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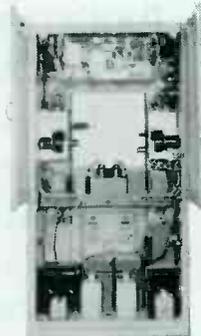


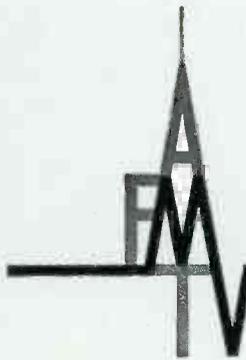
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AUTOMATION, TAPE CONTROL, STEREO

Claim Limelight at '62 **NAB** Show

AS USUAL the annual National Association of Broadcasters Convention was a great success. At the time of writing the actual attendance count was not finalized; however, everything pointed to a record attendance. The 16th Annual Engineering Conference had a particularly good selection of papers, and BROADCAST ENGINEERING plans to publish some in the forthcoming months. Owing to the expanded exhibit space at the Hilton Hotel the technical equipment display was the best this reporter has seen in years and judging by all the comments heard this view was shared by all. The management section of the Convention will be covered by the

many non-technical journals so it will suffice to say that this section was as strong as the technical efforts.

In the following pages will be found a listing of all the exhibitors at the Convention together with a brief description of their major exhibits. Among the visitors automation and tape control seemed to claim the major attention and all those stands showing this type equipment were very well patronized. New transmitters attracted a great deal of attention, and the developments in color TV were well received. So here for the benefit of the "stay-at-homes" is a review of the Convention in alphabetical order.

AITKEN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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Products:

The Auto Jockey is a complete system of audio control using conventional and or endless loop tape machines and the automatic back-up cueing Seeburg Changer. Silence in operation is with the advance head sensing and cueing system. New this year was the two tone, reduced level, control to eliminate false action of the equipment. Systems are custom made to meet individual station requirements.

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American Microwave & Television Corp. featured a film camera chain and an ingenious new electronic pan-tilt-zoom device.

Other equipment displayed and demonstrated:

10 watt microwave amplifier using a traveling wave tube which can be driven to full output by a .10 watt (1/10 watt) transmitter.

Differential phase and gain equalizer for use in the video circuit of a microwave system or TV studio system.

Employed in conjunction with 35 mm. slide projectors, the new electronic pan-tilt-zoom device eliminates manually operated studio cameras and rear screen slide projection when either exterior or interior live-action scenes are simulated in TV program production.

The high resolution AMTEL vidicon camera will pan-tilt-zoom electronically as slides are illuminated in the projector. A television engineer seated at the unit's switching console controls all camera action by means of a "joy stick" (for panning and tilting) and a 4 to 1 zoom control.

Among several advantages cited for the new unit is the impossibility of panning or tilting the camera beyond the slide picture field, as can happen with studio cameras and rear screen projection.

AMPEX CORPORATION

934 Charter Street
Redwood City, California

Products:

Ampex VR-1000C Videotape Recorder with color conversion accessory.

Ampex VR-1002 Videotape Recorder for black and white recording.

Ampex/Marconi Mark IV Image Orthicon Television Camera Channel and associated equipment.

Professional Broadcast Audio Recorders, Model Numbers 351/354 Series, 300 Series, 601 Series and 1200 Series.

Ampex Corporation introduced a greatly simplified and improved model of its television tape recorder picture synchronizer, known as "Intersync."

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The new version has 50 per cent fewer controls than previous models, thereby greatly simplifying maintenance setup, and operating procedure. In addition, the unit incorporates numerous built-in test features cutting down the need for external test equipment in setup and also reducing setup time.

The new design also incorporates improved electronic resolver circuitry which results in greater horizontal phase stability and greater tolerance for instabilities caused by mechanical splices. New circuitry also makes possible the locking of the recorder to so-called line lock sync generators operating within FCC specifications; previous models required crystal controlled sync stability.

The new Intersync is available for all Ampex Videotape recorders currently in use as well as current production models. It is completely compatible with all other Videotape recorder accessories such as Amtec, Colortec and Electronic Editor.

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AUTOMATED ELECTRONICS, INC.

3022 Southland Center
Dallas 1, Texas

Products:
Completely automated tape programmer and/or spot recorder.

AUTOMATIC TAPE CONTROL, INC.

Bloomington, Illinois

Products:
Automatic Tape Control cartridge playback units and recording amplifiers.

ATC 55 cartridge player
ATC Sound Salesman, Portable audition cartridge player

Automatic Program Logging printed tape log verification
Automatic Tape Control cartridge equipment accessories

The following ATC equipment was in operation demonstrating how a completely automated broadcast station operates:

ATC Dual-Tone Tape Cartridge Units—The dual-tone system allows for an auxiliary control tone to be inserted in the recorded message which, in playing back, will automatically actuate other ATC equipment or additional equipment such as television slide projectors, record changer, etc.

ATC 55—a device which plays 55 tape cartridges in sequence without reloading or manual operation of any kind.

ATC Automatic Program Logging—a brand new ATC development that automatically prints FCC logging information directly from magnetic tape as it is broadcast.

BAUER ELECTRONICS CORPORATION

1663 Industrial Road
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Philadelphia 31, Pennsylvania

Products:
STEP (Sequential Television Equipment Programmer)
STEP, the low-cost automation system for TV switching, was in operation at the Chrono-log Booth at the NAB Show. STEP is designed to switch video and audio, start and stop film projectors and tape units and operate slide projectors during the station break panic period. STEP offers practical automation for all TV stations, small and large.

The unique pinboard memory of STEP provides versatility of operation at low cost. STEP permits programming an entire day's switching sequences in advance. The operator can check out the sequence prior to running it on STEP by operating the system in the Preview mode.

The STEP control panel mounts directly in the operator's console and provides a clear display of the functions to be performed on the next switching event and the time remaining until that event. Provision for last minute changes and operator override of the predetermined switching sequence is provided in STEP.

A STEP System has been in operation for over four months at WTVR, Richmond, Virginia. The photograph shows the STEP control panel installed in the console at WTVR.

Chrono-log Digital Clocks have been widely used during the past five years to provide digital outputs of time for large scale digital computers, industrial control systems and telemetering systems. Now, Chrono-log Digital Clocks are being offered for use in the broadcasting field in various applications.

Chrono-log Digital Clocks can also be used for TV coverage of sporting events and other features where the element of time plays an important part and contributes to viewer understanding and interest.

Q System—A new product introduced at the NAB Show was the Q System, designed by Chrono-log to permit cueing performers and crew at the start and end of live shows and tape sessions.

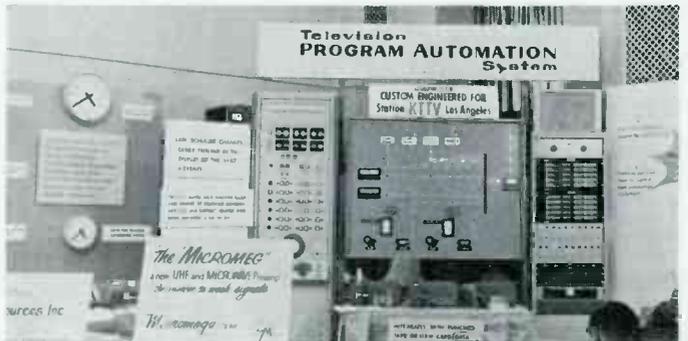
Q provides for remote displays of the time-to-go at various locations such as the control console, the director's desk, at the camera, etc. The displays are operated from a central location. A 5 minute warning and a 2 minute warning are given. The final 30 seconds are counted down by Q to insure that all personnel are ready at the proper time. Q is useful not only at the start of the show but also at the end, to permit the performer and crew to make a smooth closing.

Q is also useful during taping sessions and any other session where personnel must synchronize their activities.



A fortuitous juxtaposition of two key words highlights the main points of interest at the 1962 NAB Engineering Conference. Stereo and Automation were on everybody's lips, even small station operators.

Automatic Tape Control provided material for intensive study by many visitors to the Conference, and its equipment received thorough engineering scrutiny.



The Program Automation System specially supplied by Visual Electronics for KTTV shown here between demonstrations was the subject of a great deal of interest.



Electronic Optical Effects for slides are shown in these two photographs of the pan-tilt-zoom which was demonstrated by American Microwave.

CLARK-ROOT, INC.

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212E-1 Console, modified for stereo
212G-1 Console
212F-2 Console
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CONRAC DIVISION

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fiers and preamplifiers, audio control and loudspeakers, tape recorders, FM Stereo MPX Generator.

GATES RADIO COMPANY

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Products:
AM-FM-TV broadcast transmitters, audio systems, transistorized amplifiers, transcription turntables, spot tape recorders, cartridge tape systems, remote amplifiers, remote control systems, frequency and modulation monitors, limiting and leveling amplifiers, plus other representative broadcast equipment.
A new line of transistor audio control consoles was introduced at the NAB Convention by the Gates Radio Company, subsidiary of Harris-Intertype Corporation.
For stereo programming, Gates featured the new M-6158 Dual Stereo Audio Control Console, designed for full 10-channel stereo operation. This system can also be used for AM, FM and TV dual channel broadcasting and recording of monophonic programming.
Two additional audio systems were offered for dual and single channel monophonic operation. The new M-6209 Dual Channel Solid Statesman Console features a totally new switching concept for audio control. Two multiple station, illuminated push-button switches provide 12-positions and "off" as a control center for all medium level inputs. One switch bank feeds into channel four, the other into channel five. When the input positions are not switched into either channel, they are automatically connected to the cue bus for previewing or cueing. Two illuminated VU meters are designed to be placed either on the console housing or on the desk top.
The new M-5764 Single Channel Solid Statesman Console also includes the 12-position push-button control center and detachable VU meter. All consoles are completely transistorized.

Also on display for the first time was the new Gates Dual Stereo Peak Limiter, the SMX stereo generating system and stereo turntables. The stereo limiter is a self-contained dual amplifier that is equally adaptable to stereo operation or to completely separate AM and FM operation. The unit consists of two identical peak limiting amplifiers with a common power supply. In the stereo position, the amplifier allows the highest signal in either channel to determine the amount of limiting of both channels.

Four new FM transmitters were exhibited, ranging in power from one to twenty kilowatts. Each model has been designed for stereo and includes silicon rectifiers, built-in remote control facilities, low-noise cooling system and the new Cascade exciter providing 30 to 15,000 cycle response.
Other equipment displayed included 1 kw and 5 kw AM transmitters, new 100 watt TV transmitter, 10 audio control consoles, Spot Tape Recorders, Digital Tape System, Cartridge Tape Systems, 12 and 16-inch turntables, transistor amplifiers, remote amplifiers, modulation and frequency monitors, remote control systems, microphones and other control room accessories. Custom-designed stereo and monaural control rooms will be highlighted in special displays featuring new modular desks.

