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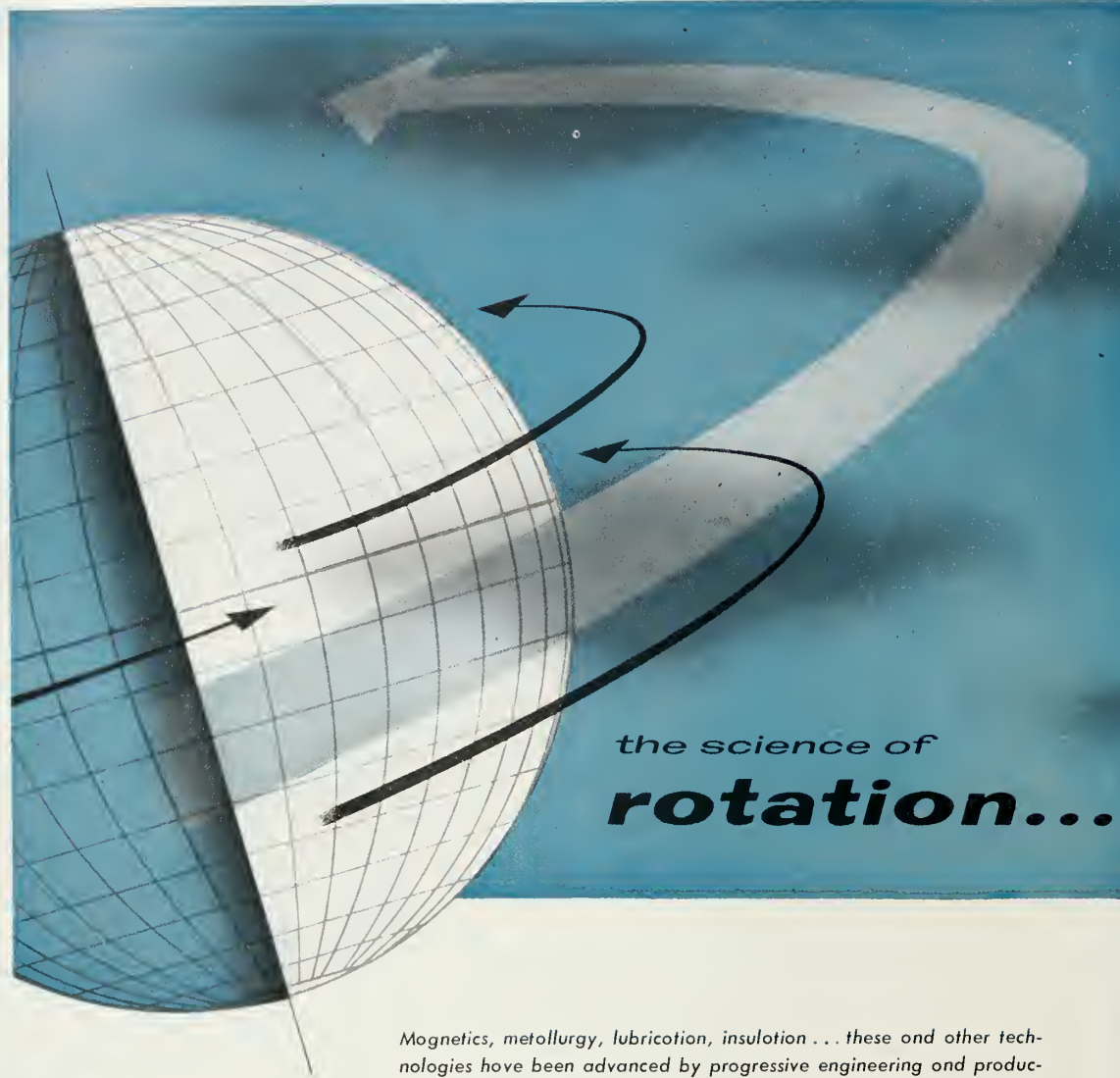


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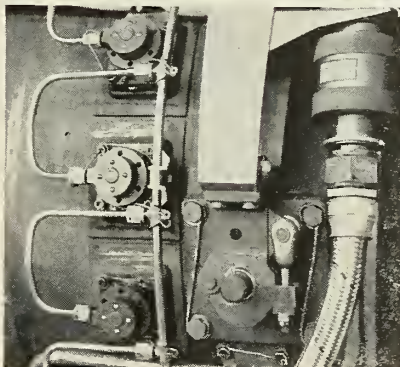
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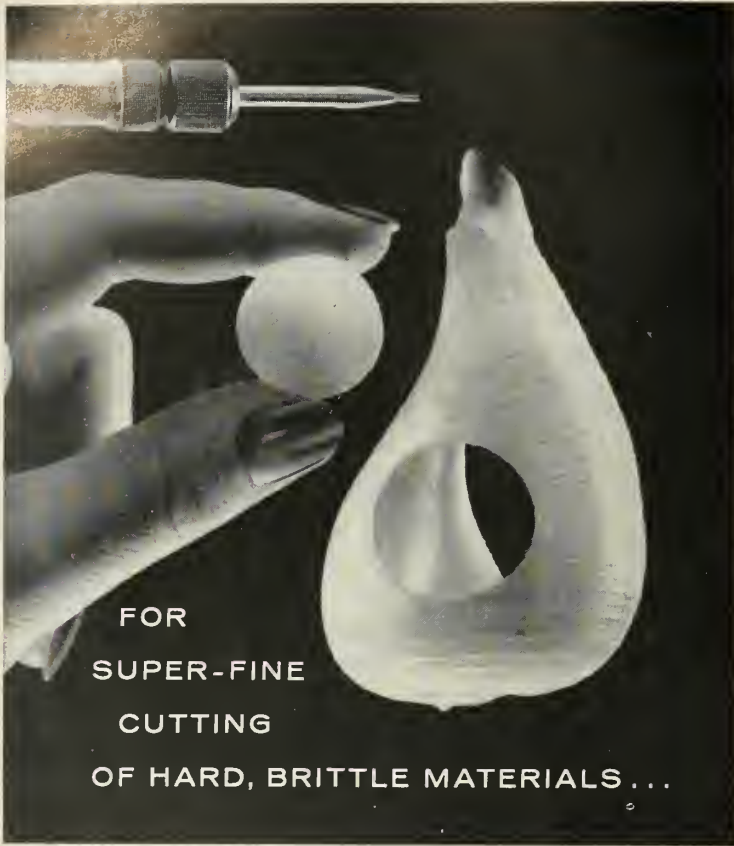
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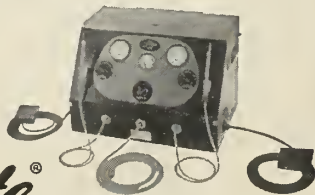
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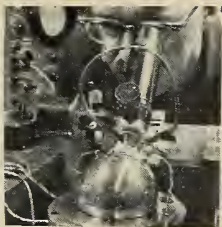
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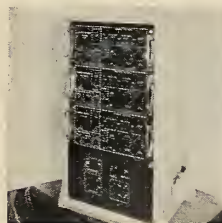
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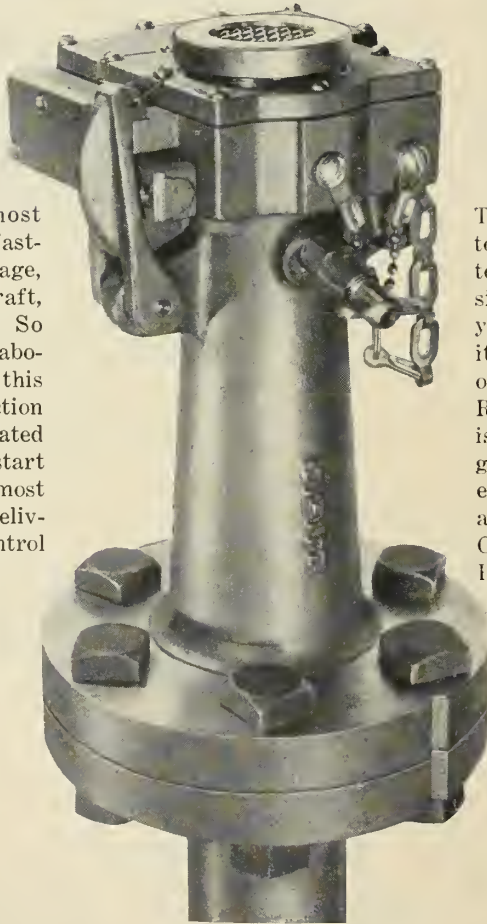
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# Washington Countdown

## IN THE PENTAGON

### Fate of Nike-Zeus . . .

in the FY 1961 budget appears dim as far as getting the more than \$1 billion needed to begin production is concerned. Army officials are looking more hopefully at the idea of getting production money in a supplemental appropriation bill later next year for the big Western Electric AICBM.

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### Dyna-Soar money . . .

still left in the Air Force's pocket for FY 1960 is reported to total about \$35 million. Some new word on contracts for the Boeing-Martin spacecraft is expected by Christmas.

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### Super Lockheed Polarises . . .

designed to travel 2500 miles are being proposed as a possible Navy answer to the Air Force's *Minuteman*. The *Polarises* would be deployed on fleet ballistic missile submarines larger than current models or on surface ships.

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### Air Force astronauts . . .

are being quietly trained for military space missions. The training program is generally similar to the one being undergone by the inter-service group of astronauts taking part in NASA's *Project Mercury*.

## ON CAPITOL HILL

### Space patent policies . . .

will get a second going over in less than two weeks. A House Space Subcommittee investigation of NASA patent regulations in early December will be followed by a Senate Monopoly Subcommittee investigation of federal scientific patent policies in general.

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### Unfinished business . . .

that will confront Congress when it returns in January includes:

. . . Proposed bills that would further reorganize the Armed Forces in the direction of greater unification.

. . . An expected blistering report from the House Hébert Subcommittee's investigation of the "munitions lobby." The subcommittee plans to call for stricter legislation.

. . . Proposed bills that would strengthen the weapon system concept of developing defense projects.

. . . A rear-guard fight to strip the Armed Service Committees of power to authorize missile procurement programs beginning in 1961.

## At NASA

### Space budget problems . . .

for NASA include whether to go for a sizeable supplemental appropriation in January or lump all requests in its new budget for FY 1961. Speculation on how much NASA will seek for '61 is ranging between \$750 million and \$1 billion.

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### A "white paper" . . .

outlining U.S. national objectives in space is understood to be under preparation by NASA officials. It would be used to support NASA's space programs. However, NASA Chief T. Keith Glennan swears "up and down" that he knows nothing about the paper.

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### The Thanksgiving moon shot . . .

was dogged by difficulties. The *Able* stage of the *Atlas Able* rocket was damaged and NASA officials had to scrounge around for a substitute. (They took one scheduled for a *Tiros* shot next year.) And the *Atlas* adapter ring was bent twice—once each time an *Able* vehicle was hoisted into place.

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### No chances were taken . . .

that the *Atlas Able* finally assembled would blow up during a static test as the last one did in October. The solution was simple: NASA skipped the static test altogether.

## AROUND TOWN

### A huge red rocket . . .

may be under development despite Soviet denials. The sun shot forecast by Soviet Deputy Premier Mikoyan would have to be traveling at 25.5 miles/second at burnout—a feat requiring a new high energy fuel or a booster with upwards of a million pounds of thrust . . . or both.

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### Lunik III is doomed . . .

to a short life because of orbit problems. Soviet Space Scientist Leonid Sedov told U.S. colleagues that torsional forces from the sun are pushing *Lunik III* closer and closer to the earth because of the high angle of inclination—70 degrees—of the space vehicle's orbit from the equator.

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### Other reports . . .

heard around the nation's capital:

. . . The Russians may hold a convention of Soviet rocket experts.

. . . *Jupiter* shipments to Italy are expected to begin early next year.



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# Industry Countdown

## MANUFACTURING

### Underground silo launching . . .

for *Minuteman* is proving much tougher than anticipated. Initial tests have shown some radical new approaches are needed in the design of the silo to overcome destructive acoustics and heat generated at blast-off. The problem is so serious, the Air Force reportedly is considering switching *Minuteman* to an elevator type launcher similar to the one to be used by *Titan*, which raises the missile out of the silo for launching.

### France holds poor market . . .

prospect for U.S. missile suppliers. The 1960 French defense budget earmarks only \$22 million for development of a long range ballistic missile. About \$66 million is allocated for three French Army *Hawk* anti-aircraft missile units. These are being produced jointly with Germany, Belgium, Holland and Italy under the system managership of a French firm—**Thomson-Houston Co.**

### Dispersion of *Snark* . . .

missiles now "bunched up" at Presque Isle AFB in Maine is being proposed to improve their value as a deterrent weapon. Idea would be to scatter a squadron—putting two missiles to a "satellite site" consisting of a \$250,000 tilt-up reinforced concrete building capable of withstanding 20 psi overpressures. A number of dispersed *Snarks* would be a cheap method, it is argued, of forcing up the cost to an enemy of knocking them all out.

