindrical plastics enclosure (diameter 12cm, length 13cm for one model) which contains two cavities "inductively" coupled by a port to form a double resonator. This acoustic system is designed to damp the bass resonance and control the cone movements in such a way that the speaker will handle high power without distortion. Response (for the model mentioned) between 120Hz and 8kHz is  $\pm 5$ dB.



*Miniature inductor, shown by Omega of Paris, compared in size with a match-head.*

**Power Transistors.** One of the heaviest-duty transistors at the exhibition was undoubtedly the Westinghouse type 177 which will operate from supplies up to 140V, carry collector current up to 50A and dissipate up to 300 watts. The  $f_T$  is as high as 25MHz. SESCO (Société Européenne des Semi-conducteurs) had a range for collector currents up to 30A, collector-base voltages up to 500V and dissipations up to 200W. Obtaining power amplification at v.h.f. and u.h.f. is, of course, more difficult, but R.C.A. were showing an overlay transistor with strip-line connections, type TA7344, which will provide a power output of 16W with a gain of 6dB at 400MHz and a power of 20W with a gain of 10dB at 225MHz. It operates from a 28V supply, is hermetically sealed in a



Line output transformer and e.h.t. generator for colour television receivers, shown by La Radiotechnique-Compelec of Paris.

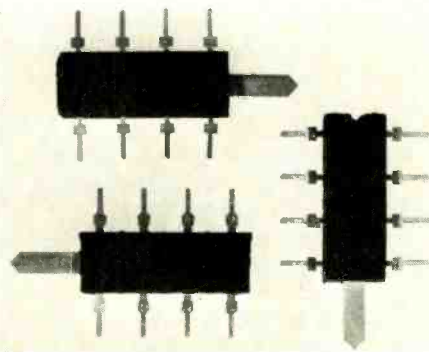
ceramic-metal package, and will work over the temperature range  $-50^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Motorola had a range of r.f. power transistors constructed on an interdigitated principle that gives more uniform distribution of current through the devices. For this reason, it is stated, they cannot easily be damaged in operation even with mis-matched loads. One type will give a power output of 40W with a gain of 7.5dB at 175MHz and another 20W with a gain of 4.5dB at 400MHz.

**Return-beam vidicon**, called the Rebicon, in which the sensitive layer ( $23 \times 23\text{mm}$ ) is a photoconductor but the electron beam returns from it, modulated, as in an image orthicon, was shown by RCA. The signal is produced from the return beam by an electron multiplier. Limiting resolution is 4,000 lines.

**Microwave devices.** By the use of double diffusion epitaxial technology SGS-Fairchild have produced a range of n-p-n transistors, BFW73 to BFW79, which offer useful performance as microwaves. As amplifiers the devices are said to be capable of providing gains of 3dB at 4GHz and 6.5dB at 3GHz. A typical noise figure is 6dB at 1GHz. As oscillators the transistors can be used to generate frequencies up to 3.5MHz, a value which is normally only obtainable by frequency multiplication using a series of transistors and varactor diodes. Among other applications these transistors look promising as replacements for the klystrons (which, of course, are bulky and of limited life) used as pump oscillators in microwave parametric amplifiers. Another type of semiconductor replacement for the klystron in this application is the avalanche diode, and Sylvania were showing one, mounted in a tuning structure, which will generate a minimum of 10mW of r.f. power at any frequency in the X-band (8.2 to 12.4GHz). Called SYA-3200, it requires a d.c. bias in the region of 50-90V (current 10-25mA) and can be continuously tuned over a range of  $\pm 100\text{MHz}$ . This firm also had, as did Texas Instruments France, examples of Schotky barrier diodes for operation at microwave frequencies. The Sylvania ones were beam-leaded devices available as single diodes, pairs or quads (for use in balanced modulators). Texas microwave transistors included an L-band amplifier giving a gain of 8.5dB and noise factor of 6dB at

2GHz and an S-band oscillator allowing an output of 75mW at 4GHz to be obtained.

**Colour TV tubes.** One of the major criticisms of colour television sets has been the lack of brightness from shadow-mask tubes—particularly noticeable on black-and-white programmes. Sylvania have been tackling this problem by bringing into use phosphors of greater efficiency. In particular the red fluorescent material is a europium activated yttrium vanadate phosphor treated with activators, while the green brightness improvement is obtained from not only a change in chemical composition but an alteration in particle size and distribution across the screen. The result, in a tube demonstrated at the exhibition, is a brightness on white claimed to be 23% greater than that of the nearest competitive tube (25-69% brighter than various other makes). Another feature of this tube is a method of shadow-mask mounting which compensates for the expansion, caused by electron heating, that tends to degrade colour purity during operation. In fact the mask moves forward as it gets hot. An

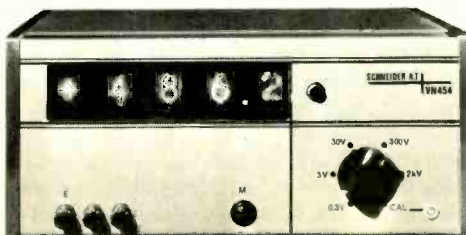


General Electric i.c. audio amplifier giving 1W into a loudspeaker (scale in cm).

alternative method of compensation, used by Standard Elektrik Lorenz, is to fix the shadow-mask symmetrically at four points (instead of the normal three) using bi-metal elements so as to obtain a uniform expansion starting at the centre.

A further criticism sometimes levelled at television tubes is that the screen aspect ratio (usually 5:4) does not correspond to the 4:3 aspect ratio of the transmitted picture. Telefunken were showing a new colour tube, the A56-11X, in which this discrepancy has been corrected, the lengths of the sides of the tube face being 44.7cm and 33.7cm. Also the faceplate is flatter than normal. A completely flat faceplate is used in the glass bulb of the French grid type colour display tube, since the fluorescent screen is now deposited on the

Digital voltmeter with five ranges (0.3V to 2kV) and reading accuracy of  $\pm 5 \times 10^{-4}$  shown by Schneider of Ivry, France.



Instrument for measuring distortion on telegraph circuits, including a signal generator for signal speeds of 50-2400 bands (Laboratoire Electro-Acoustique of Paris).

back of the faceplate instead of on a separate glass plate mounted within the bulb. A specimen envelope was shown by Sovirel of Paris but the complete tube was not on view.

**Reactive circuit devices.** A small component called the Isoductor, functioning rather like a lumped-element version of a microwave circulator, can be inserted into v.h.f./u.h.f. signal circuits as a non-reciprocal attenuator, providing low forward loss (about 1dB) but high reverse loss (e.g. above 20dB). It can thus be used to make transistor or varactor circuits insensitive to load variations. Shown by Melabs, it is available in three models, covering between them the range 100-600MHz. Physically it is a 2cm diameter cylinder with three  $120^{\circ}$ -spaced connections—the circulator “ports”. Power flows from Port 1 to Port 2 with low loss but power reflected from any varying load fed from Port 2 circulates to Port 3 and is dissipated in a resistive load connected to it. The ports “look” inductive and have to be tuned externally by capacitors.

Miniature inductors measuring  $2.8 \times 4.0 \times 7.0\text{mm}$  shown by OREGA can be adjusted by a magnetic core to provide a control range of  $\pm 20\%$  of nominal value. Inductances range from  $25\mu\text{H}$  to  $100\mu\text{H}$  and temperature coefficient is said to be very low. Pins are provided for mounting on printed circuits.

A “Monolithic” crystal filter shown by Collins Radio is a compact device combining properties of the crystal filter and the mechanical filter. It consists of a thin plate of quartz with pairs of electrodes arranged along it. Each pair of electrodes (one on top, one underneath) constitute a crystal resonator, while the quartz areas separating the pairs provide mechanical coupling between the resonators. Connections are made to the resonator at each end of the plate. The electrical analogue of the system is a row of LC resonant circuits coupled by inductors. Filters of this type, in transistor-type or flat packages, are available with centre frequencies of 3.5MHz to 20MHz and with bandwidths of 0.005% to 0.2% of centre frequency.

# News of the Month

## PAL-SECAM Rapprochement

The long-standing rivalry between the PAL and SECAM colour television systems has now been resolved, at least in a commercial sense, by a Franco-German receiver manufacturing agreement between Compagnie Francaise de Television, which holds patents on SECAM, and A.E.G.-Telefunken, which owns the PAL patents. At the same time there has been a major reorganization of those sections of the French industry concerned with colour television in general and SECAM in particular.

By the C.F.T.-Telefunken agreement, the French set manufacturers have been given a licence to make and sell PAL receivers and the German set manufacturers have been given a licence to make and sell SECAM receivers. Thereby the royalties normally charged by both sides are cancelled. This affects both single-system receivers and also combined PAL/SECAM sets, of which there is a growing number in Europe.

It is being said, notably by C.F.T., that this agreement was precipitated by the fact that C.F.T. owns a patent, not actually used in SECAM, which is somehow connected with the phase-error correction principle at the heart of the PAL system. In the past Telefunken have strongly denied this contention. *Wireless World* has asked C.F.T. for details of the critical patent, but the company has declined to give further information. At any rate it emerges from the agreement, according to C.F.T., that C.F.T. will now no longer "engage in proceedings against the manufacturers of PAL receivers".

As for the reorganization in the French colour television industry, C.F.T., which was set up in 1958 originally to develop and exploit SECAM but started to expand into development and manufacture of hardware (e.g. the grid colour tube), has now become a company devoted solely to the commercial exploitation of patents. Its new president is M. Jean Cahen-Salvador, a member of the powerful Conseil d'Etat which advises the French Government. All R & D and manufacturing work had been hired off to established French firms, principally to a new organization formed by the merging of television interests of C.S.F. (Compagnie Générale de Télégraphie Sans Fil) and C.F.T.H.-H.B. (Compagnie

Francaise Thomson-Houston-Hotchkiss-Brandt). As for the grid colour tube\* hitherto handled by C.F.T., this has now been taken over by a new company, France-Couleur, set up by a private financier and entrepreneur, M. Sylvain Floirat. Opinions differ on the development status of this tube, but some French sources say that France-Couleur is going to build a factory to start manufacture as soon as possible. (Incidentally the Floirat group have a 25% interest in the new C.F.T., the rest being owned jointly by C.S.F. (25%), the French government (25%) and Compagnie de Saint Gobain, the glass manufacturers, who owned 50% of the original C.F.T.)

Finally there has been established a non-profit-making organization called Intersecam, the purpose of which is to protect and promote the SECAM colour television system throughout the rest of the world. This means, in fact, trying to persuade those countries which have not settled on a colour television system to adopt SECAM. In this work the organization will be assisted by the O.R.T.F. (the French broadcasting organization) and the French industry. President of Intersecam is M. Paul-Roger Sallebert.

## Prince Philip Advises Young Engineers

The idea that membership of the professional institutions should be denied to engineers and technicians who do not aspire to a defined strata level in the academic training structure, was criticized by the Duke of Edinburgh speaking at a meeting last month attended by 600-odd young engineers.

Replying to a question during an open discussion which followed his talk, the Duke indicated that as he saw it, Institution membership should include all who were "attached" to that particular "subject", and he could see no reason why technicians should be forced to join a separate institution.

In his opening address the Duke urged engineers to get themselves into the decision-making side of industry; in management, or in politics, and not just be content to remain as "boffins" all their lives. He suspected that too often in the past major projects have failed because of a decision-making gap, rather than because we were technically inferior. Company executives should be trained engineers, able to discuss technical matters with prospective customers. Customers should not be told to refer their

enquiries to the "technical boys". On a national level, decisions made by the political process, our decision-making machinery, were far too important to be ignored by scientists and engineers.

Arranged by the Council of Engineering Institutions, the meeting was held at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, and a tailpiece concerns the solitary contribution to the discussion from an I.E.E. delegate, which perhaps illustrates the way in which our social behaviour influences our claims to engineering prowess. This young man wondered what was wrong with the engineer image. He was an engineer, but he said he always told his friends that he was a scientist, because if they were told he was an engineer, they would get the impression that he went around repairing television receivers!

## The Computer Merger

In a recent statement to the House of Commons the Minister of Technology said "I am pleased to be able to inform the House that, with the backing of the Government, the commercial and scientific computer businesses of I.C.T. and English Electric Computers are to be brought together into one company to be called International Computers Ltd (I.C.L.). I.C.L. will be by far the largest company outside the U.S.A. specializing in commercial and scientific computers. Plessey, a major manufacturer of telecommunications equipment, will participate in the new group and will also form a joint development company with I.C.L. to study and develop the convergence between computers and communications."

The new company is going to be faced with a number of headaches, not the least of which is to ensure that the new computer system to be produced by them is compatible with both the I.C.T. 1900 series and English Electric's System 4 range. Representatives of the two companies say that this is a software problem and although a "knotty one", far from being economically insurmountable.

The Government will be participating in the financing of the new company to the extent of £17M over a period of five years. Of this amount the Ministry of Technology will be providing £13.5M over the next four years towards I.C.L.'s research and developments costs. The remaining £3.5M is to be subscribed for ordinary shares of £1 each, which will be issued to the Government at par; 2s per share will be payable on issue and balance in 1972. The current market value of these shares substantially exceeds the amount subscribed for them. As a result of this arrangement the Government will initially hold 10.5% of the ordinary shares and other shares will be held; 53.5% by former I.C.T. shareholders, 18% by English Electric and 18% by Plessey.

## Technology Co-operation Agreement

An agreement has been signed between the U.K. and Czechoslovakia which will allow the exchange of specialists and information, and facilities for study and research between the

\* "French Rival to Shadow-Mask Colour Tube" *Wireless World*, May 1967, p. 236.

two countries. In addition exchange of other forms of industrial co-operation may be agreed upon. This follows agreements that have been signed with Rumania, Hungary, Poland and the U.S.S.R.

As a result of the Russian agreement representatives of the Scientific Instrument Manufacturers' Association (S.I.M.A.) and industry have flown to Russia for talks with government officials and technologists. At the same time the largest exhibition of British instruments ever held outside the U.K. is taking place in Sokolniki Park, Moscow. This exhibition has been mounted by S.I.M.A. in collaboration with the Board of Trade at the request of the U.S.S.R. Chamber of Commerce.

## World Engineering Federation Formed

In order to encourage co-operation between the engineering organizations of the world it was decided at a meeting in Paris of representatives of the engineering profession from all parts of the globe that the World Federation of Engineering Organizations should be formed. In all, 120 representatives from 60 nations and four regional federations were present at the meeting in UNESCO House. The decision to form the organization was unanimous. This constitutive assembly was then immediately followed by the first general assembly of the new federation and decisions were taken to carry out the programme of work on the qualification and development of professional engineers and of their supporting technical staff. Arrangements were also made to draw up a world-wide code of professional conduct for engineers.

Dr. Eric Choisy, of Switzerland, who had taken the chair at the constitutive assembly, was elected president of the Federation. Dr. G. F. Gainsborough, secretary of the I.E.E., was appointed secretary general. The next meeting of the Federation is due to be held in Beirut in October 1969.

Firms wishing to exhibit their goods outside Western Europe are now eligible for **substantial financial assistance** from the Board of Trade. The Board will in future contribute up to 50% of the cost of translating sales literature for distribution at the exhibition, they will pay up to 50% towards the return fares of two representatives manning each firm's stand and up to 50% of the cost of returning unsold goods from the exhibition. Up until now these facilities have been available only to exhibitors taking part in international trade fairs under the Board of Trade's joint venture scheme or in British Pavilions organized by the Department.

A **marine radar beacon** that is used to positively identify obstructions, lighthouses, drilling rigs and the like has undergone its first sea trial. Designed and built by Ether Engineering the beacon has been called URSA Minor (Unattended Racon Semiconductor Apparatus) and is claimed to be the first to use semiconductors entirely. In operation the equipment receives output pulses from any standard marine radar in the 9.3-9.5GHz band and will then transmit in reply

a coded pulse which will appear on a p.p.i. display as a series of dots and dashes. This means without modifications to existing ship-board radar systems an operator can identify obstructions in his vicinity.

**The Electrical and Electronic Industries Benevolent Association** is the amended title of the organization formed in 1905 to help non-manual workers in the electrical industry. During 1967 the association paid over £83,000 to people in need—workers, former workers or dependants—and towards the costs of retired beneficiaries living in the association's own establishment at Broome Park, Surrey. Among the contributors to last year's income, which totalled nearly £130,000, were British Radio Valve Manufacturers' Association, Electronic Valve and Semiconductor Manufacturers' Association, Radio Industries Club, Radio and Television Retailers' Association, B.B.C., A.T.V. and a number of "light current" manufacturers.

A **self-testing and repairing digital computer** is to be installed in the jet propulsion laboratory of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, U.S.A. An error detecting code is applied to all instructions and data within the computer. Should an error be detected part of the programme is repeated and if the error persists the power supply to the faulty section is removed and applied to a spare serviceable section. The process is controlled by a triplicated repair control module operating on a majority vote basis. In the event of a split decision being made (2:1) the faulty repair control module is disconnected and a new one substituted.

D. B. G. James, author of the "**Simple F.E.T. Pre-amplifier**" article published last month, is on the staff of Swansea College of Technology not the University College, Swansea, as stated. Incidentally, the C94 f.e.t. referred to in this article is manufactured by Semitron Ltd., Crickdale, Near Swindon.

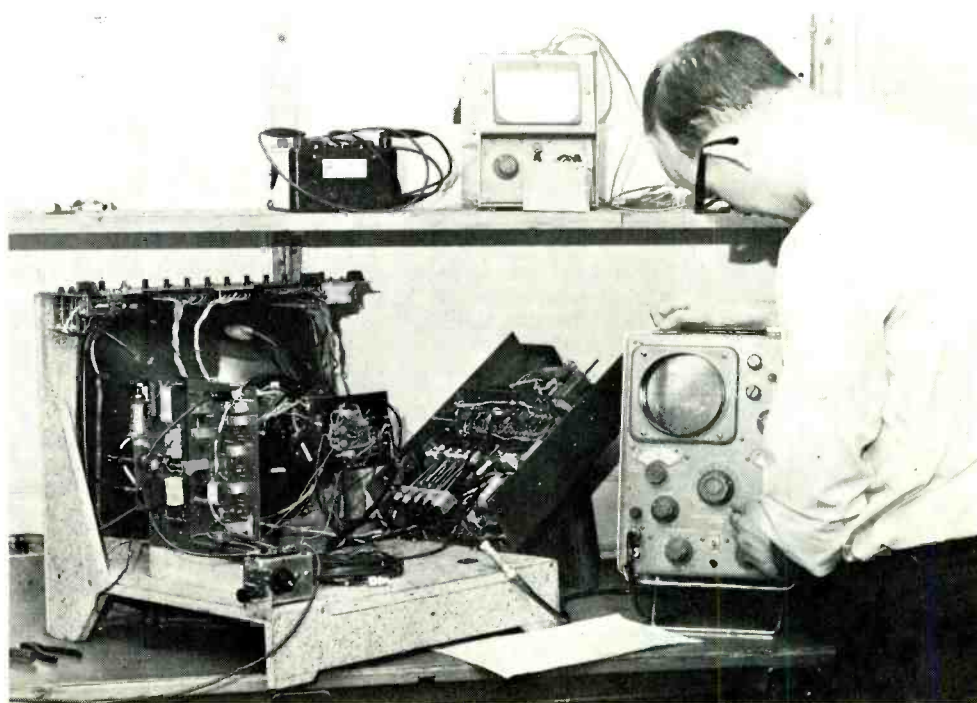
# Wireless World colour television receiver

Constructional details of a colour television receiver will be given in a series of articles starting in next month's issue of *Wireless World*. The photograph shows the set, with some units removed, during its development.

A colour receiver is a complex piece of electronic apparatus and its proper initial adjustment requires the use of quite a lot of test apparatus; even with this, skill is needed. It must be emphasized, therefore, that its construction should be attempted only by those who are thoroughly familiar with all aspects of black-and-white apparatus.

In order to simplify the equipment as much as possible no provision is made for the reception of 405-line transmissions. The complications which arise when this is included are not so much electrical as mechanical, since the provision of a large number of mechanically linked switches in many different units raises almost insuperable problems when standard components must be used.

A 19-inch colour tube is used, but the 23-inch can be employed with little electrical alteration, and the receiver is of hybrid design; that is, both valves and transistors are included. All the low-power circuits have transistors, but the high-power circuits and all circuits feeding the c.r.t. use valves.



# Personalities

**Sir Francis McLean**, C.B.E., B.Sc., F.I.E.E., director of engineering in the B.B.C. for the past five years, retires in May after 31 years with the Corporation. He graduated at Birmingham University and was with Standard Telephones & Cables from 1925 until joining the B.B.C. in 1937. He headed various groups in the Engineering Division before being appointed deputy chief engineer in 1952. In 1960 he became deputy director of engineering. Sir Francis was created a knight bachelor in the 1967 New Year honours.

**T. S. Crabtree**, managing director of Arrow Electric Switches Ltd., has been appointed a vice-president of the parent company Arrow-Hart & Hegeman Electric Co., of Connecticut, U.S.A. Born in Colne, Lancs., he is the first non-American vice-president to be appointed by the 72-year-old parent company, which formed its British subsidiary in 1932. It was in 1932 that Mr. Crabtree joined Arrow as their works manager. He has been managing director since 1951.

**J. H. Head**, deputy managing director of Racal Instruments Ltd, has become managing director of Racal-Andec which is the new name given to Andec which joined the Racal group in 1962. Mr. Head joined Racal Instruments as director and general manager on its formation in 1959. He was at one time

J. H. Head



with Sydney S. Bird Ltd, and from 1951/59 general manager of Advance Components.

**D. T. N. Williamson**, the designer of what has become known as the Williamson amplifier originally described in *Wireless World* in 1947, is among 32 recently elected Fellows of the Royal Society. The citation reads "distinguished for his work on sound reproduction, and for his extensive achievements in the design and numerical control of machine tools". Mr. Williamson, who has been technical director of Molins Machine Company since 1961, joined the M. O. Valve Company in 1943 after studying at Edinburgh University and from 1946 to 1961 was with Ferranti, Edinburgh, working mainly on precision measurement and control.

Also among the 32 recently elected Fellows of the Royal Society are **Eric Eastwood**, C.B.E., Ph.D., M.Sc., F.I.E.E., director of research of the English Electric Group, whose "contributions to the technology and applications of radar" are mentioned in the citation; **Antony Hewish**, lecturer in physics at the Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, "distinguished for his contributions to radio astronomy, especially by using the scintillation of radio sources to obtain information both about the interplanetary plasma and the structure of the radio sources themselves"; **Donald E. Broadbent**, Sc.D., director of the Medical Research Council's Applied Psychology Research Unit Cambridge, "distinguished for his researches in experimental psychology, especially on problems of perception"; and **David P. Craig**, professor of physical chemistry at the Research School of Chemistry, in the Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, "distinguished for his theoretical contributions to the interpretation of electronic spectra and to solid state chemistry".

**A. Brian Close**, Grad.I.E.R.E., has joined Radionic Products Ltd, manufacturers of electronic and radio teaching aids, as technical manager. Mr. Close, who is 25, spent the first seven years of his career with S.T.C. He then taught for a year in a technical college. He was until

recently a development engineer with M.E.L. Equipment Company. Radionic also announce the appointment of **Michael J. Howell**, B.Sc., Assoc. I.E.E., as marketing manager. A graduate of Leeds University, where he studied electrical and electronic engineering, he was at one time on the production staff of Texas Instruments but more recently with Ferranti, Edinburgh, working on guidance systems. He is 25.

**Ralph E. G. Keon**, A.M.I.E.R.E., recently joined AIM Electronics Ltd, of Cambridge, as European marketing manager. Mr. Keon, who studied on the Continent, worked for eleven years in the valve industry—first with S.T.C. then M.O. Valve and subsequently Elliott



R. E. G. Keon

Brothers on microwave valves—was overseas sales manager of Airmec Instruments from 1962 until he joined AIM.

**W. J. Bray**, M.Sc. (Eng), D.I.C., F.I.E.E., director of research at the General Post Office, has had the Fellowship of the City & Guilds of London Institute conferred on him "for eminence in the field of radio-communication, particularly in the design of microwave and radio systems, including communication satellite ground stations". Mr. Bray, who joined the Post Office Engineering Department in 1934, has spent most of his career in the Research Station at Dollis Hill. Since 1960 he has concentrated on space communications systems but previously was concerned mainly with ionospheric and tropospheric scatter. He has been director of research since 1966.

**John C. Gladman**, B.Sc. (Hons.), aged 48, has become manager of English Electric's Industrial Computer Division at Kidsgrove (North Staffs.), where he will be responsible for the design, development and manufacture of computer equipment for industrial control and automation systems, as well as associated peripheral equipment and "software". He studied at Manchester University in 1938/39, and after a period of

war-time service with the Royal Corps of Signals, gained an honours degree in electrical engineering in 1948. He then joined Metropolitan-Vickers and on the formation of the A.E.I. Electronic Apparatus Division was appointed asst. manager and later manager of the computer engineering department. Mr. Gladman joined E.E. Computers Ltd, in 1967.

**K. D. F. Chisholm**, A.M.I.E.R.E., has been appointed chief engineer of English Electric's Industrial Computer Division. He joined E.E. Computers in 1955 as senior development engineer working on the DEUCE computer and at the beginning of 1967 became deputy chief engineer of the Central Processor Department. He is 43.

**A. H. Sage**, B.Sc. (Eng), who joined English Electric as a graduate apprentice in 1950, with a degree in electrical engineering from Bristol University, is appointed deputy general manager (commercial) of English Electric's Industrial Control and Automation organization.

The 1968/69 president of the Electronic Engineering Association, who will for the first time also automatically assume the active position of chairman of council, is **Commander H. Pasley-Tyler**, a director and group general manager of Elliott Automation Ltd. He joined Elliott Brothers (London) Ltd., in 1950 on retiring from the Navy in which he had served for 25 years. Commander Pasley-Tyler, who is 58, specialized as a signal officer after training at Dartmouth Naval College and was for some time after the war in command of a training establishment. He later went to Washington as a member of the British Naval Mission. The retiring president is **Sir John Toothill**, C.B.E., D.Sc., general manager of Ferranti's Scottish group of factories, and the retiring chairman is **Group Captain E. Fennessy**, C.B.E., director of Plessey Electronics Group.

**John Gosman Scott**, B.Sc., has rejoined Ferranti Ltd., Edinburgh, as sales manager of the Information Equipment Group. Mr. Scott, who is 40 and graduated in physics at St. Andrews University, originally joined Ferranti on coming down from the University in 1951. In 1960 he went to Hughes International (U.K.) as technical manager in charge of semiconductor manufacture. For the past two years he has been with Electrosil, of Sunderland, as technical director.

## OBITUARY

**Jack White**, distributor sales manager of SGS-Fairchild Ltd, died recently at the age of 53. He joined the company in 1965 after spending four years with Texas Instruments at Bedford, prior to which he was for five years with Mullard's semiconductor division.





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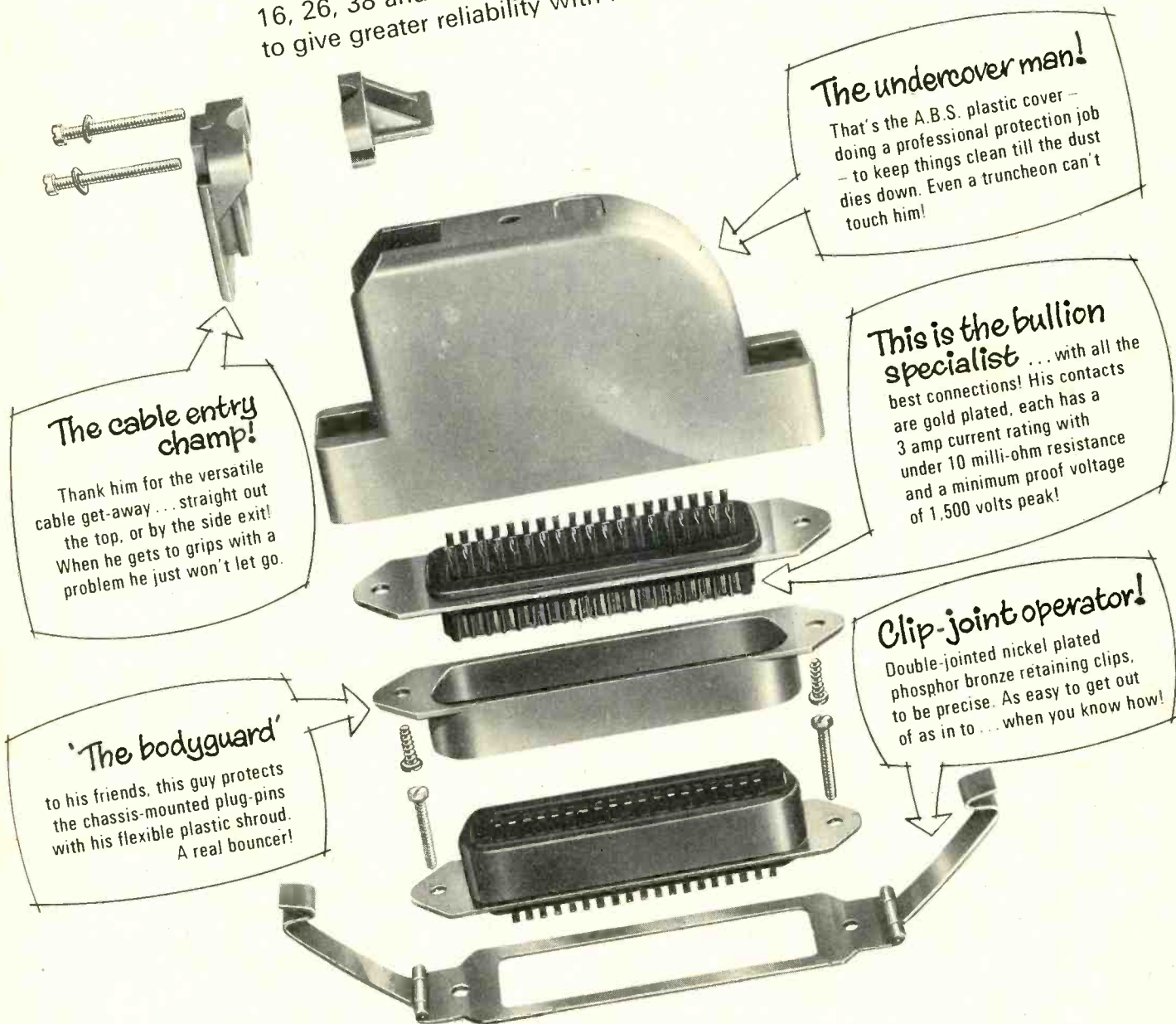
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# Russian Colour Sets in Production

## Four models using shadow-mask tubes for SECAM III transmissions

Colour television programmes on a limited scale are now being broadcast in the U.S.S.R., using the SECAM III system, and 625-line compatible colour receivers are being produced in several factories. At a recent international conference on colour television in Paris details of four models available to the Russian public were given by Professor S. Novakovsky, of the Ministry of Radio Production. All use shadow-mask colour tubes manufactured in a recently established Soviet plant, have 12-way channel selectors, use flywheel sync, operate from 127V or 220V supplies and are designed for a reliability of 1500 hours m.t.b.f. Circuitry follows normal SECAM practice, which means of course that the receivers contain a delay line and electronic switching arrangement to change the sequentially transmitted chromaticity components of the signal into simultaneous form. Since in SECAM III transmissions these colour components are carried by frequency modulation of a sub-carrier (6.5MHz) the decoding section of the receivers also contains frequency discriminators, one for R-Y and the other for B-Y. Three of the sets have hybrid circuitry while the fourth, a smaller, cheaper model, uses valves only.