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High gain, wide band FM antennas, designed for FM stereo broadcasting. Complete line, up to 20 bays. Vertically polarized as well as conventional types. Directional FM antennas. FM diplexers and multiplexers. High attenuation, high power FM harmonic filters. Coaxial transmission line and fittings.

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Box 17
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Products:
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KLIEGL BROS.

321 West 50th St.
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Products:
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In addition to the new SCR (Silicon Controlled Rectifier) Dimmer, Kliegl this year featured a new batch of light sources for TV use. These include (1) The Quartz-Iodine lamp for cyclorama curtain lighting and (2) The Lilliput Twin which uses the very new sealed beam quartz-iodine lamps by G.E. and which do the job of high level lighting without using transformers, as well as (3) the latest in PAR-64 introductions.

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Stereo Monitors
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STL Receivers
UHF-VHF Communication Receivers
Fixed Frequency Receivers
Audio PA Amplifiers—transistorized

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Magnetic Products Division
900 Bush Avenue
St. Paul 6, Minnesota

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Products:
Television Video Monitors
Conelrad Equipment
Audio Operated Relays
Program Failure Alarm
Citizens Band Transceivers
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Products:
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SCA Subcarrier Generator
FM Stereo Generator
10 Watt FM Exciter

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CORPORATION**
Johnson City, New York

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A new generation of broadcasting equipment, including advanced products for radio and television stations and fresh concepts for tomorrow, was unveiled by the Radio Corporation of America at the National Association of Broadcasters convention.

RCA exhibit visitors saw an experimental color TV camera which for the first time produces four signals, three in color and one in black-and-white, resulting in color pictures of unprecedented richness and detail, according to C. H. Colledge, Division Vice President and General Manager, RCA Broadcast and Communications Products Division.

The addition of an M-channel (for monochrome) to the three primary color signals generated by current color cameras produces an effect much like that of four-color printing in which black imparts fidelity and depth of tone, Mr Colledge explained.

Use of the new camera will not necessitate any change in present color television receivers, he added. The experimental camera shared the RCA exhibit spotlight with other advanced equipment in the tape and film recording, automatic switching and control systems and FM stereo areas, much of it ready for early use by broadcasters.

Other members of RCA's new generation of radio-television broadcasting equipment included:

1. A television film recorder, capable of a 50 per cent improvement in picture resolution: 900 lines as compared with the 600-line pictures produced in conventional kinescope recording. To reduce halation and achieve a finer focused beam, the recorder uses a new thin-window, flat-faced presentation tube with an inner face-plate on which the image appears. A new double frame pull-down camera eliminates the shutter bar inherent in current systems. These features, plus simplified instrumentation, provide a system that RCA design engineers predict will transform TV film recording from an art to a science, with

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2. A television switching system, the TS-100, featuring a new type of simplified manual control (SIMCON) as the "mother" element for a family of add-ons capable of extending the systems ultimate capability to computer control of all station functions.

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3. Production models of three types of RCA television tape recorders: the TR-22, the industry's first all-transistorized model, displayed as a prototype machine at the 1961 NAB convention; the TR-11B, the standard broadcast unit, which will be operating in color, and the TR-11 compact unit, equipped with RCA's new accessory for operation at normal and half speed.

4. A mobile TV tape recording unit which uses a Metro Van, a light-weight local delivery type truck, as transport for the TR-11 compact recorder. The mobile unit will bear a complete price of under \$50,000. The four-rack recorder is installed with two racks on each side of the truck, with the units mounted on tracks to facilitate servicing and removal for in-studio use, if desired.

5. A production model of the TK-12 monochrome camera, now in commercial broadcast use. Its 4 1/2-inch image orthicon tube provides substantial improvement in resolution, signal-to-noise ratio and gray scale rendition.

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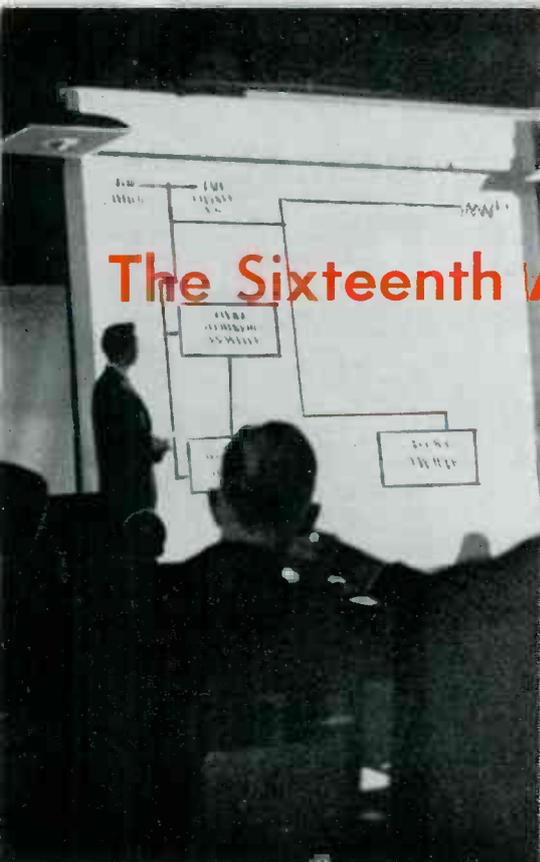
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Edward R. Murrow, long-time radio newsman, network executive and now head of U. S. Information Agency and its Voice of America program, received special NAB plaque for his contributions to broadcasting.



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George Bartlett and his committee did a fine job of selection in their choice of papers — always a difficult job and open to criticism. It is obviously impossible to report completely the subject and discussion of each paper. So, following are brief summaries of a variety of the papers presented that were available to us at our press deadline.

SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT FOR RADIO BROADCASTS

Delegates to the Broadcast Engineering Conference were told that equipment now in use will virtually let a station run all by itself.

Ralph L. Haberstock, Senior Audio Engineer with the Gates Radio Co., Quincy, Ill., said use of cartridge tape equipment for radio programming is most helpful in taking the jam out of the control room. "Tape cartridges could be recorded with spots and themes," he said, "would cue ready for re-use and would reduce the chance for error that might result in lost revenue."

Mr. Haberstock said the system works through tones which are inaudible to the human ear. The tones, he said, trip switches and cause other machines to start or stop operations. Various tones can be used to perform a variety of control room functions, leaving the operator free to concern himself with other production chores.

The use of inaudible control tones also was the basis for a presentation by John A. Moseley, President of Moseley Associates, Inc., Santa Barbara, Calif.

Mr. Moseley told the assembly about a new microwave remote control unit which can perform functions heretofore possible only by telephone lines and linear control equipment. The new unit, a studio-transmitter link operating in the 950 megacycle range, uses a series of tones to turn on transmitters, raise or lower power, turn on associated equipment, and of course, turn equipment off.

The equipment is most valuable for locations where telephone lines ordi-

narily are impractical, such as mountain tops, he said.

The radio-controlled remote system also would relieve stations of concern over line failure, icing and breaking of wires. In addition, the cost of a radio remote control link is a one-time affair, while a line set up is on rental from a telephone company.

Use of this radio control system for stereo also is under investigation.

QUALITY CONTROL OF FM STEREO DISCUSSED BY BROADCAST ENGINEERS

Representatives from two companies that manufacture transmitter and receiver equipment stressed the need for more quality control in FM Stereophonic broadcasting.

Frank D. McLin, Project Engineer of Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, told the engineers of a new transistor-powered FM broadcast system for both monophonic and stereophonic transmissions. He said it also could be used in the so-called 'background music' service.

Frank McIntosh, Washington, D. C., consulting engineer for McIntosh Laboratory, Inc., of Binghamton, N. Y., reviewed the present quality in FM broadcasting and improvements that can be made in the future.

Mr. McLin said the transistor-powered FM system is superior to regular tube systems because "it has high reliability due to the extensive use of transistors, low distortion, and excellent channel separation."

He said home listeners will enjoy benefits of greater stereophonic clarity through this new system, and the

advantages to both monaural and background listening will be superior to existing systems.

LENS AND PICKUP TUBE MANUFACTURERS SEEKING TO IMPROVE HOME PICTURES

Constant research and development of television components which ultimately will give home viewers a better quality picture were outlined in two papers presented by research engineers. Dr. Frank G. Back, Research Director of Zoomar, Inc., discussed "New Concepts in the Evaluation of Television Lenses," while R. G. Neuhauer, an Engineering leader of the Radio Corporation of America, reported on "Characteristics and Mode of Operation of Image Orthicons."

Lenses that give an accurate picture of a test board do not always present an accurate rendition of a live subject, according to Dr. Back. He said, "A lens can have extremely high target resolution, but the picture may appear washed out and lacking in crispness."

Because of the low sensitivity to blue of standard camera pickup tubes, he said, the in-focus changes of zoom lenses do not affect picture quality, and the color may be used as a filter by coating the lens.

He said this will give a sharper picture on color transmission. A black and white camera must use a wider lens opening because of the reduced input of reds and green with the blue filter.

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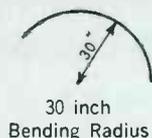
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is to use the lens on a projector, and view the screen as the lens proceeds through the various stages of the zoom. Such tests, he said, "reveals shortcomings or deficiencies within minutes, where bench tests would take hours to conduct."

The same uniformity and depth of true blacks and whites were discussed by Mr. Neuhauser of RCA's Electron Tube Division. He said a more accurate picture ultimately will make home viewing more enjoyable.

He said "high voltage operation of the image orthicon pickup tubes produces the best signal and most accurate photographic reproduction of a scene."

STUDIO LIGHTING ADVANCES DESCRIBED AT CONFERENCE

A more accurate camera pickup of colors in a television studio can be obtained under a new TV studio lighting concept described by Rollo G. Williams, director of color research for Century Lighting, Inc.

He said lighting of a television studio "should be approached in a manner that will allow the spectral distribution of the light sources to be varied as required, so that advantages can be taken of higher output, spectral distribution changes, or long lamp life as required."

Mr. Williams said the power of a lamp is not the key factor in illuminating a set. Of more importance, he said, is the reflected light from the subject that the camera sees.

Mr. Williams said lighting technicians, by using a lamp that can be varied through control equipment to cover the entire visible range of colors, can "overcome a major battle in clarity." "Intelligent control of such factors," he said, "can result in important economies in equipment and operating costs."

SIGNALS OF TELEVISION STATIONS MEASURED IN TWO UHF-VHF PROJECTS

Television stations and antenna manufacturers conduct extensive research of existing or planned antennas to assure home viewers the best picture possible.

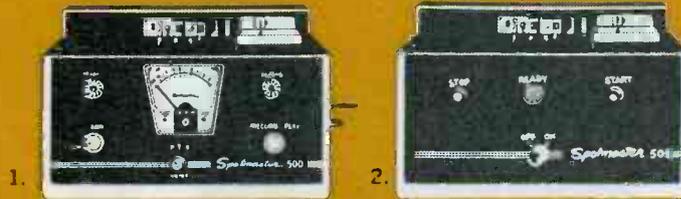
Such an experiment now is in progress in New York City and another was conducted in St. Louis, Mo.