### Anticipating a boil-up . . .

in Congress, DOD is now moving to insure greater small business participation. It has invoked a mandatory program applicable to all procurement contracts over \$1 million. The program replaces a voluntary one which resulted in only a slight increase in small business subcontracting in the first six months of this year.

### New steel alloy . . .

packing about 7% more strength per weight unit than other structural alloy steels is claimed by U.S. Steel. Called "Strux," the alloy can be heat treated to develop tensile strengths of 280,000 to 300,000 psi for use in missile parts.

## PROPULSION

### Cermet nozzle . . .

2-in. in diameter developed by Nuclear Materials and Equipment Corp. has withstood a

60-sec. blast of gases at over 4500°F. The alloy's composition has not been revealed, but it is said to be lighter than most used in R&D nozzles for the same temperature range.

### Good stability and 255 I<sub>sp</sub> . . .

are claimed for **Grand Central Rocket's** new "Nitrosol" solid fuel—a polymer based on nitrocellulose. Process and quality control are suited for mixing, casting and curing at launch site.

### Rocket engines for autos . . .

are being developed at **Hagerty Research & Development Co.**, Tucson, Ariz. Fuel is nitrate and cellulose solid. Company claims when perfected, the engine can power a car for 10 hours on 50 cents worth of fuel. Speed: undisclosed.

## ASTRIONICS

### Little hope . . .

is held for thermomagnetic generation of power. Navy research shows the efficiency of such devices is too low.

### Russians are recanting . . .

their reported claim of a breakthrough in thermoelectricity (M/R, Nov. 16, p. 11.) They admit the device which supposedly obtained a thermal efficiency of 182% doesn't exist and was, in fact, nothing more than an ordinary heat pump.

### Look for NASA contract . . .

decision soon on Sunflower 1 (solar heat source) and Snap 8 (nuclear heat source). Contenders are **Thompson Products**, **Sunstrand**, **Allison** and **AiResearch Mfg.** Big requirement is 10,000-hour operational life.

## WE HEAR THAT—

### Unsuccessful bidders . . .

for NASA contracts soon may be told why they lost out—a new policy . . . The part **Bell Aircraft** may play in the Air Force *Dyna-Soar* program is still undecided . . . **AiResearch Mfg.** has come up with a 50-pound closed-circuit oxygen system for moon explorers . . . a copper-doped germanium crystal infrared detector has been developed by **Hughes Aircraft's** Santa Barbara Research Center which reported can track space satellites and ICBM's at extreme distances. Device is said to be six times as sensitive as similar-type detectors in 8-to-25 micron range . . . and **Summers Gyroscope** is discussing possible mergers with several companies.

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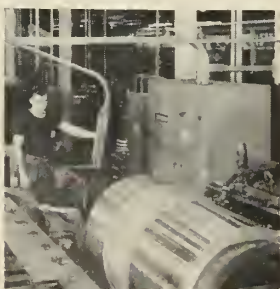


Welding of titanium at P&WA is based on the company's experience in production of more than 5800 jet engines containing titanium parts. Weld strength of beta titanium alloy is considerably improved by cold working the weld.

End Closure Titanium Forgings produced by Wyman-Gordon Company and machined by P & WA, will be girth welded to the flow-turned cylinders. Bosses are an integral part of the closures.



Flow-turning from roll-forged rings, makes feasible production of full-scale titanium rocket cases, since it yields integral cylinders, eliminates need for longitudinal welds, conserves input metal.



Pilot rocket-motor cases manufactured by P & Whitney Aircraft from beta titanium a Ti-13V-11Cr-3Al have been consistently but tested at levels in excess of 235,000 psi — a burst strength/density ratio of 1,340,000.

So successful has been its titanium program that Pratt & Whitney Aircraft considers production of full-scale titanium cases can easily be realized. Estimated initial burst strength a conservative 180,000 psi — a burst strength/density ratio of 1,000,000. Readily attainable 1,250,000.

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4. "Apart from the strengths attainable in the beta titanium alloy, there is another property of considerable significance. Like other titanium alloys, it has excellent resistance to corrosion under normal atmospheric conditions, in salt water as well as in many other media.

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### SPECIFIC COMPARISON: Strength

Alloy	Density	Practical Yield Strength (5% elongation)
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"In considering the long-time storage problems with rocket cases—a pit in a thin-walled casing can be catastrophic—we would regard the beta titanium alloy as the outstanding material under consideration."

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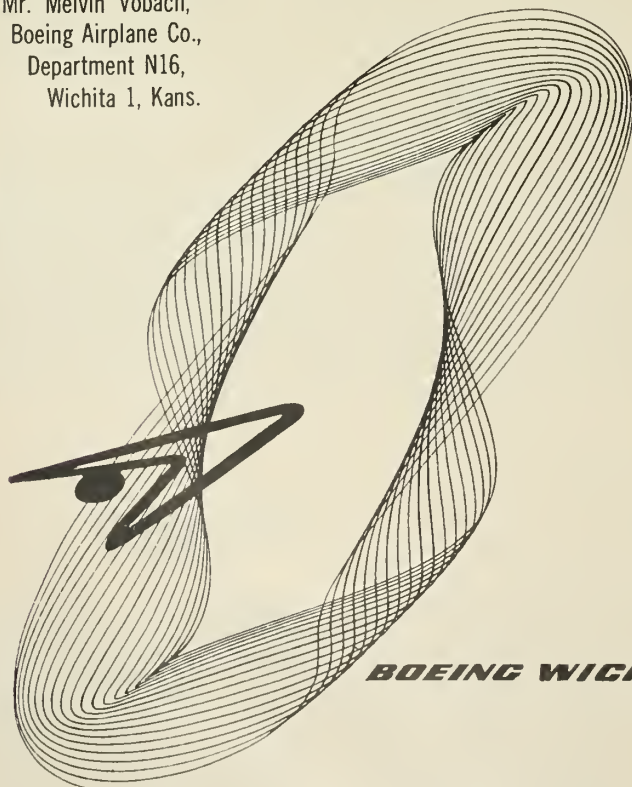
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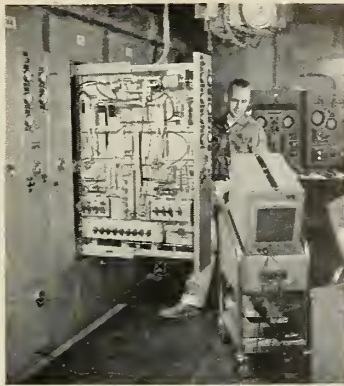
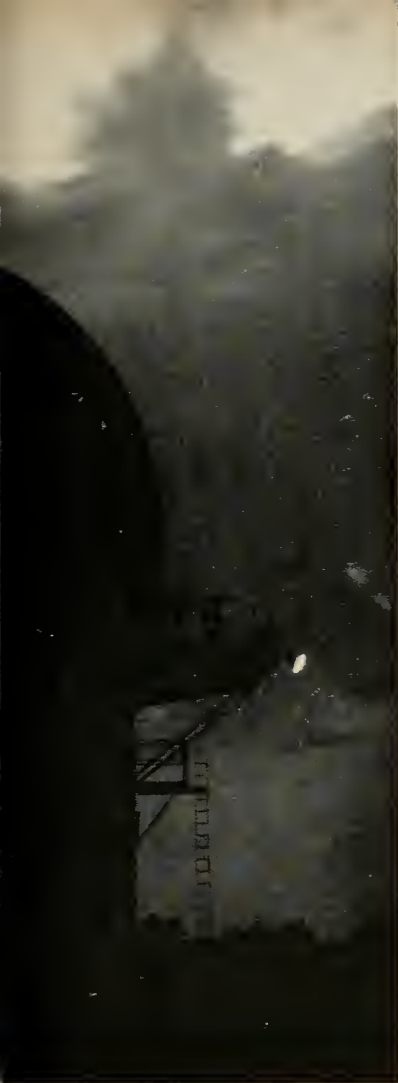
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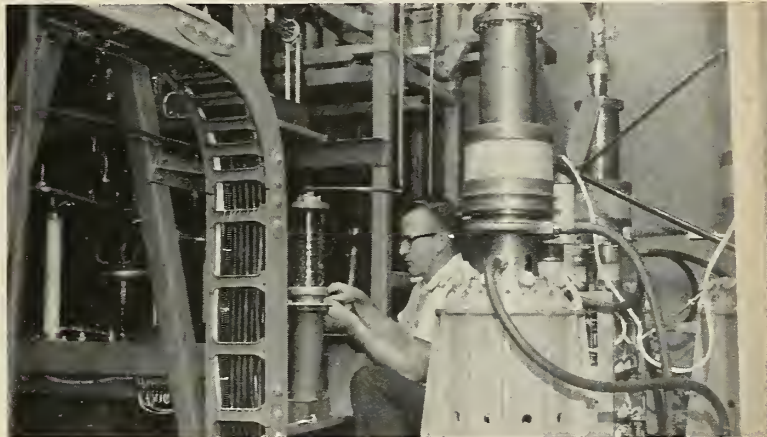




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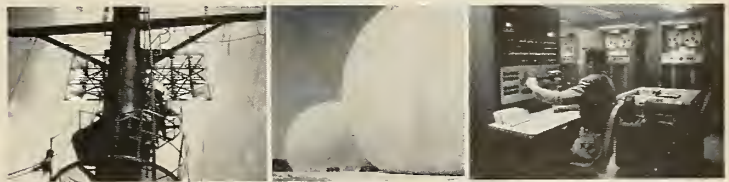


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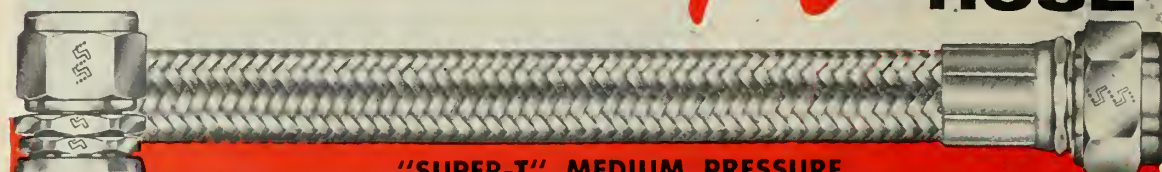
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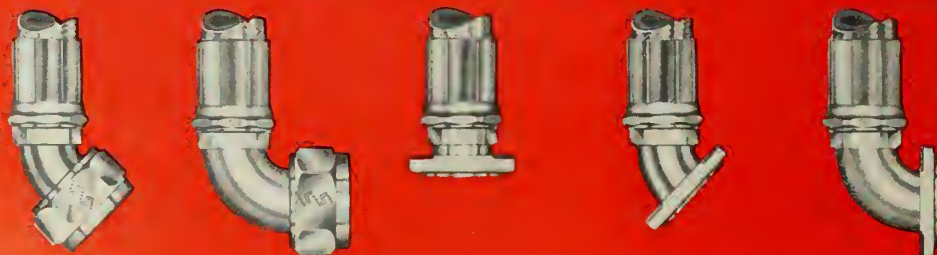
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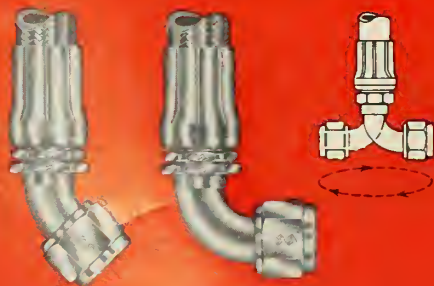
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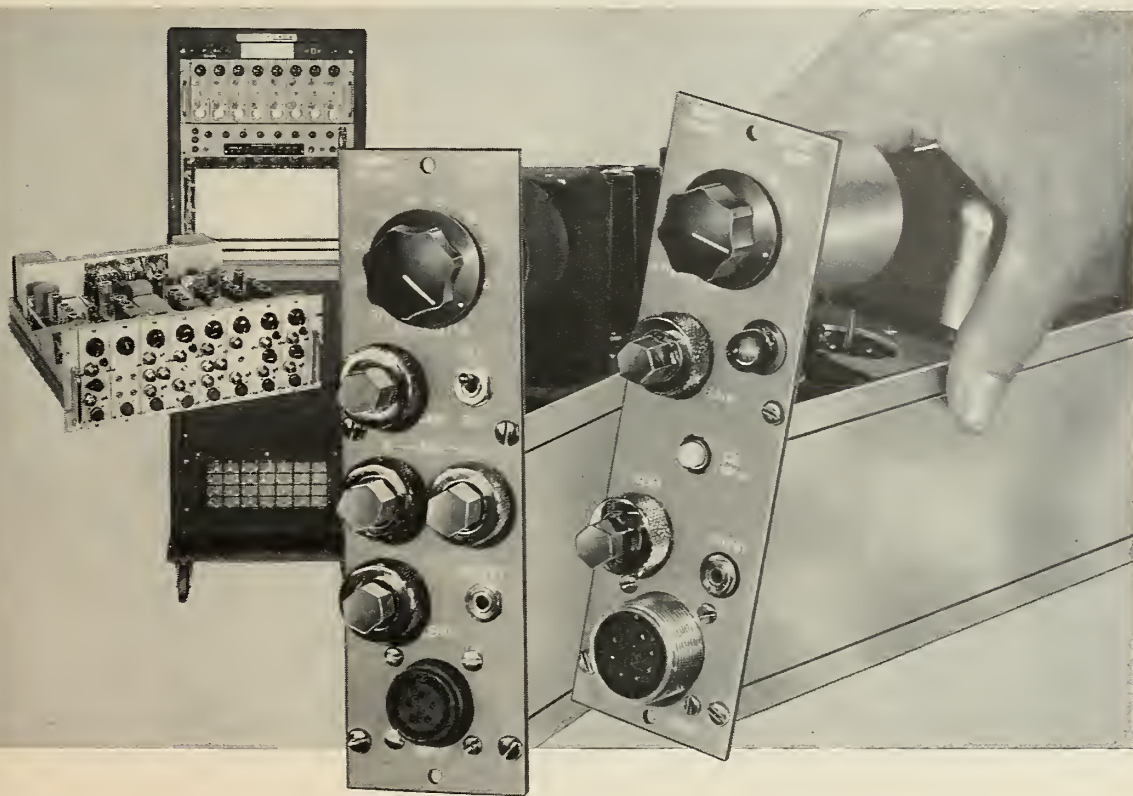


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# AF Pushing for Big Solids

*Industry expecting decision soon on feasibility contract for developing one-million-pound-thrust booster*

by Jay Holmes

WASHINGTON—America may soon have a new entry in the race for space—a program for development of a million-pound solid-fuel booster rocket.