**Roubin-401** has a rectangular tube of 59cm diagonal and 90° deflection angle. The hybrid circuit contains 24 valves, 15 transistors and 45 diodes. Two loudspeakers are provided. The transistors are utilized mainly in the chrominance and sound

channels, except for their respective output stages. Sensitivity (50 $\mu$ V in both vision and sound channels) is said to be sufficient for satisfactory reception in fringe areas. Automatic screen "degaussing" and vertical geometrical distortion correction are included. The delay line and associated circuitry are constructed as a separate module allowing lines of different types to be used. In the luminance channel there is a rising frequency characteristic above 4.9MHz, which is normal practice in Russian television receivers. Besides the usual brightness and contrast controls there is a colour saturation control, which varies the peak-to-peak amplitude of the R-Y and B-Y chrominance signals. The set consumes 400 watts and weighs 70kg.

**Radouga-5** has the same 59cm rectangular colour tube as the Roubin-401 but its circuit is more transistorized: 14 valves, 46 transistors and 53 diodes. As a result the power consumption is lower (280W). Sections entirely transistorized are the vision and sound i.f. amplifiers, the a.f. sound amplifier, the vertical scanning circuits and the luminance channel (except for the output stage). The chrominance section contains 15 transistors, with 3 valves for the three colour-difference signal output stages. This set is also lighter—60kg.

**Radouga-4**, a smaller receiver, has a tube of 40cm diagonal and 70° deflection angle. The circuitry and valve/transistor ratio are similar to those of Radouga-5, except of course for the scanning arrangements for the narrower-angle tube. Because of this smaller deflection angle, no geometrical distortion correction circuitry has been included, and this has reduced the power consumption to 260W. Weight is 40kg. Sensitivity of the two Radougas is 150 $\mu$ V.

**Record-101**, using a 40cm diagonal 70° tube, has been specially designed as a low-price receiver, and for this reason has an all-valve circuit. As a result the set is relatively big for its screen size, and its power consumption is higher (360W). The frequency characteristic of the whole vision channel is determined by a filter inserted before the vision i.f. amplifier, and as a result the characteristic of this i.f. amplifier does not have to be adjusted, so that tuning procedures are simplified in manufacture. In the luminance channel the frequency characteristic falls off rapidly above 3.6MHz. In the chrominance section each frequency discriminator has

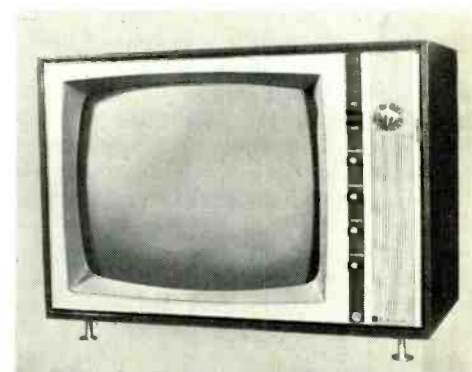
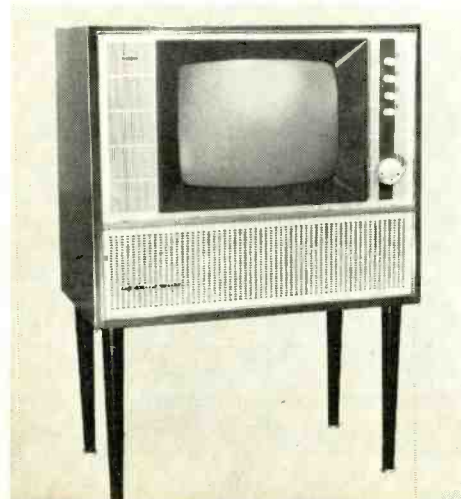
controls to set the zero-frequency position and adjust the frequency band between the two peaks of the characteristic: this allows good linearity to be obtained and simplifies adjustment during manufacture. Wherever possible cheap readily-available valves have been used to keep the price down. Sensitivity is relatively low at 200 $\mu$ V.

It will be noted that these receivers use the shadow-mask type of colour tube. This is understandable since the problems of manufacturing this kind of tube are now well understood and much experience has been gained with it all over the world. At the same time Professor Novakovsky mentioned that the U.S.S.R. has acquired a licence to make the new French grid tube† developed by C.F.T. (Compagnie Francaise de Television) and is about to set up a factory to produce it in quantity. This is part of the general Franco/Soviet agreements on technological exchange. In view of what is known about the state of development of this tube in France, however, it seems unlikely that the tube will appear in Russian colour receivers for some years.

It was clear from Professor Novakovsky's remarks that the techniques and problems of manufacture, testing and after-sales maintenance of colour receivers are much the same in the U.S.S.R. as in capitalist countries. The main difficulty, in a country where there is very little machinery for advertising and sales promotion, seems to be the purely commercial one of getting people to buy the product. In Professor Novakovsky's own words: "The manufacture of large numbers of colour television receivers raises the problem of selling them." It seems to be exactly the opposite problem to the one we have in Britain.

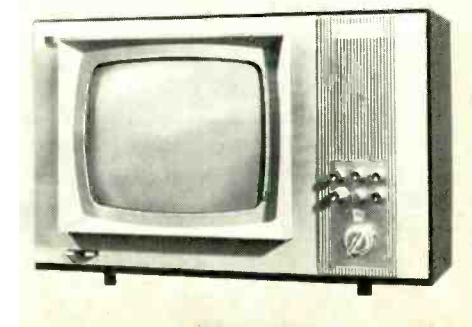
†Outlined in "French Rival to Shadow-mask Tube" W.W. May 1967, p.236. See p.110 this issue.

Record—101, low-price 40cm set.



Roubin—401, with 59cm screen.

Radouga—4, with 59cm screen.



# New B.B.C. Monitoring Loudspeaker

## 3. Three designs, using different combinations of units

by H. D. Harwood\* B.Sc.

As mentioned last month, three designs of loudspeaker were possible with the units available. Design A was similar to the type LS5/1A construction and employed the plastic cone 305mm unit and two of the 58mm units; type B used the 305mm unit for the bass, the 200mm unit for the middle frequencies and a single 58mm improved unit for the high frequencies; type C was similar to type B but used the 110mm unit for the middle-frequency range. As it was not possible to determine from a study of the units which would give the best reproduction it was decided to build a prototype of each and carry out final listening tests.

**Type A Loudspeaker.** The design of the type LS5/1A will not be described in detail; it is sufficient to mention here that the low-frequency unit is employed up to about 1.7 kHz, and above this frequency two high-frequency units operate in parallel up to approximately 3.5 kHz. Above this the output from one is attenuated, leaving one only to cover the remaining part of the spectrum. The response/frequency characteristic of the 305mm plastic cone unit is smoother than that of the 380mm cone used in the LS5/1A and the design of the crossover network is therefore somewhat simpler; a 100mm slit, described last month, was fitted over the front of the 305mm unit. The response/frequency characteristics achieved are shown in Fig. 21 for the horizontal plane. The axial response is smooth but it will be observed that in spite of the 100mm slit the response/frequency characteristic at 60° in Fig. 21 is not uniform and is rather like that of the LS5/1A in this respect.

**Type B Loudspeaker.** In the type B design the 305mm plastic-cone bass unit is employed up to a frequency of 400 Hz. Above this frequency the 200mm middle-frequency unit operates up to 3.5 kHz where a change is made to the 58mm improved unit. As already mentioned, the bass resonance frequency of the middle-frequency unit is about 50 Hz and it is necessary to enclose the rear to prevent it acting as a vent at low frequencies. In order to make use of the sensitivity of the middle- and high-frequency units the high-flux-density version of the low-frequency unit is employed. In this design the relative voltages applied to the units are adjusted by means of an auto-transformer placed ahead of the crossover networks; by this method the relative levels can be adjusted without having to change components in the crossover network as was the case with the LS5/1A. It also has the advantage that the nominal impedance of the loudspeaker can be adjusted to any convenient value to suit amplifiers commercially available. Fig. 22 shows the response/frequency characteristics in the horizontal plane and Figs. 23 and 24 those in the vertical plane above and below the axis. It will be observed that the curves in Fig. 22 are smooth and close together.

**Type C Loudspeaker.** This design is essentially similar to that of type B but employs the 110mm diameter unit for the middle-frequency range. The lower crossover frequency in this case is about 450 Hz, the upper crossover frequency remaining at 3.5 kHz. As the middle-frequency unit has a bass resonance of about 400 Hz the mechanical

impedance at low frequencies is high and it is not necessary to enclose the rear. Owing to the lower sensitivity of this middle-frequency unit there is no advantage in employing the high-flux-density low-frequency unit and the lower-flux-density type is therefore used. As with the type B design, an auto-transformer is inserted ahead of the crossover network.

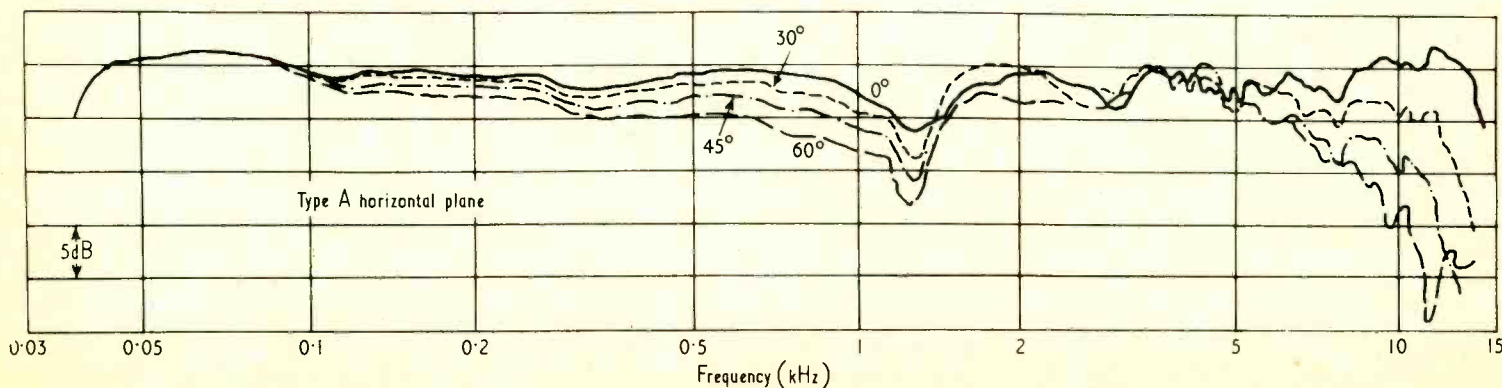
The response/frequency characteristics in the horizontal plane are shown in Fig. 25. It will be seen that the curves in Fig. 25 are smooth and except at the highest frequencies very nearly coincident.

### Listening Tests

The three prototype loudspeakers were given a listening test and compared with a type LS5/1A and a still earlier experimental model known as the R.M.L. which was included because some observers considered it to be superior to the LS5/1A. The tests, which were carried out by experienced members of B.B.C. operational and programme staff, included speech from both dead and reverberant surroundings and recorded and live orchestral items, the latter from the B.B.C.'s Maida Vale 1 studio. For the live music test the loudspeakers were checked in turn in two rooms both of which communicate directly with the studio, and direct comparisons with the live programme were thus possible. The quality of reproduction of all three prototypes was judged an improvement on that from both the LS5/1A and the

\*B.B.C. Research Department.

Fig. 21. Response/frequency characteristics of type A loudspeaker in horizontal plane.



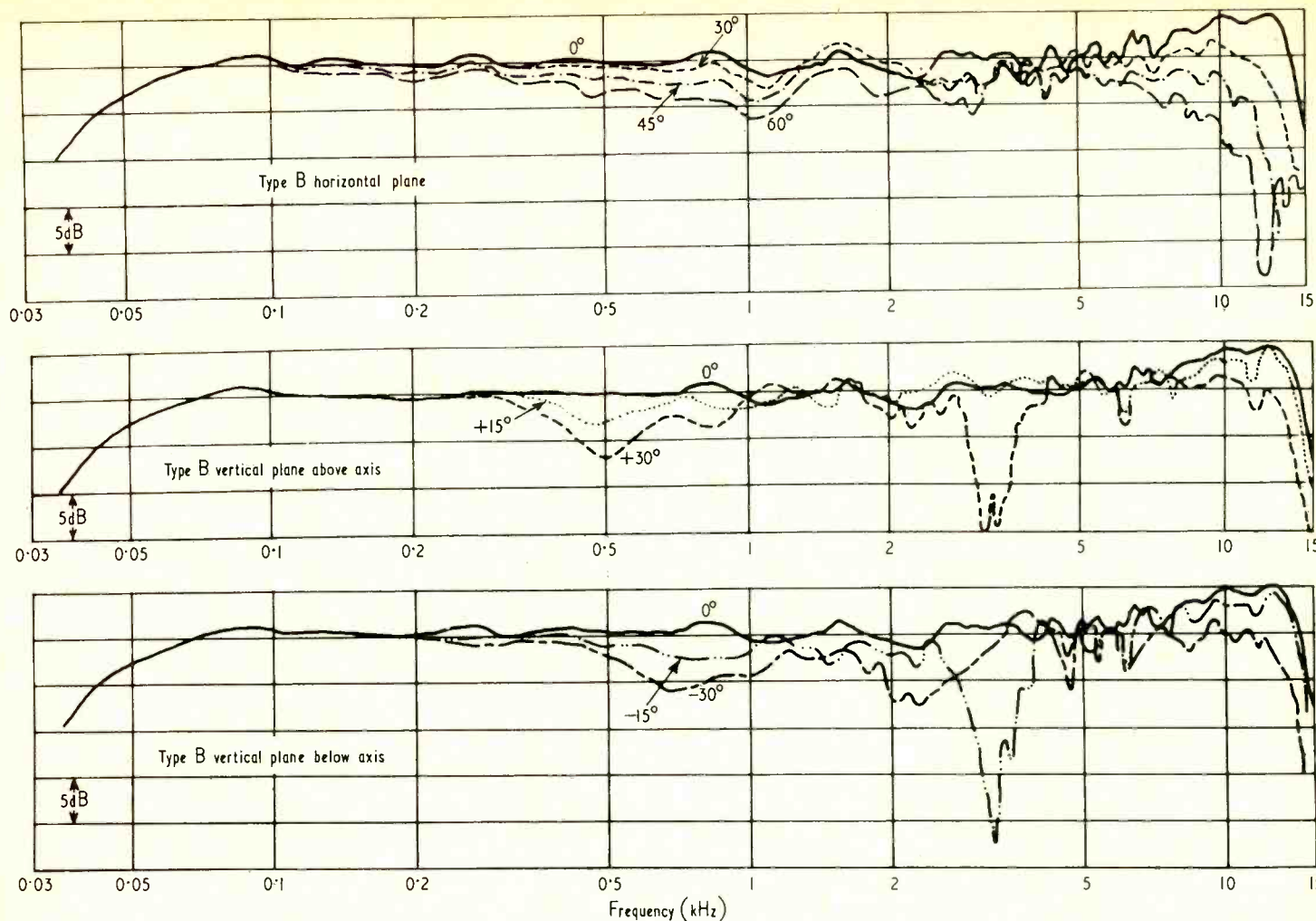


Fig. 22. (top), Fig. 23. (middle) and Fig. 24. (bottom). Response/frequency characteristics of type B loudspeaker in horizontal plane, vertical plane above axis and vertical plane below axis.

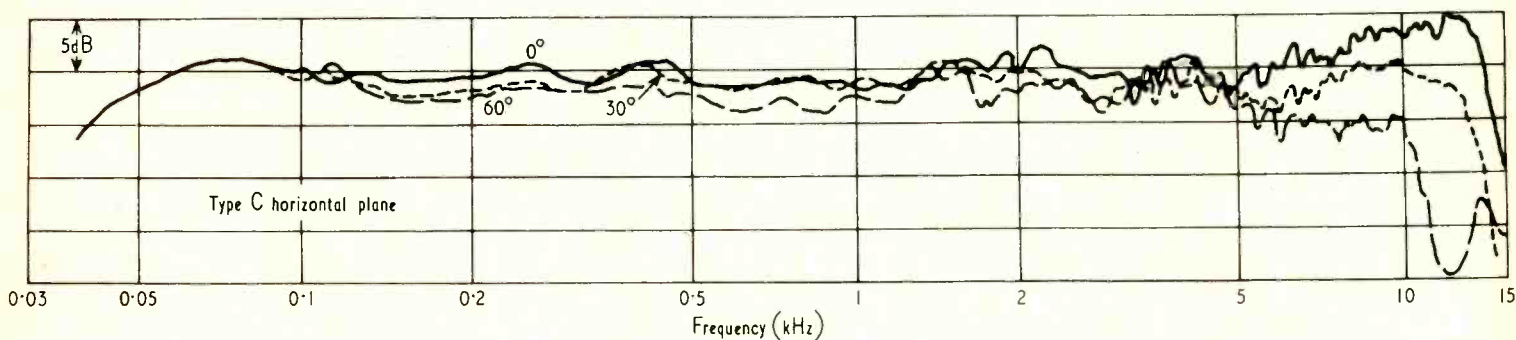


Fig. 25. Response/frequency characteristics of type C loudspeaker in horizontal plane.

R.M.L. It was further agreed by all that the sound quality from the type B loudspeaker was outstanding, being better than that from types A and C but that from the type C was very slightly coloured by the remains of the resonances around the 1.5 kHz region mentioned last month. The wide angle of radiation of type B in the horizontal plane was also favourably commented on.

In view of this verdict the remaining measurements were confined to the type B model. Two variations of this design have been constructed; one, designated LS5/5, is floor based with a rectangular cabinet mounted on a plinth; the other, designed for hanging, is lozenge shaped and is coded LS5/6. In the LS5/6 the vertical positions of

the units are reversed with respect to those of the LS5/5, the bass unit being mounted uppermost, as in the LS5/2A. This is done in order to keep the bass unit near to the main reflecting surface in the room, in this case the ceiling.

#### Repeatability in Production

Some experience of the repeatability of the low-frequency unit has been obtained and was described in reference No. 1 in the March issue. There has been considerable production experience with the 58mm high-frequency unit. The 200mm unit was, however, hand made specially for this proto-

type and there was no experience of its repeatability in production. To speed up acceptance tests a number of pre-production models of the LS5/5 loudspeaker were built and advantage was taken of this to determine the spread in frequency characteristics likely to be obtained in practice.

Fig. 26 shows the spread in the un-equalized axial frequency characteristic of six middle-frequency units measured in the cabinet without the rear enclosure; in the figure the curves were arbitrarily lined up at 750 Hz. It will be seen that the spread is very small over the operating frequency range of 400 Hz to 3.5 kHz.

Fig. 27 shows the spread in axial frequency characteristics of six complete loud-

speakers. It should be noted that the trend of the curves is more uniform and the spread is appreciably smaller than that to be expected in practice from moving-coil microphones and even from many electrostatic microphones. In the past, the monitoring loudspeakers have been the least predictable link in the studio chain, but with the introduction of these new loudspeakers this should no longer be so.

### Directivity

The variation in mean spherical radiated power as a function of frequency was measured by the use of octave bands of noise. It is shown in Fig. 28. The corresponding directivity index\* is given in Fig. 29; the variations of both quantities with frequency are less than those of the LS5/1A and LS5/2A and very much less than those

\*The directivity index of a loudspeaker is the logarithm to base 10 of the ratio of the sound power which would be radiated if the free-space axial sound pressure were constant over  $4\pi$  steradians to the actual sound power radiated.

found with any other loudspeaker which has been tested.

### Impedance and Distortion Characteristics

Fig. 30 gives the circuit diagram of the cross-over network. The inductors in all cases have Radiometal cores and operate well below the saturation level. Fig. 31 shows the modulus of the impedance of the loudspeaker measured on the 25-ohm tapping of the auto-transformer. In explanation of this curve it should be mentioned that, although the circuit of Fig. 30 appears to be conventional, in fact the  $L$  to  $C$  ratios employed are not such as to give simple low pass, band pass and high pass filters. These ratios are chosen to give non-uniform pass band characteristics in such a way as to equalize those of the loudspeaker units, e.g. Fig. 15 (b), and so yield a uniform axial frequency response. It is noteworthy that the equalization can be performed by this simple means and without introducing any further components; it does, however, result in the irregular impedance characteristics of Fig.

31. Adjustment for differing sensitivities of units in production is of course made by changing the appropriate tap on the auto-transformer.

Early tests on the 305mm unit indicated that it would deliver a higher level of sound without overloading than would the 380mm unit employed for the LS5/1A loudspeaker. Fig. 32 shows the curves of harmonic distortion measured on the axis of the complete LS5/5 loudspeaker at 1.5m for a sound level of  $1 \text{ N/m}^2$  and Fig. 33 gives the corresponding curves for intermodulation tests; these curves include the effect of the variable impedance load on the power amplifier, and were obtained by special apparatus<sup>1</sup> designed for this purpose.

To those unaccustomed to such curves attention is drawn to three points. The first is that the curves, particularly of the higher harmonics, are at least an order more irregular than is that of the fundamental. The second, which is related, is that although the mean level of the curves is fairly clear the average level of distortion cannot be obtained by measurements at spot frequencies. For example, at 83 Hz the level of 8th harmonic is

Fig. 26. Spread in axial response/frequency characteristics in six 200 mm units in large cabinet.

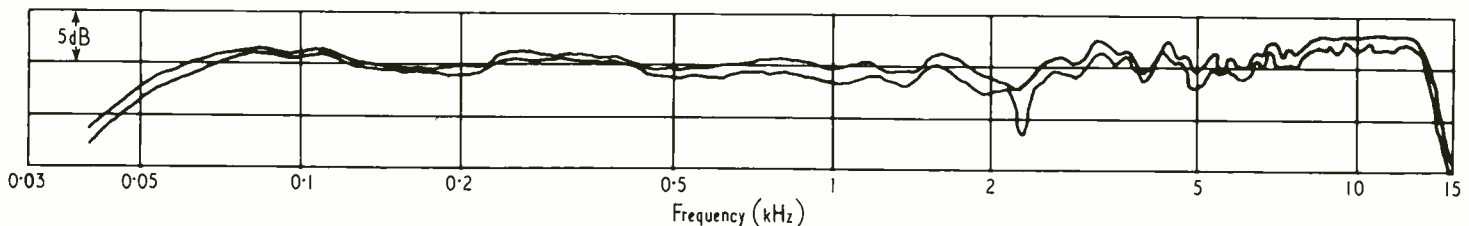
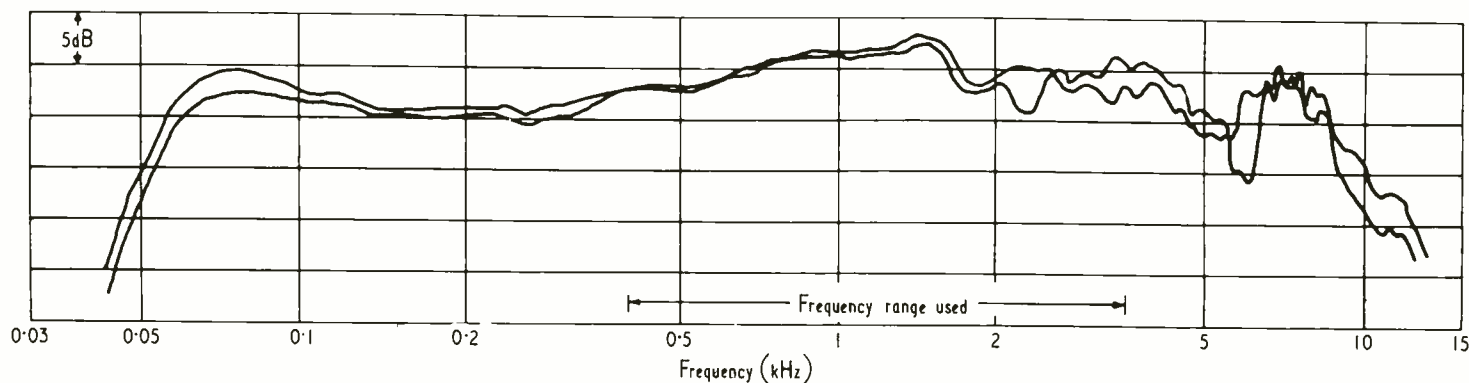


Fig. 27. (Above) Spread in axial response/frequency characteristics of six LS5/5 prototypes.

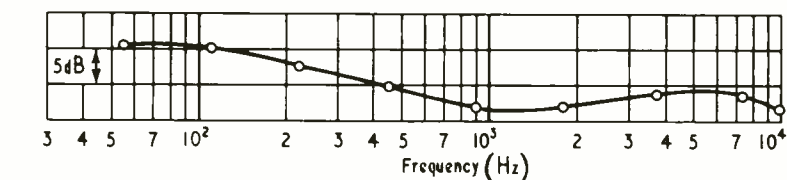


Fig. 28. (Left) Mean spherical response of LS5/5 loudspeaker measured in octave bands.

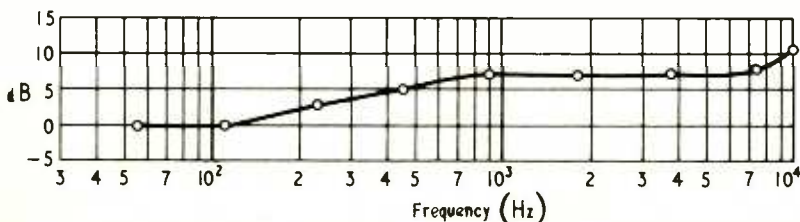


Fig. 29. (Left) Directivity index of LS5/5 loudspeaker measured in octave bands.

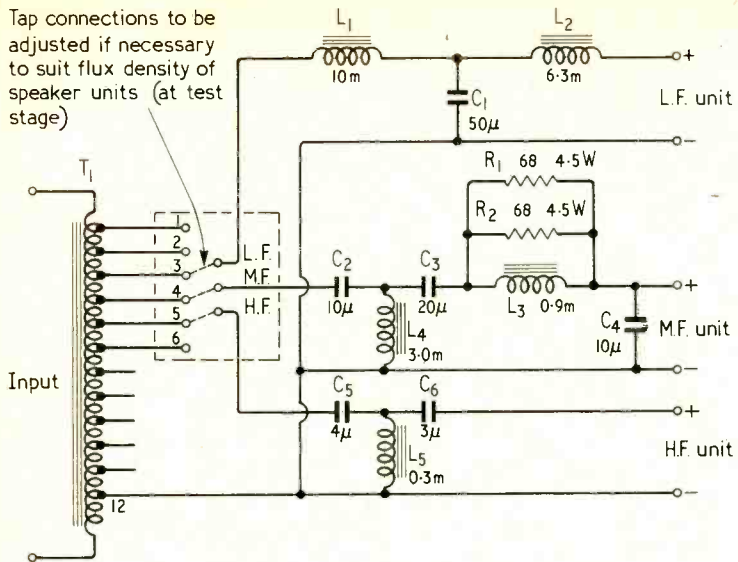


Fig. 30. (Left) Circuit diagram of crossover network of LS5/5 and LS5/6 loudspeakers. All component values are  $\pm 2\%$ .

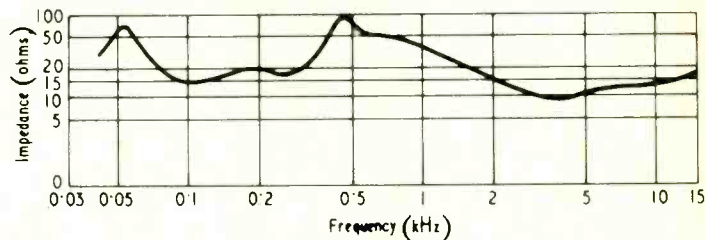


Fig. 31. (Above) Modulus of impedance of LS5/5 and LS5/6 loudspeakers.

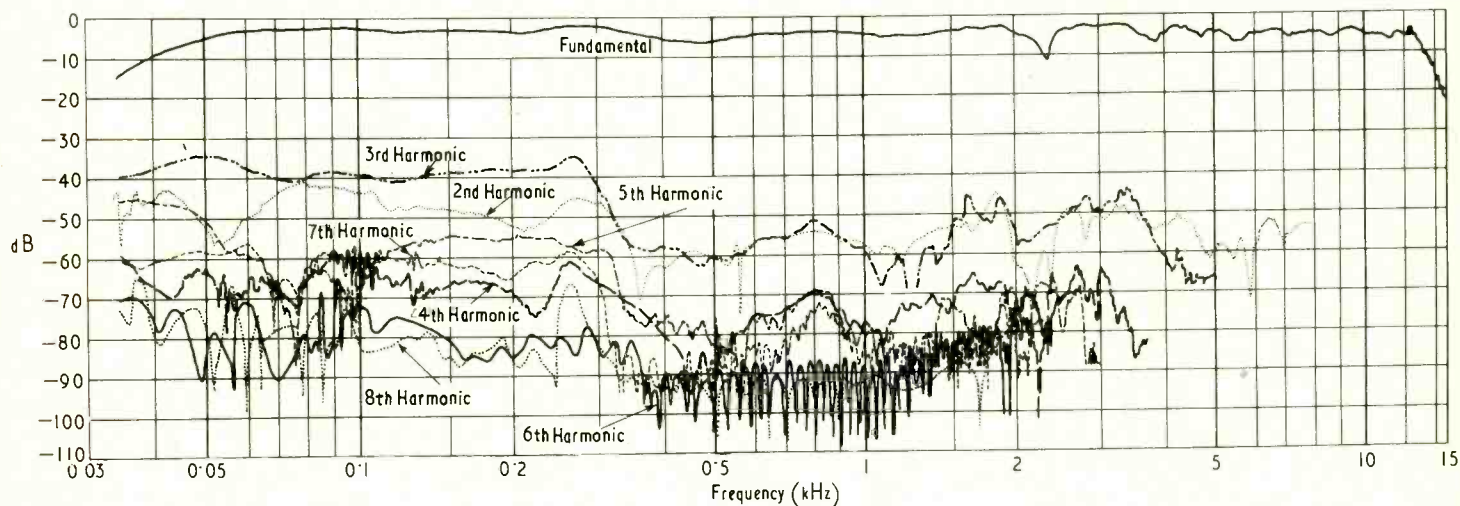


Fig. 32. (Below) Harmonic distortion of LS5/5 loudspeaker measured at 1 N/m<sup>2</sup> at 1.5m.