E. W. Allen, Chief Engineer of the Federal Communications Commission, told delegates to the Broadcast Engineering Conference that preliminary results from WUHF, the ultra-high frequency television station on channel 31, in New York City, showed good quality reception up to 25 miles from the transmitter.

Two separate antennas are being used in the project, and transmissions in both black and white and color are tested with each system. Some 5000 residences in the metropolitan New York City Area are covered in the test, and pictures are checked with an eye to clarity and quality with both indoor and outdoor receiving antennas.

A comparative check between New York VHF stations and the experimental WUHF has shown no outstanding weakness in the UHF signal. But, Mr. Allen pointed out that, "it is believed to be too early to draw

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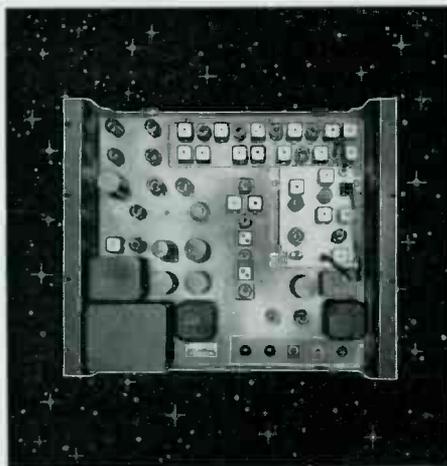
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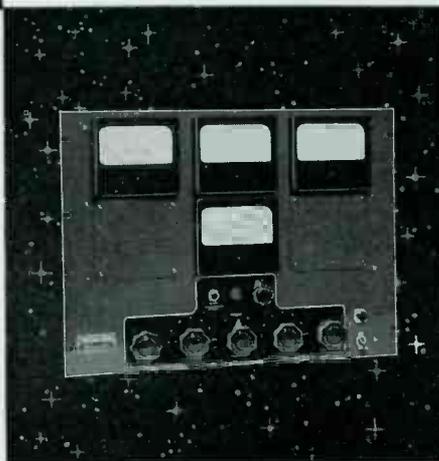


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In another antenna measurement survey—the power gain of KMOX-TV, St. Louis—a helicopter was used to take readings around the perimeter of the coverage area.

A report on the installation and measurement procedures was made to the Engineering Conference by Ogden L. Prestholdt, Director of Engineering for the CBS Radio Network. Co-authors of the research report were Andrew Alford, president of the Alford Manufacturing Company, Boston, Mass., and R. E. Fisk, specialist with the antenna engineering division of the General Electric Company, Syracuse, New York.

To simulate the existing KMOX-TV antenna, a scale model laboratory antenna was built. To simulate the comparison antenna, a scale of that also was built. The full-size comparison antenna was hoisted through the center of the existing KMOX-TV tower and fastened to its tallest height, just below the regular antenna.

Measurements were made by a mobile unit with the antenna set at about the height of an average home. Because reflection from ground obstructions prevented a complete and accurate survey, a helicopter was used to take readings in various stages of elevation and various distances from the tower.

With the comparison antenna strength noted, it was mathematically possible to measure the difference between the regular antenna and the reference antenna, and compute the power strength.

TRANSMITTER-KICKING AND TUBE-TAPPING SOMETIMES RETURNS STATIONS TO THE AIR

Two engineers for the Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, agreed that tapping of tubes and a "judicious" kick of the transmitter is a good first step toward putting a faulty transmitter back on the air.

A paper presented to the Broadcast Engineering Conference here by Richard L. Uhrik and Everett J. Gilbert, outlined steps taken in a search for a rapid system whereby a station could be returned to service after a breakdown of transmitter equipment.

Mr. Uhrik told the conferees that "the sources of potential failure in a transmitter number from 5000 to 10,000 individual possibilities."

The best thing to do immediately, he said, is to attempt "stab-in-the-dark" repairs, using judgment based on years of actual operating experience.

In the event this "Immediate Action Plan" fails, there are "32,786 sets of 15 decisions" the engineer can make. By isolating each section of the transmitter and blocking the possibilities of failure in each section, the fault can be found systematically and fairly rapidly.

Mr. Uhrik said, pre-planning a fault isolation system by stages is a time-consuming job. He recommended that stations under-graduate engineering students on a part-time basis to work out a system for general station use.

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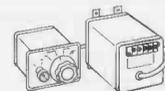
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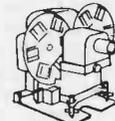
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LIGHTWEIGHT UNIT AIDS IN TELEVISION STRENGTH REPORTS

A new transistor-powered field strength meter for both Ultra High Frequency (UHF) and Very High Frequency (VHF) television stations was revealed today by Smith Electronics, Cleveland, Ohio.

Cecil S. Bidlack, broadcast consultant with the Ohio electronics manufacturer, told delegates to the Broadcast Engineering Conference that the size and weight of units heretofore used in measuring the signal strength of television stations were large, unwieldy and needed storage batteries or lines for electricity.

He said the new unit was designed for use by the Federal Communications Commission in its New York City test of the relative signal strengths and coverage areas of both UHF and VHF transmissions.

The new unit is lighter and smaller than conventional models and can operate on batteries rechargeable overnight from any regular power source. It uses a speaker for television station audio and a meter to check the strength of the video signal with no picture tube.

Mr. Bidlack said that "a completely portable instrument such as has developed has untold possibilities for the future."

MAINTENANCE-FREE TRANSISTORIZED BROADCAST EQUIPMENT PHROPHESIZED

Television broadcast equipment will be maintenance-free and will give uninterrupted quality service when stations begin all-transistor operation in the near future, according to a noted television studio engineering consultant.

In a paper, prepared jointly by J. F. Wiggin, and by R. E. Putman, manager of General Electric's Studio & Industrial TV Engineering, Mr. Wiggin said that transistors have come a long way since they were first used in television broadcast equipment. Transistors draw less power than vacuum tubes and in comparison "a vidicon chain using transistors finds a power reduction of 24 to 1. In the mechanical area, the reduction in size of all components allows a great saving in volume and weight."

In tests of General Electric broadcast equipment using transistorized circuitry, over 900,000 hours of operation were logged to one transistor failure. "To put it in a better light," said Mr. Wiggin, "this means that there has been approximately one transistor fail per unit per year of continuous operation."

Discussing the disadvantages of transistors, Mr. Wiggin said that "transistors are quite critical to both heat and cold." He added "even though transistor prices have dropped drastically during the past year, they still cost more than tubes. Consequently, much of the transistorized equipment has a higher initial cost than tube equipment."

He told the engineers, "It appears that more and more equipment will be designed with transistors, and you, the broadcasters, will receive greater stability and reliability of equipment in the future."

SPECIAL DESIGN APPLICATIONS PROVE TRANSISTOR LONG LIFE

John H. DeWitt, Jr., president of WSM, Inc., owners of WSM-TV, Nashville, told the Broadcast Engineering Conference that the life of a transistor in certain camera stages give "no noticeable deterioration of picture quality with time."

Furthermore, he said, it now is possible "to design equipment using only one or two types of transistors which greatly reduces the stockage problem."

"General use of well-designed transistorized equipment will greatly reduce maintenance cost in any given station," he said. "It will be the delight of management as well as a comfort to the chief engineer."

Mr. DeWitt spoke primarily about two specific units now in operation at WSM-TV, a video/pulse distribution amplifier, and a camera pre-amplifier.

Charles P. Ginsburg, a vice president of the Ampex Corp., told delegates about a newly-designed television tape recorder which operates on different principles than the contemporary model.

He discussed the design characteristics of a helical scan recorder, and compared them to those of the existing transverse model.

SPECIAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR EMERGENCY CONELRAD STATIONS

The chief engineer of an Alabama radio station suggested that every station assigned to Conelrad should have an emergency system to keep it on the air in event of a power failure.

James E. Gray, WYDE, Birmingham, Alabama, told delegates to the Broadcast Engineering Conference that Congress has allotted funds for such emergency facilities.

Mr. Gray outlined the minimum requirements for installing emergency facilities at the transmitter site, as well as recommended procedures for fast and efficient transition to the Conelrad frequency.

REFRIGERATED TRANSMITTER KEEPS KOOL TELEVISION COOL

A television station in Phoenix, Ariz., has enclosed its entire transmitter area in a refrigeration chamber to combat temperature difficulties which could cause technical breakdowns.

Albin R. Hillstrom, chief engineer of KOOL (AM-FM-TV), told delegates to the Broadcast Engineering Conference that unusually high temperatures, fine dust conditions, and a low-ceiling building made conventional air coolers obsolete for the Phoenix installation.

KOOL's engineers and refrigeration technicians computed the mean temperatures at which the equipment should operate, and the unusually high temperatures present at the transmitter building. With a formula for the amount of cooling required, station engineers and refrigeration technicians installed an air tight chamber around the transmission equipment.

Mr. Hillstrom said the special chamber is relatively maintenance-free and completely automatic. The compressors start only when the blowers on the transmitters are in

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Program automation does not mean pushing a button, walking out the door and locking the studio for the day. Automation is only a tool designed to provide specific efficiencies under certain program conditions.

Broadcasters today appear to be interested in two forms of program automation—the first, partial automation for brief periods—the second, full time automation for protracted program periods.

Both part-time and full-time automation can offer some interesting cost saving and efficiency factors. With rising costs in the industry, broadcasters must keep an eye on expenses and attempt to get more productive effort from employees. Many broadcasters believe it no longer makes sense to have a creative, skilled and well paid announcer spending most of his time in a control room doing mechanical operations when his efforts could be more productive elsewhere. This has encouraged some broadcasters to automate for periods of from two to three hours a day. They have found that they can relieve an announcer from mechanical functions in the control room long enough to prepare news broadcasts, write commercial copy, make sales calls, prepare public service programs, act in public relations capacities, and perform a multitude of other productive functions. Although this type of automation may not save a station much money, it does provide a method of getting more meaningful work from existing employees.

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A newly-developed television system that puts sound in the picture promises to end that silent period during network audio failures was described by J. L. Hathaway of National Broadcasting Company's engineering department. An emergency sound system injects the aural portion of a television program directly into the picture portion. Ordinarily, sound and picture are carried on two different circuits. If a failure occurs between the network origination point and the television station either the sound or the picture is lost, depending on the circuit affected.

With the new system, now undergoing final testing by both NBC and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the sound is carried between the lines of the television picture in an unobtrusive state, invisible to the home viewer.

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A Louisiana law regulating the quality of service performed by television repairmen has driven out the "phony operators" and generally restoring public faith in TV repair shops, Broadcast Engineers were told by J. D. Bloom, Chief Engineer of WWL-TV, New Orleans, La.