Maj. Gen. Victor R. Haugen, director of development planning, deputy chief of staff/development, U.S. Air Force, announced Nov. 5 that the Air Force plans "to let a contract very soon to demonstrate the feasibility of a rocket engine which will be twice as large as any other under development."

Thiokol's *Minuteman* booster is the largest solid rocket at present under development. Its thrust and other performance figures are classified. However simple physical calculations indicate that it could not be much less than 400,000 lbs. and might be more.

The *Nike-Zeus* booster, although not the largest rocket in size, is known to develop 450,000 lbs. thrust. Thus an engine twice as large as any other under development would have to approach the million-pound class.

Industry has greeted the development with enthusiasm. At least four major rocket companies have announced that they are capable of taking on the development of a motor of this size. It is believed that at least two other companies are interested. The "million-pound solid booster" was a major topic of conversation and conjecture in the industry suites at this month's American Rocket Society convention.

John Gustavson of the Advanced Concept Office, **Grand Central Rocket Co.**, outlined details for construction of a 2.4-million-lb.-thrust solid engine, which would burn 72 seconds at a thrust-to-weight ratio varying between 2.5 and 7.9. The booster, weighing

691,000 lbs., would be 90' long and 12.5' in diameter and would perform at a specific impulse averaging 265 seconds between sea level and the burnout altitude of the booster, he said in a paper read in the session on solid rocket technology.

Gustavson said six of these rockets, known as *Cronus*, could be clustered into a 14.4 million lb. booster, which he named *Novus*. The *Cronus* could operate, he said, with a second stage generating 650,000 lbs. thrust for 82 seconds and a third stage generating 100,000 lbs. thrust for 133 seconds. This configuration could lift a payload of 26,000 lbs. into a 300-nautical mile orbit, Gustavson calculated.

Thiokol, **Aerojet-General** and **Rocketdyne** also have indicated in recent weeks that they are capable of building boosters in the multi-million-pound range.

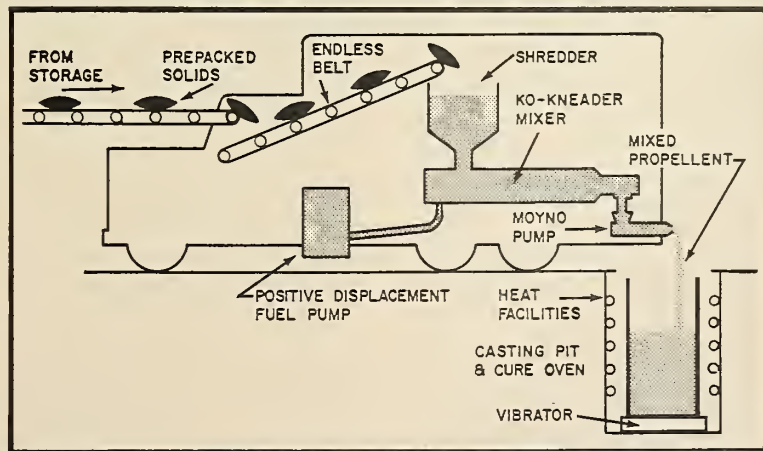
In comparing solid and liquid boosters, one must recall the much longer typical burning times of liquid-

fueled rockets. For example, most large liquid rockets under development contemplate burning times of 180 seconds.

A truer measure of the size of a rocket is the total impulse, measured in pound-seconds. The *Grand Central Cronus* booster would have a total impulse of 172.8 million pound-seconds. This would compare in total impulse with a 180-second liquid rocket with an average thrust of 960,000 lbs.

At the Symposium on Advanced Propulsion Concepts, held in Boston last month by **Avco-Everett Research Laboratory** and the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, Dr. Harold Ritchey of Thiokol proposed a solid booster of 10 million lbs. thrust and 60 seconds duration. This would thus have total impulse of 600 million pound seconds, comparable to a liquid rocket generating 3 1/3 million lbs. thrust for 180 seconds.

Gustavson and other solid-fuel spokesmen maintain that a scaled-up booster can be developed in for less



CONTINUOUS MIXING process developed by Grand Central Rocket Co. for loading big solid-fueled booster rockets at the firing site.

## would a solid rocket be cheaper?

time than required for liquids because solids have fewer parts. And, since development cost is largely dependent on the length of time involved, they argue that developing a large solid rocket is cheaper.

Last spring, the Air Force made a routine query of contractors as to what it would cost to demonstrate the feasibility of a million-pound solid rocket. The bids received varied from under \$2 million to more than \$6 million. M/R has learned that one of the under-\$2-million bids contemplated a first static test 8½ months after the go-ahead.

However, the Air Force decided not to award any contracts at that time. Officially, the situation lay dormant until Maj. Gen. Haugen made his statement in a speech before the 12th annual national conference of the Public Relations Society of America at Miami Beach, Fla.

Gen. Haugen said the Air Force, which has been working with solid fuels since 1953, feels they "hold great promise for reduced costs" in addition to the often-cited advantages of instant reaction, long storage life and ease of maintenance.

• **Energy Rate**—Another advantage cited by the solid supporters is the higher rate of energy production in solid boosters, which enables them to better overcome the loss due to gravity. For example, in the Grand Central *Cronus* proposal, the thrust-to-weight ratio at takeoff would be 2.5. Subtracting the one G lost to gravity, the acceleration at takeoff would be 1.5 G, gradually rising to about 7 G just before cutoff.

The liquid rocket is limited by the weight of pumps and tanks to a maximum of 1.5, Gustavson declared. Thus the initial acceleration is less than 0.5 G. This gradually increases, he said, until its burnout acceleration is just equal to the burnout acceleration of the solid.

Thus, solid rocketeers assert, the total velocity increment is less for a liquid than a solid. They further maintain that this difference is sufficient to overcome the liquids' advantage in specific impulse and the somewhat lower dead weight of a liquid booster.

Thiokol's Ritchey maintains that the division of responsibility between solids and liquids for space now is just the opposite of what it ought to be, with boosters and lower stages liquid and solids in the upper stages.

Actually, he says, the higher spe-

cific impulse of liquid fuels can be used to better advantage in the upper stages, while in a booster specific impulse is not quite so critical a factor.

Ritchey points out that high-energy fuel systems and exotic case materials always are preferred, at least in early stages of their development, for upper-stage use. The same argument would lead to selection of high-energy liquid upper stages, he says.

Solid rocketeers concede the impossibility of turning their flames off and on again. But they say this is less important in a booster, which must lift a system into orbit before any other space mission can be performed.

The Air Force outlined its requirements for such a booster to contractors Nov. 10 at a meeting at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. The meeting was attended by representatives of Thiokol, Aerojet, Rocketdyne, Grand Central, **Hercules Powder Co., Atlantic Research Corp.** and the **United Research Corp.**, a subsidiary of **United Aircraft**.

A key to the manufacturing of large solid-fuel rockets is the continuous processing of propellant. For a booster solid would be too big to transport by rail or truck to the site. Thus on-site loading seems a logical alternative. This would require on-site processing. At least six companies are working on development of continuous processing methods.

Rocketdyne disclosed some details of its method in a statement issued at the ARS convention. The North American division says its process, known as "Quickmix," is expected to provide a high degree of mobility for manufacturing in the field and loading into large motors. Rocketdyne is applying the process to several propellant combinations under contract with the Manufacturing Methods Division, Air Materiel Command.

A "Quickmix" pilot plant, which has a minimum capacity of 500 lbs.

of propellant per hour, recently was loaded onto a 30' truck trailer and transported from California to Rocketdyne's solid propellant plant (formerly named Astrodyne) at McGregor, Tex.

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Minor dry propellant ingredients are handled in a similar way. Liquid ingredients enter the system through a colloid mill for emulsifying with the liquid carrier. Where metallized propellants are required, the powdered metal also will be mixed with a liquid carrier, thus reducing the special hazards that come with handling of fine metal powders.

The streams of oxidizer and other ingredient in the liquid carrier are blended at high speeds in a small mixer. Because of the fluidity, mixing is accomplished rapidly with no appreciable heat buildup and a very low power requirement. The propellant forms immediately on contact of the binder droplets and oxidizer particles.

Rocketdyne says a Quickmix plant with a capacity of 5,000 lbs. per hour could be constructed and it would also be able to operate successfully at reduced rates. The plant and raw ingredients would be transported to the proposed firing site for the field loading of rocket motors larger than feasible to transport from plant to site.

• **Other methods**—Grand Central has developed a continuous mixer on a truck trailer. Propellant ingredients can be trucked to the site, mixed at leisure, loaded directly into the rocket case and stored until needed.

Thiokol, Aerojet-General, Hercules and Olin Mathieson are known to be developing continuous mixing processes. The problems have not all been solved. Several explosions have occurred in recent months during tests of these processes.

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### Next Week: Soviet Propulsion

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*Next week, MISSILES AND ROCKETS presents another exclusive first—a complete and authoritative report on Soviet rocket propulsion systems.*

*Donald J. Ritchie, one of America's top non-government experts on Soviet rocket and aircraft technology, gathered his material through a study of 120 textbooks and hundreds of periodicals in the Russian language. Ritchie, a project mathematician in the Research*

*Laboratories Division, Bendix Aviation Corp., formerly was engaged in R&D work at Wright Air Development Command, Melpar Inc. and Crosley Division, Avco Corp.*

*Among the details outlined for the first time in Ritchie's comprehensive account will be the thrust level and other technical data for the Soviet ICBM's, Sputniks, Luniks and many smaller rocket systems.*

# M/R Surveys the Exploding Semiconductor Industry

*Already a half-billion-dollar-a-year business, forecasts indicate the total will double in five years unless imports hit defense market . . .*

by Charles D. LaFond

WASHINGTON—The semiconductor industry is experiencing a growth that resembles an explosion. Barely eleven years old, its future impact on the rest of the electronics industry cannot even be guesstimated. We are blinded by long-range market forecasts, business speculations, technological huckstering and research ballyhoo.

M/R estimates, based on an industry survey, indicate the total 1960 semiconductor market will approach \$510 million: \$295 million military; \$215 million commercial. These figures represent a mean, for industrial estimates vary by about  $\pm$ \$4 million. But on one total—the 1965 estimated market—the figure was almost a unanimous \$1 billion.

According to Dr. Frank Herman, RCA Laboratories, thousands of articles and responsible text books already have been published on semiconductor science and technology. Well over 150 commercial companies are now engaged in development and production of solid-state devices and more than 100 of these are American firms. (It has been estimated that nearly 35% of the world volume of currently published basic research in physics is in the solid-state area. Roughly, this is between 1500 and 2000 papers annually.)

He conservatively estimates that the total semiconductor-device output should overtake that of vacuum tubes by about 1962 in the United States.

• **The industry**—The accompanying chart contains most of the semiconductor manufacturers in the U.S. today and a list of the principal products of each by category.

For a rapid rundown of what some of the major producers are doing, the

following summary has been prepared. The list is not intended to be complete, but it will indicate the trends of today—that is, the successful smaller companies are carefully expanding and the large manufacturers are engaged in an R&D marathon. Big or small, each is making technological headway.