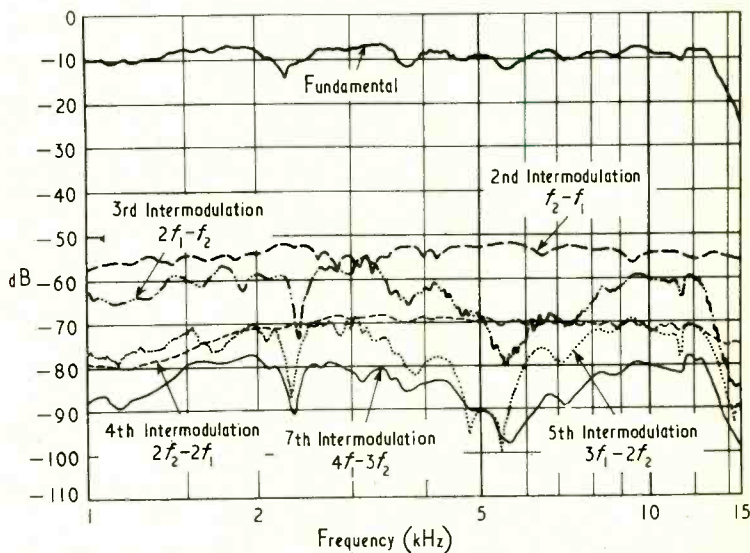
8 dB above that of the 6th while 2 Hz farther up the scale the position is reversed to the extent that the 6th is 28 dB above the 8th harmonic, a relative change of 36 dB in 2 Hz! Finally, the levels of distortion shown are inaudible.

The level of the sixth intermodulation product was too low to measure. It will be seen that the distortion levels are quite low even at the lowest frequency at which each unit is used, thus indicating that they are being operated well within their limits. The distortion curves shown in Fig. 14 of reference No. 1 were taken on the type LS3/1 loudspeaker at the same sound pressure and comparison with Figs. 32 and 33 shows that the distortion levels of the new loudspeaker are appreciably lower than those of the old design in spite of the fact that this used a larger (380mm) low-frequency unit.

### Power Amplifier

A commercially produced transistor power amplifier is used, capable of supplying 25 watts into a 25 ohm load. Associated with it is a pre-amplifier, designed by the B.B.C. Designs Department, which provides the usual balanced bridging input impedance and also the bass pre-emphasis circuits, mentioned last month, which give a rise of 4 dB at 40 Hz for the LS5/5 and 7 dB at 40 Hz for the LS5/6.

Fig. 33. (Right) Intermodulation distortion of LS5/5 loudspeaker measured at 1 N/m<sup>2</sup> at 1.5 m.



### Dimensions

The LS5/5 loudspeaker cabinet is approximately 350mm wide by 430mm deep by 660mm high, giving an external volume of 0.1m<sup>3</sup>. It is mounted on a plinth, 520mm high, which houses the power amplifier. The LS5/6 cabinet is of irregular shape but has the same volume as that of the LS5/5.

The weight of the LS5/5 loudspeaker together with the power amplifier is 47kg, that of the LS5/6 without amplifier is 35kg.

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# The Human Computer

## An examination of life processes in terms of communication theory

by J. R. Brinkley, F.I.E.R.E.

Modern genetic theory postulates that genetic information is passed from parent to child in the form of coded molecules. By similar precept it is reasonable to assume that environmental information received via the senses and the sensors for subsequent processing also has a molecular basis.

These precepts about human (and animal) information pose for the specialist in communication theory, and in particular for the communication systems analyst, certain challenging questions. The questions follow from the further assumption that the individual may be regarded as a computer or information processor, processing information with the object of survival, that is individual survival, group survival and overall species survival.

The first question is: what kind of information process is the individual carrying out?

The process must in detail be almost unimaginably complex, handling as it does millions of millions of "bits" of genetic and environmental information. The fact that vast quantities of information are processed does not necessarily mean, however, that the computer system is complex in principle.

I should like to suggest that the individual may be represented by the simple system diagram of Fig. 1.

The individual, represented by the circle, has two inputs and two outputs.  $G_{in}$  represents genetic input, the information received by the child, at the time of conception, from its parents.  $G_{out}$  is the information passed on in cell form to the subsequent generation. Genetic information in this definition includes growth and repair information, system operating information and instinctive behaviour patterns. It includes all information not learned by nor taught to the individual.

Environmental information may be defined on a similar basis as information received via the senses and body sensors and not inherited from parents.



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The analyst is now asked to accept that the individual has these two sources of information and no others. This does not preclude the acquisition of mystical or religious information but requires only that it should arrive via one of the two

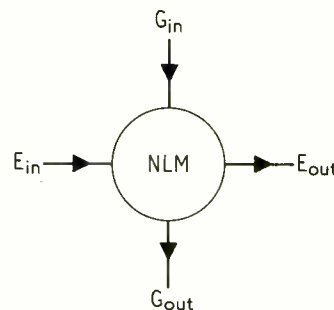


Fig. 1. The individual represented in terms of its information processing functions.  $G$  = genetic information,  $E$  = environmental information,  $NLM$  = non-linear mixer.

prescribed paths. The next question he has to answer is, what kind of process is performed inside the circle upon the two kinds of information? The answer would appear to be that the process is one which fits the general classification of non-linear and that the individual may be classified in communication terms as a non-linear information mixer.

In communication systems there are two general classifications of information mixer, the linear and the non-linear. Linear mixing is distortionless mixing as in a mirror or a high fidelity amplifier. The outputs are the simple addition of the inputs and no new products occur. It is, characteristically, a sterile process.

Non-linear mixing on the other hand is distorted mixing of the kind which takes place in a one-way conductor such as a diode or in an over-loaded transistor circuit or in a distorting amplifier. This kind of mixing is multiplicative and it is characterized by the appearance of new information products not present in the original inputs. It is important to note that these new products have a precisely defined harmonic relationship to the original parental frequencies which caused them to be generated.

Of the two kinds of mixer, the individual clearly belongs to the non-linear class. His outputs are not simple replicas of the inputs. If they were, no new information could result and the process would be sterile in the information sense. The individual may thus be described as a non-linear mixer of genetic and environmental information and as such may be expected to behave in the manner characteristic of non-linear mixers.

What are these characteristics? First the individual's behaviour will depend not just on the two sets of information



presented to him, but also on the characteristic and the degree of the non-linearity encountered at the interface between the two types of information where the mix takes place\*. This non-linearity will not necessarily have a constant value and it may be characteristically different in different persons.

Second, for maximum output of new information (and the production of new information to solve the new problems that are continually arising must be a prime objective of the system) the characteristic behaviour of non-linear mixers suggests that the genetic and environmental information inputs should be equal. An excess of one type of information over the other (which may frequently exist) will be wasteful and will produce no new information. The implication of this characteristic should perhaps cause educationalists to reconsider their ways. For the sociologist, heredity and environment should be seen as of precisely equal importance to progress. The social, political and economic implications of this deduction may be formidable.

Third, the new information produced by the mixing process will have outward looking characteristics. It will tend to produce divergent rather than convergent behaviour. As an example of what is meant by divergence, when two musical notes are mixed in a non-linear mixer the new tone products do not lie between the two parent tones but above and below them. The pattern of distribution of these new products is shown in Fig. 2. Thus the non-linear mixing of the two sets of informa-

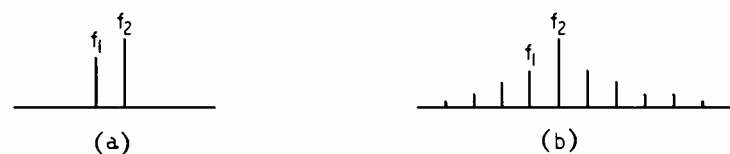


Fig. 2. Non-linear mixing of two units of information: (a) the two units of information before non-linear mixing; (b) after non-linear mixing, showing new divergent products at equally spaced intervals.

tion conveniently generates a supply of divergent new information which can be explored for the purposes of solving new problems. Put in another way, non-linearity will programme the individual to explore the outer limits (e.g. scale new heights) rather than the inner limits of his genetic and environmental inputs. Such an outward looking system will have important survival value since a purely inward looking programme would tend continuously to narrow the field of search, a trend which would have a dangerous bias towards over-specialization and which could fail to detect shifts in environmental situations.

Fourth, the new information will not be thrown up in a random manner differing in a random way from its parent information. It will be generated in a systematic way obeying harmonic laws and spaced at intervals equal to the difference between the two sets of input information. The individual would appear to be programmed not only to explore outer limits but to explore them in a systematic rather than a random fashion. This does not exclude the possibility of random factors or "noise" playing a significant part in the process but it would suggest that systematic exploration is its main characteristic.

It will not be difficult to accept that new environmental output in Fig. 1 results from the environmental input being modulated, i.e. non-linearly influenced by the genetic input from  $G_{in}$ . It will immediately be asked, however, whether  $G_{out}$  is influenced by  $E_{in}$ . This is of course the hundred years old Darwin-Lamarck-Lysenkoe *et al* controversy, namely,

does our day-to-day experience influence the genetic information passed to our immediate offspring?

The communication analyst may perhaps make a contribution to this difficulty by saying what he would expect an effective survival-oriented processor to do. He would certainly not expect detailed environmental experience to be passed on genetically to the next generation, since much of it would be irrelevant and all of it would be some thirty years out of date. On the other hand, it would not be unreasonable to expect a measure of "appraisal" information to be passed on as to whether the many parts of the parent's programme had been found to be either efficient or defective. Such information would have to be "weighed" against the corresponding information presented by the other partner and the preceding hierarchies. It would certainly seem wrong to draw genetic information from all previous generations *except* the last. The matter would seem to the communications analyst to be one for critical analysis rather than for polarized controversy.

A further interesting suggestion may be made, namely that the strange effects of halucinogen drugs (e.g. LSD) could be accounted for quite simply in terms of the non-linear mixing concept of Fig. 1. If the effect of these drugs is simply to reduce the individual's non-linearity then under their influence his environmental inputs would no longer be "distorted" by his genetic inputs. Sounds and colours could then be expected to become unusually clear and vivid. There would be no genetically generated inter-modulation products to distort or "fuzz" the perception. This is apparently a characteristic of one stage of such drug taking experience. The mixer might also be expected to become temporarily unstable due to the presence of the drug and the perception of dimensions could be expected to become distorted and variable because the normal transfer characteristics of the mixer would be upset.

The effect of moral detachment from and irresponsibility towards one's environment could also be accounted for by the "uncoupling" (linearization) of the individual's normally non-linear coupling between genetic and environmental information. Lastly, the weird hallucinations experienced could simply be due to a breakdown of the mixer resulting in a random and meaningless confusion of genetic and environmental information. This "doping" of the mixer interface by LSD could well carry the risk of permanent deterioration of the individual's ability to process information.

### The source of creative ability

Fascinatingly enough, the system diagram of Fig. 1 also offers a rational answer to the long standing mystery regarding the source of creative ability and its concentrated form, creative genius. Creativity may be defined as the generation of successful new information and if the system diagram of Fig. 1 is accepted then new information generation can only take place within the circle. On the face of it, it must be due to non-linear mixing of the information inputs. When it is remembered that the action of a highly non-linear mechanism tends to be stiff, awkward and somewhat unstable rather than smooth, regular and predictable it will become apparent that the commonly observed association of non-conformist behaviour and creative ability may well be due to the high degree of non-linearity present in individuals capable of major creative output. It is of course true to say that non-conformity or non-linearity by itself will not ensure successful innovation since it will only give rise to possibilities and not necessarily to correct solutions.

The laws of non-linear mixing may also be used as the basis for analysing the process of sexual conception, which may be represented as an information mixing process as in Fig. 3.

At the time of conception the male parent presents one set of information and the female a corresponding set. Once again the mixing process would appear to be a non-linear one. If it were

\*The question of precisely where the mixing interface is located, its nature and how it operates holds a fascination of its own but need not be considered here.

linear the child would receive twice as much information as required. No new information would be produced and evolution could not take place. If, however, the process is non-linear, then any two corresponding parental units of information representing a unit of detail required by the child will produce a divergent set of new products in the same way as the two musical notes of Fig. 2. Thus the inherent characteristics of non-linear mixing will in effect programme each new generation with a tendency to diverge genetically in a systematic rather than a random way. This surely is the correct answer to the enigma of the natural divergence of species, the enigma with which Fleeming Jenkin taunted Darwin, without solving the problem himself.

It is also interesting to note that the non-linear mixing concept of Fig. 3 may also be used to explain the phenomenon of genetic dominance. In a non-linear mixer a strong signal will

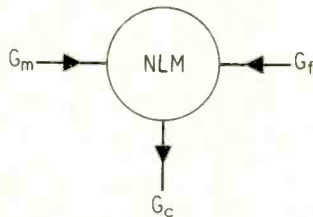


Fig. 3. Sexual conception.  $G_m$ =male genetic information,  $G_f$ =female genetic information,  $G_c$ =information generating new child, NLM=non-linear mixer.

weaken but not eliminate a weak signal. The effect is known in communication theory as capture effect in a hard limiter and demodulation in a soft limiter. This opens the way to the idea that genetic dominance is not random but systematic and in any event a more involved and elegant process than currently envisaged.

Non-linear mixing at conception will tend to suppress weaker information and noise. This phenomenon can explain how the life force is able to defeat the second law of thermo-dynamics by suppressing the weaker signals and noise in the parental mix. The action is analogous to the regenerative non-linear repeaters which enable communication signals to be "cleaned up" at intervals and re-transmitted over indefinitely long distances. Without such non-linear processing the species would continuously accumulate noise. It would "age" progressively and eventually die out submerged in acquired noise.

It is interesting to note that non-linear mixing at conception will give each child a substantial quota of new information not

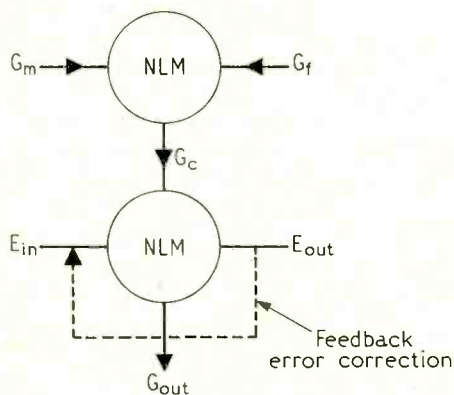


Fig. 4. System diagram for human behaviour.  $G_m$ =maternal information,  $G_f$ =paternal information,  $G_c$ =genetic output to child,  $E_{in}$ =environmental information input,  $E_{out}$ =environmental information output,  $G_{out}$ =genetic information output.

present in either parental chain. By the same token, since the child may be assumed to have approximately the same amount of information as any one parent, a substantial quota of parental information must also be "retired".

A more complete system diagram for human behaviour is shown in Fig. 4. In this diagram the two non-linear mixing processes are conjoined and a feedback error-correcting path is added to show the error-correcting process inherent in human survival behaviour. This, I suggest, is the basic communication system diagram from which human behaviour analysis should proceed.

### Molecules of the life process

Up to this point I have attempted to describe the individual and the phenomenon of conception as information processes. Using the same approach it is interesting to consider the characteristics required of molecules if they are to act as the basic information carriers in such processes. Much brilliant work has been carried out in recent years with the DNA and RNA molecules to show how these molecules store genetic information. The molecules of the life process, must however, do much more than store information to make a living information system possible. As information processors they must in fact be versatile in the extreme.

In particular they must be able to receive information, both genetic and environmental, for storage and subsequent processing. They must re-transmit information substantially free from noise and presumably at the correct playback speed. The latter requirement is remarkable in itself since it should be remembered that while some of the genetic information "played back" by the individual was recorded one generation ago, the remainder goes back in stages millions of years to the origins of living matter.

The molecules must also be able to take part in a regeneration process to ensure that life information does not become progressively more noisy with time and they must be able to participate in an innovation process of the kind already described. Most remarkable of all, perhaps, they must be able to identify "wanted" as opposed to "unwanted" information and subsequently perform an information organization function, the end result of which is the successful creation and operation of a human being.

Perhaps the most challenging characteristic of these molecules to the communication engineer is, however, that the signals they process are comparatively low speed signals, complex waveforms no doubt, but requiring low frequency rather than high frequency oscillators for their synthesis and low frequency resonators for selection and noise exclusion. For example, the highest frequency received by the ear is 20 kHz. The voice does not transmit usefully much above 5 kHz. The eye achieves its great information capacity by paralleling great numbers of comparatively slow speed input channels.

Now molecules are made up of collections of atoms, and atoms in turn are made up of atomic particles, protons, neutrons and electrons. Experiments show that the frequencies associated with molecular and atomic vibrations are extremely high. These frequencies are many millions of times too high to be used directly in the synthesis and processing of the low frequency signals required for the life process. Yet the communication engineer is bound to ask, where do the low frequencies first appear and how are they generated? The problem is not eased by the fact that by his normal standards low frequency generators and resonators are physically large. Thus a 10 kHz radio aerial may be 50,000 ft long. A 256-hertz organ pipe is 1.1 ft long. Quartz resonators and LC circuits, though smaller, are still substantial in size. The search for low frequency resonators to match in size his integrated micro-circuits is as yet unsuccessful. Yet nature

apparently knows how to process low frequencies using single molecules. Restating this point briefly, the individual atoms give rise, so far as is known, only to very high frequency oscillations, much too high for the life information process, yet when they are put together in molecular form the necessary precision low frequency characteristics suddenly appear. There would seem to be only two explanations of this apparent mystery. Either the new low frequencies are synthesized from the very high atomic frequencies or they have some other basis for which there is at present no explanation. Under such circumstances the possibility of a synthesis process should be examined.

Following this line, the first thing to note is that life is never produced by any single element. Significantly it needs a minimum of four kinds of atom in combination. Moreover, it is always the same four kinds of atom which are used. The four vital constituents are hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen and oxygen †.

Now each of these four elements has its own electron shell structure. For example, the electrons in the outer shells are in the number sequence 1, 2, 3 and 4. Each atom will also have its own characteristic frequencies of radiation. Moreover, the atoms are bound together under strain which if it is to vary will vary in a non-linear manner. The living molecule may therefore be considered as a non-linear combination of the H, N, C and O atoms each with their own frequencies. The non-linear combination of multiple frequencies of this kind is in turn well known to the communication engineer as the basis of frequency synthesis.

Moreover, four oscillators in non-linear combination are known to have prodigious possibilities in terms of new frequency generation and will readily produce low frequencies down to and including if necessary zero frequency. Those of us who have designed receivers or transmitters with three oscillators will know only too well of their propensity to produce low frequency whistles. Receivers with four oscillators are eschewed because of the unavoidable proliferation of unwanted new frequencies.

### Characteristics of atomic frequencies

Thus the possibility suggests itself that the life frequencies may be synthesized from atomic frequencies of H, C, N and O and a close examination of these atoms for suitable frequency characteristics is indicated.

The appropriate characteristics of the atomic frequencies required in such a system can be listed as follows:

(a) The body's processes are vitally concerned with or influenced by temperature. The atomic frequencies involved would be expected to vary from a mean frequency at blood heat over a range of perhaps a few kilohertz when ambient temperature varies from, say,  $-30^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+50^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the temperature extremes in which life can be supported.

(b) Similarly, the ambient pressure range under which life can survive should also produce precise atomic frequency variations ("beats") in the low kilohertz range.

Both these characteristics call for atomic frequency stability of an extremely high order but not for "infinite" short term stability. The atom, in other words, would have to be minutely and accurately responsive in terms of frequency to its environmental temperature and pressure.

(c) For the systematic production of low frequencies it would seem preferable for the frequencies associated with the elements H, C, N and O to be in some simple mathematical relationship. The most suitable arrangement would perhaps be equal frequency spacing. More correctly it would be minute

divergence from a simple mathematical relationship which would generate the vital low frequency signals.

These suggestions may seem novel and perhaps strange to those not familiar with frequency synthesis processes. Yet either the low frequency signals of the life process are synthesized from atomic frequencies in this manner or in some like manner or their generation is an unexplained phenomenon.

If, on the other hand, it can be shown that the system is based on atomic oscillation and resonance then its extreme miniaturization and its long term stability could be readily explained.

### To sum up

In conclusion, the main ideas being proposed by the writer are as follows:

1. Man has two separate and distinct sources of information, genetic and environmental, and no others.
2. The "system" diagrams of the life process are as shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4.
3. His survival process is based on mixing the information inputs and the key to the process is that the mixing is non-linear.
4. Non-linear mixing imparts characteristic patterns to all human behaviour.
5. It is non-linear mixing which generates all new information and imparts the hitherto unexplained outward-looking characteristics to the process.
6. Sexual reproduction is a further example of non-linear information mixing, and in this role non-linearity is a key mechanism in the human and animal evolutionary process.
7. Genetic and environmental information are of exactly equal importance to the generation of new information and hence to human progress.
8. If it is accepted that life information is carried by molecules, then the atoms H, C, N and O must be examined more closely to see how their molecular combinations provide for this phenomenon. In particular their ability to handle low frequency signals must be explained.

In a more general summing up, a new theory of human behaviour and the life process is proposed, which is based upon the non-linear mixing of the information streams involved. The theory provides an explanation, for the first time so far as I am aware, of how new information is generated. This could be of great importance since a recognition of the mechanism involved should enable the process to be fostered.

The new theory suggests, again I believe for the first time, that genetic and environmental information are of precisely equal importance to the progress of the human race. In this respect it will be ironic if the age-old debate which has occupied man's mind and energies for centuries and which has been the cause of bitter controversy and bloodshed, the argument of heritage versus education and training, can be resolved by a simple deduction based on communication theory. It is even more ironic, yet surely not altogether surprising, that the deduction appears to call for a perfect compromise.

More speculative, but perhaps equally important, is the proposition that the now widely accepted theory that molecules act as the carriers of living information suggests the need for a modification or a development of atomic theory. The modification is required to explain how atoms and molecules are able to generate and process with great precision and efficiency the low frequency signals which make up the life process. A possible modification of atomic theory to account for such processing has been put forward.

This contribution is a preliminary one from a more extensive work on the subject in course of preparation.

† Small traces of a large number of other elements are also used presumably to give variety to the mix but the basic constituents of life are the four elements named.

# Radar Pulse Compression

## The relationship between pulse length, bandwidth and range resolution.

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QUITE early in the history of radar, it was appreciated that if one wished to increase range resolution it would be necessary to reduce pulse length. It can be shown that for a matched filter

$$\frac{S}{N_{max}} = \frac{2E}{N_0}$$

where  $S$  = max. instantaneous output signal power

$N$  = output noise power

$E$  = received signal energy

$N_0$  = noise spectral density (watts/cycle/second)

By definition, a matched filter is one which maximizes the output peak-signal to mean-noise power ratio. The relationship given above shows that the ability to detect signals in the presence of noise is a function of the received pulse energy and not on the shape or form of the signal.

For the simple pulse radar, the matched filter takes the form of a filter having a bandwidth approximately equal to  $(\text{Pulse Length})^{-1}$ . The shorter the pulse is, the wider the bandwidth of the filter and, as a result, more noise appears at the output of the filter.

Because the shorter pulse has to compete with this extra noise in order to be detected, its peak power must be larger to overcome it. However, the pulse energy (Peak Power  $\times$  Pulse Length) remains unchanged if the required signal-to-noise ratio is the same. Since the maximum useful range of a radar is determined by a certain minimum signal-to-noise ratio, it follows that a short-pulse radar having the same maximum range as a longer-pulse radar, also requires to radiate a higher

peak pulse power. This being the case, the ultimate practical limit is set by the peak power-handling capability of the transmitter output valve. In large radars, this is usually of the order of a few megawatts. Once the maximum range and the range resolution are specified then the peak power demanded of the transmitter can be determined. This may or may not be feasible according to the state of the technology.

The relationship between pulse length, bandwidth and range resolution allows us to infer that better range resolution is available if the bandwidth of the pulse is increased. The problem then is to increase the bandwidth of a relatively long pulse and in some way extract the extra range resolution information. Patents relating to such a system were awarded in both Britain and Germany in the 1940s, but the practical solution was found in the United States in the following decade.

The solution to the first part of the problem, that of increasing the bandwidth of a long pulse, is relatively easy to solve. One has only to sweep the frequency of the carrier over the required bandwidth during the duration of the pulse. The simple way of doing this is directly to modulate the frequency of the transmitter oscillator with a sawtooth waveform so as to generate a linear frequency sweep, either upwards or downwards. This is called active generation as opposed to passive generation, which presumes a knowledge of pulse compression techniques for its understanding and will be mentioned again later.

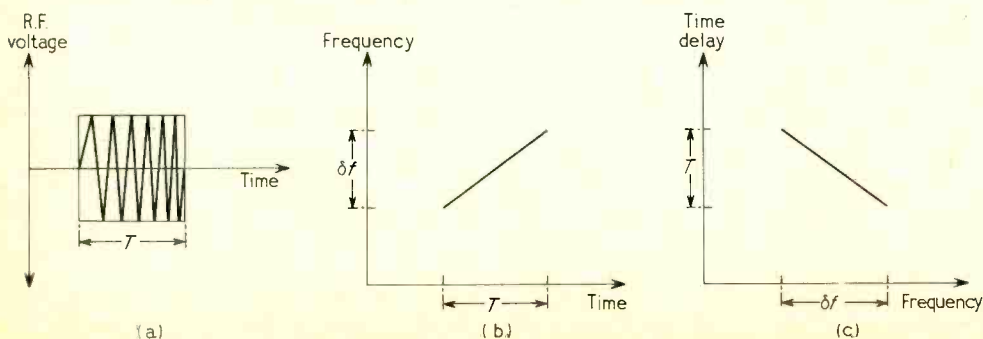
The second part of the problem, that of extracting the extra information from the increased bandwidth, is more difficult and

is best understood by reference to Fig. 1 in which (a) and (b) show, diagrammatically, a pulse whose carrier frequency changes linearly during its period. Fig. 1(c) shows the frequency/time characteristic of a specially constructed circuit or device whose function is to introduce a time delay which is frequency dependent, in other words a dispersive network. This network is shown to introduce longer delays to low frequencies than it does to high frequencies. If, therefore, a signal having the characteristics of Fig. 1(b) is fed to a network having characteristics like Fig. 1(c), the earlier and lower frequencies are kept waiting, so to speak, for the later and higher frequencies to catch up. If both signal and network functions are similar but in opposite directions (i.e., matched) all the frequency components of the input signal add in phase at the output of the network. It would appear, therefore, that all the frequency components of the input pulse of duration  $T$ , appear simultaneously at the output, implying an extremely short pulse. Actually, nothing can happen so instantaneously as the infinitely short pulse suggested by this simple concept, and for a complete picture one must examine the spectrum of the input pulse and calculate the effect of the network on it. Since the purpose of this article is to describe simply what pulse compression is and how it works it is not intended to delve deeply into the mathematics.

Supposing that the amplitude/frequency characteristic of the input pulse is rectangular (i.e., all frequencies within the pulse are of equal amplitude) then the pulse shape at the output of the network is given by the inverse Fourier Transform as shown in Fig. 2(a) and (b).

The envelope of this pulse shape tends to the form  $(\sin \pi T \delta f) / (\pi T \delta f)$  as  $T \delta f$  (pulse length  $\times$  frequency sweep) increases. The diagram shows that the pulse length at the output is  $2/\delta f$  between the first zeros, and such a pulse is shorter than the input pulse and pulse compression is achieved. In practice, the process of compression will take place in

Fig. 1. A pulse whose carrier frequency increases linearly is sketched in (a) while the relation between pulse duration and frequency is shown at (b). The characteristic of a special circuit element which introduces a frequency-dependent time delay is depicted at (c).



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either the r.f. or i.f. circuitry of the receiver, the input signals being the target echoes. The final detector of the receiver will then produce a video pulse having the envelope shape of the compressed pulse, as shown in Fig. 2 (c). For comparison, the shape of the original uncompressed pulse is also shown, and it is seen that the peak amplitude of the pulse has increased. Note also that the main pulse is accompanied by smaller ones, called range sidelobes.

The compression ratio can be expressed simply as  $(T\delta f)$  and the peak pulse power increases by the same factor, or since one usually examines the pulse voltage, a factor of  $\sqrt{T\delta f}$ .

Having now produced a compressed pulse at the receiver output, it can be seen that two such pulses can be much closer together than the original longer pulses before they merge into one another. If, however, one of the pulses is of smaller amplitude, it may become confused with one of the range sidelobes flanking the main pulse. In practice, therefore, a shaping filter is incorporated to reduce the size of the sidelobes without affecting the main pulse too much. This shaping process is analogous to the technique of tapering the energy distribution across an aerial aperture in order to reduce sidelobe levels. For pulse compression, it is the energy distribution across the frequency spectrum which is tapered by means of a shaping filter. Just as the aerial beam-width is increased by energy tapering, so also is the compressed pulse-width, but this is worth while in order that small targets can be seen close to larger ones. Fig. 3 shows how two targets, one large and one small, can be separated by pulse compression, whereas the original uncompressed pulses would have caused overlapping and confused signals.

## Dispersive Networks

It will be appreciated that the nucleus of any pulse compression system lies in the dispersive element, this representing the matched filter referred to earlier.

For simplicity, it can be assumed that the frequency/time characteristic of the transmitted pulse is linear (i.e., linear f.m., sometimes called "Chirp"), while the amplitude remains constant. Dispersive delay lines matched to such a characteristic may take many forms.

Lumped constant networks comprising multisection LCR transmission lines were among the first to be used successfully.<sup>1</sup> Generally, these operate at tens of megahertz and can be made to work with compression ratios  $(T\delta f)$ , of up to 100 or so, a factor which determines the number of sections in the network. Parasitic elements and the greater losses incurred, tend to set an upper practical limit.<sup>2</sup>

Ultrasonic devices, operating at the receiver intermediate frequencies, have been exploited successfully, and dispersive systems have also been constructed for use in the 10-kHz to 100-kHz range, a region not of particular interest to the radar engineer.