He said the law was first enacted in 1958 to regulate home receiver technicians in cities of 20,000 or more persons, and was amended in 1960 to apply to all radio and television technicians in the state.

He said licensing is applied to an individual, rather than to a company, so that every workman who repairs any home receiver in Louisiana is responsible for the quality of his work and the costs of his service.

Mr. Bloom said the law has protected honest dealers from "cut-throat operations." All technicians seem to be satisfied with the law, and citizens of the state are getting quality service, he said.

He said a regulatory board, comprised of state appointed members and actual servicemen, not only receives complaints but offers classes to servicemen to aid them in better quality home repair service.

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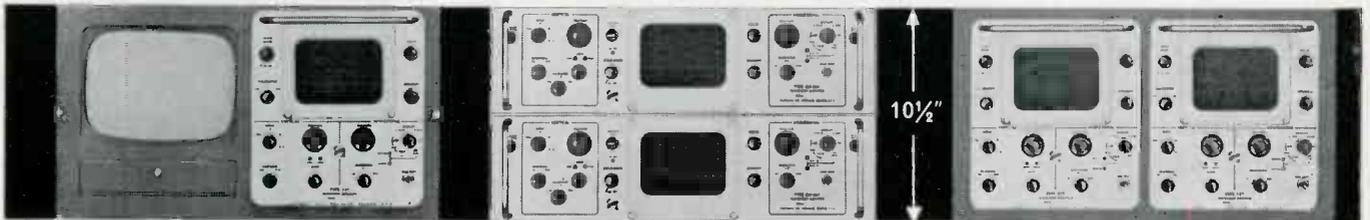


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Shortly after merger of I&T Publications, publishers of this magazine, with Howard W. Sams & Co., Inc., Howard W. Sams (right), Chairman and President of the merged firms, visited this publication's headquarters in Kansas City, Mo. He is shown with Robert E. Hertel (left) who remains president of I&T publications and William M. Kellner, superintendent of printing services.

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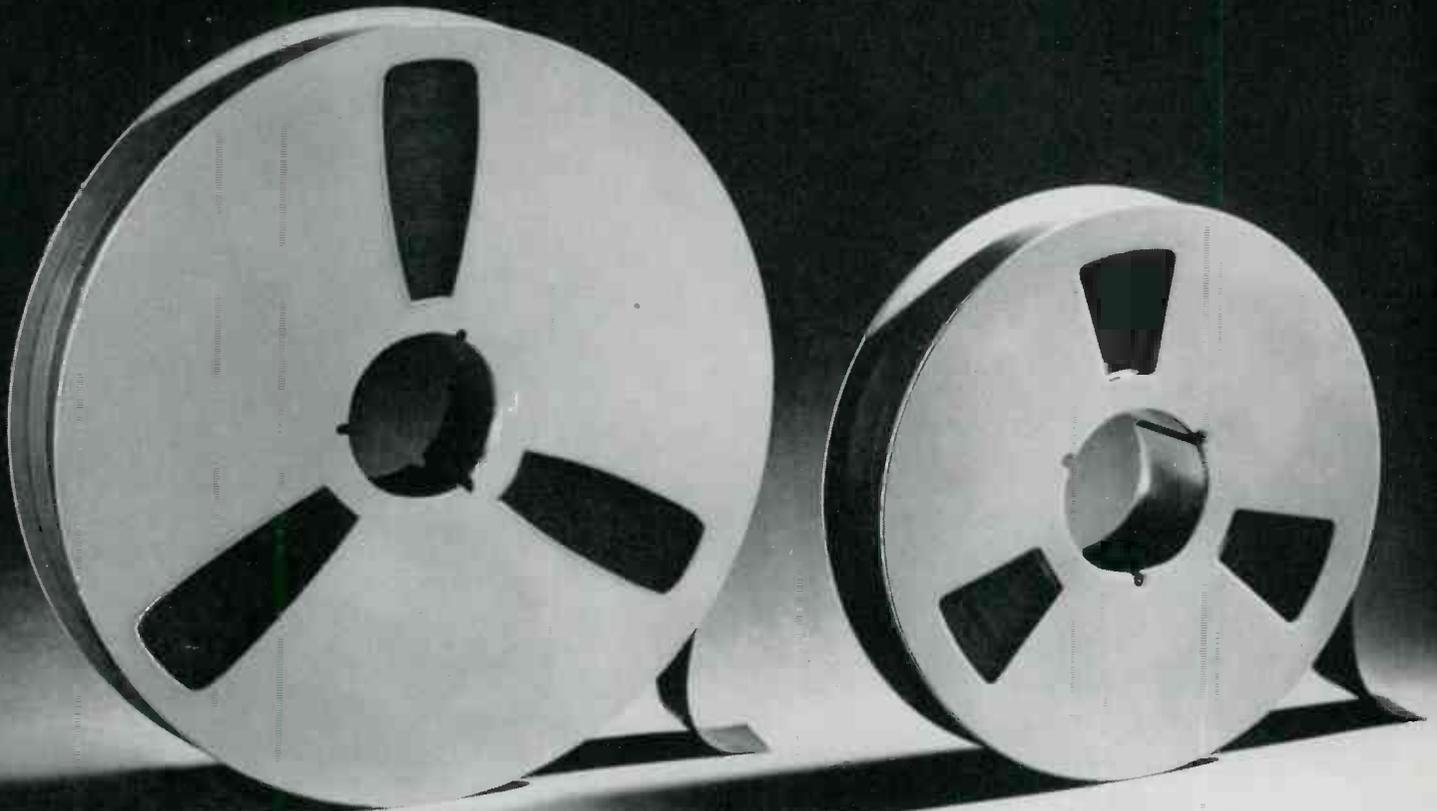
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Howard W. Sams (right), founder of the publishing enterprises bearing his name, chats with Ed Carey, press foreman, in the firm's Kansas City affiliate.

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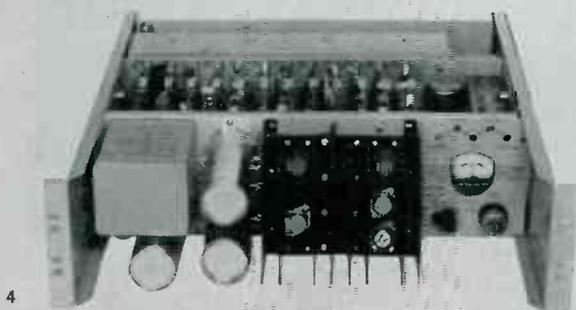
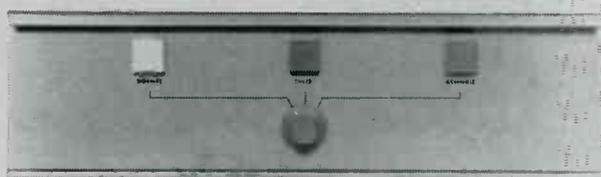
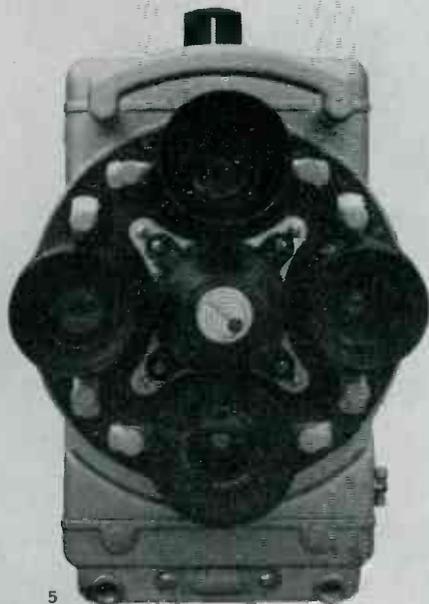
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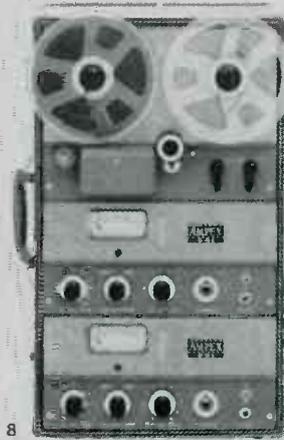
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TELEVISION TAPE FUNDAMENTALS

Part 4— What the System Must Do

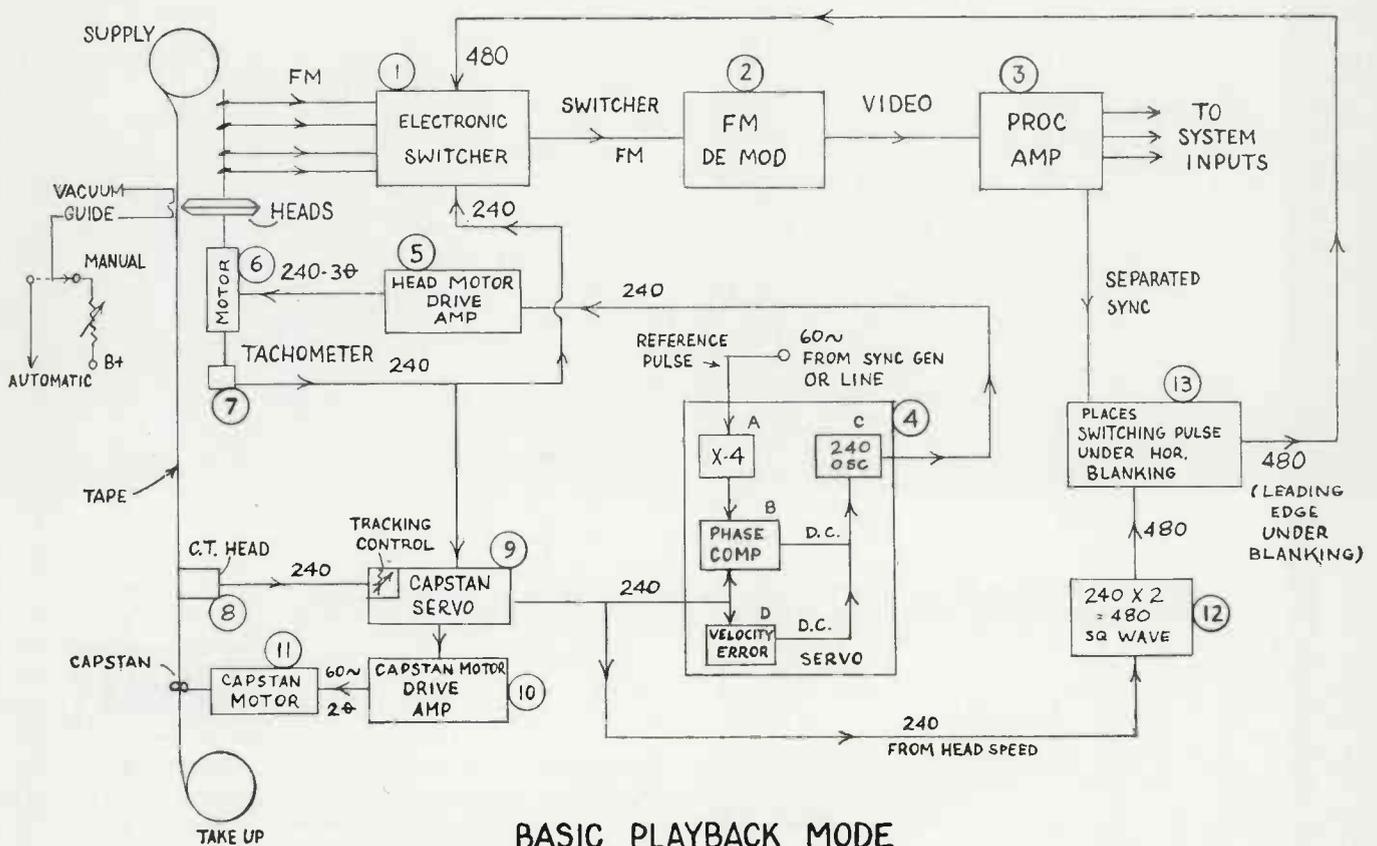
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The Playback Mode

More circuitry is involved in the playback mode than in the record mode, which was discussed in Part III last month. This is because the playback function is more complex as will be seen from the following:

(A) Electronic switching is required in the video path to select only the head in contact with the tape. This prevents spurious signal and noise output being fed to the demodulator from the high speed heads not in direct tape contact.