**Pacific Semiconductors, Inc.**, recently announced development of a "micro-micro diode" weighing 14.09 milligrams (a standard silicon diode weighs approx. 160 mg). According to PSI, the small size was achieved by a molecular bonding process. It was described as a chemical surface passivation technique in which silicon crystal molecules are bonded with the protective-coating surface elements.

A relative newcomer to the field is **P. R. Mallory and Co., Inc.**, which will limit its efforts to single junction devices for the present. Developmental work and pilot production operations are nearly complete. Diffused junction silicon rectifiers will be marketed during 1960, but certainly growing pains will slow its mass entry into the field.

**Philco Corp.** is involved in almost all phases of semiconductor R&D and manufacturing; it has programs to develop packaging for severe environments, to increase power dissipation and increase maximum storage limit to 175°C, to improve fabrication techniques, to replace potting compounds in some devices with a process where-in no heat is developed.

According to a company spokesman, significant research is being directed toward new semiconductor materials which will make possible new physical phenomena. Magnetic-film memories for next-generation computers are being studied along with

electroquenchable phosphors for low-cost computer elements.

**Industro Transistor Corp.**, a manufacturer of high-quality PNP germanium alloy junction transistors only, expects to increase its product line considerably during the next six months with silicon mesa and power transistors, and silicon rectifiers. (It is interesting to note that Industro has experienced a management metamorphosis. Fiscal '58 and '59 showed successive deficits. During the last quarter of its current year, it has completely removed the deficit and showed an earning above taxes of \$0.24 per share.)

Primary company research efforts are aimed at tunnel diode development and radical improvements in transistor environmental capabilities.

**Transitron, Inc.** has achieved a remarkable growth in the last few years. A manufacturer of semiconductor components only, it is currently a family-owned closed corporation. This December it will make a 1-million-share public stock offering.

Already a broad contributor to the semiconductor product field, **Raytheon Company** is investing much of its research in continued development of tunnel diodes and the avalanche mode transistor for high-speed switching.

The Semiconductor Div. of **Fairchild Camera and Instrument Co.** has concentrated on development and production of high-quality silicon transistors for ultra-high-speed switching. It recently introduced seven new types of transistors and some silicon devices for microminiaturized circuitry. Research programs are investigating new semiconductor materials, tunnel diodes, parametric diodes, microminiaturized

modules, and devices using inter-metallic compounds.

**Hoffman Electronics Corp.'s** Semiconductor Div. recently announced success in one of its R&D programs. It has developed automatic test equipment that speeds up high-low temperature operating "run-in" tests on Zener diodes by 700%. (Tests are designed to insure maximum stability and reliability.)

**Texas Instruments** has a complete line of solid-state components. A pioneer in the field, it produced one of the first demonstration solid state functional circuits. TI uses diffusion techniques with photolithographic processes to produce circuit "components" in a single semiconductor crystal.

**Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s** Semiconductor Div. is engaged in a sizeable research program. A large semiconductor producer, it is pushing its efforts for a better understanding of molecular electronics. By modifying the properties of solid-state material through a control of crystalline structure, a desired function can be achieved by the researchers without the need for individual components.

Westinghouse believes only an approach such as its molecular electronics can achieve the desired reliability, ruggedness, and low power consumption necessary for tomorrow's missile/space system requirements.

For more conventionally sized circuits, the company has been investigating cold-cathode type electron tubes using various semiconductors for electron emission. It recently announced successful use of silicon carbide in such a "transistorized" electron tube. Power requirements are negligible; current flow is low but adequate (of the order of 1 microampere).

**Radio Corporation of America, General Electric, and Hughes Products**—Semiconductor Div. are all large producers of semiconductor devices. Accordingly, each maintains a broad research effort: molecular electronics and thin-film circuitry, exotic metals, and the whole gamut of conventional solid-state components. Each has had notable success in the development of tunnel-diode circuit applications.

• **Transistor prices**—To understand the steady downward trend of transistor unit prices, a study of the development and subsequent production record of transistors is most revealing.

Initially, development costs were high for the first year following the **Bell Telephone Labs** invention of the point-contact transistor. As costs began to decline, the zone-refining process evolved and the junction transistor was conceived. Development costs again rose sharply and continued until 1952. The first real production began in 1952.

It has risen sharply and almost linearly ever since.

In 1955, with the birth of the diffusion process and the silicon transistor, developmental costs again rose sharply. Only recently have they begun to taper off somewhat. Bell Labs estimates that the total 1955 production of transistors was approximately 4 million units at an average unit price of four dollars.

By 1960, production will be well over 100 million units and the average price will have dropped below two

dollars. Production may level off at around 750 million by 1970 with a unit price near \$0.70 or less. Rapid development and application of tunnel diodes and future breakthroughs can completely alter these estimates. Only time will provide all the answers.

It is also interesting to note that as a result of advances in diffusion technology, the semiconductor diode market should eventually equal that for transistors. Many feel it may even exceed the transistor market because of the diverse applications for diodes.

## Major U.S. Semiconductor Makers

	Transistors							Diodes			Rectifiers		IR Detector Cells	
	Germanium	Germanium Power	Photo	Silicon	Silicon Power	Switching	Tetrode	Germanium	Silicon	Zener	Germanium	Silicon		Solid State Thyristors
Aeronica Mfg. Corp. ....														X
Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co. ....														
American Elite, Inc. ....								X						
American Rectifier Corp. ....								X	X				X	
Amperex Electronic Corp. ....	X	X	X					X	X	X	X	X		
Arco Electronics, Inc. ....									X	X				
Audio Devices, Inc. ....									X			X		
Avion Div., ACF Ind., Inc. ....														X
Axler Associates ....														X
Barnes Eng. Co. ....														X
Basic Controls Corp. ....														X
Bausch & Lomb Optical Co. ....														X
Baird, Atomic, Inc. ....														X
Bendix Aviation Corp. ....	X	X		X	X	X							X	
Block Assoc., Inc. ....									X				X	X
Bogue Elect. Mfg. Co. ....	X			X	X		X	X	X		X	X		
Bomac Labs. ....									X					
Bradley Semicond. Corp. ....												X		
CBS-Hytron Div. ....	X	X			X	X		X	X					
Cartriseal Corp. ....									X	X				
Centronix, Inc. ....														X
Clark Electronics Lab. ....											X	X	X	
Clevite Corp. ....	X	X			X	X		X	X					
Columbus Electronics Corp. ....									X			X		
Crystalonics, Inc. ....				X										
Delco Radio Div. ....	X	X												
Delta Chem. Works ....								X	X					
Dynamic Electronics, Inc. ....														X
Eastman Kodak Co. ....														X
Emerson Electric Co. ....														X
Erie Resistor Corp. ....								X						
Fairchild Semicond. Div. ....				X	X	X								
Fansteel Metall. Corp. ....									X			X		
Farrand Optical Co., Inc. ....														X
Ferranti Elec., Inc. ....									X			X		
Finney Co. ....								X	X					
Electronics Corp. of Am. ....														X
Flame Research, Inc. ....														X
GB Electronics Corp. ....														X
Gates Electronic Corp. ....													X	
Gen. Electric Co. ....	X			X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X
Gen. Instrument Corp. ....								X	X	X	X	X		
Gen. Nuclear Corp. ....													X	
Gen. Transistor Corp. ....	X		X	X		X		X						
Great Eastern Mfg. Co. ....	X		X	X	X	X	X	X				X		
Gulton Ind., Inc. ....	X			X	X									
Hoffman Electronics Corp. ....				X	X				X	X		X	X	X
Hughes Semicond. Div. ....	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hycor Mfg. Co. ....														X
I.T.T. Corp. ....									X	X		X		X
Industro Transistor Corp. ....	X													
Intercont. Electronics Corp. ....	X							X						
Internat'l Electronics Corp. ....	X		X	X	X									
Internat'l Electronics-Mullard ....								X						X
Internat'l Rectifier Corp. ....									X	X	X	X		
Intimex Corp. ....			X											



• **Transistor imports**—At least one cloud exists on the transistor market horizon. Japanese imports have been increasing steadily. According to David R. Hull, president of the Electronics Industries Association, Japanese sales have hit the entertainment-type transistor field to the tune of 25% of the total U.S. business. There is one Japanese transistor import for every 3.6 units produced here, he said.

The danger, he pointed out, is that this is the market that has provided manufacturers with the funds to carry

out R&D in other areas.

It is also obvious, he said, that if they can make inroads on the market to this extent in three years, it stands to reason that the defense market will also prove vulnerable.

• **Development**—Just in developing what we now have—that is, without considering advanced research aimed at further breakthroughs—what will the expected industry accomplishments be in the next few years?

Standardization of designs certainly will be a primary target for advance.

Refinement, simplification, and reduction of designs for broad application will continue.

Manufacturing processes and techniques can be improved. Progress in automation has been made but to keep up with requirements—quality and quantity—large-scale advances are needed. Improvements are needed to protect semiconductor surfaces. Currently this is an expensive process necessary to obtain intrinsic reliability in bulk semiconductors.

A better understanding of the uses of semiconductor devices is mandatory. New circuit techniques will aid greatly the rapid application of such devices to a vastly greater number of different equipment.

To expand the range of available (or obtainable) electronic properties, other intermetallic compounds must be rigorously investigated and exploited. Others can be used to fill the gap in meeting more environmental requirements.

We need better methods of measurement and control of impurities when an order of magnitude of parts per million is considered. Until proper methods are devised, the semiconductor industry will be based more on art than exact science.

Improved or even new methods of attaching mechanical components to semiconductors are needed. Production type plating, welding, and soldering techniques in current use often introduce impurities and other degrading efforts into the finished product.

## Huge Solar Converter Used To Open New Hoffman Plant

LOS ANGELES—Power from "Big Bertha," the world's largest solar energy converter, was used to open the doors to Hoffman Electronic Corporation's new Semiconductor Center at dedication ceremonies here last week.

The \$2-million plant will be used to conduct research and development of solid-state material devices.

Described as the largest and most advanced of its type in the world, the Center is the first designed to mass-produce solar cells. The facility is reported to be able to produce semiconductor materials with a purity of 99.9999999%.

Hoffman's production capacity will be more than doubled by the new Center. Annual sales potential is increased to approximately \$35 million. Employment at capacity will be an estimated 2000.

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	Germanium	Germanium Power	Photo	Silicon	Silicon Power	Switching	Tetrode	Germanium	Silicon	Zener	Germanium	Silicon	Solid State Thyristors	
Isomet Corp.														X
Kellogg Switchboard & Supply Co.	X													
Kemtron Electron Prod., Inc.								X	X					
Leeds & Northrup Co.														X
Librascope, Inc.														X
Lindly & Co.														X
Litton Ind.					X									
Macarr, Inc.												X		
P. R. Mallory & Co., Inc.			X					X			X			
Marstan Electronics, Inc.														X
Microwave Assoc., Inc.								X						
Minneapolis-Honeywell	X				X		X	X						
Motorola, Inc.	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
North American Electronics, Inc.								X	X		X	X		
North Hills Elec. Co., Inc.									X					
Nucleonic Prod. Co., Inc.								X						
Ohmite Mfg. Co.								X						
Opad Elect. Co.								X		X	X	X		
Pacific Semicond., Inc.				X	X	X		X	X		X			
Perkin Eng. Corp.										X	X			
Perkin-Elmer Corp.														X
Philco Corp., Lansdale Tube Co., Div.	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	X		X
Pyramid Elect. Co.												X		
Qutronic Semicond. Corp.	X	X	X				X	X	X					
RCA, Electron Tube Div.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X			X	X	
Radiation Electronics Corp.														X
Radiation, Inc.														X
Radio Dev. and Research Corp.	X			X	X			X						
Raytheon Co.	X			X	X	X		X	X		X	X		X
Rectico, Inc.														X
Rheem Semicond. Div.				X	X	X		X			X			
Sarkes, Tarzian								X			X			
Semicon, Inc.								X			X			
Semi-Elements Inc.	X		X	X	X	X		X	X					X
Servo Corp. of Am.														X
Shockley Transistor Corp.								X						
Silicon Transistor Corp.				X	X	X		X				X		
Solid State Prods.				X	X	X							X	
Sperry Rand Corp.				X		X		X			X			
Sprague Electric Co.	X													
Sylvania Electric Prods.	X			X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	
Syntron Co.								X			X			
Technical Apparatus Builders						X		X	X		X	X		
Texas Instruments	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
Thermosen, Inc.								X			X			
Thompson Ramo-Wooldridge	X			X										X
Topp Ind., Inc.	X													
Transitron Electronic Corp.	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		
Trans-Sil Corp.				X	X			X			X	X		
Tung-Sol Elect., Inc.	X	X		X	X			X			X			
U.S. Dynamics Corp.				X	X			X	X		X	X		
U.S. SemiCond. Prods. Div.								X	X		X	X	X	
U.S. Semicor								X						
Vickers, Inc., Elect. Div.								X			X			
Warren Components Div., El-Tronics, Inc.								X			X	X		
Westinghouse Elect. Corp.	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X
Workman TV, Inc.	X	X									X			

# 'Who Says There's A Space Race?'



Dr. Eberhard Rechtin, Chief of the Telecommunications Division, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, NASA, recently delivered an address before the Electric Club of Los Angeles on the subject "Who Says

There's a Space Race?" M/R reproduces it here in condensed form.—Ed.