Two types of disperser have been developed

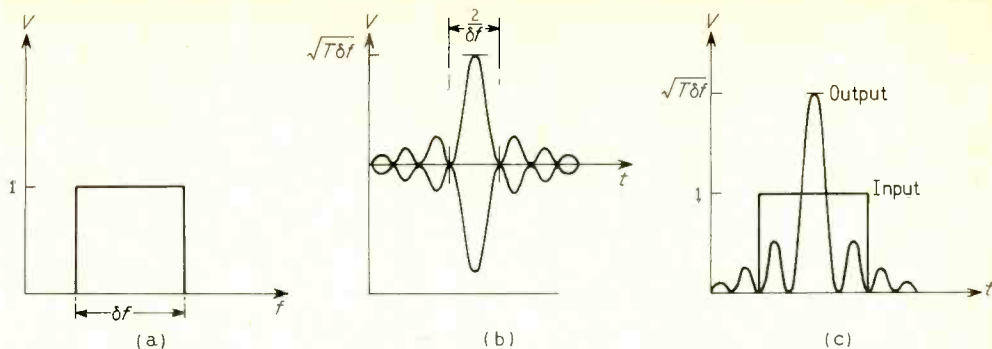


Fig. 2. These diagrams show the input pulse spectrum at (a), the envelope of the output pulse at (b) and the shape of the output detected pulse at (c).

under this heading. One of these uses a grating arrangement of transducers on quartz.<sup>3</sup> By using a wedge-shaped quartz crystal and placing the arrays of contacts on opposite faces, an ultrasonic wave is caused to propagate between one face and the other. One array is fed with the frequency-swept i.f. pulse, the ultrasonic wave being received by the other set of contacts and passed on to the remainder of the receiver. The dispersive effect arises because the component frequencies are guided into that portion of the wedge whose thickness, and therefore the delay, is appropriate to the frequency. Frequencies requiring a longer delay are guided across the thicker portion of the wedge.

The other type of ultrasonic disperser is simpler in construction and comprises a long strip of metal. An ultrasonic wave is launched into the strip through a transducer placed at one end and received at the other with a second transducer. The cross-section of the strip may be either circular or rectangular, the effective velocity of propagation of waves in such a structure being a function of the frequency.<sup>4</sup>

High- and low-pass filters possess dispersive properties near their cut-off frequencies. The former type introduces less delay for the lower frequencies while the reverse is the case for the latter. A particularly interesting application of this effect may be exploited at microwave frequencies, rather than at intermediate frequencies. In this case, waveguide is used, but of somewhat smaller dimensions than normal for the frequency of the signals. Waveguides are used to support the transmission of microwave signals over a band determined by their cross-sectional dimensions. The upper frequency limit is fixed by the point at which higher-order modes may be propagated, corresponding to a wavelength equal to the broader dimension of rectangular waveguide. The lower-frequency limit, or cut-off frequency, occurs when the broad dimension is equal to a half wavelength. Normally, waveguides are used with signal frequencies well within these limits, and the propagation velocity varies but little over the useful band. It is in the region near to cut-off that the velocity changes rapidly with frequency and by using a waveguide size smaller than normal for a particular band of frequencies, a simple dispersive line is obtained. One such system employs 91.5 metres of No. 11A waveguide, short-circuited to give an effective length of 183 metres, and compresses a pulse of 1.05 microseconds to one of 8 nanoseconds centred at 2,725 MHz. This permits a resolution of 10 ft and is therefore capable of

separating the wings, propellers and tail plane of a single aircraft.<sup>5</sup>

Many other devices have been tried out and it is not possible, nor necessary, to refer to them all in an article of this nature which is intended only to give a broad outline of the potentialities.

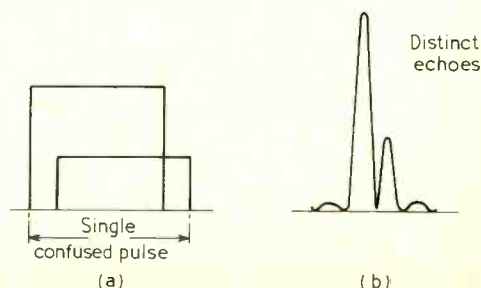
The transmitted pulse may sweep up or down in frequency, but if the sweep slope is not matched to the disperser, then it may only be necessary to invert the signal by choosing the local-oscillator frequency, which may be lower or higher than the signal frequency. If the local oscillator is higher, then the i.f. signal sweep will have the reverse slope.

## Passive Generation

Reference was made earlier to passive generation. It has been assumed until now that the transmitter carrier frequency has been swept by direct modulation of the oscillator. An alternative arrangement may be used in which a short pulse is applied to a dispersive line, whose output will be a longer frequency-swept pulse. This latter may be amplified to a higher power level and radiated as the transmitted pulse. On reception of the target echo, sideband inversion must be used to allow the same disperser or a similar one to be used to restore the short pulse. In case the reader feels this to be a pointless exercise, having started with a short pulse in the first place, it should be remembered that the reason for using pulse compression is to exploit the peak power capabilities of the transmitter, and more energy can be packed into the pulse if it is of longer duration at the transmitter output.

For passive generation it is essential that the disperser is linear. Sideband inversion is necessary at some point between the generation of the frequency-swept pulse and its reception and re-application to the disperser. If the

Fig. 3. Without pulse compression two radar targets produce a single confused pulse (a), but with compression two distinct echoes (b) can be seen.



disperser were not linear, the inverted signal would be unmatched since any non-linearity effect is also inverted. The waveguide disperser cannot therefore be applied to passive generation, since the rate at which the group delay increases rises rapidly as the cut-off frequency is approached. This non-linearity of the waveguide system does, of course, present a problem in the design of a suitable active-sweep system, but this can be overcome.<sup>5</sup>

### Sub-Clutter Visibility

Up to now, only one aspect of pulse compression has been mentioned: that of improved range discrimination. There is another bonus which in some cases is more important, and this is the improved sub-clutter visibility.

Unlike an aircraft, rain is an extended target system which may be large enough to fill the entire beam width and deep enough in range to fill the equivalent pulse length. The radar pulse can be assumed to occupy a volume or resolution cell bounded laterally by the beam edges and longitudinally by the leading and trailing edges advancing in range at the velocity of propagation. A small isolated target in the path of this pulse will return an echo of basically identical characteristics, but extensive rain, consisting of large numbers of small scatterers returns an echo whose energy content is related to the volume occupied by the pulse. It is to be expected, then, that a short pulse will return less energy from the rain than the longer one. With pulse compression, a similar situation arises since the overall effect is that of a short-pulse system. The rain, which to the radar consists of large numbers of small closely spaced targets, is not resolved into individual targets even by pulse compression techniques and the signals retain their noiselike characteristics. Unlike the isolated

target, the mean level of a rain echo is not increased by the factor  $\sqrt{T\delta f}$ , so that the effective signal-to-clutter ratio is increased. This is shown in Fig. 4. The photographs were obtained by applying pulse compression to alternate pulses of a radar and the upper traces show the results on an A scope with, and the lower without, pulse compression. The uncompressed pulse length was 5  $\mu$ sec and the compression ratio was 25:1.

In conclusion, one should compare the performance of a pulse-compression radar with a simple radar having the same final pulse width.

Owing to the presence of range sidelobes, better range resolution is obtained with the simple radar. The use of a shaping filter in the pulse-compression receiver reduces the signal-to-noise ratio as well as deteriorating the range accuracy. The wideband nature of the transmitted pulse, which must be swept in frequency in an accurately controlled manner, forbids the use of a fixed-frequency magnetron, and a high power klystron must be used instead. Furthermore, the complexity of a pulse-compression radar places it at a disadvantage compared with the conventional short-pulse radar. However, where ultimate range performance is required with improved resolution, accuracy and good sub-clutter visibility, pulse compression is a most useful technique.

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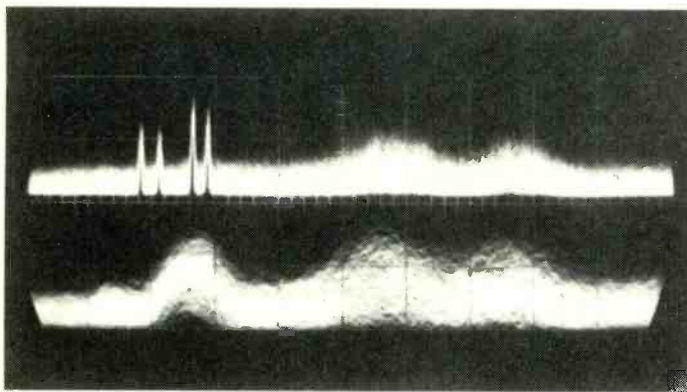
## Holographic Store

A high-density storage system which employs alkali-halide crystals as the storage medium and holography as the means of storing and retrieving data was described by Gabor U. Kalman of Carson Laboratories, Connecticut, at a recent I.E.E.E. convention in New York. Apparently alkali-halide crystals can be made photo-sensitive in a high-temperature diffusion process that creates local photon absorbing irregularities in the crystal which are called colour centres. In a potassium bromide crystal (KBr), for example, a representative colour centre would be formed by replacing a Br ion with an electron in the lattice structure enabling this portion of the crystal to absorb a photon at red wavelength. In doing this the crystal becomes transparent and, thereby, records information. The potential of this technique may be realized when it is stated that it is possible to create  $10^{18}$  colour centres in a typical crystal. If the crystal is now illuminated from an ultraviolet source it returns to its original state and the process may be repeated. The main disadvantage encountered so far, results from the relatively low sensitivity of the crystal to light, however, this can be overcome by using high-power light sources such as lasers.

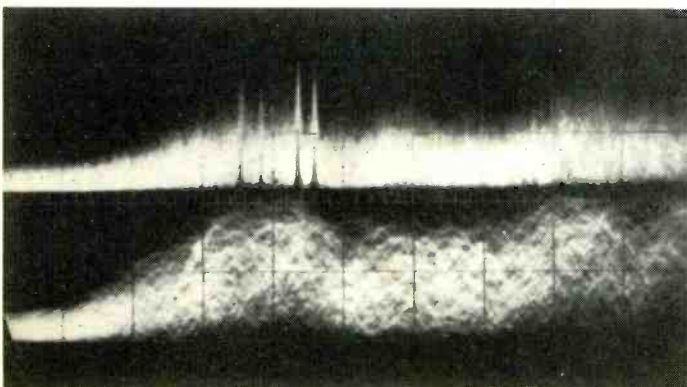
To read in information a thick treated crystal is placed in the interference pattern or hologram, produced by a reference and information laser beam. The hologram will be recorded three-dimensionally in the crystal by changes in the colour centres. A large number of independently recoverable holograms can be stored in the same volume of the crystal by rotating the crystal between successive exposures. Over 100 holograms have been stored in a single crystal in this manner.

To retrieve information from the crystal the hologram can be read out from a narrow angular range centred round the incident angle of the reference beam. A thick crystal stored hologram can be reconstructed, in a typical case, a few minutes of arc on either side of the reference angle.

In practical experiments a  $2 \times 2$  inch crystal has been used to store hundreds of documents by dividing the crystal up in a mosaic fashion. The technique has also been used with colour holography and a full colour image has been stored and retrieved from a crystal using the methods outlined.



*Fig. 4. With and without pulse compression; the upper pair are of a snowstorm approaching a group of targets and the lower pair taken 10 minutes later, are with the storm over the same area as the target. (Crown copyright).*



# Public Address Show 1968

## Wide range of modern p.a. systems and ancillary equipment shown at the A.P.A.E. exhibition

Held as usual at the King's Head Hotel, Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex, for three days, March 12-14, the 20th International Public Address Exhibition, organized by the Association of Public Address Engineers, attracted entries from several European countries, Japan and the United States, as well as from most leading makers of p.a. equipment in the U.K.

In the larger rack and panel type installation, Shure Electronics demonstrated an audio level controller which they call "Level-Loc". It is basically a low-noise unity gain pre-amplifier with input and output matching functions, with the additional capability of reducing its gain as the input signal increases. This maintains the output signal reasonably constant and permits the speaker greater freedom of movement when using the microphone. It also removes the effect of "popping p's" from speech, although under demonstration conditions, the long recovery time-constant robbed the listener of the following word or two. Under very low signal conditions, the gain is nearly unity, but with a large applied signal a reduction approaching 100 times may be obtained, without introducing significant distortion. The degree of reduction is determined by the input signal itself. A distance selector switch, calibrated to show the distance from the microphone at which gain reduction becomes effective, determines the input level at which reduction commences. High and low input and output impedances are provided.

The trend towards smaller physical size of p.a. equipments, coupled with their smaller appetites for operating power without cost to the available output, has resulted in a big increase in systems shown under the general heading of portable p.a. intended for outdoor or indoor use and not requiring special transport. In most cases they could be run from a car electrical system and they ranged from equipment which requires a small tripod support, through the shoulder-strap carrying type to the megaphone type. Worthy of mention is the smallest of these, the Japanese TOA CA-500, shown by Audio & Design. This little 12V amplifier is capable of delivering a 10-W rated output while measuring only about 3 x 2 x 6 inches and weighing 2.2 lb. It can be run either from an external 10-16V source or from an optional snap-on battery pack which takes eight U2 cells. A matching hand microphone and loudspeaker are available. A portable system

shown by Fi-Cord International comprised a microphone, amplifier and loudspeaker in a container carried like a briefcase.

There were signs that the public address engineer would increasingly be expected to carry more ancillary equipment to cover field events. On the one hand, there was a range of low voltage fluorescent lighting equipment shown by C.T.H. Electronics, and on the other a display of sports timing devices and digital clocks by Hird-Brown who specialize in this type of equipment and who were exhibiting for the first time this year. Special timers were shown for sporting events including a battery operated timer to actuate stop-watches automatically and print-out timers operated by photo-cells.

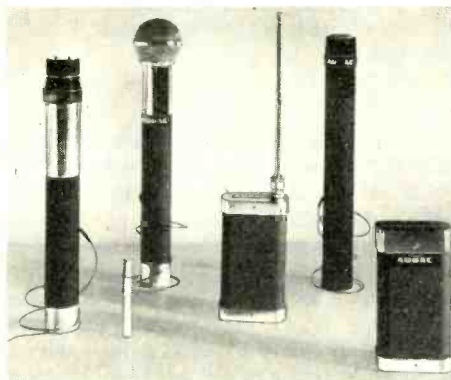
A new application for p.a. equipment was seen in the form of under-water communication equipment by Partech International. This equipment allows direct conversation to take place between a diver and his base boat. Sound from the boat unit transducer, which is submerged over the side, can be picked up at distances up to

400 ft. by a receiver unit worn by the diver. A transmitter element carried by the diver permits two-way communication. The underwater transducers used in the equipment were developed by Goodmans Loudspeakers.

The familiar Acos sound level meter shown by Cosmocord can now be extended in range by the addition of an external amplifier module which enables sound pressure levels of 35—120 dB to be investigated. Also available is a self-contained calibrator unit which enables the sound level meter to be calibrated, with accuracy over the temperature range -10 to +60°C. Calibration level is 87 dB. The calibrator unit is designed to screw on to the meter, thus providing a fully enclosed cavity connection. The background music theme of last year's show was continued by the appearance of a number of new continuous tape cassette machines typified by the Philips music player LGC 2000, shown by Peto Scott.

Full use was made of the advantages offered by transistor circuitry to develop compact units, and integrated amplifiers were much in evidence with the mixer, pre-amplifier, power output and speaker selection stages housed in a single case. In this category were the C.T.H. Electronics MA25, MA50 and MA100 models, the Vortexion CP50, Ultra Electronics TA10, and a 100-W model by S.N.S. Communications.

In an exhibition which was totally concerned, one way or another, with sound reinforcement, it came as a surprise to find one exhibitor, Amplivox, proclaiming the benefits of wearing a pair of earplugs which formed part of their show. These they called "car defenders", and the makers claim that while they reduce the general noise level to 1/1,000 part of its original intensity, the wearer is not prevented from conversing or from hearing warning signals.



*A selection of integrated radio microphone transmitters shown by Audac.*

*Shure M62 "Level-Loc" audio level controller.*



*Hird-Brown high speed electronic timer.*



*Philips model LGC 2000 cassette loaded music player.*

# Relay-semiconductor Control Circuits

## How semiconductors are used in conjunction with electromechanical relays or even as substitutes for them

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Broadly, a relay is an electrical switch whose load contacts are actuated by an armature controlled by a coil electromagnet, with the control voltage applied across the coil. Relays are available for both d.c. or a.c. operation. Coil control voltages usually range between about 1 V and 250 V, with a preference for 6, 12, 24, 48, 110 and 240 V, although there are relays that operate as low as 25 mV. Drive coils may have resistances from a few ohms up to 50 k $\Omega$ , and inductances from a few mH up to 50 H. The resistance and inductance tend to be related with a coil  $L/R$  time constant between 1 and 10 ms. Operating powers usually range from a few mW to 20 W. The actual mechanism may take many forms from the simple P.O. type of relay where the switch points are actuated by a separate armature to the modern reed relay where the armature itself is in the switch contact.

For non-inductive loads, light current relay contacts commonly handle up to 5 A up to about 30 V. Above 30 V, particularly with d.c. switching, the contact ratings must be reduced. For inductive loads, ratings are always much less than for non inductive. Empirical derating rules you can use are: (a) for contacts rated at a current  $I_M$  for 30 V non-inductive switching, reduce the rating for higher voltages,  $V$ , to  $I_M (1-V/500)$ , and (b) for inductive loads, take only a quarter of the non-inductive ratings.

### Relay Contact Protection

When the switch in an inductive circuit is opened, the magnetic field in the coil collapses and a voltage is generated equal to  $L di/dt$ , where  $L$  is the inductance and  $di/dt$  the time rate of change of current decay. Across the switch contacts this voltage transient is added to the load rail voltage. If not suppressed, it tends to lead to pitting and unreliable operation.

Standard electronic textbooks will give you details of  $C$  and  $R$  networks often used to reduce switching transients across opening contacts. Semiconductors too can be used for spike suppression. In Fig. 1(a) a germanium or silicon diode is fitted across the load, with polarity as indicated . . . "pointing to

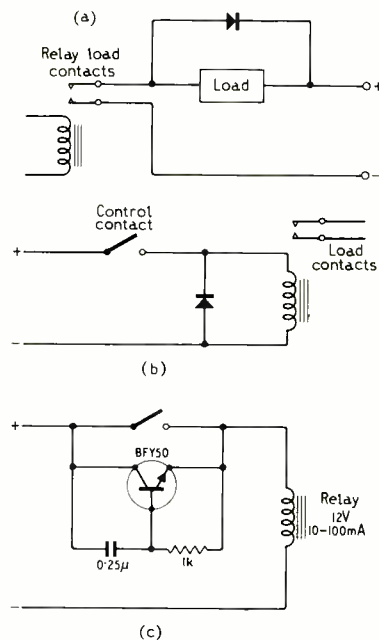


Fig. 1. Relay switching transient suppression circuits: (a) Load contacts—diode across load. (b) Diode protecting drive coil control switch. (c) Transistor spike suppressor.

positive". When the high positive voltage spike starts to appear across the load on switch off, the diode forward-biases as soon as the spike voltage exceeds the positive rail voltage and thereafter clips the spike. The reverse voltage rating of the diode is unimportant, so long as it is greater than the rail voltage. As to the current rating, my own generous rule is to select a diode with a peak current rating of not less than 25 times the relay "on" current. Sometimes a varistor (voltage dependent resistor) such as one of the S.T.C. CZ series or the Mullard E299DD series is used instead of the diode. The varistor should have a 20 °C resistance greater than 10 times the load resistance at the relay drive voltage.

To protect the relay coil control switch contacts, a diode can equally be used as shown in Fig. 1(b), just as for the load contacts. Note again the diode "points to positive". The main disadvantage of this form of diode suppressor is that it tends to lengthen the release time of the relay.

A further refinement is a transistor cir-

cuit of the type shown in Fig. 1(c) across the actuating switch of a 12 V relay. With no suppression circuit across the switch, reverse spikes of about 600 V occurred. A 0.25 μF capacitor across the points reduced these to about 300 V, while the transistor circuit shown cut them down to about 25 V. In this arrangement, when the points are opened, the capacitor (discharged while the points were closed) holds the BFY50 silicon n-p-n transistor hard on until it has charged up sufficiently through the transistor base-emitter diode and the 1 k $\Omega$  resistor to cut the transistor off completely. This is equivalent to the points opening slowly so that  $di/dt$  is small and the  $L di/dt$  voltage spike is also small.

### Relay-driver Linear Amplifiers

Transistor linear amplifiers are in common use to operate a high-current relay from a low current signal source. Fig. 2(a) shows the basic arrangement. When switch  $S$  is open, no base current is available to the transistor,  $Tr$ , and it is cut off. As a result, no current passes through the relay coil. When  $S$  is closed, the current supply from the control voltage  $V_{BB}$  via the resistor  $R_B$  drives the transistor hard on, so that it becomes a virtual short-circuit connecting the lower end of the relay coil to the negative rail. This causes the relay to pull in. One refinement often used is to make  $S$  a change-over switch (as shown dotted) so that it connects the base of the transistor to the negative rail in the off position. This is usually done if the equipment is likely to work in high ambient temperatures, where the leakage currents with the base open circuit are liable to become excessive, particularly with germanium transistors.

More sensitive control of the relay is achieved by adding additional transistor amplifier stages. Fig. 2(b) shows an arrangement in which, when no input signal is applied, the 2N1304  $Tr_1$  is cut off and the BFY50  $Tr_2$  is switched hard on, pulling the relay in. When a positive voltage of about 0.5 V with a current demand of about 40 μA is applied to the input, the 2N1304 saturates and the BFY50 cuts off, allowing the relay to fall out. The driver transistor is made a germanium one whose bottoming voltage ("on" collector-to-emitter voltage) is considerably lower than the forward base-

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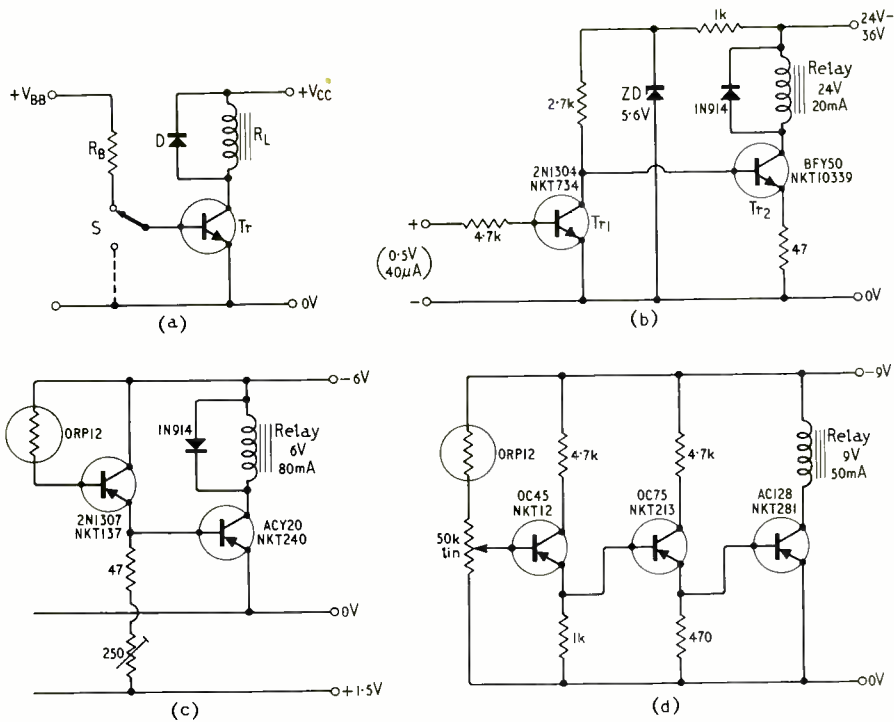


Fig. 2. Relay driver linear amplifiers: (a) Single stage. (b) Two-stage inverting. (c) Two-stage non-inverting (d) Three stage non-inverting.

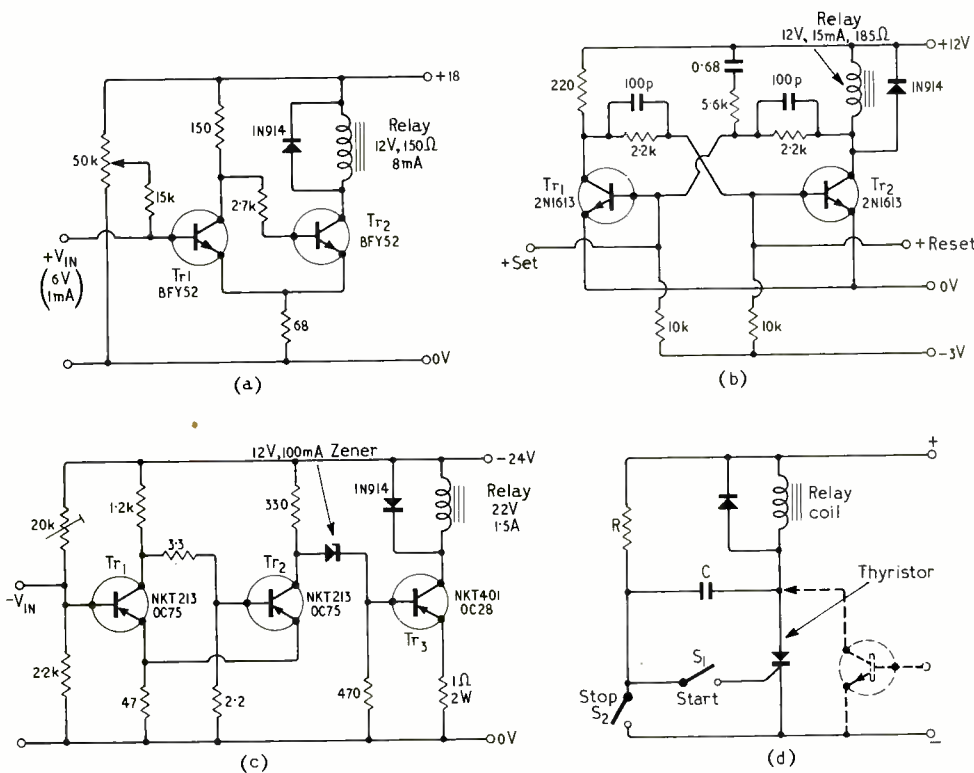


Fig. 3. Relay-driver regenerative amplifiers: (a) Single-stage Schmitt trigger. (b) Single-stage bistable. (c) Multistage Schmitt with preamplifier. (d) SCR control of relay.

emitter operating voltage of the BFY50 silicon transistor.

Fig. 2(c) shows another two-stage linear transistor amplifier operating a relay, but this time the circuit is non-inverting. When the ORP12 cadmium sulphide light cell is not illuminated, it has a very high resistance and practically no base current is supplied to the 2N1307. The output ACY20 transistor is held cut off, and the relay is not pulled in. When the ORP12 is illuminated, base cur-

rent is supplied to the 2N1307, which in turn drives on the ACY20 and operates the relay. The purpose of the variable resistance network from the base of the ACY20 to +1.5 V is to adjust the threshold voltage for the particular ORP12 being used. It also ensures that under high-temperature conditions the ACY20 does not pass sufficient leakage current when cut off to operate the relay spuriously.

A single-power-supply, three-stage, linear

d.c. relay-driving amplifier is shown in Fig. 2(d). The relay comes on when the ORP12 is illuminated. The 50 k $\Omega$  linear potentiometer permits adjustment of the relay operating threshold. Although the circuit diagram shows the circuit operated by an ORP12 light cell, equally well it could be controlled by a mechanical switch in series with a resistance in the light cell position and passing only microamps. In the non-operating state, all the transistors are turned off and the current consumption is negligible, so that the circuit is well suited to dry battery operation.

### Relay-driver Regenerative Amplifiers

The linear relay-driver amplifiers described above suffer from the failing that the threshold signal which pulls the relay in can vary with temperature, and also can hold the relay for some time hovering between on and off, i.e. "chattering". It is therefore, common to use a regenerative amplifier to drive the relay. Then the operation is a positive snap action with the relay either on or off.

Fig. 3(a) shows a Schmitt trigger with the relay coil as the load of the right hand transistor,  $Tr_2$ . So long as the input level is less than 6 V, the left hand transistor is cut off and the right hand transistor is turned full on, with the relay pulled in. When the input signal exceeds about 6 V,  $Tr_1$  is driven rapidly into conduction and  $Tr_2$  cut off, so that the relay falls out with certainty. The 50 k potentiometer is used for precise setting of the threshold operating point.

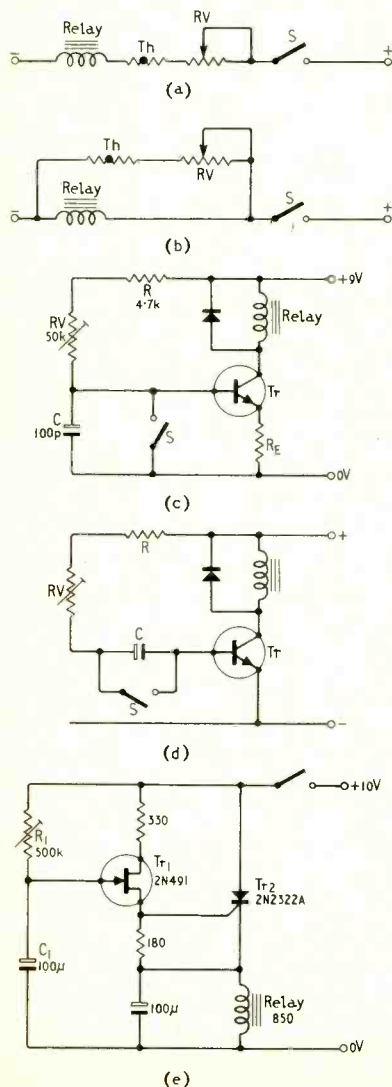
Another regenerative amplifier system that is used is illustrated in Fig. 3(b), where the relay coil forms the load of one side of an Eccles Jordan bistable multivibrator. The Eccles Jordan is a fairly conventional design, except for the CR network connected from the 12 V rail to the base of  $Tr_1$ . This is included to ensure that, when the power supply is first switched on,  $Tr_1$  is driven hard on and  $Tr_2$  cut off, with the result that the relay is not pulled in. A positive signal on the "reset" terminal to the base of  $Tr_2$  drives the relay sharply on, and a positive signal on the "set" terminal to the base of  $Tr_1$  cuts it off.

For higher power relays, it is usually necessary to add a buffer power stage between the regenerative circuit and the relay. Fig. 3(c) illustrates a typical arrangement. Here the Schmitt trigger ( $Tr_1$ ,  $Tr_2$ ) is coupled to the output power transistor,  $Tr_3$ , via a 12 V Zener diode. When a negative control signal of sufficient amplitude is applied to the input,  $Tr_1$  turns on and  $Tr_2$  off. Current then passes through the 330 ohm  $Tr_2$  collector load resistor and the Zener diode into the base of  $Tr_3$ , and drives the power transistor hard on, thus operating the relay. As the bottoming voltage of the NKT401 at 1.5 A is less than 0.5 V and the free-air dissipation of this power transistor is not less than 1 W, the transistor can be operated without a heat sink. However, if it is to work at high ambient temperatures inside equipment, it should be mounted on a two inch square of 16 s.w.g. aluminium.

Another form of regenerative relay driver commonly uses a thyristor or s.c.r., for which a basic circuit is shown in Fig. 3(d).