BASIC PLAYBACK MODE

Figure 19

(B) An additional servo control is necessary for the capstan motor. The speed of the tape (capstan motor) must be controlled by a continuous comparison of the control track laid down during recording (240 cps nominal) with the nominal 240 cps signal derived from the head shaft tachometer. This is to assure that the video heads "track," or pass directly over the recording video tracks on the tape. Failure of such control results in drift of the relative positions of the heads along the length of the tape. Thus the heads could bridge two adjacent recorded tracks rather than remaining over single tracks.

Fig. 19 is a block diagram of the basic system function when in the PLAY mode of operation. The following notes are correlated with the numerical circles on the block diagram.

(1) The relatively low level (about 2 millivolts) outputs from the head slip ring-brush assembly is amplified in individual preamplifiers before being fed to the switcher unit. (For simplicity, the preamps are not shown on the block of Fig. 19.) The switcher combines the individual head inputs into a sequential and continuous single output channel. A 240 cps signal from the head tachometer pre-sets the gates. A 480 cps signal derived from the same source but with the leading edge placed under horizontal blanking is used to trigger the actual switch. The technique is expanded under notes (13) below.

Note that the tape vacuum guide may be placed under manual or automatic control. In the manual position, tip penetration (tape-to-head pressure) is adjusted by a knob on the control panel. In the automatic position, a "tape guide servo" is coupled to a sensor unit which senses 960 cps timing variations with a "standard" frequency of 32 TV lines (180-degree rotation of the head drum) and corrects the vacuum guide to eliminate "skew." This is described fully in the detailed Servo section of this series.

(2) The demodulator extracts the video signal from the frequency modulated carrier.

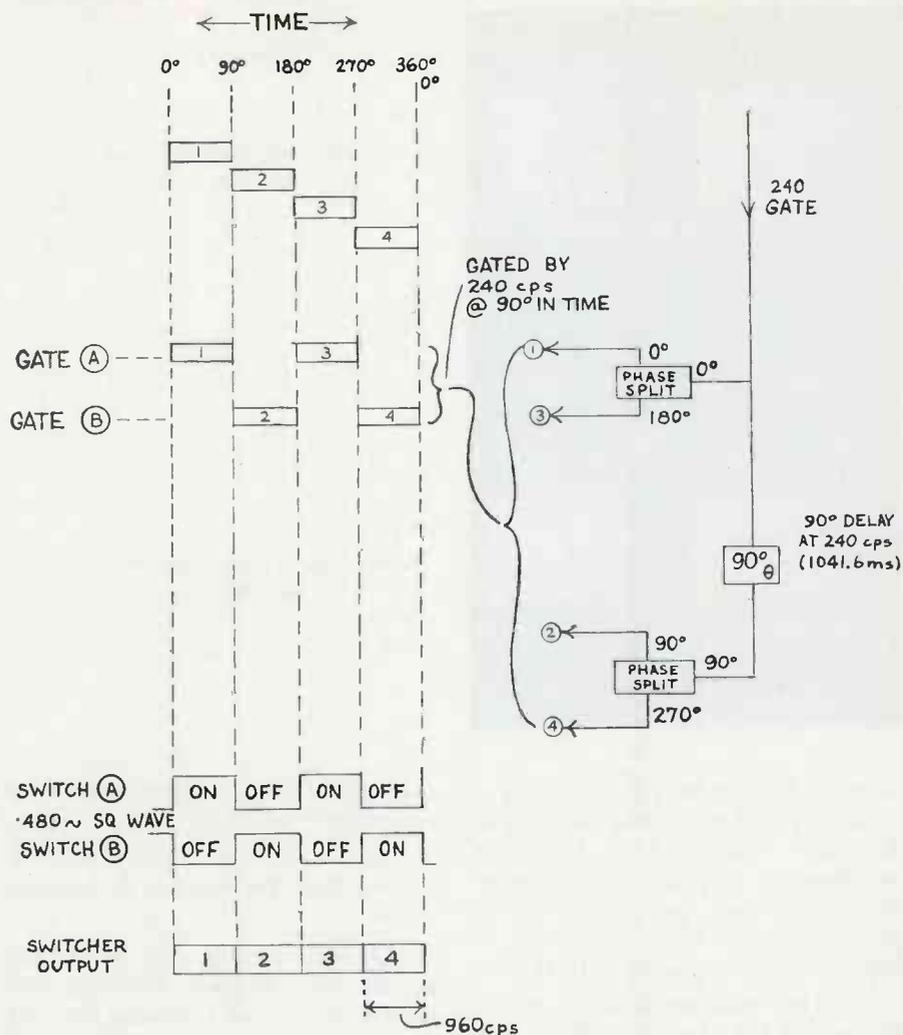


Figure 20

Switcher action chops the signal at a 960 cps rate to pass the head outputs sequentially in a single channel.

(3) The processing amplifier "cleans up" the blanking and sync intervals of the demodulated video, and delivers separated sync to other units in the system.

(4) Either the local sync generator or the 60-cycle power line is used to generate the playback reference pulse for the head motor power. CAUTION: This does not mean that the reproduced signal from the tape can be treated as a local signal for lap-dissolves or local superimposures when the sync generator is used for the reference pulse. Neither horizontal nor vertical sync pulses from the tape are necessarily coincident in time, cycle per cycle, with the external pulses from the sync generator. This reference is

used only for an initial "yardstick" to supply a stable comparison. Later developments such as the Ampex "Inter-Sync" (which permits local lap-dissolves and "supers") places the processed tape signal under direct control of the external sync generator and is covered in the Servo Section of this series.

Note that the head motor is controlled by the servo system used in the RECORD mode, except that the initial reference signal is the local sync generator or the 60-cycle power line. There are two servo "loops" in the head unit, the additional "velocity loop" indicated by block D of (4) and not shown in the RECORD block. Essentially, the "phase loop" has a narrow lock-

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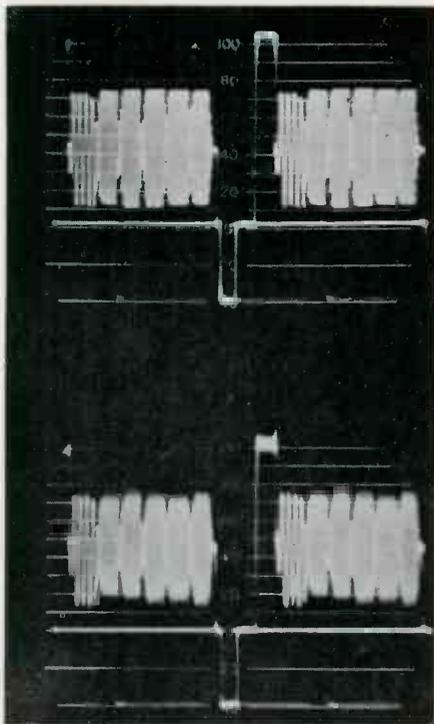


Figure 21

a
Keyed burst signal at system input.

b
Keyed burst signal at system output exhibiting overall flat response.

in range for precise phase control in normal operations, while the "velocity loop" (which is a frequency comparator) employs a wider range to reduce the time required for phase control when operation is started or momentarily interrupted.

(5) The head motor drive amplifier serves the same function as for recording.

(6) The head motor is the same as for recording.

(7) The signal from the head tachometer is routed as shown on the block diagram.

(8) The control track head reproduces the recorded control track.

(9) The capstan servo compares the control track signal (which is indicating the relative position of the heads during recording) with the head motor tachometer indicating the playback speed and phase. From this comparison an error signal is developed which slightly modifies the frequency of the 60 cps oscillator used in this case as the initial power source to drive the capstan motor. Note that a Tracking Control is provided to shift the phase of the control track signal. If, for example, head #1 is reproducing vertical sync, tracking can be shifted so that head 2, 3 or 4 reproduces vertical sync. This allows "matching" of heads to obtain optimum reproduction from a tape recorded by a different head.

(10 & 11) Same functions as for recording.

(12) A 480 cps square wave is formed from the 240 cps tachometer signal.

(13) The leading edge of the 480 cps square wave is made to occur during the horizontal blanking interval. This prevents switching of channels

during an active line interval with resulting transients (dots equivalent to switching time) in the picture.

Fig. 20 shows the basic principles of the switching function. NOTE: Ampex and RCA differ in technique, but not in principle.

Further System Notes

The video demodulator incorporates a de-emphasis circuit in direct ratio to the pre-emphasis used in the modulator. Further frequency compensation means are provided in the playback units to allow an overall "flat" response such as indicated by Fig. 21.

Fig. 22 illustrates the relationship of the control track sine wave current (and edit pulse) to the recorded video tracks. Current nodes (zero magnetization) and current peaks (maximum magnetization) occur at points physically located in the guard bands between video tracks. The edit pulse (see photo of Fig. 9) occurs at the current peak every 32 tracks (frame rate) between the second and third track following that which contains vertical track. Thus if head #1 contains vertical sync, the edit pulse will occur between tracks 3 and 4.