A race has certain required elements. There must be a reward, a significant achievement and an interested audience. And there must be at least one participant, not necessarily two. We can all think of examples of a single participant who is racing against time.

This being true, then there most certainly is a space race since we have one highly demonstrative participant, the Russians, and ample evidence of the achievements, rewards, and interest to the audience.

Let us then consider the race from the point of view of the Communist government and society of the USSR. They want a strong Russian Communist society. They want to expand their sphere of influence. And they want an increasingly favorable economic situation for Russia.

There is not much question that the original Soviet missile program was a direct consequence of a military need to counter our Strategic Air Command. According to the Soviet scientists, it was no simple task for them to get their space program started. As a matter of fact, it apparently took several years.

According to one possibly apocryphal story, a very serious question was raised in the upper Soviet government circles as to whether or not the Soviets should launch space vehicles at all. Certain members of the Soviet government were very seriously concerned that such space activity might trigger the United States into engaging in this race of missiles and space.

• **The payoff**—Probably neither the Russians nor the Americans remotely guessed the prizes which the Russians would pick up as a result of their success.

Some of the prizes can be valued in cold cash. The Russians probably spent on the order of \$500 million to launch the first several *Sputniks*. As a direct result, the Russian technical prestige took a large discrete jump up-

wards in the world market. Conservatively, this jump, based upon the size of the world market and the size of various governmental expenditures, meant a return on the world market on the order of \$5 billion.

To illustrate:

Suppose that you were a civil servant in South America or in Asia choosing a contractor to build a bridge.

We will consider two cases. First, go back to 1954. You would probably consider obtaining your bridge from the United States, the United Kingdom, or perhaps, West Germany. It is unlikely that you would consider a Russian contractor too seriously. Now, let's go to 1958. The countries which immediately come to mind are Russia and the United States.

Well, the prize of technical prestige in obtaining more of the world market is relatively obvious. Another prize, very easily overlooked by us, is an advantage which is probably of even greater value to the Russian Communist leaders—the fact that the Russian people are understandably and justifiably quite proud of their new technical achievements.

It is probably no coincidence that the Russians began mentioning (and we began considering) coequal summit meetings just after the launchings of the *Sputniks*. It is now no longer Russia, Great Britain, and the United States as the three great powers, it is now Russia verses the West, even up.

• **What next?**—The Russians will most certainly continue in the space race, since this race very well meets the overall objectives of the Russian Communist society.

From the economic standpoint, it can be shown that certain types of space vehicles will more than pay for themselves. Both communication and weather satellites can be used to make money. The Russians, could, for example, set up a world-wide communication system considerably better and more reliable than our high frequency radio system in use today—then rent and control this system.

• **What to do?**—The United States at the moment is neither in nor out of the space race. We have made no declaration to accept the Russian challenge. We have no programs whose avowed intent is to close the gap between ourselves and the Russians. We have one or two programs whose hopeful intent is to try to keep the gap from getting wider. At the present time, one of the most remarkable features of the

U.S. position is the almost complete lack of urgency in the space program.

The NASA budget is now somewhat less than what the United States pays to ship and store surplus wheat. Our space program is less than two percent of our defense budget. The space program costs less than ten dollars per year per U.S. adult or roughly one evening's entertainment per year.

On the other hand, we have not declared ourselves *out*, either, although in the last two years we have dropped six months to a year further behind in the process of organizing, re-evaluating, carving out paper empires, and fighting over who is going to be the boss to tell the professional what to do.

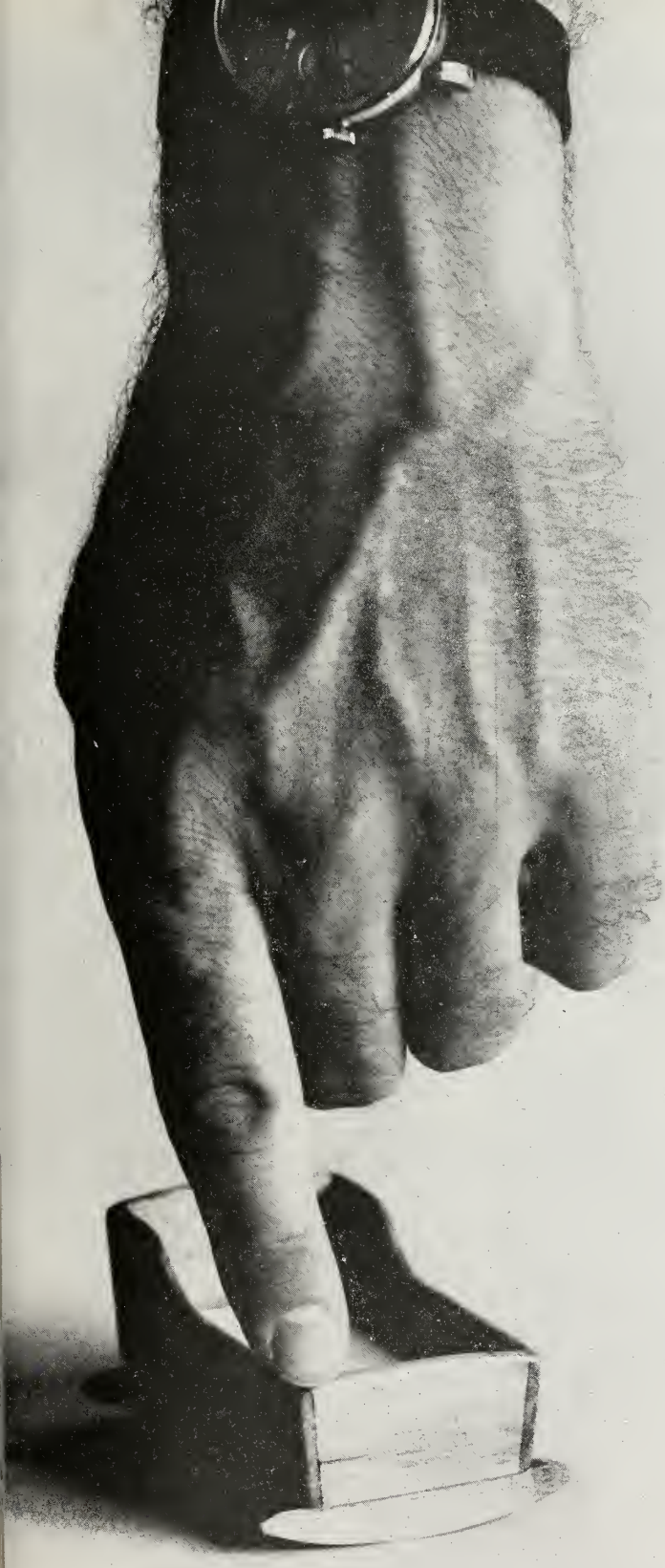
The results of continuing as we are were illustrated the other day in a meeting at JPL in which we were attempting to plan the missions for a set of space vehicles in 1961 and 1962. We went through the process of setting up a logical and technically sound program, only to be shocked at the end of our efforts to find that the first half of our fine program had already been done by the Russians.

A colleague last week remarked that the closer you get to the space program, the more of a sinking feeling you get.

Putting it in somewhat different words, continuing at the present level is largely a waste of money. At the moment, we are paying for the privilege of being the perfect straight man for the Russians. As Dr. Glennan has stated, "we cannot run second very long and still talk of leadership."

In a perfectly objective way, we should therefore consider the results of declaring ourselves out of this game. We might well save ourselves a great deal of embarrassment. We would have to yield the field to the Russians and admit that they are highly successful. What would hurt is that we would have to admit by inference that their reason for success, namely the Communist Society, might also be true.

We should also consider the results of declaring ourselves *in* the space race. It will certainly cost us more money than we are presently spending. We are going to need clearly defined goals, specifically, whether or not we intend to accept the Russian challenge. We will need facilities and priorities. We need a very hard-boiled look at past performance and a willingness to let the finally chosen professionals run their own race.



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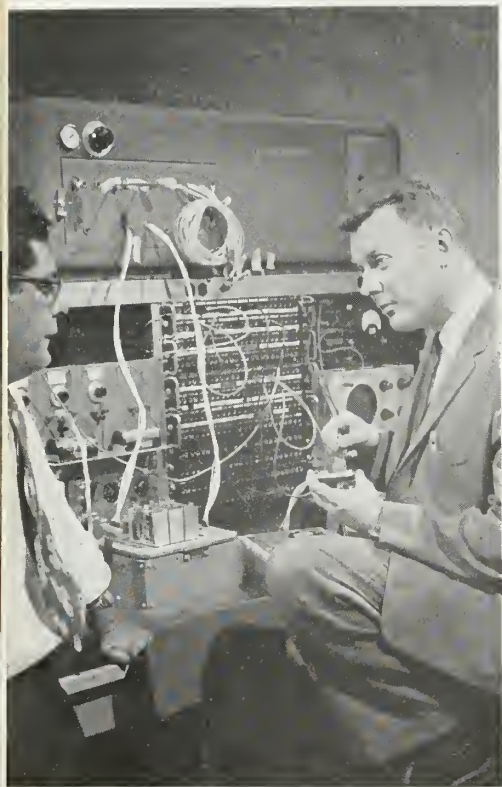
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# Recorder Passes Flight Test

*Miniature Ampex unit survives trip on missile and nine days in ocean; performs perfectly when retrieved*

REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA—A miniature tape recorder survived an Air Force missile flight and 9 days in the Atlantic Ocean, yet performed perfectly when retrieved from the water and tested with a new tape and tape turntable.

The recorder, Model MR-100, developed by Ampex Corporation, was enclosed in a plastic sphere on a Thor-Able carrying an instrumented nose cone. The recorder was thrown free before the cone struck the ocean. The plastic was strong enough to protect the recorder, yet light enough to allow the capsule to float in the water.

During its recording periods, all data telemetered from the nose cone during flight is stored. Temperature, pressure, stress, acceleration, and deceleration information is included.

The system contains two separate assemblies and weighs 20 pounds. The tape transport assembly contains the magnetic record heads, tape drive system, and system control circuitry. The electronics assembly contains the record and reproduce amplifiers and a reference oscillator used for timing. An interconnecting cable is used between the two assemblies. The entire system rides in a General Electric-developed instrumented sphere, 18 inches in diameter, made of polyurethane foam with a cover of ablative material.

The complete system occupies less than one-fifth of 1 cubic foot. Capable of capturing information in a frequency band from 300 to 100,000 cycles per second, it will record two tracks of information utilizing parallel tracks on 1/4-inch wide magnetic tape. The tracks are independent, each having its own record and reproduce amplifiers in the system's electronics unit.

The device begins recording on receipt of a command signal, continuing until expiration of the complete four-

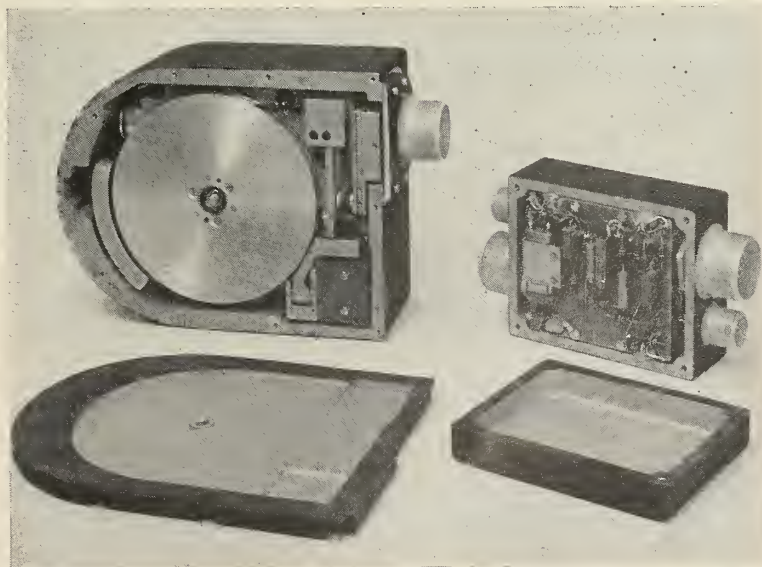
minute recording cycle. It then stops automatically. Depending upon type of operation desired, it does either one of two things: (1) Awaits another command signal, or (2) after 5 seconds, automatically reproduces the previously-recorded signal in reverse. It then stops and awaits another command signal to restart the transport in the recording cycle once more.