Initially  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are both open, and, as no trigger potential is supplied to the gate of the thyristor, it is cut off and no current passes through the relay coil. If now  $S_1$  is closed, a positive voltage is applied to the gate via resistor  $R$  and turns the thyristor on. In its "on" condition, the thyristor is a virtual short circuit and current flows to operate the relay coil. If now  $S_1$  is opened, the thyristor will continue to conduct, but  $C$  charges up virtually to rail potential. Subsequently closing  $S_2$  applies a negative pulse to the anode of the thyristor and cuts it off. For cutting off the thyristor, an alternative to  $S_2$  is to connect a transistor from its anode to cathode as shown dotted in Fig. 3(d). If a positive switch-off voltage is applied to the base of this transistor, the device bottoms and reduces the voltage across the thyristor below its hold voltage with the result that it switches off. The relay falls out then when the transistor base control voltage is removed.

Fig. 4. Relay time-delay circuits: (a) Thermistor-controlled slow-on/fast-off. (b) Thermistor fast-on/slow-off. (c) Transistor-controlled slow-on/fast-off. (d) Transistor fast-on/slow-off. (e) Very slow-on u.j.t. relay control circuit (40 sec  $\pm$  1 sec, from  $-25^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+75^\circ\text{C}$ ).



## Relay Time-delay Circuits

Semiconductors are in common use for providing time-delay periods in the operation of electromagnetic relays. One simple way to delay the "on" switching time of a relay is to place a thermistor (negative temperature coefficient resistor) in series with the coil as shown in Fig. 4(a). When the switch  $S$  is closed, the thermistor has initially a high resistance, but, as it heats up, its resistance reduces until the current through the coil is sufficient to pull the relay in. The variable resistance  $RV$  may be included to enable some variation of the delay time. The series thermistor should have a resistance at room temperature of about three to five times the relay resistance. The Mullard VA series of thermistors is suited to this application. For example, the VA 1070 with a cold resistance of about 400 ohms dropping to 25 ohms at 300 mA can be used with conventional 12 V, 80 mA relays.

The arrangement of Fig. 4(a) gives slow turn on and fast turn off. For fast turn on and slow turn off, a shunt thermistor can be used as in Fig. 4(b). Again the thermistor should have a cold resistance three to five times the relay coil resistance.

A transistor circuit to give slow-on, fast-off relay operation is shown in Fig. 4(c). Switch  $S$  is normally closed, earthing the base of the transistor and cutting it off, so that the relay is not pulled in. When  $S$  is opened, capacitor  $C$  begins to charge up with a time constant approximately  $C(R + RV)$  via the resistance string from the h.t. rail, until the potential on the base of the transistor is sufficient to turn it on. Thus the relay turn on is delayed. Now when switch  $S$  is closed again, the capacitor  $C$  discharges instantly and the transistor  $Tr$  is turned off extremely sharply.

Fig. 4(d) shows a rearrangement of the elements of Fig. 4(c) to give a circuit with a fast-on and slow-off time. Switch  $S$  is normally open and the capacitor blocks off any current to the transistor base, so that no collector current flows to operate the relay. When  $S$  is closed, the capacitor discharges and base current through the resistance string from h.t. turns the transistor full on so that the relay pulls in sharply. When  $S$  is re-opened, the capacitor continues to supply base current until it is charged up via the resistor network thus giving a slow turn-off action.

Many more refined variants of these arrangements are possible, such as the very slow turn-on circuit given in Fig. 4(e). Normally switch  $S$  is open and all the capacitors are discharged. When  $S$  is closed,  $C_1$  charges up through  $R_1$  with a long time constant until the potential on the emitter of the unijunction transistor,  $Tr_1$ , rises above its firing potential. At this the unijunction becomes low resistance and applies a firing pulse to the gate of the thyristor  $Tr_2$ . The thyristor then turns on and switches operating current into the relay coil. When  $S$  is opened again, the thyristor supply voltage is removed, so it ceases to conduct and the relay falls out. This circuit has been used to provide a 40 second operating delay ( $\pm$  1 second) in a relay over the range of  $-25^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+75^\circ\text{C}$ .

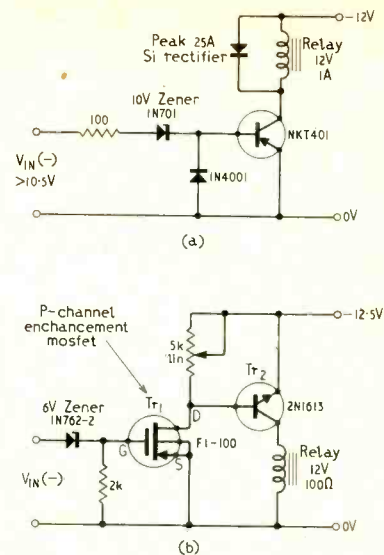


Fig. 5. Close-differential-operation relay drivers: (a) Single-stage transistor/Zener. (b) Two-stage f.e.t./transistor.

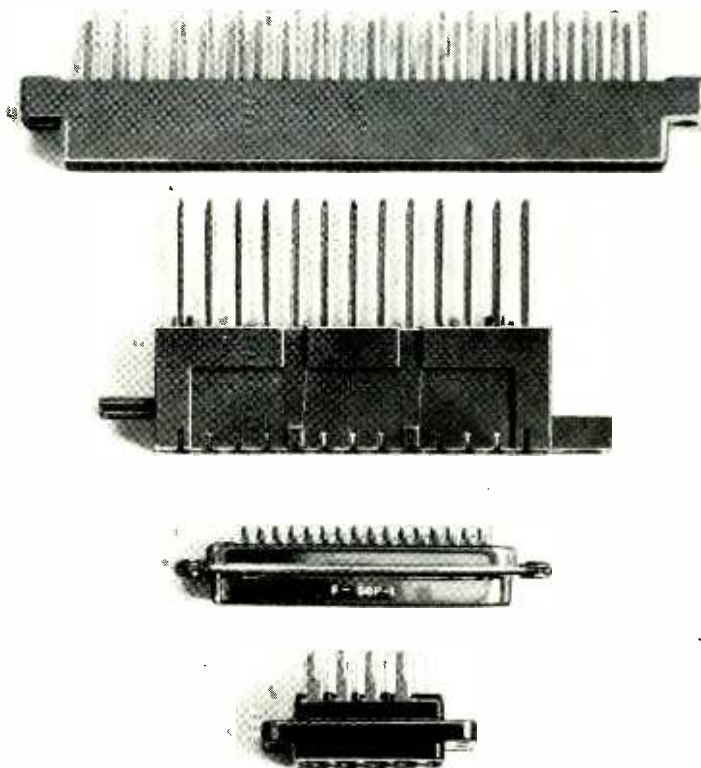
## Close-differential Operation Relay Drivers

Many of the relay driver circuits given earlier have the limitation that the control signal operation point is uncertain and may have considerable backlash, i.e. the relay may not fall out until the control voltage is well below the pull in voltage. One way to get close-differential-operation, i.e. with the fall-out signal level close to the pull-in level, is to design the Schmitt trigger circuits used in Figs. 3(a) and (c) to have very small hysteresis or backlash. The easiest way to do this is to replace the common emitter resistor of Schmitt with a Zener diode of the same voltage as the common emitters reach when the relay is pulled in.

An interesting circuit giving close-differential operation is given in Fig. 5(a). Here, as the input signal is increased negatively, no base current flows in the transistor until  $V_{in}$  is greater than the 10 V breakdown voltage of the 1N701 Zener diode plus the base-emitter forward voltage drop required for the NKT401 to come on (which is about 0.3 - 0.5 V). Thus, when  $V_{in}$  reaches about 11 V the power transistor turns full on and its collector current operates the 12 V, 1.5 A relay. The 1N4001 silicon diode across the base-emitter of the NKT401 prevents overdriving the output transistor. Up to 0.6 V on the transistor base, the diode does not conduct significantly, but above that level it begins to do so and shunts excess current away from the base of the transistor. Because of the sharp breakdown characteristics of the Zener diode the fall-out signal voltage of this circuit is within a few hundred mV of the pull-in voltage.

Fig. 5(b) illustrates the use of a p-channel enhancement-mode m.o.s.f.e.t. with a threshold voltage of about 5 V to give close-differential operation of a relay. When  $V_{in}$  is greater than 6 V, the Zener diode conducts through the 2 kΩ resistor to the positive rail, but so long as the input voltage is less than 11 V, the voltage drop across the resistor is less than 5 V and the m.o.s.f.e.t. does not

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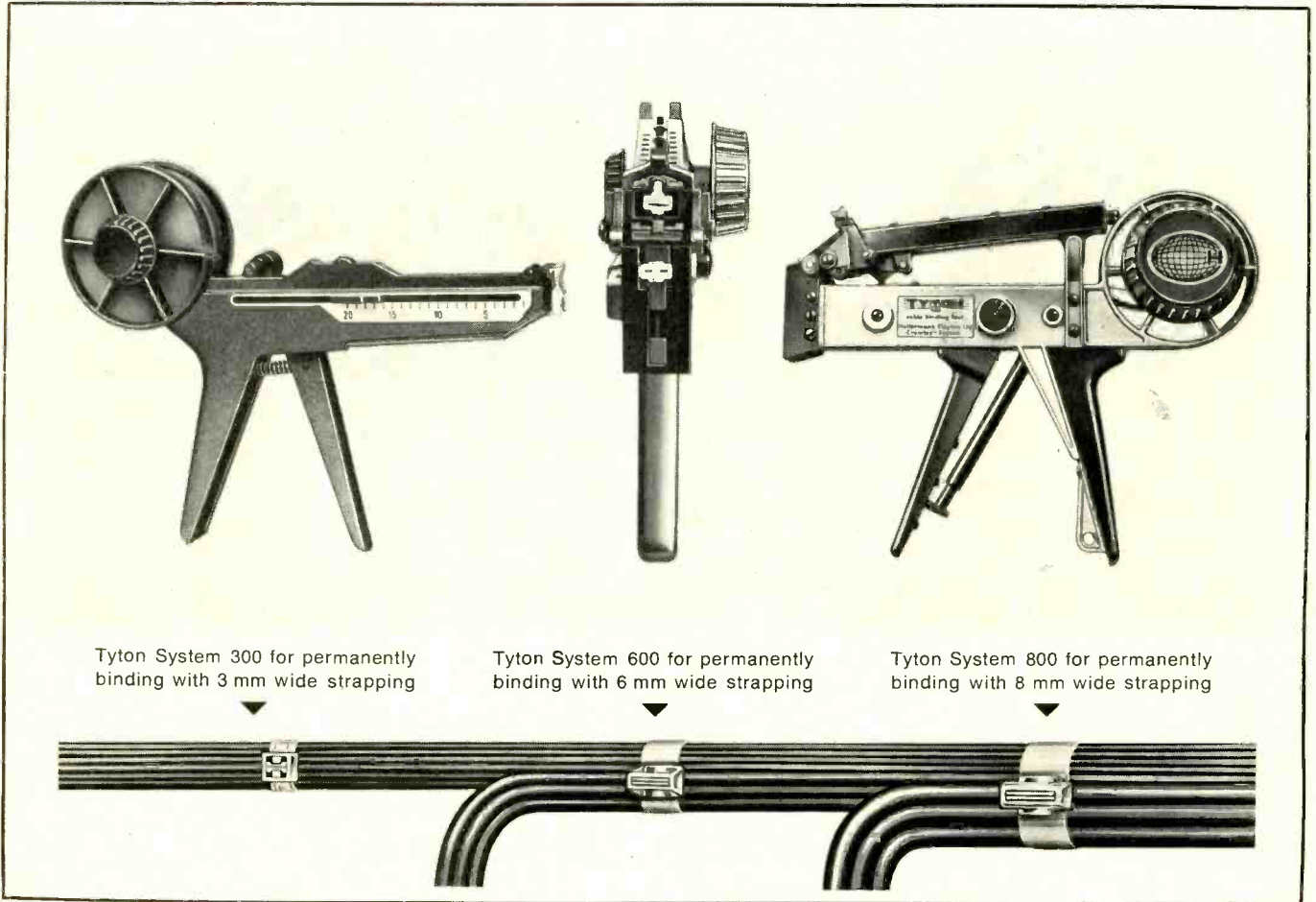
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conduct. So long as the m.o.s.f.e.t. is not conducting the 2N1613 transistor is cut off and the relay is not operated. When the input voltage is greater than 11 V, the m.o.s.f.e.t. gate voltage rises above 5 V and it conducts. The current in the 5 k $\Omega$  variable drain resistance then takes the base voltage of the 2N1613 transistor positive and turns the relay on. For  $V_{in}$  smaller than 11 V, the relay is non-operative, and for  $V_{in}$  greater than 12 V the pull in action is certain. By cascading a second f.e.t. after the first, it has been possible to reduce the difference between turn-on and turn-off to 0.1 V.

### A.C. Relay Drive Circuits

You can adapt any d.c. relay to work from a.c. by combining it with rectifier diodes. In Fig. 6(a) the series diode  $D_1$  permits only positive current to pass through the relay and cuts off on negative half cycles. It should have a current carrying capacity several times the operating current of the relay. The clamp diode  $D_2$  shown is optional and is the surge suppression diode discussed earlier. In this case it not only protects the switch contacts, but also prevents excessive reverse voltage being applied to the series diode  $D_1$  on switch off.

Another arrangement of diodes used for a.c. driving of a d.c. relay is shown in Fig. 6(b). Here four diodes are used in a full-wave bridge.

Where it is desired to operate a true a.c. relay other than by a mechanical switch, it is common nowadays to use a thyristor in some circuit such as Fig. 6(c). When switch  $S_1$  is open, the s.c.r. has no trigger potential applied to its gate, and it is non-conducting. Meanwhile current passing through the transformer  $T$  is rectified by diode  $D$  and builds up a smoothed d.c. voltage at the top

Fig. 6. A.C. relay drive circuits: (a) Operating d.c. relay on a.c. with single diode. (b) Operating d.c. relay on a.c. with diode bridge. (c) Thyristor drive of a.c. relay.

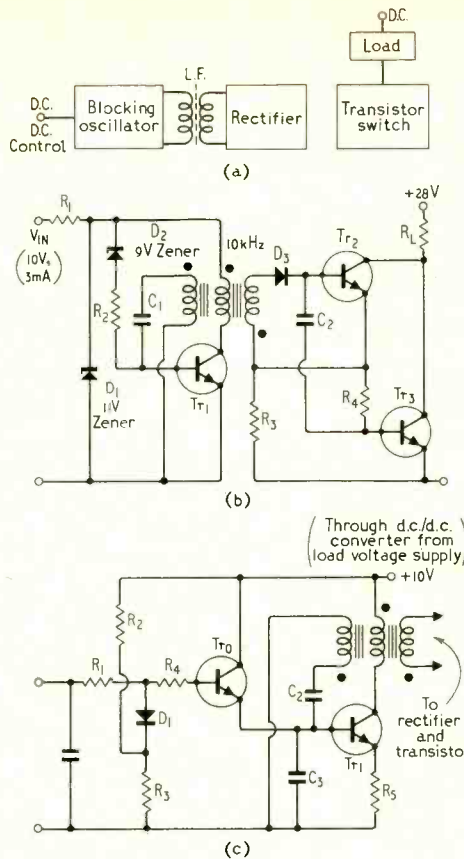
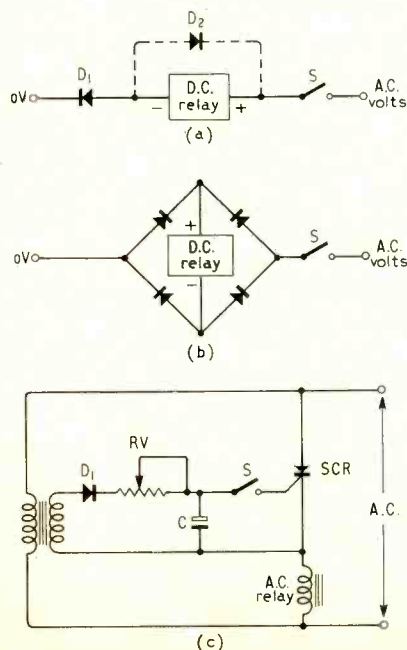


Fig. 7. "Static" (non-mechanical) relay substitutes: (a) Basic blocking oscillator control. (b) Simple practical circuit. (c) Highly sensitive overload-protected static relay input circuit.

of capacitor  $C$ . If now  $S_1$  is closed a positive potential is applied to the gate of the s.c.r. and turns it on. So long as  $S_1$  is held closed, the s.c.r. remains conducting. When  $S_1$  is opened, the s.c.r. cuts off when the a.c. line volts next change from positive to negative, and the relay drops out, and stays inoperative.

### Static Relays

A static relay differs from a static switch in that there must be isolation between the control and load circuits, and on/off snap action must occur. So far, the design of static relays using only transistor circuits has required the inclusion of an oscillator. Fig. 7(a) is typical. In this, a blocking oscillator is arranged so that it oscillates on the application of a d.c. control signal. The output from an isolated tertiary winding on the blocking oscillator transformer is then rectified and used to turn on a transistor switch.

Fig. 7(b) shows one version of the static relay where an input of 3 mA at 10 V causes the blocking oscillator,  $Tr_1$  to fire at about 10 kc/s. The secondary output is rectified by  $D_3$  and smoothed by  $C_2$  and turns  $Tr_2$  and  $Tr_3$  on to switch current through the load resistor  $R_L$  from the 28 V load supply. The 9 V Zener diode  $D_2$  together with the forward base-emitter voltage drop of the silicon

transistor,  $Tr_1$  ensures that the relay does not come into operation until the 10 V d.c. is applied to the input. The Zener  $D_1$  ensures that input overloads are bypassed.

In the circuits of Fig. 7(b), the collector voltage for the blocking oscillator transistor,  $Tr_1$ , must be supplied from the signal source. If the collector voltage for  $Tr_1$  could be supplied separately and an extra stage of amplification introduced, a much more sensitive relay would result. Such a circuit is shown in Fig. 7(c). Here an extra stage of transistor amplification,  $Tr_0$ , is introduced before the blocking oscillator. Overload protection is now not by Zener diode but by a forward-biased silicon diode  $D_1$  backed off by a potentiometer  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  across the 10 V rail. This 10 V d.c. rail supply to the blocking oscillator is provided by a d.c./d.c. converter from the 28 V load supply voltage. The circuit of Fig. 7(c) can be designed to operate on a 0.7 V input signal.

If you are interested in more detail of the design of static semiconductor relays you should consult "Static Relays for Electronic Circuits" by R. F. Blake, Chapman and Hall Ltd., London. Anyone interested in examining electromagnetic relay characteristics and circuits should consult standard reference works such as "Telephony" by J. Atkinson, Pitman, London and "Connectors, Relays and Switches" by G. W. A. Dummer and N. E. Hyde, Pitman, London. He will also find much useful information in such books as "Electronic Apparatus for Biological Research" by P. E. K. Donaldson, Butterworth, London.

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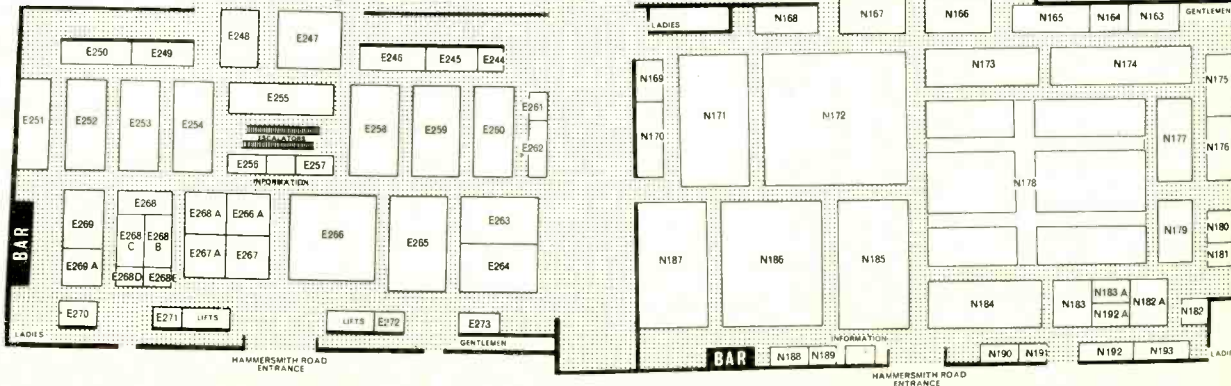
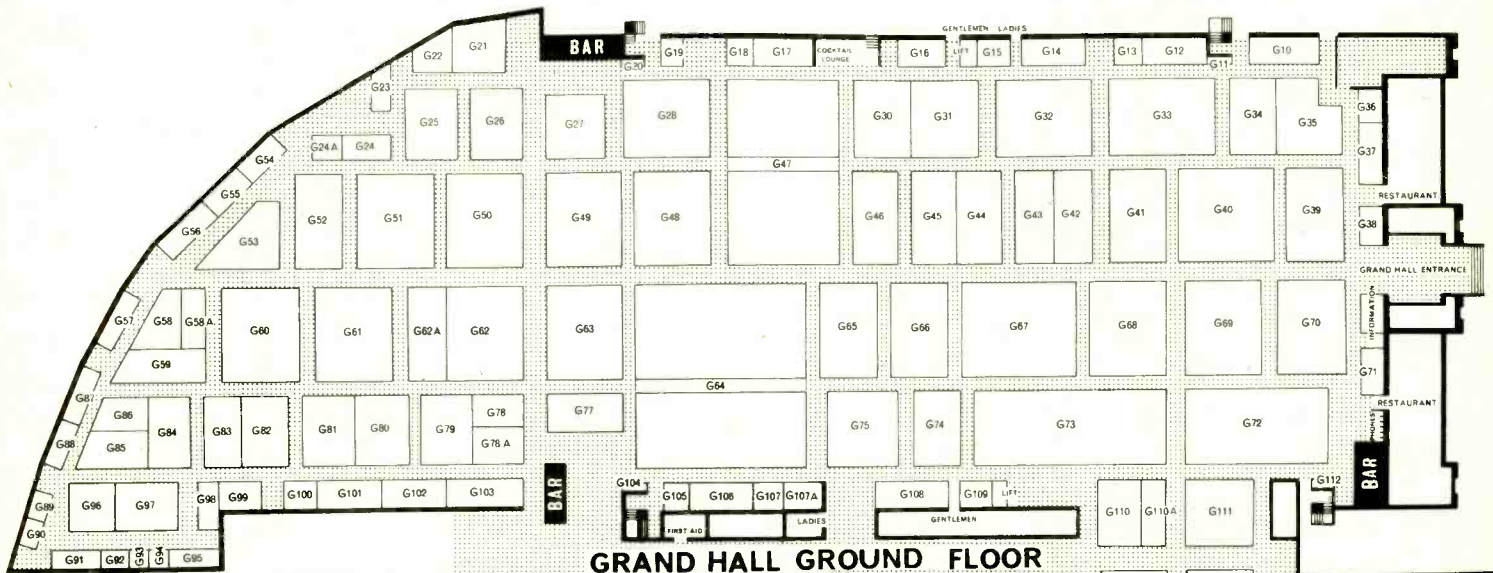
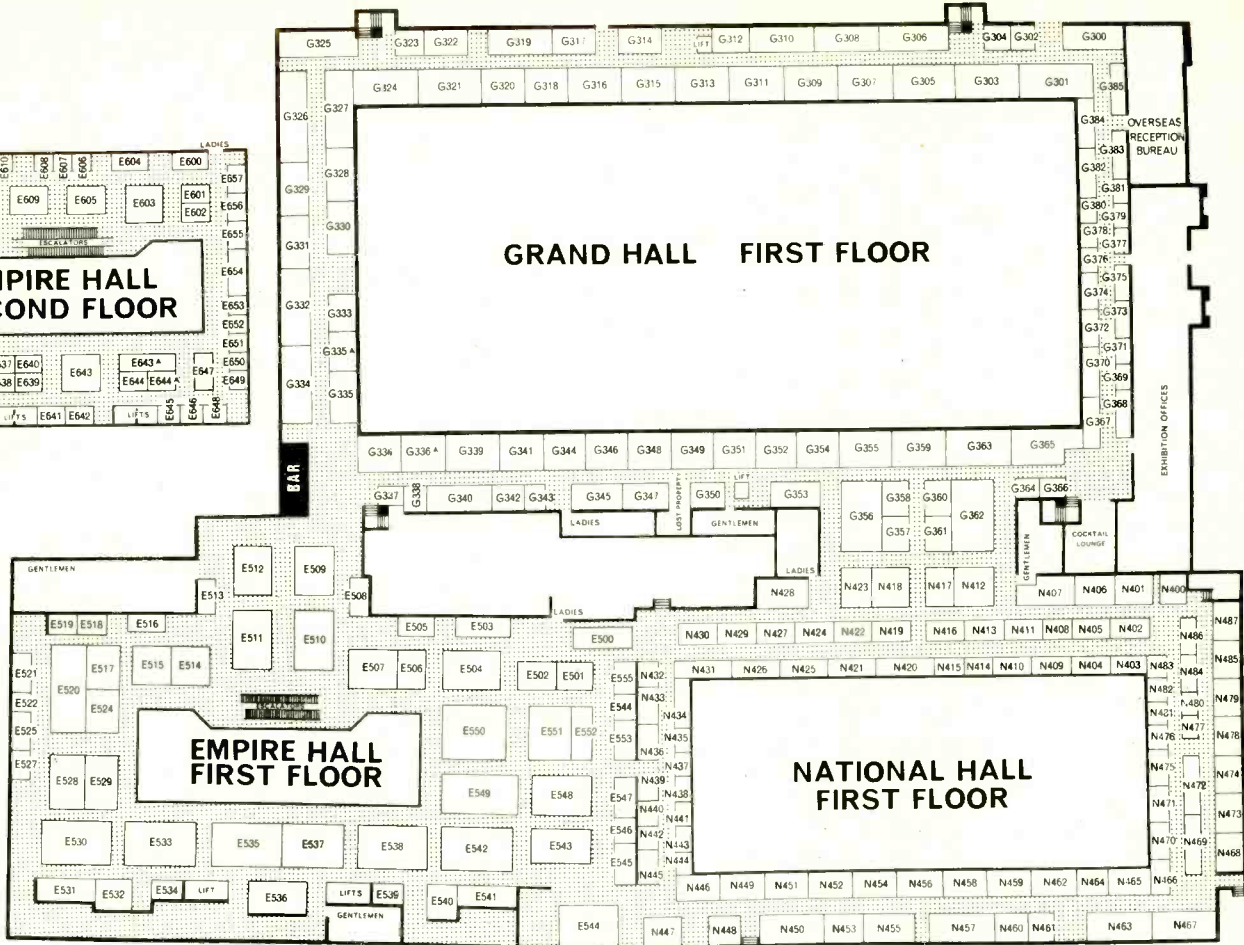
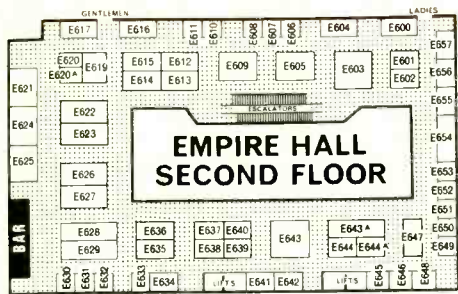
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# Letters to the Editor

*The Editor does not necessarily endorse opinions expressed by his correspondents*

## How Important is Detection?

The one disadvantage of Dr. Macario's otherwise admirable "homodyne detector" described in the April issue, is that it fails at the very time when it is most needed; that is, when the carrier level is very low. The synchrodyne, on the other hand, provides a locally regenerated carrier of constant level, but, as Dr. Macario observes, it is subject to phase errors which may cause distortion.

There would seem to be some scope for improvement by means of a system which behaves as a homodyne (in Dr. Macario's sense) when the carrier level is adequate but as a synchrodyne when the level drops. This would minimize noise breakthrough and distortion. My grounds for believing this are as follows. If the oscillator in a synchrodyne were exactly in phase with the incoming carrier then the synchronizing signal could be removed without upsetting the system. No practical oscillator has the required stability, of course, but two important points follow. First, the more stable the local oscillation the less synchronizing signal is needed. Secondly, if the synchronizing signal is removed, the local oscillation does not immediately slip out of phase. A perfectly stable oscillator has, by definition, an infinite "memory" for phase. A practical oscillator has some degree of phase memory, depending on how nearly correct its tuning is. It follows that if a synchronized oscillator is placed after the limiting amplifier in Dr. Macario's circuit it will tend to fill in the gaps of carrier during deep troughs of modulation or fading. The Schmitt trigger will always operate at approximately the correct instants.

Two refinements to this proposal suggest themselves. First, since the oscillator is not required for most of the time, and is a potential cause of phase errors, it would be useful to arrange that when the incoming carrier is strong the tuned circuit is heavily damped. Secondly, since the oscillator's only function in this circuit is to provide phase memory (unlike the synchrodyne, where it has to suppress the modulation as well) it could in principle be replaced by a passive high-Q tuned circuit. The absence of a continuous oscillation would then avoid the tuning-in whistle of the synchrodyne. It is obviously impracticable to make a passive circuit with a sufficiently high Q to cope with relatively long periods of loss of carrier during fading, or even during deep low-frequency modulation troughs: some form of positive feedback

(Q multiplying) circuit is required. Common sense suggests that the arrangement most likely to succeed is a circuit which oscillates freely in the absence of an incoming carrier but is progressively damped as the carrier amplitude increases.

With such a system, the receiver operator could forget about synchronization when reception was good, but if fading or distortion manifested itself he could try to improve matters by adjusting the fine tuning control. The degree of improvement obtained in practice would depend on the short-term stability of the high-Q circuit and on the relative phase shifts undergone by carrier and sidebands in the transmission path.

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### *The author replies*

Mr. Wareham's ideas are very interesting. We have carried out some experiments with an oscillator synchronized to the incoming signal in the manner suggested, and as Mr. Wareham points out, if the coupling is strong the circuit behaves almost exactly as the circuit described; if the coupling is weak one soon loses lock and moreover if the oscillator is very stable it is extremely difficult to pull it very far, so that one has the dual problem of needing very accurate tuning and a stable local oscillator in the receiver.

By carrier fade I am presuming this is the case of fade relative to the sidebands and consequent overmodulation. This case and that of the total signal fading into the noise were discussed in a short note elsewhere<sup>1</sup>, and in the case of overmodulation one can run the synchronizing oscillator at twice the i.f. and it may be shown that, in theory at least<sup>2</sup>, this leads to correction of the over modulation effect. However with a strong lock any noise during the signal crossover points tends to cause oscillator jitter and cancel any correction. This again points to the need for a very high Q (stable) oscillator and accurate receiver tuning facility.

We have recently developed some frequency-following carrier selection filters with bandwidths of a few tens of cycles (at 470 kHz) which will enable us to just select the carrier and remember it through a modulation trough, and so avoid having another oscillator in the receiver.