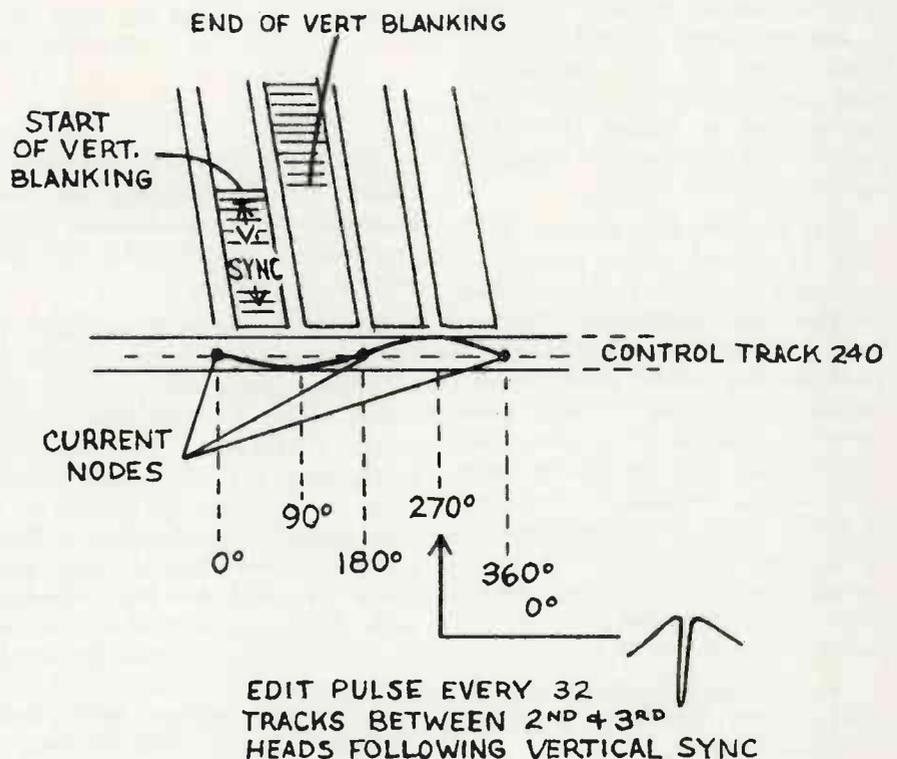


Figure 22
Relationship of pulses in typical recording.

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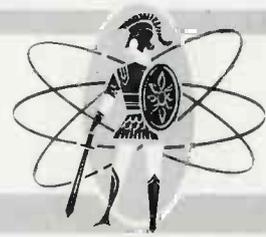
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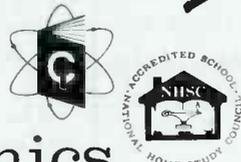
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Catalog No. TOS-1. Published by Howard W. Sams & Co., Inc., Indianapolis 6, Ind. 128 pages. Price: \$2.50

Troubleshooting modern electronic circuits literally demands the use of the oscilloscope, yet many service technicians experience difficulty in learning how to use this

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RCA Power Tubes

Booklet PG-101E. Published by Electron Tube Div., Radio Corp. of America, Harrison, N. J., Oct. 1961. 46 pages.

This new booklet on RCA vacuum power tubes, rectifier tubes, thyatrons, and ignitrons features novel quick-selection charts for equipment designers. The three color 11" x 16" fold-out quick-selection chart for CW High-Vacuum Tubes can be employed as a useful and attractive wall chart. The booklet also covers informative descriptions of tube design features including important thermal considerations and the Cer-molox construction.

The data section provides information on over 200 different transmitting, industrial, and special-purpose power tubes. Tabulated data include ratings and operating values for various applications, type of cooling required, heater or filament requirements, and overall dimensions.

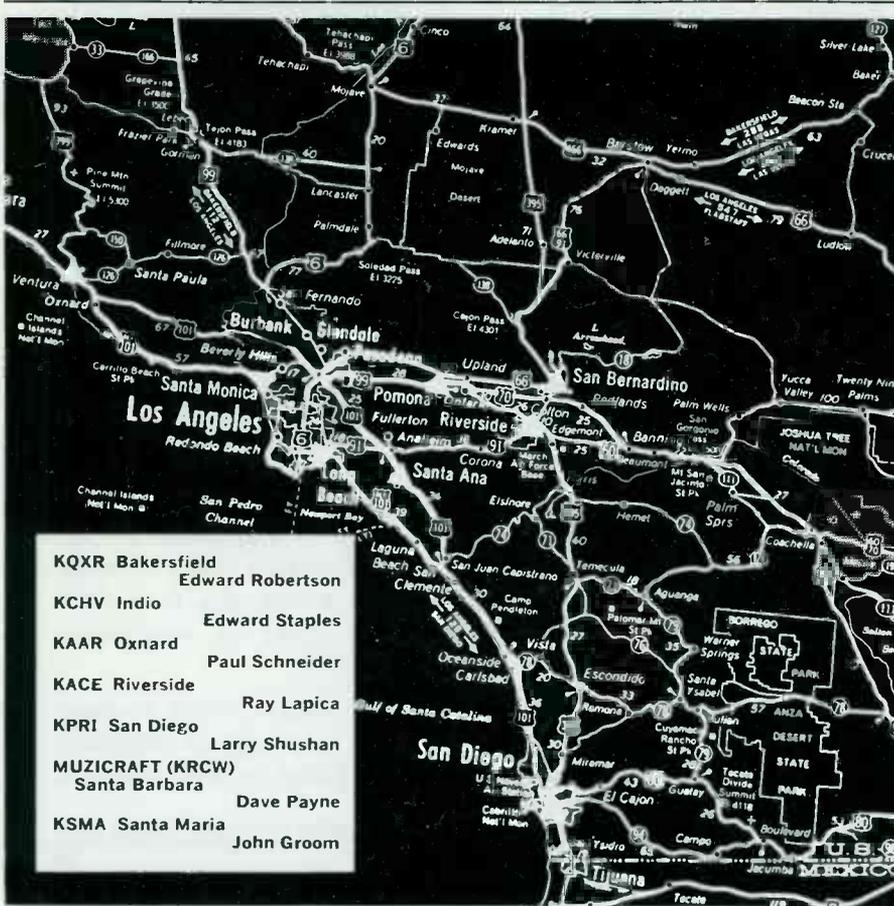
Copies of RCA Power Tubes—PG-101E, may be obtained from RCA Electron Tube Distributors, or by sending seventy-five cents to Commercial Engineering, Electron Tube Div., Harrison, N. J.

Silicon Controlled Rectifier Manual

Published by Rectifier Components Dept., West Genesee St., Auburn, N. Y. Price \$1.50.

The General Electric Co. announces publication of the second edition of the SCR Manual. The new edition reflects the continued growth of knowledge in controlled rectifier ratings, theory and applications. It is expanded by 100 pages and five chapters over the previous book.

The entire text of the previous edition was translated into Japanese and various chapters have been translated for use in Europe. The first edition of the SCR Manual, published in 1960, has become a standard reference in the semiconductor industry.



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Howard W. Sams & Co. publishes a large number of titles in the technical books field, principally in electronics and communications. The books serve electronics technicians as manuals covering troubleshooting and repair service on all types of radio and television apparatus. The firm recently published a series of texts covering a basic course in servicing electronic computers and also introduced the first annual covering test equipment for radio and television servicing.

PF Reporter, a monthly magazine for the electronic servicing industry, provides a continuous flow of service data and procedural articles for all makes and models of home radio, television, record and tape equipment. This periodical and the firm's other products and services produced by three divisions and a subsidiary are in the expanding fields of electronics, technical information and training, and education.

Regarding the new relationship, Robert E. Hertel, president of I&T Publications, said: "This association permits expansion into areas that have been closed to us before. The consolidation with the Sams organization makes possible an even broader degree of diversification for both concerns. The continuity of our proved operating policies, methods and personnel gives assurance to our readers and advertisers that our publications will continue to present the same editorial vitality and leadership that have brought about the growth and continuing acceptance of our several products.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

May I, a lifetime broadcaster with a technical background, offer some comments concerning the editorial titled “AM Freeze Coming?” in your January issue?

Regrettably, everything you say and fear about federal control is true, not just in the economic field. What you fail to emphasize, however, is that breakdown of engineering standards—which are the very *raison d'être* for federal licensing—has produced the now chaotic situation in the AM broadcasting band. The whittling away of stations' coverage by virtually unrestricted licensing of new co- and adjacent-channel operations cannot be disregarded in any serious analysis of AM broadcasting's economic woes. Recently, more rigid observance of the “10% Rule” has tended to slow the process of perimeter coverage erosion, but much damage has already been done. Meantime,

some 100 applications for new or “improved” facilities arrive at the Commission in an average month.

Some, but not enough, attention has been given by industry and government spokesmen to the indisputable fact that the proliferation of stations, especially in and around metropolitan areas, is the fundamental cause of radio's mounting financial troubles. The public interest has not been served, and never can be served, by adding another and still another voice to the babble of downgraded stations that crowd in on one another all across the dial. Yet, all one need do is find a frequency which will “work”—using if necessary a freakish directional pattern of doubtful stability—take his turn on the processing line, and when the grant comes through hire some juvenile-appeal disc jockeys, load up a stack of “top forty” records and enter the affray. Each new station of this ilk just puts added force behind the downward thrust on rates, with the attendant degradation of service in general.

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Quite obviously—I have been saying this for a long time—the AM broadcasting band is badly in need of a technical overhauling. A general reallocation has not taken place since 1940. In the meantime the number of stations has quadrupled. Prior to that time, stations on local and regional channels were afforded protection to their 0.1 mv/m contour; now it's the 0.5 mv/m, but rarely is full protection now provided to this “normally protected” contour where Class III and Class IV channels are involved.

So many diverse interests are involved, general agreement among them would surely be impossible to achieve. But Congress has given the Commission both the power and the duty in the Act. A new approach to the whole matter of allocation is needed. Certainly there can be no justification now for confining Class IV stations to just 6 of the 106 AM channels. More than one-fourth of the nation's stations—those which are having it tougher in every way, as a class—are jammed into 5% of the spectrum.

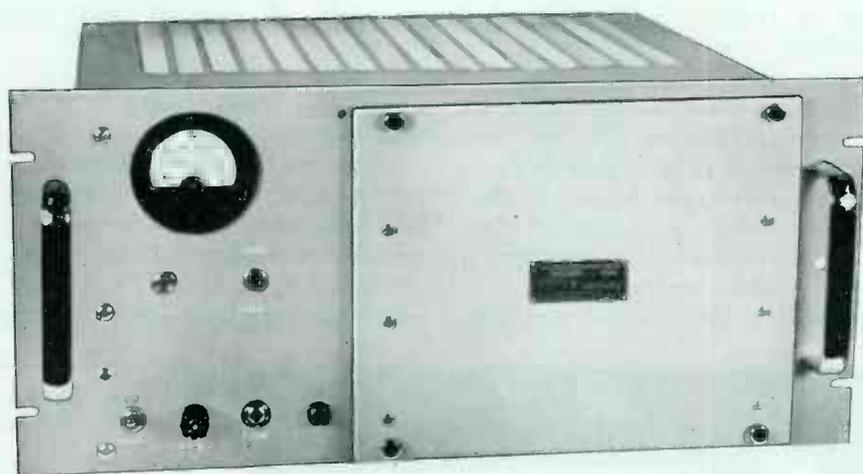
Right now, with the clear channel “haves” engaged in an all-out effort to revive their 750 kilowatt scheme, and with the Commission's proposal to duplicate certain of the clears in dispute in Congress, is the time to commence a thorough study of AM's difficulties. Meanwhile, a freeze on new applications and institution of a “no grant” policy for pending applications which propose interference greater than that permitted by the Standards should simultaneously be invoked.