The recorder may be stopped at any time during the recording or reproduce portions of the cycle. At the completion of the reproduce cycle, the recorded data remains on the tape. Upon receipt of a command signal to begin another recording cycle, the existing signal is erased just before the new one is recorded.

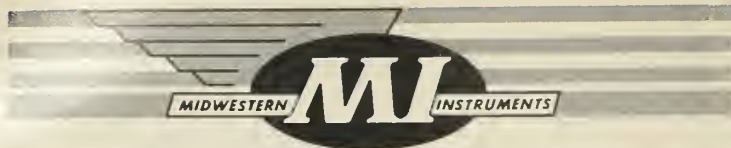
The recorder provided nose cone

information during re-entry period when attenuation of the radioed telemetry signals made ground reception impossible. This stored information was then reproduced in flight at a programmed time when telemetry attenuation no longer occurred.

The recorder's design presented problems of heat transfer and high-frequency vibration. A certain amount of heat is generated by the motors and tube filaments, and reducing the size of the equipment (or increasing the number of components per cubic inch of space) concentrates this heat in a small volume. Because the specified environmental ambient temperature was fairly high, it was quite difficult to obtain internal temperatures within the range required for reliable opera-



**COMPLETE MR-100 occupies less than one-fifth of 1 cubic foot. Tape transport (left) and electronics assemblies (right) are shown with their covers removed.**

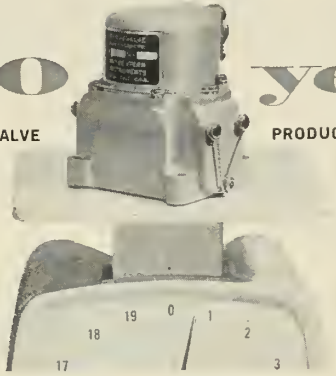


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tion of the components.

Although the tape transport assembly comprises the bulk of the system, it weighs only 14 pounds and measures 8-5/16 x 6 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches. Tape reels for the unit measure 5 1/2 inches in diameter and can accommodate 1400 feet of tape which moves at 60 inches per second.

Components are mounted on a cast-aluminum chassis, which fits into a heavy cast-aluminum case. The case not only protects the operating mechanism from the external environment, but doubles as armor in protecting the tape during impact. The case and chassis are constructed so that if the mounting bosses on the chassis shear under impact, the raised portions of the chassis will come in contact with the case before the reels are crushed.

Embedded in the chassis are the three tiny motors for the system. There are two torque motors for the tape reels and a constant-speed motor which drives the tape at a uniform velocity.

Heart of the recorder—the magnetic record heads—is potted in a steel block, with centerline pivot bosses to locate them in a precision-machined thick-walled aluminum mounting box. The box, in turn, is enclosed by a close-fitting mu-metal container with a removable lid for tape threading. This provides double shielding against external magnetic fields.


With the exception of the control circuitry for the tape transport, all the circuitry is a part of the separate electronics assembly. The assembly contains, in addition to duplicate record and reproduce amplifier circuitry, a bias and erase oscillator and a crystal-controlled 93-kilocycle reference-signal oscillator.

To meet the temperature range specifications for the system of -55°C to +70°C, silicon transistors were selected. Other components such as a potentiometer, toroidal inductor, tantalum capacitors, and miniature resistors, were chosen for compactness and are mounted on etched boards. The etched boards fit compactly into the electronics case and are rigidly attached to a cast web. An inner mu-metal container shields the reproduce electronics. The complete assembly with covers installed weighs 6 pounds; measures 8 1/2 x 4 x 3 1/4 inches.

As with any 60-ips tape transport, the inertia of the tape reels during starting and stopping is a basic problem. To obtain a 2-second start time, the lightest possible reel was required. Yet vibration and impact survival required great strength, so special reels were designed with tapered, aluminum flanges, precision-turned to 0.062-inch at the outer edges.



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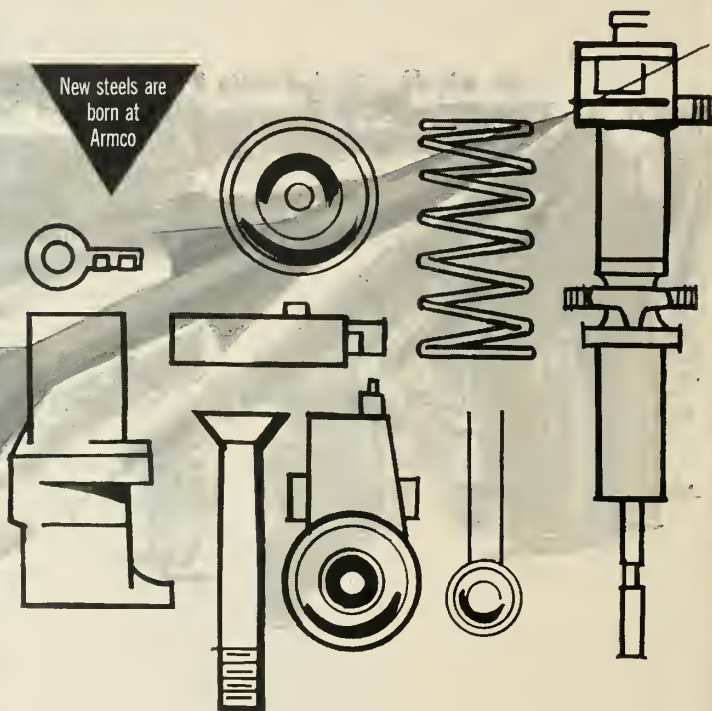


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# propulsion engineering...

By JAY HOLMES

## Which big liquid booster is better . . .

the *Saturn* or the so-called *Nova*? Both will develop about 1,500,000 lbs. of thrust. Both will have comparable burning times. Both will do about the same job.

Sam F. Iacobellis of Rocketdyne compared the two boosters on the basis of reliability, availability, performance and cost and came to the conclusion that neither the Rocketdyne single engine nor the ABMA *Saturn* cluster has a clear-cut advantage in all four respects.

## Early reliability and low cost . . .

are advantages of the *Saturn* cluster, Iacobellis said in a paper at this month's American Rocket Society convention. But the single engine has higher ultimate reliability and greater performance. Iacobellis adds that the ultimate reliability of *Saturn* can be made competitive by adding a ninth spare engine.

For early availability and low cost (important) *Saturn* will be preferred. For performance and ultimate reliability, the *Nova* will get the nod. Furthermore, the big single engine is capable of being clustered into a booster with 6 million lbs. or more of thrust.

## Reliability increases by about 20% . . .

on adding a spare to an eight-engine cluster, Iacobellis calculates. For example, assuming an 0.95 reliability for the single, smaller engine, an eight-engine cluster has about 0.67 reliability. If one spare is added, the reliability becomes about 0.82.

The Rocketdyne engineer also plots reliability of the engine against time for the single chamber, the eight-engine cluster and the cluster with a spare. To reach an 0.70 reliability figure, the *Nova* needs just under three years of testing. *Saturn*, which began in late 1958, would reach 0.70 reliability after about 22 months.

## Cost of *Saturn* is lower too . . .

if we assume that only 50 boosters are required. Iacobellis figures that for this number the clustered booster would cost about 70% as much as the single engine. However, if many more of the engines are desired, the cost per unit of *Nova* drops below that for *Saturn*.

Department of Defense sources have estimated that the cost of 50 *Saturns* will be something over \$800 million. Thus it follows that it will cost at least \$1.14 billion to develop 50 single-cell *Novas*. This would supply 20 engine systems for vehicle development and six engine systems per year for five years of operational use.

## On performance, *Nova* gets the nod . . .

because it can incorporate the latest developments in liquid rocket technology, while a cluster must make use of off-the-shelf engines. For a three-stage vehicle having a sea-level thrust of 1.5 million, Iacobellis assumes a 30,000 lb. payload can be delivered over an 8000-nautical mile range.

For the cluster, he assumes a 23,000-lb. penalty because of differences in the state of technology.

## Ultimately, *Nova* will be more reliable . . .

than the *Saturn* cluster. Iacobellis' graph indicates the crossover point is about four years after the start of development, at which time the reliability of each engine is about 0.94. *Saturn's* reliability curve levels off about this time and doesn't rise much above about 0.95 unless a spare engine is added. For *Nova*, he calculates about 0.99 reliability after 6½ years.

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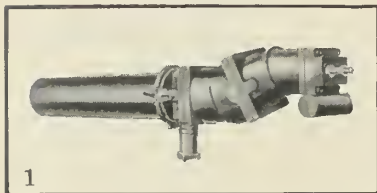
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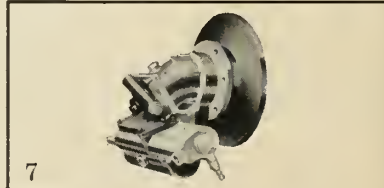
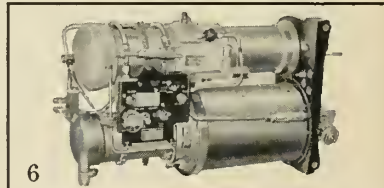
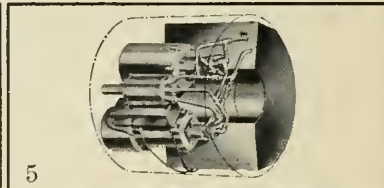
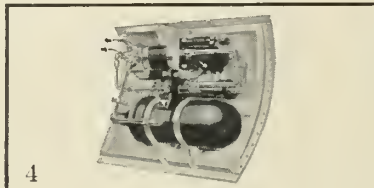
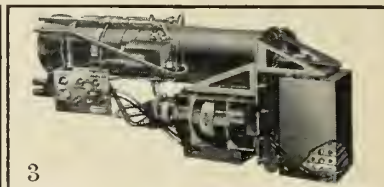
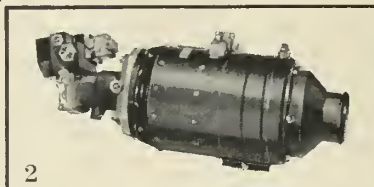


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# Radar Operational Simulation Keeps Navy on Continual Alert

*Servonics device already operational with the Navy supplies realistic blips, could be used in solving tactical problems*

by William E. Howard

WASHINGTON—Much depends today upon a radarman's reflexes.

In the increasingly complex "man-machine" relationship, his ability to make a split-second interpretation and identification of blips on a scope is all-important in the Nation's defense system. On him hangs the crucial time factor to set in motion the vast U.S. retaliatory forces to combat a surprise Red attack.

As the Cold War arms buildup moves implacably onward, with a hot war always an imminent possibility—yet seemingly remote—military units are hard put to keep the reflexes of these key human operators tuned to peak efficiency. With a nuclear-war response time measured in minutes, even a second's inattention could be fatal to a city—the Nation.

For thousands of radarmen aboard ship, on patrol planes, in the outposts of SAGE, the DEW line, and soon, BMEWS, boredom is an insidious enemy. So is the familiar, Long hours can drone by for some without even a passing seagull to command their attention. In training exercises, no matter what pains are taken to create combat-similar conditions, the operator still knows it is make-believe.

Lacking have been the elements of surprise and urgency—the sudden bowel-stabbing realization that the fast-moving targets flitting across the scope may actually be an enemy attack: the real thing.

Now, however, the Navy has a device which, with the flip of a switch, can inject this much-needed realism into the radar of a ship or task force at any moment of the day or night. Called the AN/SPS-T2 and developed by Servonics Inc., of Alexandria, Va., the device reproduces signals very closely

resembling those appearing on a scope in a real enemy air attack.

It is already operational with the fleet. Servonics has produced 30 of the instruments and holds Navy contracts for 135 more. It appears from company-sponsored studies that the technique of simulation used may help solve air defense training problems by minimizing the man-machine problem in today's complex weapon systems.

• **Versatility**—Originally conceived as strictly a training aid, the target simulator could be utilized to solve operating radar problems.

In addition to bombers and fighters, the company says, the device can simulate jamming from countermeasures and the signals can even be modified to reproduce missiles coming in at 17,000 mph. It thus is a potential trainer for

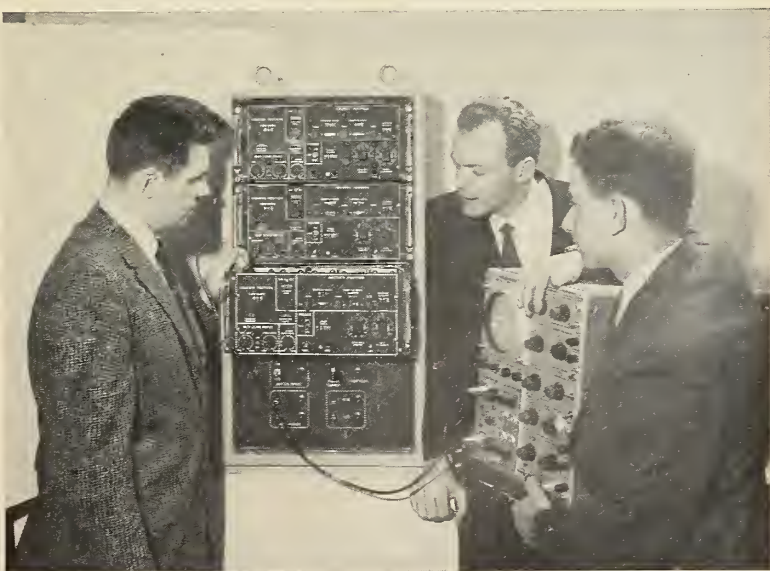
BMEWS personnel as well as other military defensive units.