The circuit described in the article is of

course broad band and whereas it detects the presence of carrier fade it can do nothing about it. To do something about it one must add more circuits ahead of, or following, the system. Many alternatives suggest themselves, but each will be equally complicated, though equally interesting.

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<sup>1</sup>"Homodyne Reception", *Electronics Weekly*, November 15th, 1967.

<sup>2</sup>F. G. Apthorpe (letter) *Electronic Engineering*, July 1947, p.238.

## Stereophonic Broadcasts

Mr. David Bailey's somewhat caustic letter about stereophonic broadcasts and the minority interests of serious music listeners, seems to me rather off target. The valid point, surely, is not that the serious music stereophonic broadcasts be curtailed, but that the hours of stereophonic transmission be extended, and include all kinds of source material. After all, the special multiplexing equipment is in service and the present transmissions are compatible on monophonic receivers, so there would seem to be no insuperable difficulty in extending transmission time. This would enable Mr. Bailey's complaint to be met in a constructive way.

While on the subject, I believe that Holme Moss and Sutton Coldfield will soon be transmitting stereophonic programmes, but there will still remain very large areas of the country served with monophonic transmissions only. Presumably the stereophonic service will not be extended in coverage (and probably not in time either) unless there is a public demand that makes itself known to the B.B.C. and the Postmaster-General. May I therefore appeal to other readers to write about extending the service and, when stereo transmissions are introduced, be vociferous in their welcome?

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## "Invention" of the Transistor

Now that the celebration of the "invention" of the transistor is under way, perhaps it might be fitting to celebrate the 50th anniversary in 1980.

On October 22nd, 1925 and October 8th, 1926, Dr. Julius Edgar Lilienfeld applied for patents concerning a solid-state method for controlling electric currents. The patent was granted on January 28th, 1930 and is U.S. Patent No. 1,745,175. The patent clearly describes what today would be called an n-p-n transistor. Dr. Lilienfeld developed his device and was granted two more patents: No. 1,877,140 on Sept. 13th, 1932 describing an n-p-p-n transistor, and No. 1,900,018 on March 7th, 1933, describing another n-p-n device. He also described the use of a reversed-biased p-n junction as a variable capacitor!

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# Letter from America

Radio and electronics shows seem to follow the same kind of pattern on both sides of the Atlantic. For the first few years everyone co-operates and all the sales managers, engineers—even the accountants are happy. Then what happens? First firm A decides that the money spent is not really justified so they pull out. Then firm B begins to have doubts and they reduce the size of their stand to something a bit larger than a 'phone booth and put their money in a lavish exhibition-cum-cocktail party at a neighbouring hotel. The following year they are joined by many other firms who finally decided to move out to opulent hotel suites where they presumably discuss deliveries and dispense technical information over martinis and chicken sandwiches. And so those interested not only have to walk around the stands at the main exhibition but have to make the rounds of the local hotels too!

Although the I.E.E.E. Show held recently in New York's Coliseum was probably larger than last year's, with some 900 exhibitors and 1300 stands, there were signs of dissension. For instance, nearly 100 exhibitors who were there in 1967 did not return. These included several major semiconductor companies. Motorola and IRC led the way last year and it is thought that many other firms will break away and possibly join the extra-mural affairs at hotels like the Plaza, Warwick and Americana next year. However, if semiconductor firms could be said to display a certain lack of interest in the Show, the same could not be said of the instrument firms who occupied the whole of one floor (the exhibition spread over four floors). Some very elaborate equipment was on show including a new solid state phase angle voltmeter with wideband coverage from Gertsch, and a new Recipromatic Counter by General Radio. This instrument has no range controls and it measures the period and automatically computes the reciprocal and displays the frequency on a six-digit read-out. Digital read-out meters were well in evidence and a typical example was the Trymetrics Model 4243 which is a four-digit multimeter with a range up to 999.9 volts and an accuracy of 0.01%. Triolab had a similar instrument with a range of 1mV to 1kV in four ranges plus current and resistance ranges. The input impedance is 10 megohms and accuracy was stated to be 0.1% of reading plus one digit. It is fitted with rechargeable batteries and priced at

\$895. Instrulab were showing a temperature indicator with digital read-out that should find many applications. Tektronix had a new oscilloscope plug-in amplifier using f.e.t. input stages and Telonic were demonstrating an unusual sweep generator which had an output of 8 watts! Four models are available covering the ranges from 20 to 1000 MHz.

One floor was given over to production equipment and here were automatic soldering conveyors, computer-programmed coil winders and so on. Much space was devoted to printed circuits and one of the most interesting exhibits was a circuit engraver by Graphic Electronics. This machine will make a small quantity of p.c. boards for the cost of the board material only and it runs completely unattended. It works like this: the hand-drawn copy is placed on a scanning cylinder, the machine scans the image, simultaneously cutting a standard epoxy or fibreglass copper-clad blank which is attached to another revolving cylinder. The engraving stylus is tungsten and no chemicals are used. When all the boards are completed, the machine switches itself off. The cost of this machine—called the Directron, is \$3,750 which is not unreasonable considering the time it could save. BTU Engineering had a thick-film furnace which could deliver 12,000 circuits an hour! This sort of output has increased the demand for reliable automatic test equipment and there are now several firms specializing in this field. As an example, Teradyne have a computer operated automatic test system which comprises a digital computer teletypewriter and measurement system for i.c.s at \$65,000. Such a machine can carry out very complex tests extremely quickly—in fact they can test quite complicated circuits in a few milliseconds.

In another part of the Show were sections for microwave equipment, components, materials, complex systems and semiconductors. Mallory introduced a stereo i.c. pre-amplifier — their first venture into this field. RCA had a new unit measuring  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch by just over  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch with 14 leads. This contained a wideband i.f. amplifier, f.m. detector, and a.f. amplifier and is intended for television or f.m. receivers. The tiny package consists of 14 transistors, 5 diodes, 3 Zeners and 20 resistors! In 1965 total sales of i.c.s were \$79 million and this year they are expected to reach \$325M with a forecast of

\$500M by 1970. To put these figures into some kind of perspective—the total American sales of all electronics last year was approximately \$22 billion and the growth rate is about 6%.

One of the most interesting features of the I.E.E.E. Show is the big programme of lectures. This year there were nearly 300 papers, on a wide variety of subjects, delivered during 60 sessions. Some were so popular that overflow meetings were held in adjoining rooms with C.C.T.V.—naturally!

As already mentioned, the total number of exhibitors was around 900. Of these, 21 were Japanese, 15 Canadian, 12 German and only 6 British. Should more British firms be represented? I would say a definite 'yes' but, of course, the products must be backed by efficient distribution and service; *especially service.*

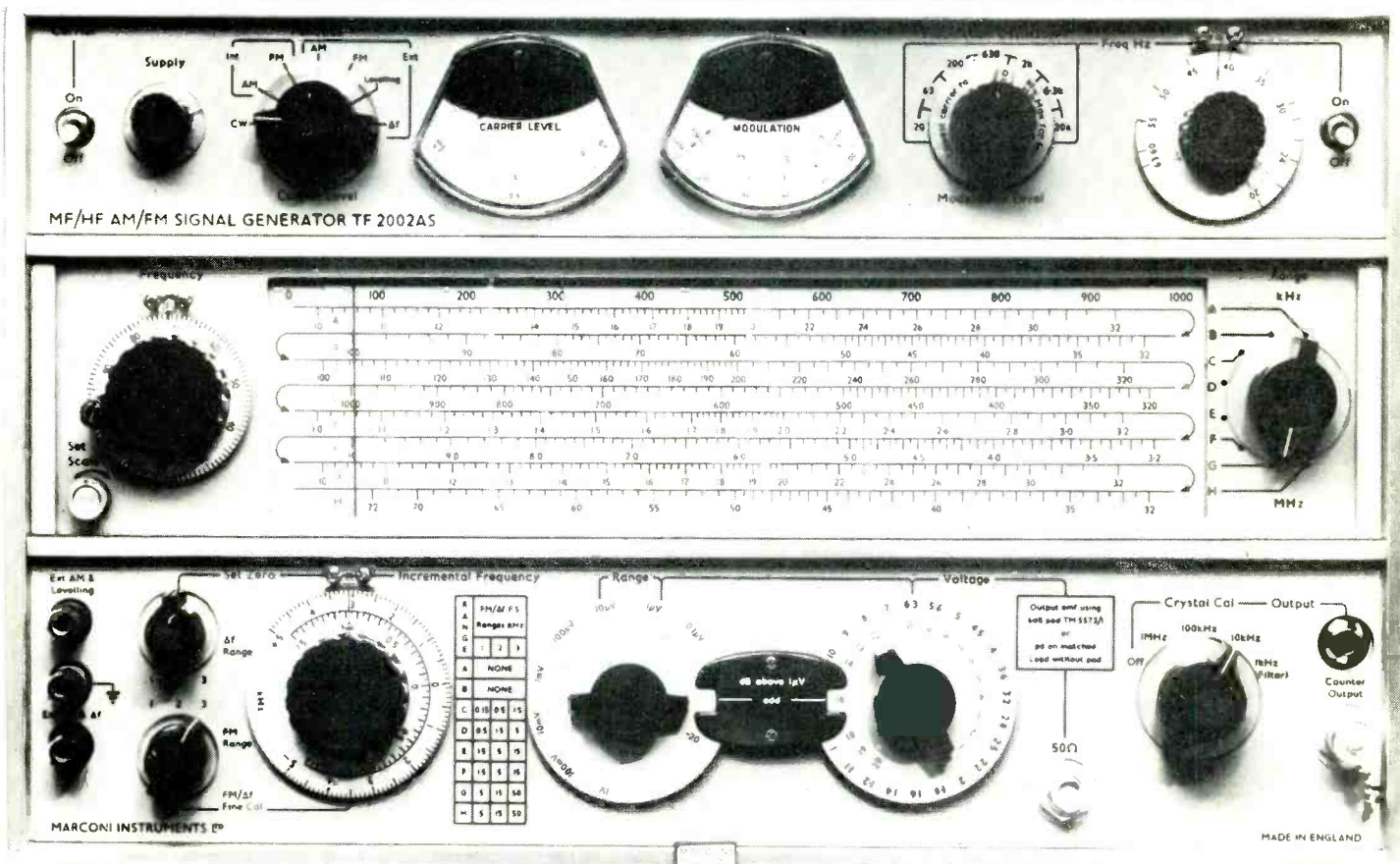
More on X-ray radiation from colour TV; The Public Health Service recently looked at some 1124 sets and only 66 showed a radiation greater than the accepted standard of 0.5 millirontgen per hour at a distance of 5cm from the set. The main causes of the excessive radiation were shunt regulator valves, rectifiers and the picture tube itself. It was stated that all sets emitting X-rays above the standard level could be corrected by reducing the tube voltage or replacing valves. There is still no agreement on the 'safe standard' and on methods of measurement but optimists hope this will be cleared up at the meetings between the National Council on Radiation Protection & Measurements and the Electronic Industries Association.

Solid state, or varactor tuners have been used in Germany for some time now but problems in channel separation have prevented their adoption here in America. Both Fisher and ADC use varactor tuning on f.m. receivers introduced last year and no doubt similar receivers will appear very soon. Meanwhile, progress has been made with television tuners and several firms will be able to market them within a few weeks. Oak have a model with continuous u.h.f./v.h.f. coverage and Standard Kollsman are working on a similar unit. Varactor diodes are now available with high capacitance swings and it is possible to utilize them in ordinary medium waveband receivers. So the familiar ganged capacitor will soon disappear—but no doubt we will have other problems!

An enormous amount of money is spent on space research by agencies like NASA and—as might be expected—engineers often come up with inventions that find applications in other fields. One of the most interesting of recent 'spin-offs,' as they are called, is due to a Goddard Space Centre scientist, Edward Thomas. This invention is a reversible fuse or circuit breaker that might well replace conventional type fuses. It consists of a special epoxy resin impregnated with silver-plated copper particles and at operating temperature the particles are in close contact and resistance is about 0.1 ohm. At higher temperatures the expanding epoxy separates the metal particles and the resistance increases sharply to something like a megohm.

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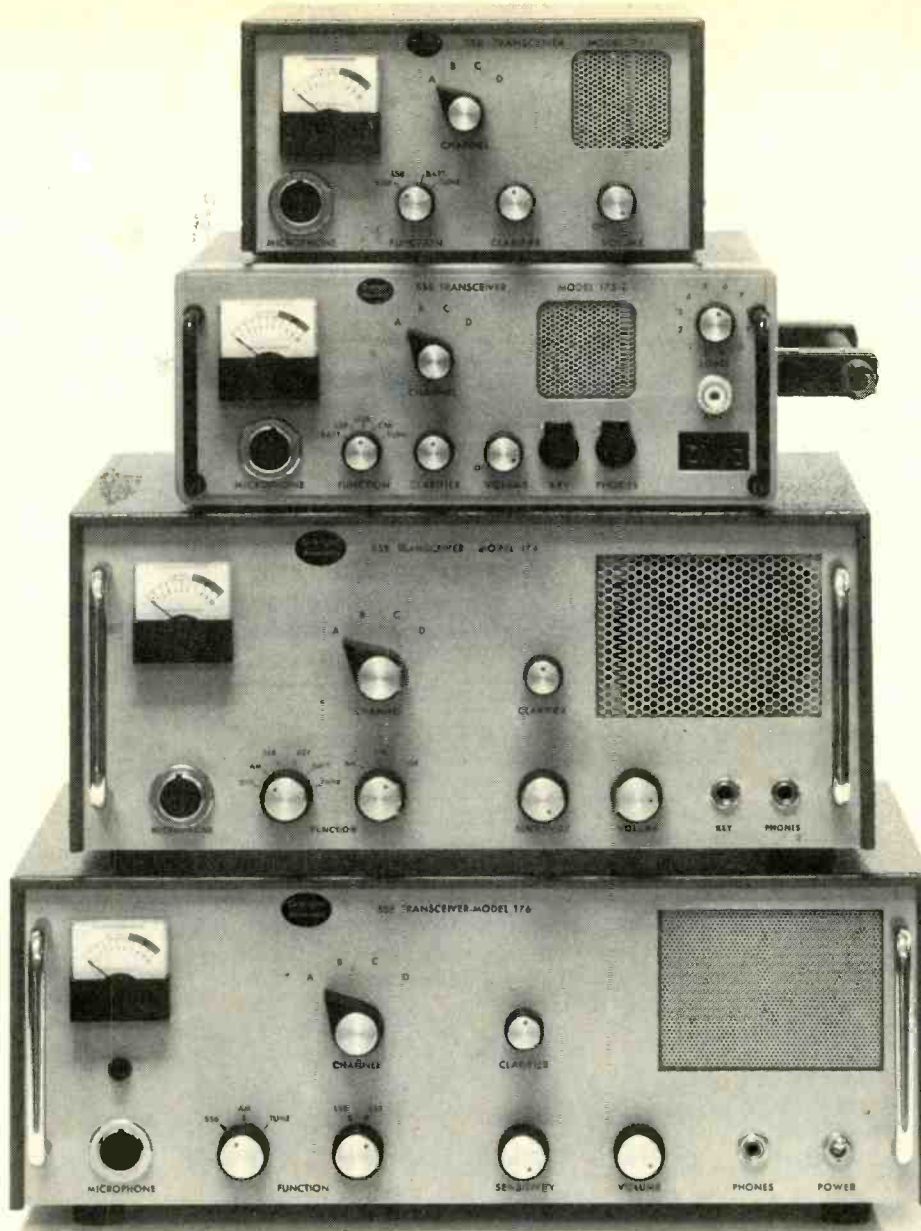


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# World of Amateur Radio

**Beginners' Licence Coming** The P.M.G. announced on March 11th, that a new "Beginners' Licence" is to be introduced in the autumn. The details have not yet been settled but its stated purpose is to encourage interest in amateur radio in people, especially young people, who have not yet reached the standards of qualification needed for a Class A or Class B licence. The new licence will, presumably, be valid for a short period only (possibly 12 months), after which time the holder will be required to qualify for a Class A or Class B licence. A Novice licence has been available in the United States for several years but it is by no means certain that it has proved very successful. It is doubtful whether the introduction of a "Beginners' Licence" will be welcomed by many U.K. amateurs of long standing, few, if any, of whom have been invited to express an opinion on the idea. It is generally felt that the Class B licence, which permits telephony operation above 427MHz, goes far enough to meet the wishes of those who, although technically competent, are not able to pass a Morse test at 12 w.p.m. This view is further strengthened by another announcement by the Postmaster General that holders of the Class B Licence will shortly be authorized to operate in the 144-MHz band. Regular users of this very popular band will watch this development—erosion it has been called—with interest.

## Reason for Scarcity

It has always been difficult for European radio amateurs to understand why certain parts of the United States are harder to contact than others. Especially is the "scarcity" apparent in the case of those who aspire to qualify for the Worked All States (WAS) Certificate issued by the American Radio Relay League. A recent census of amateur radio licences in the United States reveals that Wyoming (539), Delaware (619), North Dakota (755), Nevada (789) and South Dakota (789) have the lowest number of licensed amateurs per state with the District of Columbia recording 734. In contrast California (Sixth District), with 39813 licensed amateurs, outnumbered even the combined strength of New York (24438) and New Jersey (13049) which, together, form the U.S. Second District. The eight Southern States, which form the Fourth District, are placed third with a total of 36978 of which number,

Florida alone accounts for 10165. Other five-figure totals are recorded in Massachusetts (11276), Pennsylvania (15067), Texas (15166), Ohio (16274), Michigan (10195) and Illinois (15444). At the time of the census, (published in the Autumn 1967 edition of "The Radio Amateur Call Book") there were 284,439 licensed amateurs in the U.S.A. and 137,038 in the rest of the world.

**Transarctic Expedition.**—The experimental station call sign G7AE is being used by a group of well-known British amateurs who have been authorized by the British Post Office to maintain contact with Sir Vivian Fuchs' British Transarctic Survey Expedition base station MPE. Telegraphy operation takes place on 13999 kHz on Saturdays and Sundays from 09.30 GMT.

**New World Record on 13 cm.**—Radio communication by amateurs over a record distance of 274km (209 miles) on a wavelength of 13cm (2300MHz) was achieved by the Swiss station HB9RG and the West German station DJ4AU on January 21st. Communication was established on telephony (s.s.b.) and telegraphy. The previous record distance for the 13-cm band was 170 miles established by two U.S. amateurs in 1963.

**Mobile Rallies—Clash of Dates.**—Due to an unfortunate clash of dates two of the best-known and most popular Mobile Rallies of the summer season are to be held on the same day—Sunday, June 30th—one at Longleat Park, near Frome, Somerset, and the other at the U.S. Air Force Base at R.A.F. Mildenhall, Suffolk. The former event is being organized by the Bristol Group of the R.S.G.B. and the latter by the Amateur Radio Mobile Society.

**U.K.-France reciprocal licensing agreement** has been concluded permitting the radio amateurs of one country to operate in the territory of the other. Application forms for a French reciprocal licence in the series F0, are available, on receipt of a stamped and addressed envelope, from the General Manager, Radio Society of Great Britain, 28 Little Russell Street, London, W.C.1. Mr. Gerald Lander, G3OOH, of Peacehaven, Sussex, and now licensed to operate as F0FR, was the first U.K. amateur to obtain a French reciprocal licence.

**South Yemen.**—Aden and the rest of the South Arabian Federation was granted Independence as the People's Republic of South Yemen on November 30th, 1967, and became the 123rd Member of the United Nations on December 14th, 1967. Radio amateurs in the new Republic are now operating under the prefix 7O. Included in the new Republic are Kamaren (formerly VS9K) and Perim (formerly VS9P) as well as Socotra (formerly VS9S), now part of the Sultanate of Qishn, and Kuria Muria (formerly MP4M) now part of the Sultanate of Muscat and Oman.

**Botswana has a new Prefix.**—Radio amateurs in Botswana, formerly Bechuanaland, will, in future use a prefix in the block 8OA to 8OZ instead of the prefix ZS9. The change has been authorized by the International Telecommunication Union at the request of the Botswana Government.

**V.H.F./U.H.F. Convention.**—The 14th Annual International V.H.F./U.H.F. Convention organized by the Radio Society of Great Britain is to be held, for the second year in succession, at The Winning Post Hotel, Whitton, Twickenham, Middlesex, on Saturday, April 27th. Manufacturers are providing an exhibition in the morning, followed in the afternoon by a lecture session and a new feature called "shop window" when trade exhibitors will discuss their products. The Convention will conclude with the customary banquet and raffle. The all-in price has been fixed at 30s. or 25s. 6d. for the dinner only. The organizing secretary is Mr. Frank Green, G3GMY, 48 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts. Ladies will be welcomed at the banquet.

**GB Call Signs.**—United Kingdom radio amateurs who wish to set up special stations at exhibitions, mobile rallies and the like or who wish to operate as an expedition may obtain a special licence in the GB series upon application to the G.P.O. Every effort will be made to issue a call-sign to suit the event. Applicants for a GB licence should state a preferred letter group and give an alternative. Simultaneous operation on two or more frequency bands is permitted when specially requested.

**VERON Radio Camp.**—Visitors to the Netherlands during Whitsun (May 31st—June 3rd) will be warmly welcomed at the annual radio camp organized by the Dutch national amateur radio society. A special station (PA6AA) will be on the air continuously on all bands and modes. Details from W. H. Kerstens, PA0UHS, Nachtegaalpad 2, Arnhem, Holland.

**Australis Oscar.**—Further to our report in the December 1967 issue we now understand that the satellite is likely to be launched in June. More accurate details cannot be given as such information carries the "classified" tag until after the launch. Special report forms are still available from W. Browning (G2AOX), 47 Brampton Grove, Hendon, N.W.4, on receipt of an S.A.E.

**JOHN CLARRICOTS G6CL**

# New Products

## Differential Operational Amplifier

Amplifier series 183 by Analog Devices of Kingston-upon-Thames are chopperless differential operational amplifiers designed to solve problems where low drift, very low noise, low thermal inertia, predictable low term stability and low cost are primary considerations. Because no single operational amplifier can meet all the widely divergent specification requirements without becoming expensive, the 183 is not recommended for applications involving signal manipulation from sources with more than 100k $\Omega$  imbalance, or in applications involving fast slew rates and fast settling time.

Special transistors and thermal design techniques are used to reduce the effects of thermal gradients, and long term drift due to resistor ageing is overcome by the use of high stability metal film resistors. Stabilities of better than 100 $\mu$ V/year are obtainable, and warm-up drift is less than 20 $\mu$ V. The 183 series can be connected to give gain without change of sign and used in this mode

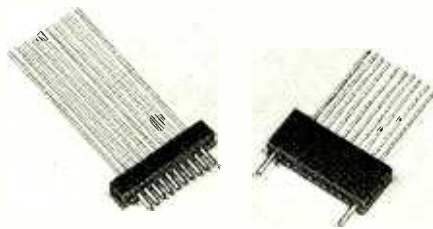


the amplifiers will have an impedance of 1,000M $\Omega$ . Principal features are: open loop voltage gain  $2 \times 10^5$ ; output 20V p-p at 5mA; initial voltage offset 0.5mV(max) at 25°C; input impedance 2M $\Omega$  and common mode impedance 1,000M $\Omega$ . Common mode rejection is 100,000 and common mode voltage range is  $\pm 10$ V(min). Analog Devices Ltd., 38-40 Fife Road, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey.

WW 314 for further details

## Microminiature Connector

Available in strip configuration with 1 to 40 pin and socket contacts on 0.025-in centres, a new connector by Cannon (which they call the "Nano") has been designed for applications where



extremely close centres are necessary. It is claimed to be the smallest connector of its type in the world.

Straight-through construction of contact area to termination point eliminates unnecessary electrical interfaces and the contact alignment design assures positive mating of the pin and socket contacts. These are of the twisted-pin type used throughout the Cannon microminiature range. Corrosion-resistant metal alloys are employed in the contact construction and the connectors are available with standard pigtailed for easy termination to printed circuit boards, modules or flat conductors. Rated at 1A, the contacts can be pre-harnessed at the Cannon factory to customers' specifications. Cannon Electric (Great Britain) Ltd., Lister Road, Winchester Road, Basingstoke, Hants.

WW 311 for further details

## D.C. Bench Units

Designed around the two basic criteria that the performance should be sufficient for a multitude of engineering applications and that this performance should be achieved at the lowest practical price, Liberty Controls stabilized bench supplies type A1025 and A2025 have a fully variable output with overload protection and cost £32 and £39 respectively.

The units have identical specifications except in respect of output current. Maximum output current of the A1025 is 1A and that of the A2025 is 2A. Output voltage is variable from 0-25V and output resistance is less than 0.015 $\Omega$ . Output impedance below 300kHz is less than 0.4 $\Omega$ . Ripple and noise is less than 2mV peak-to-peak



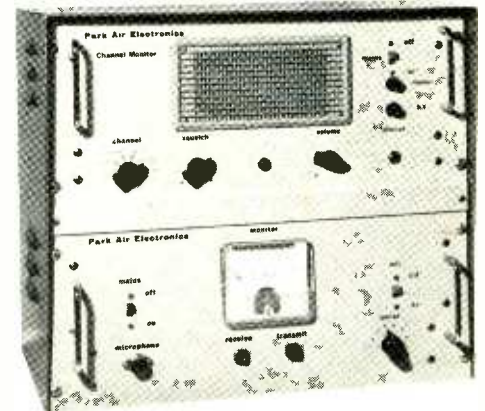
and stabilization ratio is 2,000:1. Input voltages are single phase 210-250V or 100-125V, 45-55Hz. Dimensions 12 x 8 x 8in; weight 13lb. Two modular variants of the units less meters are available, type AC1025, £27, and type AC2025, £33. These have the same electrical specification as type A but the physical design is modified. Liberty Controls Ltd, Cadwell Lane, Hitchen, Herts. WW 318 for further details

## Aero Band Equipment

Two items announced by Park Air Electronics are, a higher power version of their 50X v.h.f. a.m. aeronautical band transmitter and a new portable mobile receiver for the v.h.f. aeronautical band.

Type 100X transmitter has an r.f. output of 20W and is complete with power supply and modulator. It has a frequency coverage of 118-156MHz and is intended as a compact transmitter for use by airport authorities in conjunction with existing receivers, or with the Park Air model 60A receiver system. The assembly is available in either cabinet form or for 19-in rack mounting.

Type 40A receiver is a crystal-controlled portable receiver for the v.h.f. aeronautical band designed for simple operation by unskilled personnel. All silicon solid state circuitry is used and it is claimed that input signals of 1 $\mu$ V or less can be resolved. Audio power delivered to the built-in loudspeaker is 0.5W. The 40A incorporates its own internal power supply, but provision is made for the connection of an a.c. mains auxiliary power unit if required. A telescopic aerial is included and provision is made for using an external aerial. Of die-cast aluminium construction, the receiver is complete with carrying handle and measures



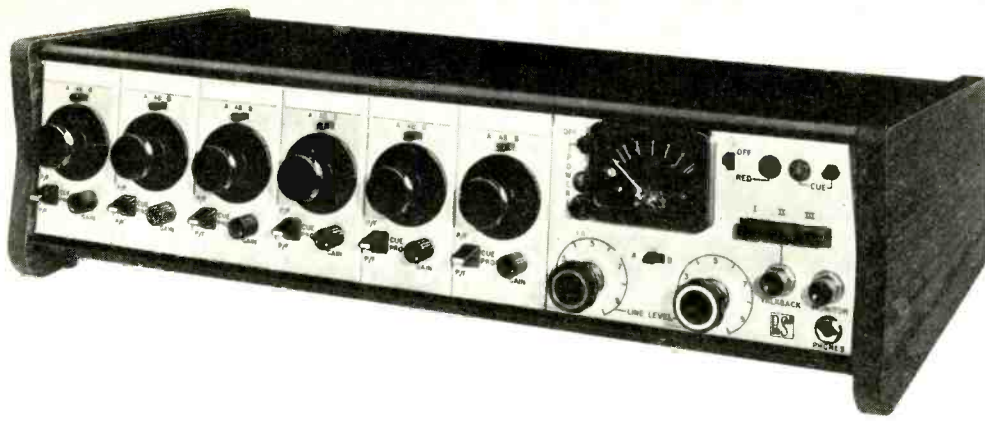
27.5 x 17.5 cm. Weight including batteries is 2.3kg. Park Air Electronics Ltd., Red Lion Square, Stamford, Lincs.

WW 312 for further details

## Modular Sound Mixers

Specific requirements of smaller broadcasting organizations and recording studios, are met in a new six-channel modular mixer offered by Peto Scott. The mixer may also find use in other applications, particularly in education establishments, where it is desirable to use multiple microphone channels to select individual voice sources in order to overcome the problem of extraneous unwanted noise in classrooms.

By adopting a modular unit method of construction, it is possible to assemble the mixer to provide a required number of channels for a wide variety of installations, either in a free-standing desk top enclosure or for assembly into existing consoles. A rack mounting version is also available. Features include, up to 20 pre-amplifier input channels, variable pre-set gain, two independent group output channels, peak programme meter, full pre-fade and monitoring facilities, loudspeaker muting,



forward and reverse cueing and talkback to three studios. All modules use transistors throughout.

The provisional specification shows an overall frequency response of 40Hz to 15kHz  $\pm 3$ dB and 100Hz to 8kHz  $\pm 1$ dB. It is emphasized, however, that the upper limits of the frequency response curve can easily be tailored to suit particular circumstances. For example: recording studios may require the h.f. response to be extended to 20kHz or even higher, whereas broadcasting organizations may require the high frequencies to be attenuated in some circumstances. It is the flexibility of the design which the makers consider is of importance to the user, particularly where *ad hoc* studio control facilities are often required at short notice.