The continued spoliation of AM broadcasting through disregard for sound engineering principles and the economic facts of life is no more in the public interest than the over-cutting of timberland or the destruction of shellfish life through overfishing aggravated by wanton pollution of coastal waters.

I hope your publication, which has begun to articulate the broadcast engineer's interests and problems in a very promising way, will not be unmindful of that one thing which is too often the technical man's blind spot: economics.

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Industry News

Ampex Equipment for Reconnaissance Lab

An important step in the development of future high performance recording systems was taken recently with the delivery of special test equipment, developed by Ampex Corp., to the Reconnaissance Laboratory, Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The specialized equipment will enable Air Force scientists to evaluate the performance of thermo-plastic and other recording materials proposed for electron beam recording.

Electron beam recording is an advanced technique for the electronic recording of information. It uses a microscopic beam of electrons to impose a pattern of electrostatic charges on the surface of a thermoplastic material. When heat is applied to the material, meaning-

ful micro-groove pictures are formed. (The recording process is comparable to the formation of a picture in a television picture tube.) Proposed systems would record up to ten times more information per second than present methods.

The new Ampex equipment delivered to the Air Force will permit establishment of standards on which continuing development of electron beam systems can be based, according to A. H. Hausman, Ampex vice-president of research and engineering.

Announces Home Study Training Program

Cleveland Institute of Electronics, 1776 E. 17th St., Cleveland 14, Ohio, has announced a new home study training program entitled "Electronic Communications Technology" which has been developed especially

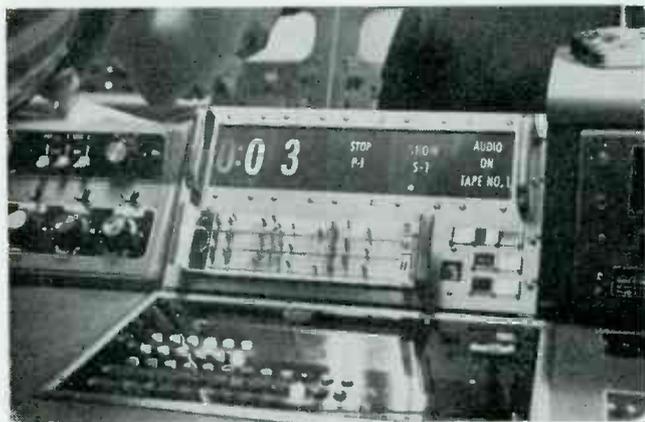
for employees of companies utilizing carrier communications.

Designed to upgrade communications personnel in electronics, the program is said to provide a complete understanding of electronic fundamentals, a thorough coverage of basic carrier communications and the guarantee of a Second Class FCC License. Should the student fail to pass the FCC examination for this license after successfully completing the CIE program, all tuition payments will be refunded.

A total of 56 subjects are covered, including microwave communication systems; transistors and other semiconductors; servicing mobile communication systems; and carrier system operation.

Telemet Corp. Announces New Executive Appointments

Dr. Gabriel M. Giannini, president, Giannini Scientific Corp., Amityville, L. I., has announced executive appointments for Telemet Corp., a newly formed company which will manufacture, sell and service the former Telechrome line of commercial electronic equipment.



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Plans call for updating the complete Telechrome line of video test equipment, special effects generators, wave form correctors, and other equipment. The telemetering line will also be re-designed as solid state equipment and will be offered under the new Telemet trade mark.

New Assistant Marketing Director for Altec

Altec Lansing Corp., Anaheim, Calif., has appointed W. H. Johnson as assistant marketing director with the responsibilities of coordinating the company's national marketing operations.

Johnson was formerly manager of engineering and technical information for Altec since 1960. Prior to his transfer to the Lansing plant in Anaheim, he was mid-western sales manager of the company, with headquarters in Chicago.

UHF TV Repeater Installed in New York

An oblong UHF antenna is the newest addition to Manhattan's west side skyline. Located on top of the southeast tower of the George Washington Bridge, the antenna is part of a translator system repeating the programs of WUHF, channel 31. The translator, developed by Adler Electronics, Inc., and the main station are being used by the FCC to test the effectiveness of UHF in New York City.

The new channel is relayed into areas deprived of good reception by barriers such as mountains or buildings. Object of the experiment is to discover whether UHF channels can provide good TV reception in a large city. It is known that UHF does not have the range or the capability of VHF channels to "bend" around obstructions. Since most VHF channels are already in operation, future growth of TV is dependent upon full use of UHF. If the operation is successful, FCC can be expected to step up its drive for more effective utilization of the UHF spectrum.

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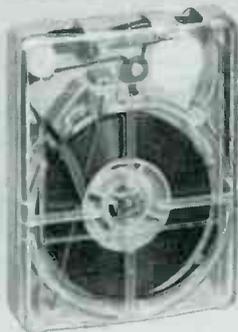
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Industry News

Telecommunications Network To Span 3,060 Miles

Fabled ancient lands of the Near East will soon be spanned by a 3,060-mile telecommunications network powered with engine-driven generators built by Onan division of Studebaker-Packard Corp. This company has signed a \$1,100,000 contract to provide Radio Corp. of America, prime contractor for the network, with 267 generator sets and switch gear for the project. RCA's contract is for approximately \$16,400,000.

The Central Treaty Organization (CENTO) host countries—Turkey, Iran and Pakistan—will provide buildings to house the line's equipment and build whatever access roads are necessary. The power capability of the CENTO system is such that it could supply the residential needs of a town of approximately 30,000 population. Because of the critical importance of the state-owned, government-operated civilian telephone system, special provisions are being made to guarantee uninterrupted power.

Actual construction on the project is scheduled to begin this summer, with operation of the network to get under way by July 1, 1963.

RCA Employees Awarded David Sarnoff Fellowships

Fellowships for graduate study in the 1962-63 academic year for ten employees of the Radio Corp. of America have been announced by Dr. Irving Wolff, chairman of the RCA education committee.

"The Fellowships, established in honor of the RCA Board Chairman, range in value to as high as \$6,500 each," Dr. Wolff said. "The grants include full tuition and fees, plus an allowance for books, a stipend of \$2,500 to \$4,000 depending on the Fellow's marital status, and \$1,000 as an unrestricted gift to the university."

The David Sarnoff Fellows are selected on the basis of academic aptitude, promise of professional achievement and character. Dr. Wolff said. They will pursue graduate studies in physics, electrical engineering, applied mathematics,

chemistry, industrial management, business administration and journalism. Those receiving awards are currently employed by various RCA divisions and associated companies.

Chrono-log STEP System in Operation at Richmond, Va.

WTVR, Richmond, Va., has automated its video and audio switching by installing the Chrono-log STEP system. Under the direction of Wilbur M. Havens, manager, and John V. Shand, program director, an analysis of station break switching requirements was made. It was found that the majority of the breaks could be handled by the use of 16 basic sequences, which are permanently pinned into five STEP pinboards and the proper sequence to be used is marked on the operator's log.

Station breaks which do not fit one of the 16 sequences are handled either by changing pins in a standard sequence or by pinning up a special sequence on a spare pinboard. Manual switching is available in parallel with STEP when required.

The installation was part of a modernization program at WTVR which included the installation of a new video switcher. The momentary control pulses required to operate the video switcher are produced by STEP. Audio switching requires maintained contact closures and these are provided by STEP operating in conjunction with a cross-bar switch.

General Electric TPO Post To John W. Stonig

Appointment of John W. Stonig to the new position of manager, military and government sales for General Electric's Technical Product's Operation, Syracuse, N. Y., has been announced by H. E. Smith, TPO manager—marketing. The establishment of the new position is said to be part of a continuing TPO program to provide better service for military and government customers.

Stonig will work with and through the company's new Defense Programs Operation in Washington, D. C., and will be responsible for sales of all TPO products for military and government applications. His office will be at TPO headquarters in Syracuse.

**Allied Electronics Corp.
Opens New Facilities**

Opening of new facilities for distribution of electronic components to industry in Detroit, Mich., and Cleveland, Ohio, has been announced by Allied Electronics Corp., industrial sales subsidiary of Allied Radio Corp., Chicago, Ill.

The new locations, at 10647 Mc-Nicholas Rd., Detroit, and 4824 Turney Rd., Garfield Heights, Cleveland, are part of a nationwide expansion program, the company said. The firm presently has industrial facilities at Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Minneapolis-St. Paul and Washington, D. C., in addition to its Chicago headquarters. District managers, recruited from the areas which they will serve, will report to Myron Bond, national sales manager of Allied Electronics.

**Vendeland Appointed as
Conrac Product Manager**

Giannini Controls Corp., Duarte, Calif., has announced the appointment of Robert N. Vendeland as product manager of Conrac division. Vendeland will be responsible for product development and marketing, and his primary objective will be to further Conrac's penetration of the educational and instructional television fields.

Conrac produces video monitors for broadcast and closed circuit television applications. In addition to supplying monitors for educational, instructional and TV station facilities, the company manufactures slow scan display devices for data systems and TV monitors for military and NASA applications.

**Data Processing System
At Vitro Laboratories**

Vitro Laboratories, a division of Vitro Corp. of America, New York, N. Y., has added an IBM 7090 data processing system to its digital computer facility at Silver Spring, Md. The expansion is said to give Vitro the largest commercial computer facility in Montgomery County, an area studded with engineering firms and laboratories engaged in defense work.

The new unit, a transistorized computer system, has been installed to handle a sharp increase in data processing and analyses connected with Vitro's work on missile systems.

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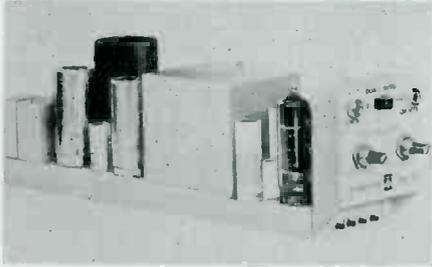
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NEW LANGEVIN COMPRESSOR-LIMITER AMPLIFIER

Langevin, Div. Sonotec, Inc., Dept. 111, 503 S. Grand Ave., P. O. Box 687, Santa Ana, Calif., has announced the model AM-5301 Leveline amplifier, a new, miniature, plug-in, thump-free limiter designed to act as an automatic averaging, or as a peak level control amplifier in recording, TV broadcast, microwave and industrial sound applications.