Aboard ship the AN/SPS-T2 can activate the entire weapon system permitting simulated targets to be mixed with the live targets simultaneously on height-finding, air search and surface search radars.

Advantages in this technique, as enumerated by Servonics, are:

• The operations officer can inject "ghosts" into sector search indicators at will to test the proficiency of radar operators in detecting unknowns.

• Ground control intercept maneuvers can be practiced without actually putting planes in the air. With closed loop simulation, pilots can watch the mission of the ground controller—thereby developing confidence between the pilot and the operator.



COMPACT RADAR simulator now in Navy use to keep radarmen on the alert was designed by Alex Long, center. Device may be used to train anti-missile batteries.

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The AN/SPS-T2 permits a form of tracking from air search radars and allows training in the correlation between air search and height finding radar data.

A single AN/SPS-T2 in a 14-cubic foot package generates six radar targets. However, the units can be hooked up in parallel to give the position, course, speed, altitude, turn rate and other data of as many as 30 targets. The simulator also reproduces relative motion of the target to ship, clutter, fading and range attenuation.

- **Started in 1956**—Designed to operate with all radars presently in the fleet, targets are generated by the simulator through manually manipulated knobs on the front panels of three of the four system cabinets. One unit provides information which is common to all the targets. It also is the source of the target video signals and antenna positioning signals which are supplied to the PPI and RHI indicators in associated radar systems.

The trainer is the brainchild of Alex Long, 32-year-old president and head engineer of Servonics, which was founded just four years ago this month. The company began developing the device back in April, 1956, under Navy sponsorship. Given a year to come up with a prototype, Long's team produced one in six months, and the Navy promptly ordered two more.

In early 1958, the simulator was subjected to fleet evaluation and in June of that year Servonics received a production contract in excess of \$2 million.

It was aboard ship that the broader applications of operational simulation were realized. Now the company sees the AN/SPS-T2 as a prime weapon in the Cold War—keeping the Nation's front-line defenses in perpetual chips-are-down readiness.

# ARS Abstracts

## More Papers from the Recent Annual Meeting

WASHINGTON—The 14th annual meeting of the American Rocket Society held here Nov. 16-20 produced a number of significant papers in all areas of missile/space technology. M/R published many last week. Here are more:

### Bio-Instrumentation

**Objectives of Bio-Instruments**, Albert W. Hetherington, Air Research and Development Command, U.S. Air Force, Andrews AFB, Md.

The author discusses the overall philosophy of bio-instrumentation. Specific goals discussed are the collection of scientific biological information, the monitoring of the status of the astronaut and the making of the space-man's non-conscious and non-voluntary bodily status indicators a part of various control loops in the space vehicle. (ARS 930-59).

**Biological Monitoring of Space Flight**, Maj. Cloid Green, Aerospace Medical Center, Brooks AFB, Tex.

The paper discusses three phases of biological monitoring of space flight: the gathering of data from animals in order to delineate problem areas; the providing of a proving ground for the techniques under development; and the providing of protection and/or assistance for the human pilot. (ARS 931-59).

**Instrumentation of Nervous System for Studies of Behavior**, W. R. Adey, M.D., Univ. Calif. at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, Calif.

After presenting a history of brain mechanism study, the author discusses the results of tests monitoring brain regions in correlation studies of behavioral states, the special relationship of the temporal lobe to behavioral performance, the techniques of implantation of brain electrodes, required characteristics in amplifiers and recording systems, data reduction and computing, and self-stimulation techniques in behavior studies. (ARS 933-59).

**"Space Canaries":—Implicit Biological Monitoring**, Alfred Breckler, M.C., Leslie Kaeburn, Ph. D., Ben. L. Ettleson, A.B., and David W. Douglas, A.B.

The authors discuss biological research with animals in preparation for manned space flight. Specific subjects discussed are: difficulties in human and animal instrumentation; a history of feasibility experiments, surgical procedures, feasible parameters for radio transmission, and possible applications of animal research in the space program. (ARS 925-59).

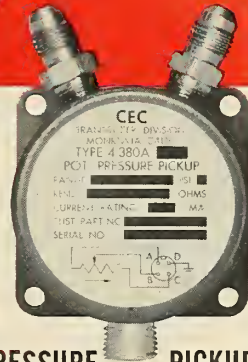
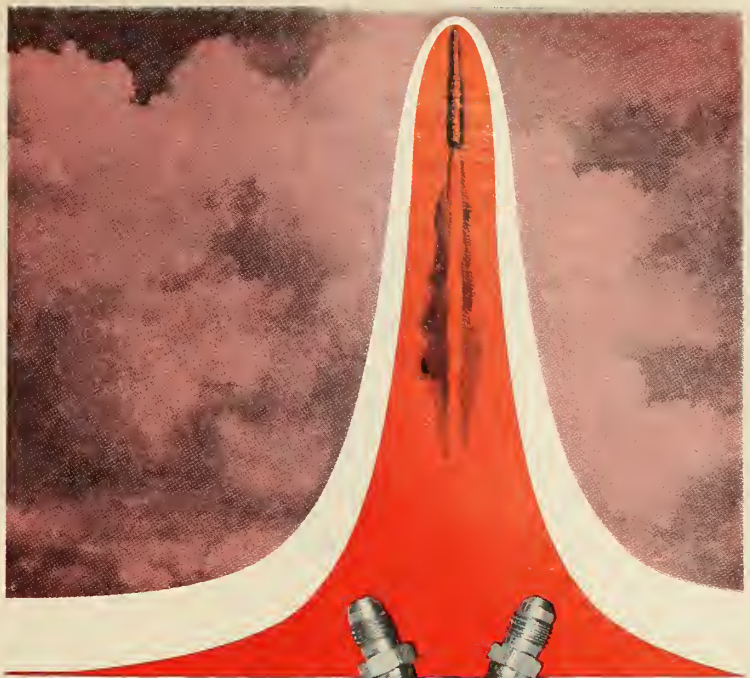
**Thrust Orientation Patterns for Orbital Adjustment of Low-Thrust Vehicles**, Harold Brown and J. Richard Nelson, Flight Propulsion Laboratory, General Electric Co., Evendale, O.

The authors discuss the use of low-thrust propulsion systems to adjust a space vehicle's orbit. The paper covers the characteristics of a space vehicle's orbit and environment in cislunar space, the desired changes in orbit possible with low-thrust rockets, and the various types of missions in which low-thrust rockets can be useful. (ARS 955-59).

**Differential Correction Experimentation with the Low-Eccentricity Geocentric Orbit**, L. G. Walters, S. T. Van Sant, J. D. Enright, and L. Saskin, Aeronutronic, a

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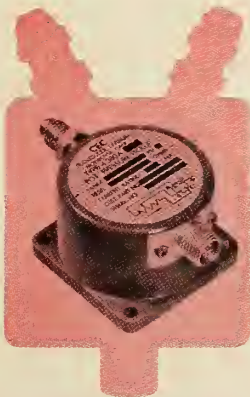


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• **Cape Canaveral, Fla.**—A Lockheed *Polaris* roared more than 900 miles down the Atlantic Missile Range Nov. 20 and landed near the predicted impact area near Puerto Rico. It was the second successful shot in the 900-mile test series.

It was followed on Nov. 24 by a "routine" test launching of a **Convair Atlas**.

• **Vandenberg AFB, Calif.**—The Air Force placed the eighth *Discoverer* satellite into a 120 to a 1000-mile polar orbit. But Air Force and Navy recovery teams again failed to recover a capsule dropped from the orbiting satellite. The capsule is believed to have plunged into the Pacific near Hawaii.

• **Washington**—The Atomic Energy Commission created an Aerospace Nuclear Safety Board to look into possible radiation menaces that might result from the use of nuclear-powered rockets. The board also would watch over development programs for nuclear ramjets and aircraft.

• **White Sands, N.M.**—A 31-year old airman—Capt. Joseph Kittinger—parachuted from the fringe of space, setting a new record. Kittinger jumped from the gondola of a balloon 76,400 feet over the desert. He plummeted 12,000 feet at speeds reaching 450 miles an hour before he opened his 28-foot parachute.

• **Los Angeles**—Missiles and space-related business accounted for 43% of **North American Aviation Inc.**'s sales in the FY which ended Sept. 30—compared to 20% in 1955. The company reported sales for the year

topped \$1 billion—a 16% increase over 1958's \$904 million and second only to its record 1957 sales. Net earnings were \$30.7 million, equal to \$3.80 a share, against \$26.7 million, or \$3.34 a share, for the previous year.

• **Washington**—The Aerospace Industries Association told the Labor Department a redetermination of aircraft minimum wages might increase labor costs by as much as \$100 million annually—thereby inflating defense procurement costs. AIA also said such action would give labor unions an effective weapon when wage reopening starts next year because it would tend to increase wages beyond rates agreed to in collective bargaining.

• **Washington**—Declaring space exploration will require increasing support from the military, ARDC Commander Bernard A. Schriever said the United States "cannot afford to concentrate solely on scientific explorations in space, and ignore its vast extension of the air as a theater of military operations." His statement was in direct opposition to Eisenhower Administration policy. Following the switch of ABMA to NASA, the President said he could not see "any reason why we should be using or misusing military talent to explore the moon. This is something that deals in the scientific field . . ."

• **Washington**—Additional funds were released by DOD for continued production by **The Martin Co.** of the Tactical Air Command's *Mace*. The Air Force said the total amount of the production program will now be about \$100 million.

## 270 Watts Generated From Rocket Exhaust

An experimental thermionic generator tube which weighs 3½ pounds and slips like a sleeve over a flame tube has produced up to 270 watts from the exhaust of a solid rocket motor.

Developed jointly by **Radio Corp. of America** and **Thiokol Chemical Corp.**, the lightweight device in tests has proven to be efficient and feasible. Engineers of the two companies report that during powered flight, the tube's output could operate missile or space vehicle guidance, steering and telemetering packages—thus removing the requirement for heavy chemical batteries, increasing vehicle payload.

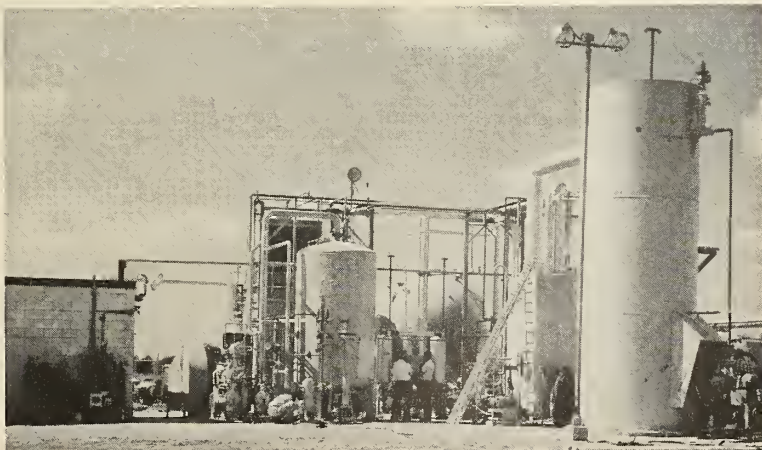
Resembling in operation a conventional two-element electron tube, the cathode of the thermionic generator is formed by the inner wall of the hollow cylinder, which is in contact with the hot exhaust. The outer wall forms the second electrode. Cesium vapor between the walls becomes ionized upon heating and transmits electrons to the outer electrode.

## Industry on the Move

An astronertial and inertial guidance research center costing \$4 million is being built by the **Nortronics Division** of **Northrop Corporation** . . . Near

Dallas, **Temco Aircraft Corporation** is constructing a radiation systems laboratory . . . **Corning Glass** has formed a ceramic department to make parts for the electronic industry . . . **Tridea Electronics Inc.** has moved into a new location at South Pasadena, Calif.

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## ARS Abstracts

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division of Ford Motor Co., Newport Beach, Calif.

The paper discusses a differential correction procedure inclusive of special perturbations which has been developed especially for the low-eccentricity orbit. The procedure has, in previous experiments, determined orbit in less than one minute of IBM-709 machine time. (ARS 960-59).

**Optimum Re-entry via a Variable Control Force**, F. J. Marshall, Institute for Systems Research Laboratories for Applied Sciences, Univ. of Chicago.