Overall distortion is  $< 0.5\%$  at +6dB output, and overall gain 100dB nominal. Input to the pre-amplifier modules is 600 $\Omega$  or 150 $\Omega$ , and two completely independent output channels from the line amplifier module can be 600 $\Omega$  or 150 $\Omega$  each. Mains supply voltage is 115 or 230 V 50Hz. Peto Scott Ltd, Addlestone Road, Weybridge, Surrey. WW 324 for further details

### D.C. Comparator Bridge

Made in Canada by Guildline Instruments Ltd., and distributed in the U.K. by Claude Lyons, type 9920 d.c. comparator bridge is particularly suitable for comparison of resistors of 1,000 $\Omega$  and below, and for the scaling of low resistances, under which each resistor functions at its own power level. For example: a 1 $\Omega$  standard resistor carrying 100mA and dissipating 0.01W may be directly compared to a 0.001 $\Omega$  shunt carrying 100A and dissipating 10W, to an accuracy of 1 part per ten million. Accuracy is dependent only on the linearity of a transformer turns ratio, and calibration is permanent. The design completely eliminates the effects of thermal e.m.f.s, lead resistance and switch con-



tact resistance. No critical resistors are used. Internal power supplies provide currents of one and two amperes respectively, and an external power supply delivering up to 100A is provided. Claude Lyons Ltd., Instruments Division, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire. WW 303 for further details

### Wide Range Sound Spectrograph

Kay Electric of New Jersey say they have adapted the proven techniques of previously produced spectrographs and introduced them in the new model 7029A which is claimed to have the wide range of 5 to 16,000Hz. It is a solid state



unit offering a choice of sonogram time scale to enable short duration sound or signals to be expanded and longer signals or phrases to be compressed. Printed circuitry is employed with plug-in modules allowing all systems to be housed in a single compact cabinet. Plug-in units can be used to provide a wide variety of analyses. The standard filter can be interchanged with plug-in filters to provide a wide range of widths for more demanding analyses. Tape recorders having a good mechanical "pause" feature can be synchronized by a start-stop control on the spectrograph. Kay Electric Co., Maple Avenue, Pine Brook, New Jersey, U.S.A. WW 307 for further details

### A.C. Digital Voltmeter

Digital presentation of the true r.m.s. value of any input without respect to the waveform is the claim made by Fluke International for their model 9500A automatic a.c. voltmeter. The new instrument accepts voltages from 0.001 to 1,100V r.m.s. in five ranges, and accuracy is said to be  $\pm 0.05\%$  from 50Hz to 10kHz. Range selection can be automatic or manual. A crest factor of 10 virtually eliminates effects from voltage spikes or pulse trains, and a low capacitance, high resistance input minimizes loading effects. Frequency response is

20Hz to 700kHz. Calibration is automatic when the instrument is turned on. On-line calibration is either automatic or manual, selected by a front panel control. Complete remote control is possible if required. Fluke International Corporation, P.O. Box 102, Watford, Herts. WW 322 for further details

### Magnetron Power Supplies

Power supply equipment designed to operate 2,450MHz continuous wave magnetrons is available from Hirst Electric in two basic forms, a "P" series for general industrial applications, and an "M" series for lower power applications such as microwave ovens etc. Both types have the magnetron heater transformer supplied as a separate unit to allow for positioning in close proximity to the magnetron and they are thyristor controlled.

Phase angle in the e.h.t. primary circuit is advanced gradually so that the applied voltage to the e.h.t. transformer is "ramped up", thus avoiding non-synchronously applied mains inrush current. The magnetron is not shock excited by the sudden application of full e.h.t., which is conducive to longer life.

The "M" series is supplied in module form, allowing the equipment manufacturer choice of layout, and consists of control chassis, e.h.t. transformer, e.h.t. rectifier and series impedance resistor. The control chassis is fitted with an 18-way plug and socket for wiring to interconnection diagrams supplied. The "P" series is supplied complete in a case with front panel instrumentation. Hirst Electric Industries Ltd., Gatwick Road, Crawley, Sussex.

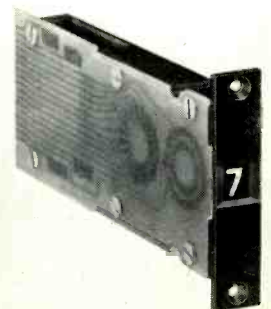
WW 313 for further details

### Module Counter System

An advanced single-wheel counter module system, consisting of three basic modules: the series 7049 counter unit, series 7050 predetermining counter unit and series 7051 switch unit, comes from Veeder-Root. Used either singly or in combination, these decade module units can provide practically any counting configuration requirement. They can be supplied in back-of-panel or panel mounting arrangements, and being of standard width, can provide tailor-made set-ups. If required, specially made-up unit combinations can be supplied to specific applications.

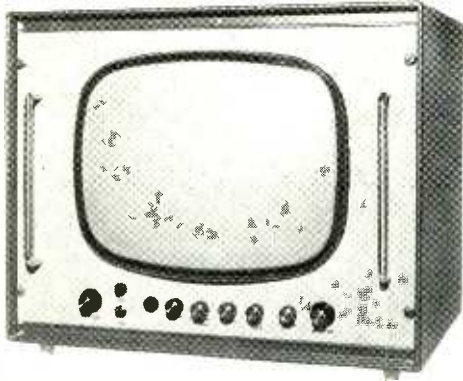
Large read-out figures, gold-plated printed circuit, positive non-overthrow, magnetic circuit, and silver contacts are some of the features, with 2,400 c.p.m. speed for the counter modules. The 7049 counter unit measures approximately 4.35in. deep  $\times$  2.38in. high  $\times$  0.5in. wide, the 7051 single-pole 10-position switch unit has similar height and width but is 2.8in. deep and the 7050 predetermining counter is 4.35in. deep  $\times$  3.8in. high  $\times$  0.5in. wide. All units operate on 12, 24, and 48V d.c. Veeder-Root Ltd, New Addington, Surrey.

WW 319 for further details



## Video Monitors

Plug-in sub-chassis construction is a feature of a new range of valve type television monitors announced by J.D. Jackson Electronics. Designated M14/V1, M16/V1, M17/V1, M19/V1 and M23/V1, each size of monitor uses three standard chassis which enables a service replacement scheme



to be operated. The M14/V1 (illustrated) measures  $19\frac{1}{4} \times 16\frac{1}{4} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$  in. and this model in common with the M16/V1 and M17/V1 is available in a rack mounting version.

Designed for 525/625 lines, 50/60 field scanning standards, the video monitors have a bandwidth of 8MHz and an input impedance of  $75\Omega$  or higher. Signal-to-noise ratio is 40dB. The plug-in sub-chassis comprise (1) line and field timebases, (2) video amplifier, and (3) power supply unit. Operation is from 115 or 230V 50-60Hz a.c. mains supply. J.D. Jackson Electronics, Egglestone Works, Lombard Street, Newark-on-Trent, Notts.

WW 308 for further details.

## Power Transistors

Two low-cost germanium power transistors announced by Motorola are suitable for television deflection circuits and industrial power supply designs. They are types MP3730 and MP3731, priced at 9s 6d and 12s 6d respectively for quantities of 100.

Both devices are capable of 56 W and will operate in temperatures up to  $110^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The 320V type MP3731 is capable of providing efficient operation in 1kW output inverter designs with frequency regulation changes no greater than 20% over a 6:1 input voltage variation. The devices are packaged in TO3 cases. Motorola Semiconductors Ltd, York House, Empire Way, Wembley, Middx.

WW 320 for further details

## Audio Mixer

Designed specially for location recording with quality tape recorders, a new four-channel portable mixer model 2880 by Sela, of Stockholm, is now available from their U.K. agent, Carston Electronics. The mixer can be powered from mains or battery, and the four balanced transformer microphone inputs are able to accept outputs over



a wide range of levels from moving-coil or capacitor microphones with impedances from 50 to  $200\Omega$ . A five position 0 to  $-25\text{dB}$  attenuator provides control over input levels from 10 mV maximum in the  $-25\text{dB}$  position. Input impedance measured at 1.5kHz is  $3.8\text{k}\Omega$  and noise level is better than  $-125\text{dB}$  at  $170\Omega$ . Frequency response is within 0.5dB from 40Hz to 16kHz and 5dB down at 20kHz. Distortion is less than 0.1% at normal level and better than 0.2% at maximum output. Features include  $\pm 10\text{dB}$  bass equalization at 100Hz and  $\pm 10\text{dB}$  treble equalization at 10kHz. Designed to be carried by hand, the Sela mixer weighs 12lb and costs £225. Carston Electronics Ltd, Electra House, Wigganham Road, Watford, Herts.

WW 327 for further details.

## Professional Communications Receiver

Marconi announce a completely new h.f. communications receiver for international point-to-point links which, they believe, has unbeatable performance and reliability for its size and cost. Named Hydrus, the receiver is a compact and versatile equipment designed for operation in a wide range of transmission modes. Extensive use is made of f.e.t.s, in the solid state circuitry chosen because of their advantage over conventional transistors of reduced damping effect on timed circuits, by reason of their high input and output impedance.

Although there are many versions of the receiver available, a dual diversity Hydrus, with



independent sideband facilities handling two separate channels, will cost approximately £3,500. Other standard versions cost less. The receiver covers the 1.5 to 30MHz band in four ranges. Tuning is by decade switches followed by a continuously variable final tuning control. A sophisticated a.f.c. system locks on to signals drifting up to  $\pm 250\text{Hz}$ . A.g.c. circuits operate over a 90dB variation of signal strength, controlling the output to within 6dB.

Component stability is said to provide for long periods of unattended operation on "main line" telephony and teleggraphy circuits. Fast re-tune by decade switching in 0.1MHz steps, facilitates rapid operating and an interpolating variable oscillator, covering 100kHz between these decade steps, is calibrated directly with the signal frequency on the front panel. The set comprises three basic units; a receiver unit, a synthesizer and a telegraphy/telephony unit.

These units are mounted in 19 in. wide cabinets,  $5\frac{1}{4}$  in. high, for fitting into a bench mounted cabinet for single receiver installations, or into free standing cabinets for more extensive set-ups. For servicing purposes the units can be drawn out on extension runners. Operating power requirements are 100-125V and 200-250V, 45-65Hz single phase a.c.  $\pm 6\%$ . Over 300 different versions of the receiver can be supplied. The Marconi Co. Ltd., Chelmsford, Essex.

WW 315 for further details

## Measuring Instrument

A highly sensitive centre reading instrument combining the functions of voltmeter, ammeter and null detector, the M.L. nanoammeter and microvoltmeter permits accurate readings as low as  $5 \times 10^{-6}\text{V}$  and  $5 \times 10^{-9}\text{A}$  ( $0.005\mu\text{A}$ ). Twelve ranges of voltage from 100-0-100 $\mu\text{V}$  to 30-0-30V, and twelve ranges of current from 100-0-100nA to 30-0-30mA are selected by a multi-way switch on the front panel. Generous overload conditions exist on all ranges and a floating input is provided, with a common mode rejection of better than 100 dB. The instrument can be used on a.c. supplies of 100-125V and 200-250V. M.L. Industrial Products Ltd., Electronics Division, 292 Leigh Road, Trading Estate, Slough, Bucks.

WW 306 for further details

## Transistors for Aerial Amplifiers

Three new silicon planar n-p-n transistors specially developed for use in television and f.m. receiver aerial amplifiers have been announced by Mullard. Types BFW16, BFW17 and BFW30, they can also be used in applications which have severe intermodulation requirements such as wideband amplifiers for telephony or wideband amplifiers for oscilloscopes. Common features are a high gain with a high  $f_p$  (1.6GHz for the BFW30) and a very low intermodulation factor. Mullard Ltd., Torrington Place, London W.C.1.

WW 310 for further details

## Rebuilt Colour C.R.T.

The successful rebuilding of a 25-in domestic colour TV tube by Vacuonics is believed to be the first operation of its kind by an independent firm in the U.K. It is envisaged that rebuilt tubes of this type will cost about half that of a new one and, because the tube is the most expensive single item in a colour receiver, it should represent a considerable saving in cost to the customer. Because the materials required for the process were unobtainable in Europe the necessary components were supplied by Griffiths Electronics Inc., Linden, New Jersey, U.S.A., through their agents in this country the C.E.A. Group of Birmingham. Vacuonics Ltd., Newtown Street, Old Hill, Staffs.

WW 317 for further details

## Digital Voltmeter

This integrating digital voltmeter (500 Mk II) incorporates an integrated-circuit amplifier, has a basic accuracy of 0.2% of f.s.d. and a zero drift typically better than two least significant digits per eight hours in normal environments. The instrument, which employs a f.e.t. input stage in the input chopper-stabilized amplifier, can tolerate inputs of up to 1 kV on all ranges without damage; common-mode rejection is better than 120 dB. Output readings are displayed on decade number tubes and decimal-point indicator lamps. A 10% over-range facility extends the scale length





to 1100 on all ranges. Four ranges are incorporated from  $\pm 1$  V to  $\pm 1000$  V d.c., the input resistance is  $> 10$  M $\Omega$  ( $> 1$  M $\Omega$  on the 1 V range). An internal calibration standard has an accuracy of  $\pm 0.001\%$ /year. The price is £120. Weir Electronics Ltd, Durban Road, Bognor Regis, Sussex.

WW 325 for further details

## High-dissipation Isolated-can Transistors

In the quest for high-dissipation in small packages, transistor manufacturers generally attach the active element to the device casing. "Live can" devices of this sort have proved an embarrassment to users over the years because they can cause accidental circuit shorts. Newmarket Transistors Ltd, Exning Road, Newmarket, Suffolk, have developed a technique by which they eliminate the fine-wire connections to the transistor emitter and collector, which have previously limited the permissible power dissipation, and have left the base connection isolated from the device case. The resultant device has no electrical connection to the transistor element other than through the connection leads. One example of this is the Newmarket ACY 17-21 (NKT237-241) series of germanium, p-n-p, TO5, 1-A, low-frequency transistors.

WW 323 for further details

## Lightweight Magnetrons

A lightweight, X-band, pulsed magnetron is available from Mullard for use in small marine radar installations. It weighs 456 g and has a smooth outline, eliminating moisture traps. The magnetron (type YJ 1240) will deliver a peak output power of 900 W, its low anode voltage, 2 kV, means that it can be used in solid-state equipments without much difficulty. Operating fre-



quency is 9.345-9.405 GHz and the rate of rise of the pulse voltage is 100 kV/ $\mu$ s. Mullard Ltd, Mullard House, Torrington Place, London W.C.1.

WW 301 for further details

Also from Mullard an X-band magnetron intended for airborne long range radar for operation at altitudes of up to 25,000 ft is the type YJ 1250. Weighing 1.9 kg it can be used with pulses of up to 6  $\mu$ s duration at a peak output power of 90 kW. It has a permissible anode voltage of 15 kV and a long life cathode that will give a minimum of 5000 operating hours.

WW 302 for further details

## Miniature Potentiometer

A low cost, single-turn potentiometer intended for industrial applications has been introduced by Bourns (Trimpot) Ltd, Hodford House, 17/27 High Street, Hounslow, Middlesex. The potentiometer, model 3365, is 0.5 inches in diameter by 0.225 inches long and is available in two printed-circuit mounting styles. Rated at 0.5 W at 40 °C the potentiometers are available from 10  $\Omega$  to 50k  $\Omega$  and are capable of operating in the temperature range -55 °C to +105 °C. The standard resistance tolerance is  $\pm 5\%$  with a resolution of 0.09 to 0.88% and a temperature coefficient of 70 parts per million per °C. Price for quantities around the 200 mark are 19s 5d per piece.

WW 304 for further details

## Laboratory Capacitors

Two precision capacitance boxes with very low residual capacitance and a high accuracy setting capability are available from J. J. Lloyd Instruments, Brook Avenue, Warsash, Southampton. The first instrument, known as type PVC 1 is a triple-range, air-spaced capacitor with a minimum



setting of 5 pF inclusive of strays. The capacitor dial has a slow-motion drive and each range is calibrated directly in pF inclusive of residuals. A double scale is incorporated to indicate either absolute capacitance when the instrument is used in the floating two-terminal mode or for three-terminal use with one terminal connected to the screen. The capacitance ranges covered are 5-50, 15-105, and 30-200 pF and the accuracy at 20 °C is  $\pm 0.5\%$  or  $\pm 0.5$  pF; d.c. working voltage is 700 V. The second capacitor box, type PVC 2, has a single-range air-spaced capacitor directly calibrated in pF and fitted with a slow-motion dial. It also has a single decade of aged silver-mica capacitors to extend the range up to 1100pF (minimum setting 15 pF). The accuracy is again  $\pm 0.5\%$  or  $\pm 0.5$  pF; d.c. working voltage is 500 V.

WW 321 for further details

## Differential Data Amplifier

An encapsulated differential data amplifier suitable for use with load cells, resistive strain-gauge bridges and thermocouples that can be soldered directly on to printed-circuit card is available from Analog Devices, 38-40 Fife Road, Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey. The amplifier (model 601) is fully screened and guarded—the guard shield

being driven by an operational amplifier to give common-mode rejection of  $40 \times 10^6$ . The gain is variable from 20 to 2000 with an accuracy of 0.01% and a stability of better than 0.02% per month; temperature coefficient is 0.003%/°C. A d.c. linearity of better than 0.2% is claimed. Frequency response is within 1% up to 1 kHz and is 3 dB down at 30 kHz; harmonic distortion is less than 0.05% for all frequencies up to 2 kHz. The output settles to 0.1% in 100  $\mu$ s for a full-scale input step. Wideband noise from d.c. to 50 kHz is 4  $\mu$  V r.m.s. referred to the input plus 1 mV referred to the output.

WW 309 for further details

## Heat Absorbers

Soldering accessories now available from Henri Picard & Frere include heavily-insulated heat absorbers for protecting delicate components dur-

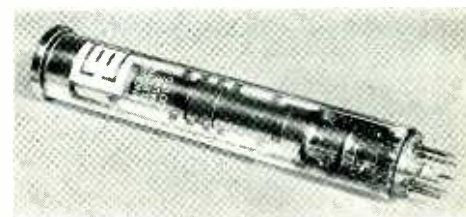


ing soldering. Two sizes are available. One type, 34L, is 2.75 inches long and is made of plated steel with copper jaws. The other, type 34S, is only 1.25 inches long, and is made entirely of a highly-conductive copper alloy.

WW 326 for further details

## Electrostatically Focused Vidicons

A new range of vidicons which incorporates a gun structure for electrostatically focusing the electron beam is available from English Electric Valve Co. Ltd. These electrostatically-focused vidicons are for application where small camera size and low power consumption are important. Because there is no magnetic focusing field the strengths of the deflection fields can be as little as one quarter of those normally required. Low power (95-mA) heaters are also used. The construction of the vidicons is such as to allow deflection coils to be mounted directly on the glass bodies, further reducing camera size. The use of electrostatic focusing gives freedom from the "S" distortion and focus-induced image rotation normally asso-



ciated with magnetic focusing, thus making this type vidicon suitable for multi-tube colour cameras. A uniform "beam landing" characteristic provides good signals from the whole picture area. An example of the tubes in this range is the 8134VB which has a high blue sensitivity intended to overcome the difficulties normally associated with tungsten filament lighting.

WW 305 for further details

# Literature Received

**E.E.A. Capacitor Guide** is the first of a series of publications to be produced by the Central Technical Committee of the Electronic Engineering Association. The publications will be, as this one, in the form of guides on the use of electronic components, the aim being to improve the reliability of electronic equipment by assisting in the choice of components. Each guide will consist of a résumé of the salient features of a particular component family. It will discuss physical construction emphasizing points that the designer should bear in mind while making a choice and it will give workshop notes on assembling the components into equipment. The Capacitor Guide classifies components by dielectric into the following groups: paper, plastic film, mica, ceramic and vitreous, and electrolytic—including "solid" aluminium and tantalum capacitors. Copies of the publication (price 15s) are available from the Information Office, Electronic Engineering Association, Berkeley Square House, Berkeley Square, London W.1.

Mullard have published the 1968 edition of their **Data Book**; this differs on three counts from previous issues. For the first time it embraces the complete ranges of the company's valves, c.r.t.s, semiconductors and components for entertainments applications. The main sections have been made easily distinguishable by using different coloured pages for each of them. Also for the first time, it has been decided to make the book available to electronics enthusiasts outside the trade, through the dealers at a retail price of 3s 6d. Equivalents and replacement types are given for valves, c.r.t.s and semiconductors.

W.W. 340 for further details

A 120-page booklet giving full data on all the **E.E.V. vacuum capacitors** currently being produced is available from the English Electric Valve Co., Chelmsford, Essex.

W.W. 341 for further details

We have received a leaflet entitled "Systemised Products" from **Vero Electronics Ltd.**, Industrial Estate, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants., that describes the various forms of equipment practice available from them. Also included is a summary of other products in the Vero range.

W.W. 343 for further details

The 1968 **condensed catalogue** from Westinghouse Semiconductors, 1-3 Regent Street, London S.W.1, gives abridged data on transistors from low current plastic encapsulated devices to a 250 A power type. Data is also given on s.c.r.s, rectifiers and rectifier assemblies.

W.W. 344 for further details

Technical Bulletin No. 4 from Bakelite Xylonite Ltd., Manningtree, Essex, discusses a new **electrical grade of Bexphane E**. This is a balanced biaxially orientated polypropylene film developed as a capacitor dielectric. The bulletin summarizes the features and advantages of the film and gives details of electrical and physical properties and yield data.

W.W. 345 for further details

We have received a catalogue describing servo-control, induction, reluctance and hysteresis **synchronous motors** from Amphenol Ltd., Thanet Way, Whitstable. Each of the four types of motors is available with one of twenty standard gear trains from 0.67 to 1800 r.p.m.

W.W. 346 for further details

**Palladium**, lightest of the platinum-group metals, has a large number of applications from dentistry and jewellery through to electronics. Facts pertaining to palladium are contained in a 20-page booklet produced by International Nickel Ltd., Thames House, Millbank, London S.W.2.

W.W. 347 for further details

The **one-inch vidicon tubes** being manufactured by E.E.V. are described in a twelve-page brochure available from the English Electric Valve Co., Chelmsford, Essex. The vidicons are suitable for a wide range of applications in broadcasting, process control and military fields.

W.W. 342 for further details

A compound for applying to the threads of nuts and bolts ensuring that they can later be easily dismantled is described in the leaflet "Kern Antonic Compound" available from Special Product Distributors Ltd., 81 Piccadilly, London W.1. The compound resists corrosion and is effective in the temperature range  $-212^{\circ}$  to  $+1642^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

W.W. 348 for further details

Details of a **25-A thyristor**, type 27TX, are given in Technical Publication 26-127 available from the Westinghouse Brake and Signal Company Ltd., 82 York Way, Kings Cross, London N.1.

W.W. 349 for further details

**Magnetic pick-ups** that produce an electrical output when brought into close proximity to moving ferrous objects are discussed in a leaflet from Trio Instruments Ltd., "Allington", Dartford Road, Farningham, Kent.

W.W. 350 for further details

The **Audio Equipment Catalogue** produced by R.C.A. consists of 155 pages describing the range of professional audio equipment produced by the company. Details are given of microphones, consoles, custom made audio equipment, amplifiers, power supplies, racks and accessories, turntables, tape recording equipment, loudspeakers and test equipment. Broadcast and Communications Products Division, Radio Corporation of America, Camden, New Jersey, 08102.

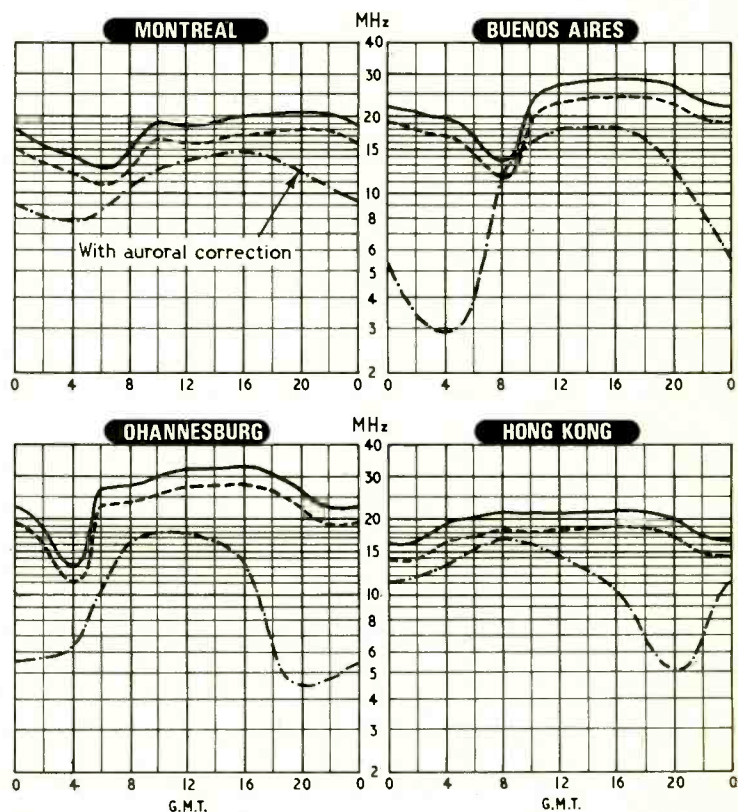
W.W. 353 for further details

## H.F. Predictions—May

The prediction charts show median standard MUF, optimum traffic frequency (FOT) and the lowest usable frequency (LUF) for reception in the U.K. Unlike MUF, the LUF is closely dependent upon such factors as transmitter power, aerial gain and type of service. LUFs shown were drawn by Cable and Wireless, Ltd., for commercial telegraphy using power of several kilowatts and aerials of the rhombic type.

Seasonal changes are most striking on the Hong Kong route, the peaks of recent months are depressed giving an FOT below 20MHz which changes little throughout the 24 hours. Montreal route shows the same characteristic as it is also an East/West path in the same hemisphere. Daylight FOTs for the trans-equator paths to South Africa and South America continue at about 25MHz.

Predictions are based on an ionospheric index (IF2) of 133, an increase of one over the previous month.



# May Meetings

Tickets are required for some meetings: readers are advised, therefore, to communicate with the society concerned

## LONDON

1st. I.E.E.—Annual general meeting of London Graduate & Student Section followed by "The design of high-quality audio amplifiers" by J. Dinsdale at 18.30 at Savoy Pl., W.C.2.

1st. B.K.S.T.S. & R.T.S.—"The work of Alan Blumlein", an appreciation by several speakers, at 19.30 at the Royal Overseas League, Park Pl., St. James's St., S.W.1.

7th. Soc. Relay Eng.—"International standards for wired television" at 14.30 at the I.T.A., 70 Brompton Road, S.W.3.

7th. I.E.E.—"Memory in the nervous system" by Prof. J. Z. Young at 17.30 at Savoy Pl., W.C.2.

8th. B.K.S.T.S.—"Stereo radio reception" by J. W. Warden, at 19.30 at the Royal Overseas League, Park Pl., St. James's St., S.W.1.

13th. I.E.E. & I.E.R.E.—Colloquium on "Special-purpose digital machines" at 18.00 at Savoy Pl., W.C.2.

15th. I.E.E.—"Integrated p.c.m.—telephony bit by bit" by H. B. Law at 17.30 at Savoy Pl., W.C.2.

16th. I.E.E.—Discussion on "Frequency scanning aerials" at 17.30 at Savoy Pl., W.C.2.

20th. I.E.E.—"Novel techniques for beam steering and compensation of distortion in large reflector aerials" by A. W. Rudge and T. Pratt at 17.30 at Savoy Pl., W.C.2.

22nd. Inst. of Navigation.—"Surface guidance on airports" by G. Harrison at 17.00 at the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., S.W.1.

23rd. S.E.R.T.—Discussion on "Education and training for maintenance" at 19.00 at London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street, W.C.1.

## GLASGOW

17th. S.E.R.T.—"Reminiscences of a service engineer" by R. T. Frost at 19.00 at Examinations Hall, Stow College, 43 Shamrock Street, C.4.

## HORNCHURCH

8th. I.E.R.E.—"Solid state bulk effects" by C. P. Sandbank at 18.30 at the Havering Technical College, 42 Ardleigh Green Road.

## MANCHESTER

7th. I.E.E.—"Some problems of the organisation of science in the modern world" by Lord Bowden at 18.15 at U.M.I.S.T.

## MIDDLESBROUGH

1st. I.E.E.—"The place of the technologist in modern society" by Prof. M. W. Thring at 18.30 at Cleveland Scientific Inst.

## NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE

1st. S.E.R.T.—"Microwaves in industry" by J. Bilbrough at 19.30 at Charles Trevelyan Technical College, Maple Terrace.

## PLYMOUTH

1st. R.T.S.—"Recent developments in video tape recording" by R. E. Nether at 19.30 at the Studios of Westward Television Ltd.

## PRESTON

2nd. S.E.R.T.—"Industrial electronics" at 20.00 at Harris College, Corporation Street.

## TORQUAY

9th. I.E.E.—"The engineer and the law" by H. B. Morton at 14.30 at Electric Hall.



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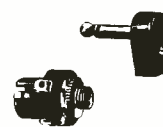
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I see that in a recently published study of manpower in the electronics industry\* some concern is expressed at the shortage of scientists in industrial research. According to the report, a large proportion of high quality graduates is drawn instead into academic and government institutions (although it doesn't specify what kind of institutions).

This situation isn't really surprising when you come to think about it. After all, a graduate scientist is a high-souled creature who throughout his university life has been conditioned to regard anything less than pure research as sordid. He knows vaguely that there is such a thing as industrial research but would consider the prospect of entering it with the same degree of enthusiasm which a Victorian Lord of the Manor would have exhibited for going into trade. He equates industry with unspeakable things like muck, oil and grease and, above all, harbours a horrid suspicion that, once in it, he would be expected to do something specific in the way of work (which is a wild surmise if ever I heard one). But there it is; that's the image and you can't really blame him for not wanting to join. Very few wild rabbits enter cages voluntarily.

The shortage is made even more acute by the status-symbol aura associated with the possession of a research department. If an electronics company hasn't got one it is generally considered not to have arrived, so naturally there comes a danger period in the life of every small but up-and-coming manufacturing concern when the situation goes critical.

The first symptom shows when the chairman gets a touch of the March Hares and is observed stomping up and down his sanctum cutting a fresh swathe in the carpet pile with each new stomp. It would convey nothing to describe his countenance as expressing grave dissatisfaction because all chairmen look like this all the time anyway. Let us say therefore that our chairman's expression is several orders of magnitude graver and more dissatisfied than is its wont. Which is scarcely surprising because, to put the matter in a TO5 can, he is gravely dissatisfied. He has suddenly discovered that something in life is missing but he wots not what.

Then, like St. Paul of old, he is smitten by

a blinding light, paralysing him in his tracks. In lesser men it would be diagnosed as epilepsy but when it occurs in chairmen it is called inspirational genius. Instantly with crystal clarity he knows just what is wrong. It is his company. It hasn't got a research department. Unthinkable!

Characteristically, he trumpets for his general manager and demands the reason why. The G.M. replies nervously that electronic baby alarms, the company's main product, have never seemed to him to call for much in the way of research; he adds that in his experience as a father of 10 it doesn't need a research team to find out how to alarm a baby. He is thereupon sacked on the spot, not for his hazy grasp of the function of the company's product but for failing to wave a magic wand and materialise a gleaming glass palace out of thin air.

Once the fatal decision is made, the first step is to acquire an asylum of laboratories. The only point on which the planners called in to do the job will agree is that the laboratories must be sited in pleasant rural terrain, for it is well known that scientists are intensely sensitive to atmosphere and will only thrive in congenial surroundings. In due course an imposing edifice arises, architecturally part early nuclear and part late Bayswater Road. It is so deep in the heart of the countryside that no road exists within miles. The chairman regards the inaccessibility as an advantage; he has always wanted an excuse to buy a helicopter. The lack of an access road will not bother the scientists as their little hooves never quite touch the ground anyway.