Measuring 3½ inches high, 2¾ inches wide and 10¼ inches long, the compact unit is said to control level differences over a range of 30 db and give a compression ratio which is variable up to 5 to 1. It acts as an automatic master gain control, or it can control the level differences between turntables, network program or microphone preamplifier sources, the manufacturer states. Employing 100 microsecond attack time, it is designed to safeguard against transmitter overload while affording all the advantages of compression.

Frequency response is ± 5 db 20-20,000 cps, and has less than .5 per cent total harmonic distortion at 30 db of compression with ½-watt output. The unit can also be employed as a 6-watt monitor, or as a regular program amplifier with 57 db gain at less than -110 dbm equivalent signal-to-noise.

ALTEC TRANSISTOR STEREO SYSTEM

Altec Lansing Corp., 1515 S. Manchester Ave., Anaheim, Calif., has announced a new solid-state stereo tuner-amplifier featuring both convenience and versatility.

The Astro is said to be a complete stereo source-amplification system packaged in a single chassis and employing transistor circuits to permit continuous operation free of heat problems. It is housed in a cabinet measuring 6 x 15 x 13½ inches.

Providing 55 watts of power, the unit has a response of 1 db from 20 to 20,000 cps. Distortion is less than 1 per cent THD at 20 watts, and the built-in multiplexer provides a wide channel separation of 30 db over the entire audio spectrum, the manufacturer states.

NEW FOLDERS ON G-E INDUSTRIAL ELECTRON TUBES

General Electric Co., Electronic Components Div., Owensboro, Ky., is offering a new set of mailing pieces covering various aspects of industrial electron tubes.

Attractive and colorful, the six folders in the series may be used as data reference sources, as well as by distributors in industrial campaigns tailored to individual needs. The literature covers G-E lines of Five-Star receiving tubes, industrial control thyatrons, and communications, ceramic and television camera tubes.

NEW LITERATURE DESCRIBES VHF TO VHF CONVERTER

A new data sheet describing the Intec model CV-1 VHF to VHF converter has been released by Intercontinental Electronics Corp., TV Distribution Equipment Dept., 300 Shames Dr., Westbury, Long Island, N. Y.

Featuring signal gain at all conversions and low noise, the new model is a crystal-controlled unit. Additional features include a built-in power supply, matched input and output, and low power consumption. A chart of recommended conversions for all authorized VHF hi-band, lo-band, and sub-channel conversions is included.

AMPEX TELEVISION TAPE

Television tape, designed specifically for use with the VR-1000 series Videotape recorders, has been developed by Ampex Corp., 934 Charter St., Redwood City, Calif.

The tape is coated, using the Ferro-Sheen process, and features maximum tape life, and minimum head wear and head clogging.

The addition of television tape rounds out the company's line of tape products, which includes tapes for use with Ampex instrumentation, computer, professional and consumer audio recorders.

COLLINS THREE-CHANNEL REMOTE AMPLIFIER

The model 212H-1, a three-channel remote amplifier designed to provide adequate facilities for most remote applications, has been announced by Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The unit is transistorized throughout and is built into a thermoplastic and vinyl-clad aluminum case. A handle is mounted on the rear chassis for easy portability, and a snap-on cover of

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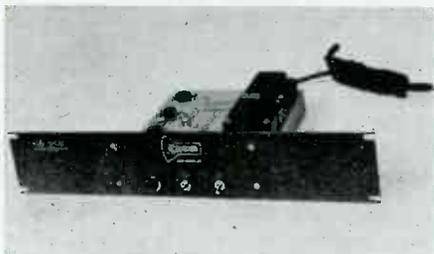
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thermoplastic protects the panel, controls and VU meter.

The completely self-contained model weighs 11 lb., and operates from 14 1.5-volt flashlight batteries. The VU meter indicates remaining battery charge for the amplifier or meter. A built-in phono equalizer on two of three channels is designed to provide instantaneous switching between two phonos and a microphone, or between three microphones. As a precaution against unintentional power drain, the supply is interlocked with the headphone jack so that the unit requires headphones to be plugged in before it becomes operational.

Additional features include a built-in multiple tone generator to allow a quick response check of the remote line or to provide a standby tone; and 2¼-inch wide, roller-type controls which indicate volume input by a diagonally moving white stripe. The rollers are said to make possible a sure and fast control that can be operated with one finger. Volume input is indicated on the panel.



VIDEO LINE DRIVING AMPLIFIER

Community Engineering Corp., 234 E. College Ave., State College, Pa., has announced a new high-output video line driving amplifier.

The model 1019EQ is designed to equalize and drive up to 1½ miles of Foam 11 coax, or one mile of RG-11/U cable. The frequency response for the combined amplifier-cable combination is ± 0.5 db from 5 cycles to 8 megacycles. Square wave response with a square wave from 60 cycles to one megacycle is flat topped to within ± 2 per cent. The amplifier is completely solid state, using silicon mesa-type transistors. Power requirements are 117 volts, 50 to 60 cycles, 22 watts.

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NEW SERIES SPARTA-MATIC TAPE CARTRIDGE UNITS

The new 300 series Sparta-Matic tape cartridge units has been introduced by Sparta Electronic Corp., 6430 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento, Calif., and features a more compact size and the use of a separate record amplifier unit that is interchangeable with any of the 300 series playback units.

The new playback unit measures 5½ inches high and the record amplifier is 3½ inches high, with illuminated push-button control switches and anodized aluminum front panels to make a table top unit. Both units may also be mounted in a standard 19-inch rack, or custom cabinet-mounted.

Features include use of plug-in modules for the record, playback and tone cueing system components; plug-in relays; front panels of both record and playback units can be removed while mounted for access without hindering operation of the machines; a cartridge insertion that automatically lifts and locks the drive puck to a ready position, then is activated by the push-button start control switch; and laminated tape heads.



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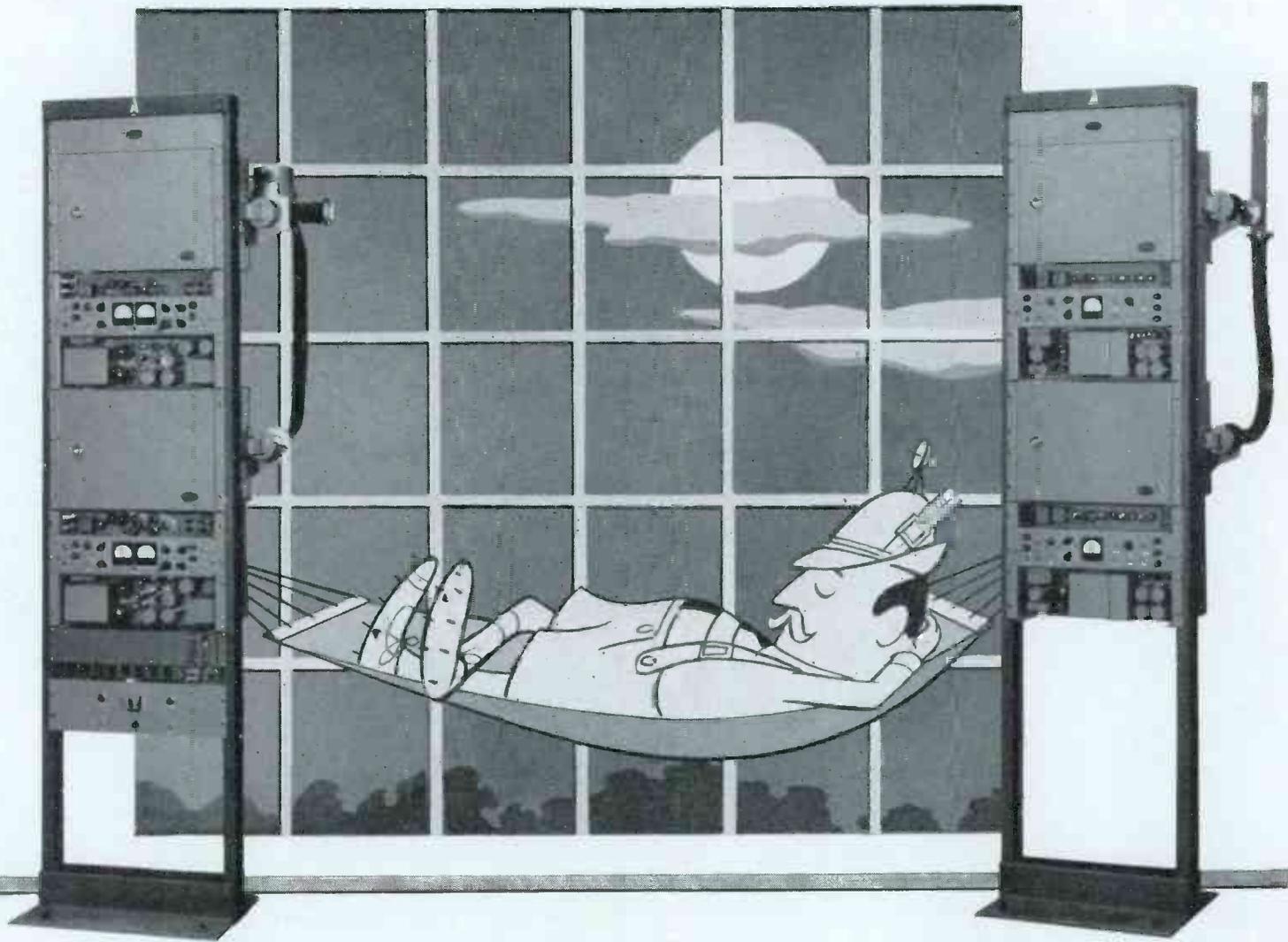


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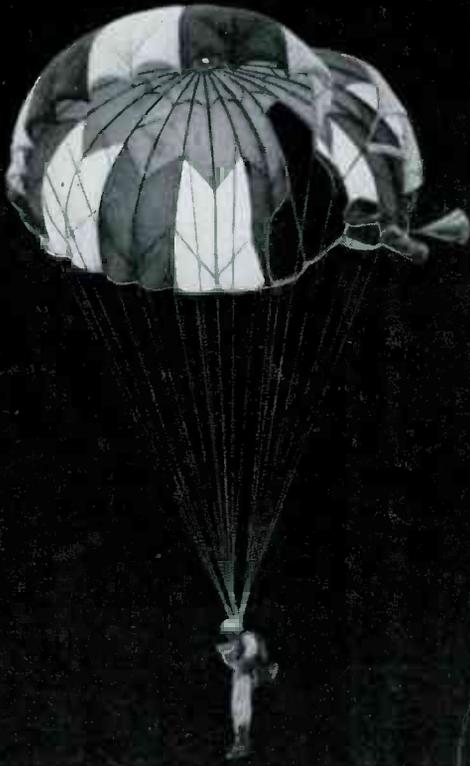
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