Phase two of the operation is to stock the buildings with physicists and, as with jugged hare, the first thing to be done is to catch them. Frankly, this is no task for the amateur; better by far to leave it to a reputable physicist-trapper, for not every one which is caught is suitable and considerable expertise is necessary to know which to keep and which to throw away. The main features the professional will look for are the distinctive markings (known in the trade as 'hons') which an expert eye can categorise as first, second or third class. There are three main breeds of physicists to go for, namely the "Oxon", the "Cantab" and the quaintly-named "Redbrick". The first two varieties are highly prized by fanciers and have an additional scarcity value

but the Redbrick is said by some to be more industrious.

Physicists in captivity are frequently intractable at the outset and are prone to pine for their natural habitat, the university, but provided that the laboratories are plentifully equipped with complicated and expensive toys they usually settle down, given time and patience. Do not fuss them; put them in their glass-walled cages at 9 a.m. and let them play or sleep until 5 p.m. when they should be put out for exercise.

The great moment comes when, after a short quiescent period (often as little as six or seven years), one of them produces something he or she has made. It will bear no resemblance whatever to the equipment which is urgently required by the Works but then, life is like that. If, for instance, the desired end-product is a Mark II baby alarm the nearest you are likely to get to it is an experimental electronic mousetrap. The idealist or the inexperienced may be forgiven for feeling that the whole exercise has been pretty futile.

Not so, however. The realist accepts the mousetrap gratefully and then casts around for a mousetrap manufacturer whose own laboratories have produced an experimental baby alarm. The two then come to an amicable cross-licensing agreement and in this fashion science and industry can be linked in happy wedlock.

If this should catch the eye of any emerging young scientists I hope enough has been said to show that research in industry can be every bit as jolly as on the campus; in fact, the chances are that you won't know the difference. You may even get the chance of roughing up an M.P. or two because, having got himself a research department, the chairman will naturally want to show it off to visiting V.I.Ps. It will be just like home.

## By comparison

I am most grateful to Bob Eldridge of Vancouver, B.C., for his comments on my March contribution. He writes:

First let me say that I enjoy your column immensely, and it is evident that you enjoy writing it.

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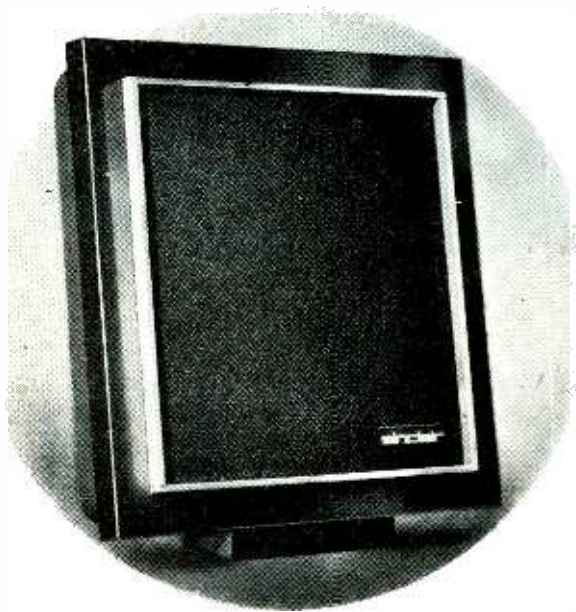
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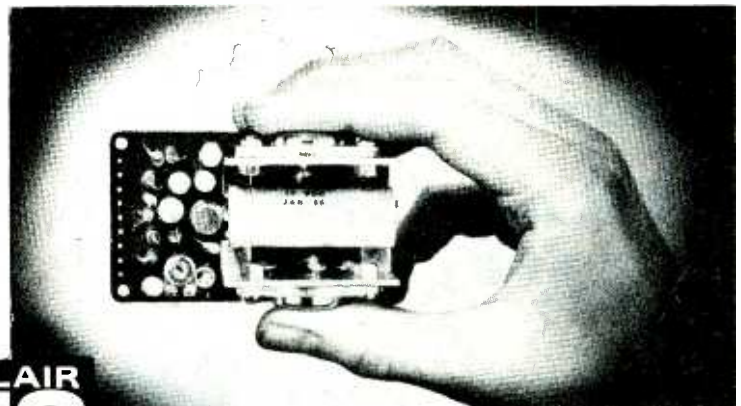
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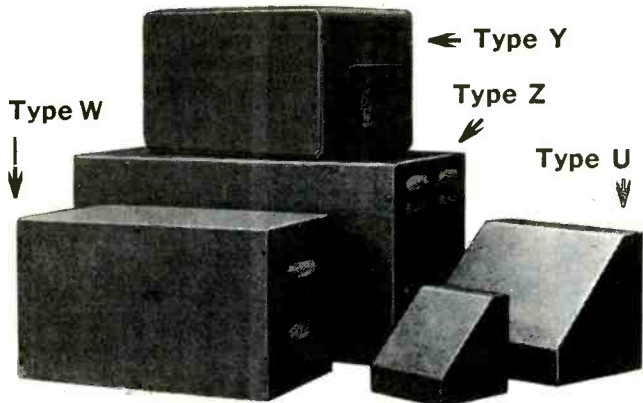
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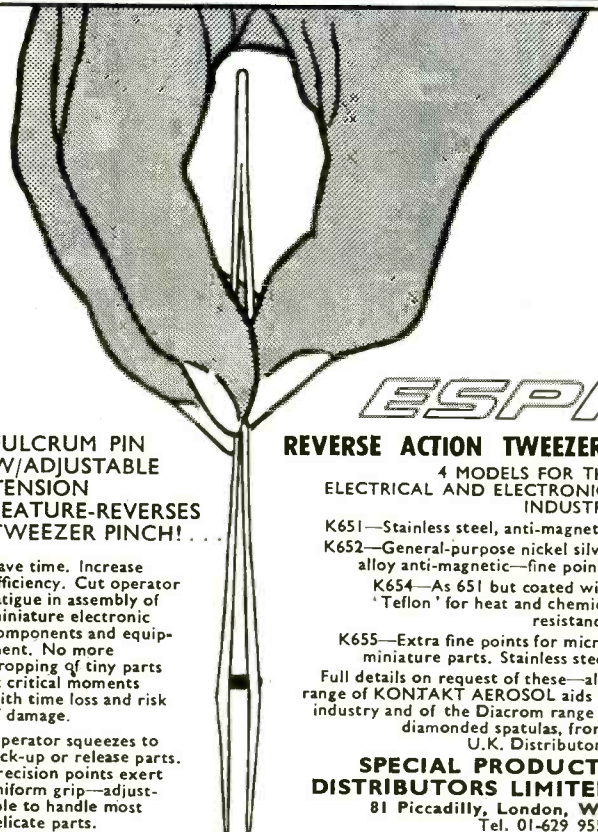
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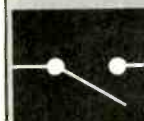
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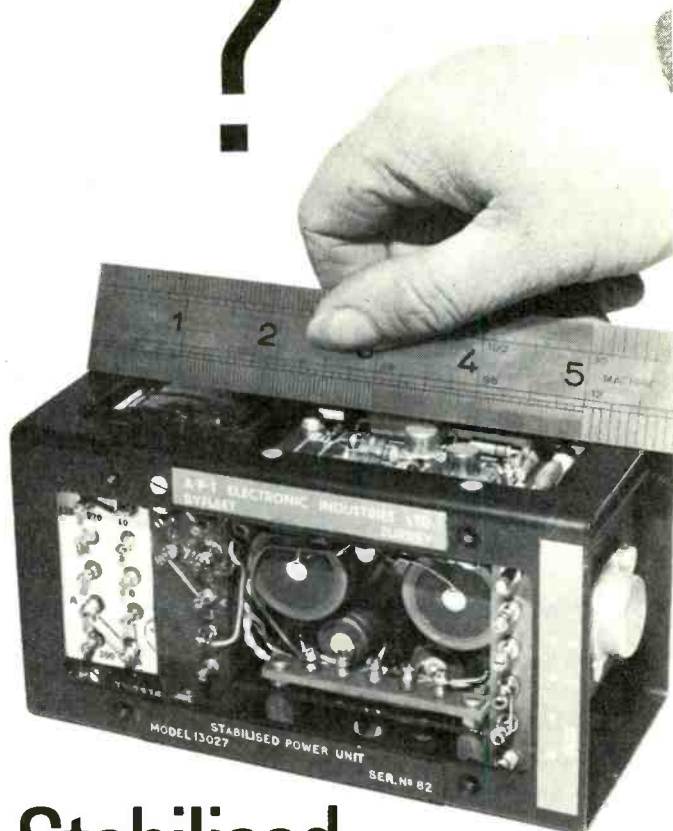
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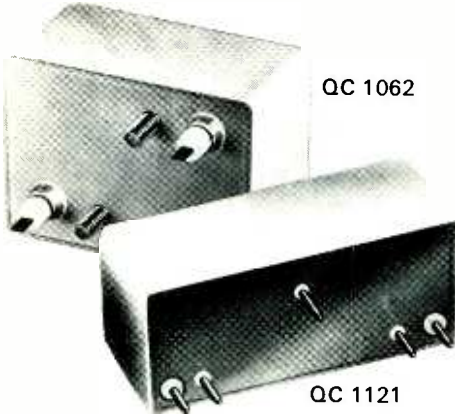
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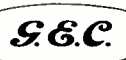
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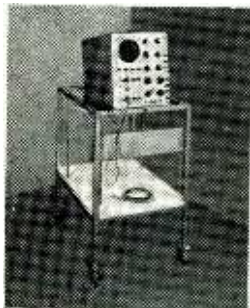
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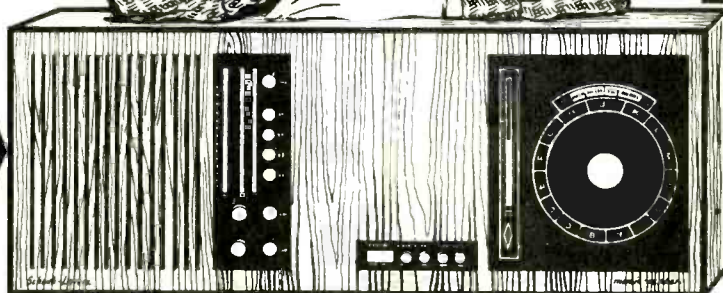
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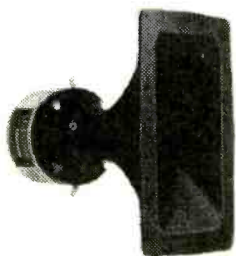
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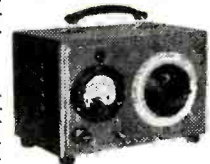
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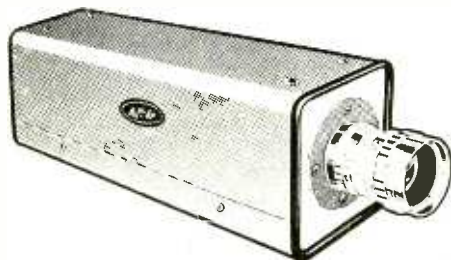
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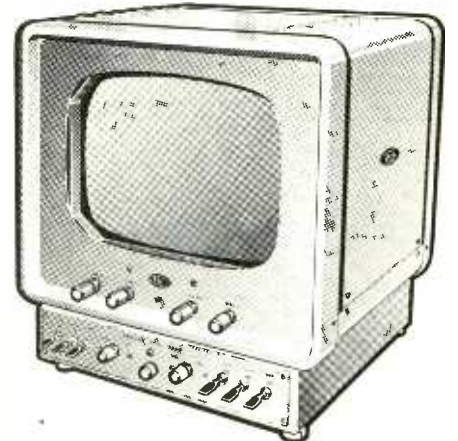
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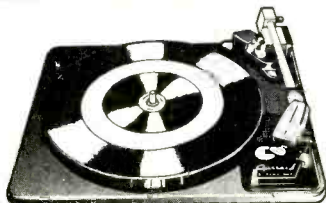
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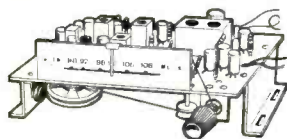
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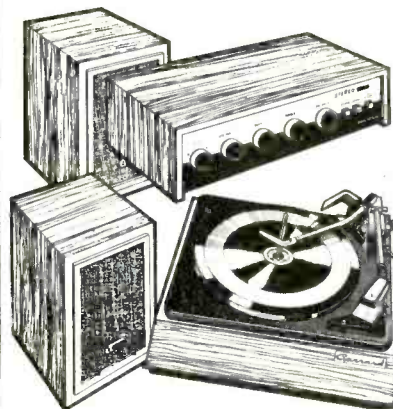
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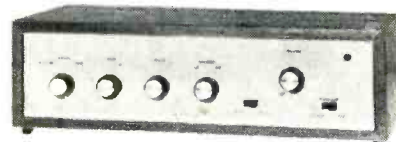
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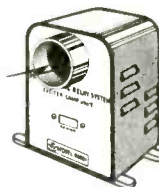
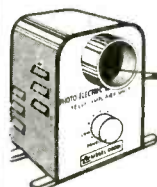
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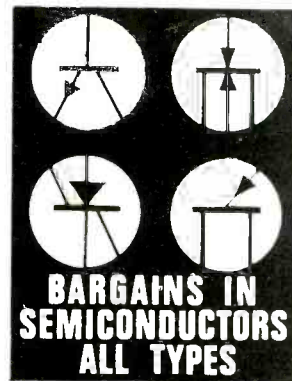
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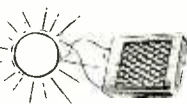


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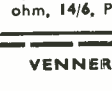
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3V4	6/6	6V6	4/6	35W6	5/6	ECL86	9/6	PCC89	11/6	U301	17/6
3V4	8/6	6X4	5/6	35W6	5/6	EF50A	8/6	PCC189	12/6	UABC90	6/6
3V4	8/6	6X5	3/6	AZ81	10/6	EF40	10/6	PC86	11/6	UAF42	10/6
3V4	8/6	6T7	7/6	DAF91	4/6	EF41	9/6	PC88	11/6	UBC41	8/6
4Y5	8/6	6C6	6/6	DAF96	7/6	EF42	10/6	PC97	8/6	UBF90	7/6
4Z4	8/6	6Y4	8/6	DF91	3/6	EP80	5/6	PC900	7/6	UBF99	7/6
4Z4	12/6	6OC7	15/6	DF96	7/6	EP86	6/6	PCF80	7/6	UCC94	10/6
6A2	4/6	10C7	9/6	DK91	6/6	EP96	7/6	PCF82	7/6	UCD95	7/6
6A67	4/6	10P13	15/6	DK96	8/6	EP99	6/6	PCF84	9/6	UCF86	9/6
6AK5	5/6	10P14	16/6	DK96	8/6	EP91	4/6	PCF86	9/6	UCH42	10/6
6AL5	3/6	12A7E	5/6	DL99	5/6	EP92	4/6	PCF900	15/6	UCH81	2/6
6AM6	4/6	12A7T	4/6	DL94	5/6	EP183	7/6	PCF901	10/6	UCL82	3/6
6AQ5	6/6	12A7U	5/6	DL96	6/6	EP184	7/6	PCF902	10/6	UCL83	10/6
6AR5	6/6	12AK7	6/6	DY96	6/6	EL33	12/6	PCF805	14/6	UF41	10/6
6AT6	6/6	12BA6	6/6	E88CC	12/6	EL34	11/6	PCF807	10/6	UF80	7/6
6AU6	5/6	12BE6	6/6	EABC80	7/6	EL41	9/6	PCL83	9/6	UF85	7/6
6BA6	4/6	12BH7	6/6	E180F	15/6	EL42	11/6	PCL84	8/6	UF89	7/6
6BE6	5/6	12Q7	5/6	EAF42	9/6	EL81	9/6	PCL85	9/6	UL41	10/6
6BH6	8/6	128Q7	7/6	EB91	3/6	EL84	5/6	PCL86	9/6	UL84	7/6
6BJ6	8/6	19A4Q5	6/6	EBC41	9/6	EL85	9/6	PFL200	12/6	UY41	7/6
6BR7	11/6	20F2	14/6	EB281	7/6	EL91	4/6	PL30	10/6	UY85	6/6
6BZ6	7/6	20L1	13/6	EBF80	7/6	EL95	5/6	PL81	7/6	VR150/30	5/6
6C4	3/6	20P1	12/6	EBF83	9/6	EM80	7/6	PL82	7/6		
6C6	4/6	20P3	12/6	EBF89	7/6	EM81	8/6	PL83	7/6		
6CD6	20/6	20P4	19/6	ECC40	11/6	EM84	7/6	PL84	6/6		
6CH6	6/6	25L6	6/6	ECC81	4/6	EM87	7/6	PL500	14/6		
6CL5	10/6	25Z4	14/6	EY81	5/6	EY81	7/6	PY33	9/6		
6D6	3/6	30C15	13/6	EY83	6/6	EY86	7/6	PY80	5/6		

### TRANSISTORS

2N 753	4/6	8BY26	4/6	OC73	5/6	XA104	4/6
2N 2950	14/11	8BY28	4/6	OC74	5/6	XA112	4/6
2N 2926	6/6	8BY65	4/6	OC75	4/6	XA125	4/6
AC107	4/6	8BY95A	5/6	OC76	4/6	XB112	3/6
AC126	4/6	GET106	5/6	OC77	4/6	XC141	7/6
AC127	4/6	GET113	5/6	OC78	5/6	PHOTO	
AC128	4/6	GET873	5/6	OC81	2/6	TRANSIS-	
ACV19	5/6	GET874	4/6	OC81M	2/6	TORS	12/6
ACV21	5/6	MAT100	7/6	OC81D	2/6		
AD140	8/6	MAT101	8/6	OC81DM	2/6		
AD149	18/6	MAT120	7/6	OC82	4/6		
ADT140	15/6	MAT121	8/6	OC83	5/6		
AF114	6/6	OC23	8/6	OC139	8/6		
AF115	4/6	OC26	7/6	OC140	11/6	IN34A	4/6
AF116	4/6	OC28	8/6	OC169	4/6	OA5	3/6
AF117	4/6	OC33	8/6	OC170	4/6	OA10	4/6
AF118	4/6	OC41	5/6	OC171	4/6	OA70	2/6
AF119	4/6	OC42	5/6	OC200	9/6	OA79	2/6
ASV28	7/6	OC44	4/6	OC201	11/6	OA81	2/6
BC107	5/6	OC74	4/6	OC209	12/6	OA90	2/6
BC108	5/6	OC71	4/6	RT140	4/6	OA95	2/6
BC109	5/6	OC72	4/6	RT141	4/6	OA96	2/6

### ZENER DIODES

0AZ200	12/6	0AZ204	8/6	0AZ208	6/6	0AZ212	6/6
0AZ201	10/6	0AZ205	8/6	0AZ209	6/6	0AZ213	6/6
0AZ202	8/6	0AZ206	8/6	0AZ210	6/6	0AZ227	15/6
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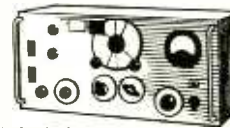
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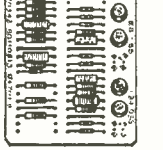


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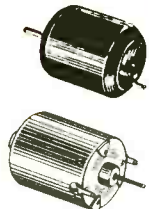
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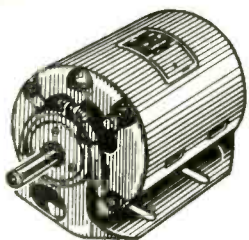
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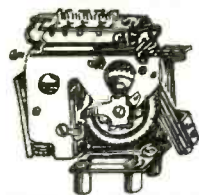
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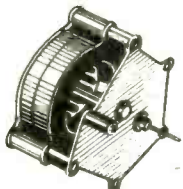
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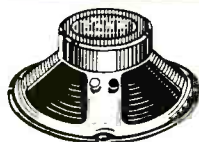
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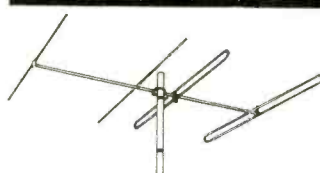


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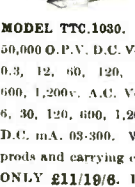
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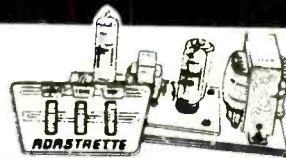


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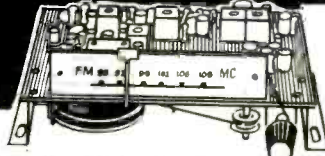
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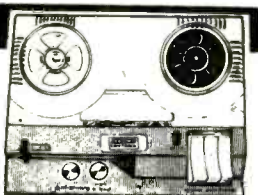
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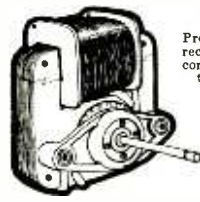
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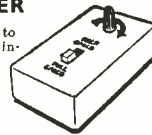


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Precision made—as used in record decks and tape recorders—ideal also for extractor fan-blower, heater, etc. New and perfect. Ship at 9/6. Postage 3/- for first one then one ordered, 12 and over post free.



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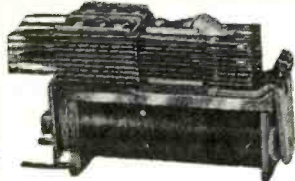
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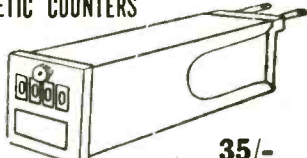
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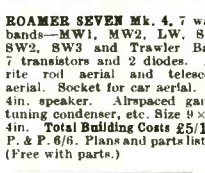
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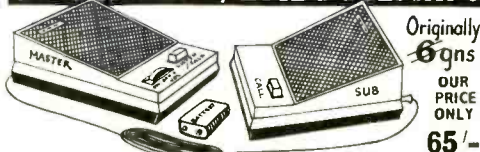
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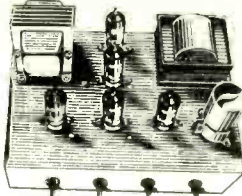
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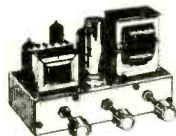
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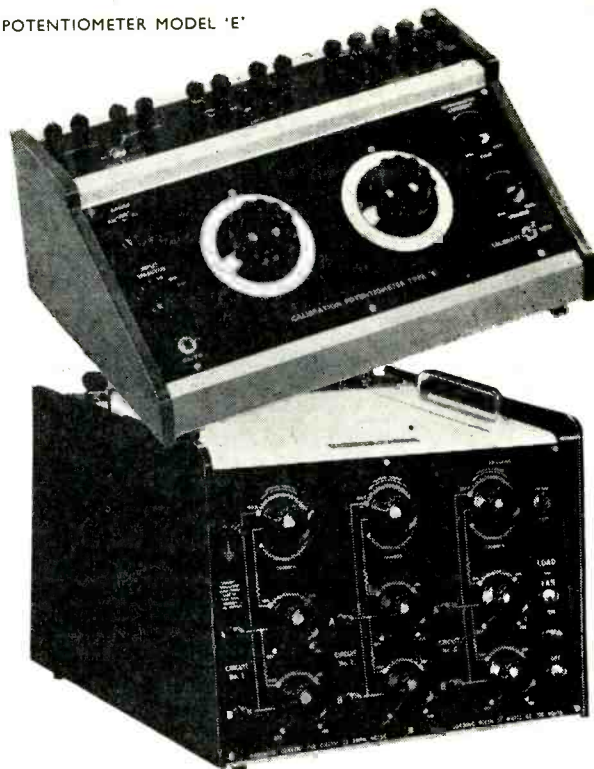
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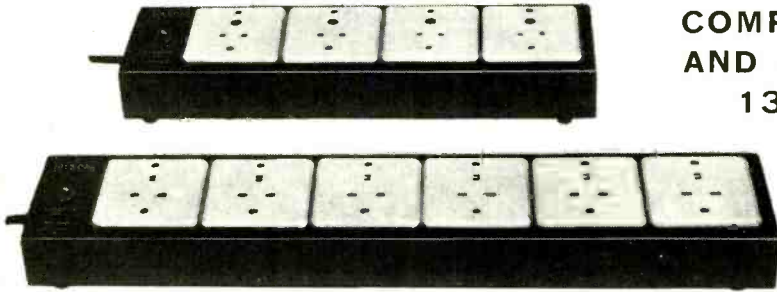
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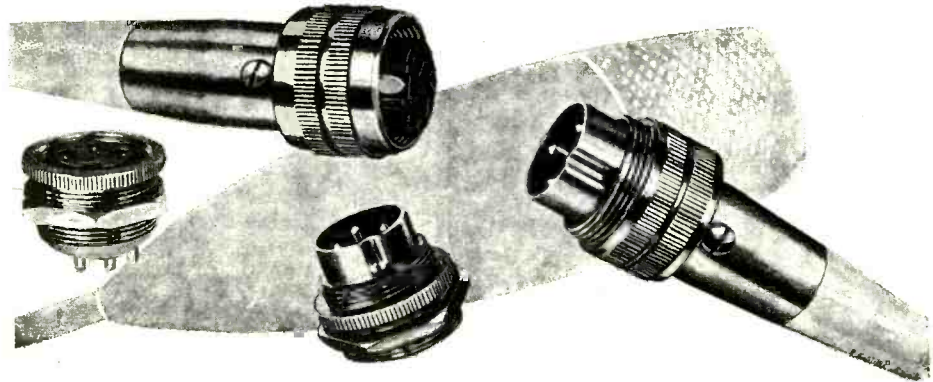
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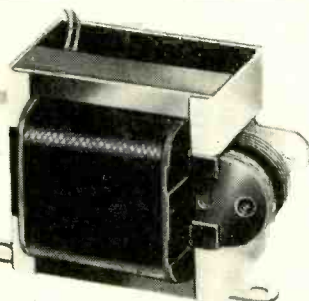
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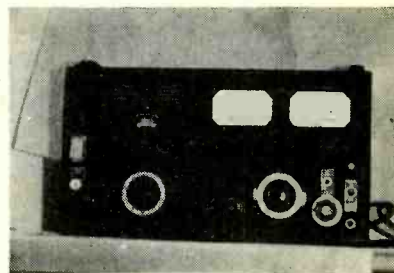
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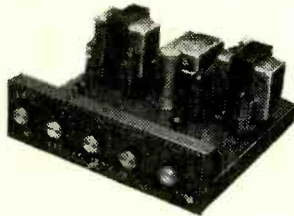
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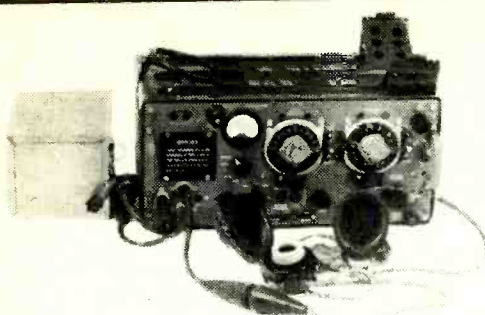
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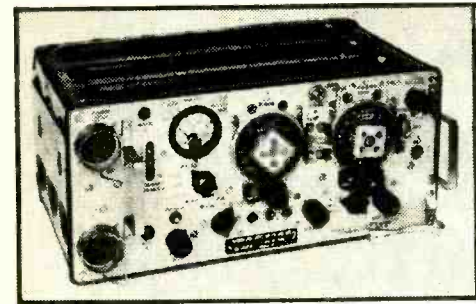
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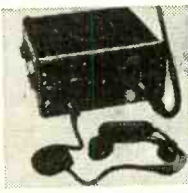
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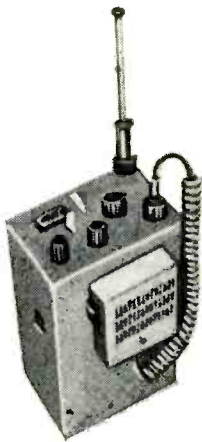
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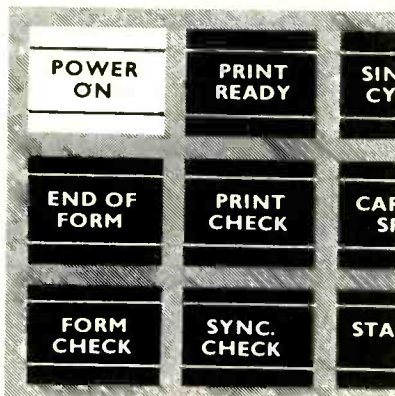
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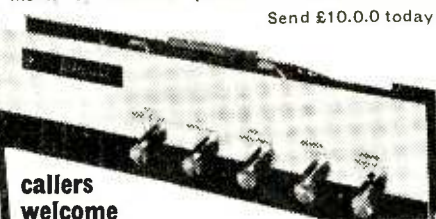
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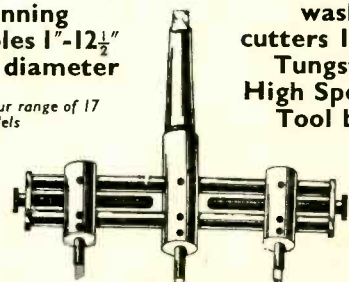
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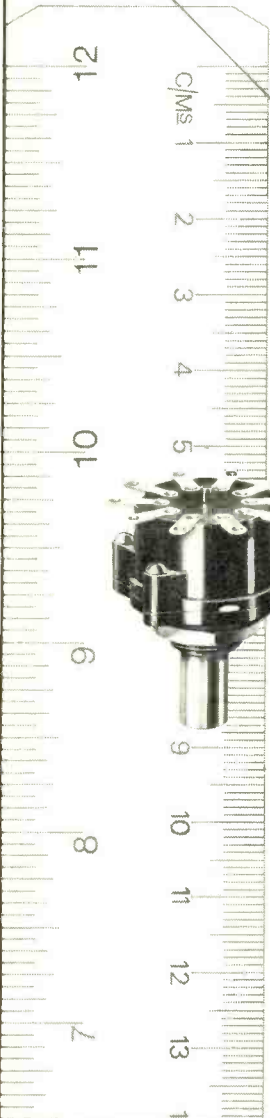
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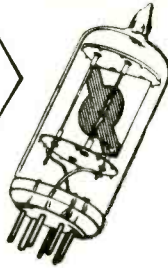
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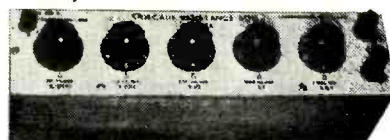
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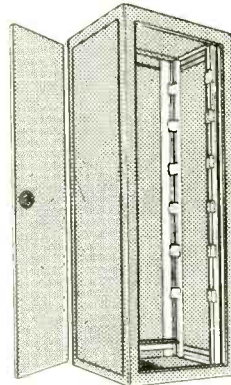
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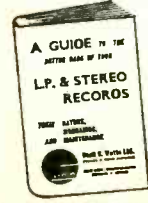
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