The author discusses the reduction of harmful re-entry affects by allowing the vehicle to choose its velocity for a given density by control forces. The four control systems considered are: a thrust controlled radiating body; an aerodynamically controlled radiating body, a thrust controlled, non-radiating body, and an aerodynamically controlled, non-radiating body. (ARS 956-59).

**Outline of the Mechanics of the Power and Launching Phase for Missiles and Satellites**, Carl A. Traenkle, Aeronautical Research Laboratory, Wright Air Development Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, O.

The author demonstrates how optimization problems of missile trajectories and satellite orbits can be solved very quickly by the method of "Reference Trajectory," followed up, if required, by the "Perturbation Method," thus refining the results to any wanted degree of accuracy (ARS 958-57).

**Planetary Perturbations of Interplanetary Orbits**, James E. Michaels and Evelyn A. Strawbridge, Missile and Space Vehicle Dept., General Electric Co., Philadelphia.

The authors study the perturbation effects of the planets on interplanetary ballistic trajectories. The analysis results in an equation which integrates the instantaneous accelerations of a perturbing planet on a space vehicle over a predetermined ballistic flight path, giving the total deviation from that flight path. (ARS 957-59).

**Researches in Interplanetary Transfer**, John V. Breakwell, Rollin W. Gillespie and Stanley Ross, Lockheed Missiles and Space Div., Sunnyvale, Calif.

The paper explains a method by which interplanetary trajectories may be calculated extremely rapidly and to a degree of accuracy suitable for design studies. By splitting the three-center problem associated with interorbital ballistic transfer into three one-center segments which overlap somewhat at their junctions, solutions may readily be found by machine iteration. The extreme speed of the method enables wholesale amounts of worthwhile numerical results to be obtained. (ARS 954-59).

### Power Systems

**A Method of Predicting Missile Power Unit Performance Through the Use of Rocket Parameter**, Paul C. Juhasz, Boeing Airplane Co., Seattle.

Presents arguments and supporting data for use of specific impulse as a suitable parameter for measuring performance of missile propellant-type secondary power units. (ARS 1036-59).

**Approaches to the Ultimate in Conversion of Solar Heat-to-Electricity**, Thomas Timar, Boeing Airplane Co., Seattle.

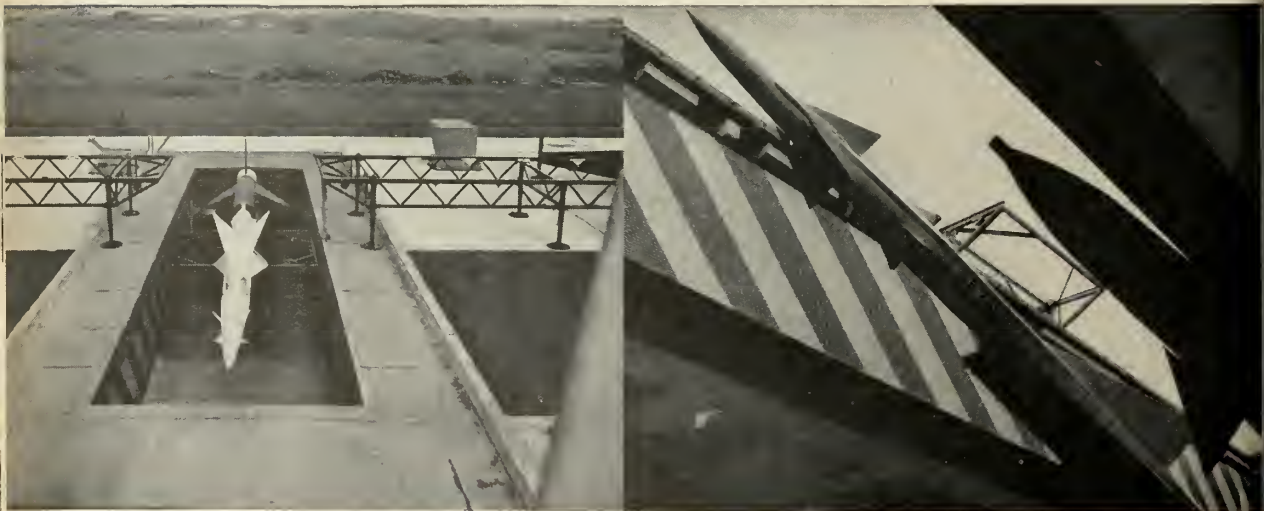
Discusses potential of thermal devices in converting solar energy to electric power. Shows what could be accomplished in weight reduction by converted effort and predicts that thermal devices may yet prove better than solar cells. (ARS 1038-59).

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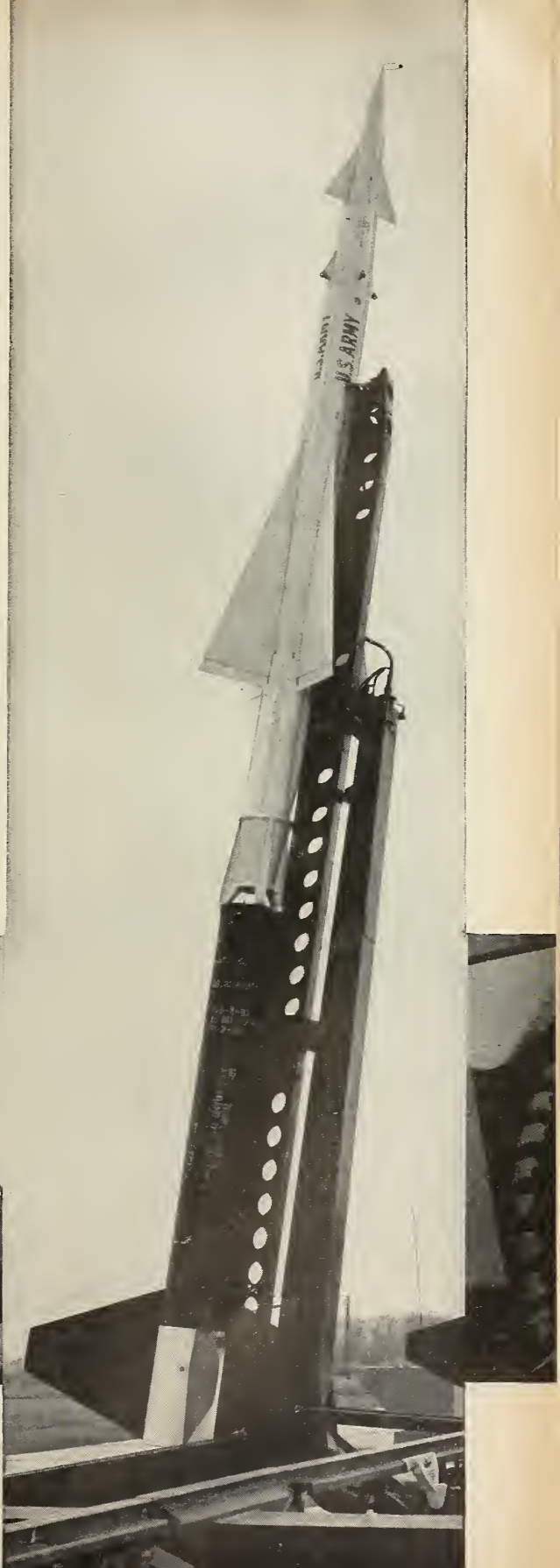
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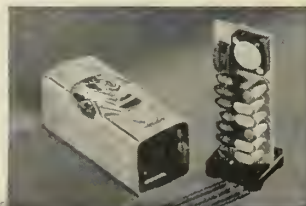
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## Relay Satellite System Under Development

An experimental communications relay-satellite system is being developed by **Bell Telephone Laboratories**, which has begun building the first prototype station here.

Primary objective in the program is to determine whether such a system could transmit and receive transcontinental broadband (900-channel equivalent) signals.

The experimental program will also provide several by-products: microwave radio signals will be analyzed to learn more about transmission effects, and the reflection characteristics of an orbiting satellite will be studied from the data obtained.

Two types of antennas will be employed: a paraboloidal reflector for transmitting, and a horn reflector for receiving. Almost perfectly unidirectional, the Bell Lab-developed horn antenna picks up less than one millionth as much as from other directions. It reduces ground radiation degradation to a minimum, according to Bell.

A highly sensitive receiver will employ either a pair of parametric amplifiers or masers for noise reduction.

The satellite experiments are expected to be preceded by test transmissions using lunar reflection. The test path—2300 miles long—will be between **Jet Propulsion Laboratory's** tracking station at Goldstone, Calif., and Bell's new Holmdel site.

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## Servo Valve Has Only Two Moving Parts

**Kearfott Co., Inc.** a subsidiary of **General Precision Equipment Corp.**, has introduced a unity-coupled shear orifice electrohydraulic servo valve capable of optimum performance in severe environments.

The valve consists of only two moving parts—a spool and a sliding fork integral with a torque motor's armature. Of titanium construction, this valve has large, full-opening "shear seal" orifices which virtually eliminate silting problems, while high shear forces easily clear the valve of contaminants. Essentially a two-stage four-way control valve, Model 6103's first stage consists of an electrical torque motor and a "shear-seal" orifice hydraulic amplifier; its second, or control stage consists of a precisely matched spool and sleeve arrangement.

Hydromechanical unity feedback relates spool position to torque motor armature position and also nulls out the effects of orifice variations in missiles and rockets, November 30, 1959

duced by fluctuations in supply pressure and temperature. With hydro-mechanical positional feedback, flow force reactions are substantially reduced and hydraulic centering of the pilot position is accomplished without the spring hysteresis and null shift commonly encountered in valves using the force feedback principle.

Springs and mechanical null adjustments have been eliminated entirely, and final null adjustments are made electrically by a balancing control at the amplifier output stage. The torque motor's high power and long stroke

contribute to valve stability, minimizing the effects of temperature shifts, vibration, and mechanical stresses.

High differential pressure on the spool, together with spool and sleeve hardness, combine to provide effective dirt shearing action and freedom from friction in the second stage. Susceptibility to magnetic contaminants has been minimized, and although fluid is allowed in the motor cavity to cool the coil at high ambient temperatures, the cavity is isolated from load flow by spool lands and baffles.

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## west coast industry . . .

BY FRANK G. McGUIRE

A Palo Alto research and development company with 26 employees and two boards of directors has taken an interesting approach to formation of a successful R&D effort. **Vidya, Inc.**, a partly-owned subsidiary of **Itek Corp.**, recently announced the composition of its scientific board of directors, which will provide counsel to technical and administrative top management in high-level decisions. Vidya is a relatively new firm specializing in orbital mechanics and control, re-entry, plasma physics, space electronics, and other sophisticated areas of space flight.

The scientific board of directors includes Luis W. Alvarez, physics; Dr. Nicholas J. Hoff, structures; Dr. Samuel A. Schaaf, aerodynamics; Dr. Joseph M. Pettit, electronics; and Dr. Kenneth Street, Jr., chemistry. Members of the business board of directors, some of whom would apparently qualify for the scientific board as well, include chairman J. H. Carter, a vice president of Itek Corp. and formerly manager of the *WS117L* program (*Agna, Discoverer, Midas*, etc.) at Lockheed, and company president Wallace F. Davis.

Originally formed by a group of senior scientists, many of them from the Ames Laboratory of NASA, Vidya was purchased by Itek this year, and reportedly has unlimited financial backing from the parent firm. The present group of 26 scientists and supporting personnel is expected to increase to several hundred within two years, and the company is now forming an aerospace division.

### Convair's battle for a new warehouse site . . .

has reached the stage of circulating petitions, newspaper editorials, "unidentified interests" and indignant declarations. Cause of the uproar is the rezoning of a 24-acre plot of land adjacent to **Convair-Astronautics** from residential to industrial use, thus allowing Convair to build on it. The rezoning, approved by the city council and city planning commission, will take effect December 4, unless 9273 protesting signatures are presented on a petition by the previous day. The petition, with unknown backers, is being circulated by a professional petition circulator in hopes of blocking construction of the \$4-million warehouse needed for the *Atlas* program. Many believe that the "unidentified interests" vigorously opposing the rezoning are an unsuccessful group of bidders for the warehouse site. Convair would be forced to buy other land if its present plans are blocked, and owners of nearby available land are suspected of backing the petition and other agitation.

### Number of workers in aircraft/missiles . . .

in Southern California has doubled in the past nine years, despite recent general trends toward fewer production workers. It will be interesting to note the trend over the next nine years. Although no breakdown is available for aircraft/missile wages, the average weekly wage of employees in all manufacturing in Southern California was \$65.58 in 1950 and \$102.82 in September, 1959, both assuming a 40-hour week.

### Arnoux Corp.'s fourth acquisition in four months . . .

indicates a rapidly expanding complex of electronic capability for the firm. Through its Automation Electronics division, **Arnoux** has acquired **Perfex Connector Corp.** for an undisclosed amount. Perfex recently moved into a brand new plant in Monrovia, where it manufactures both special and standard types of connectors. In August, Arnoux announced acquisition of **Instrol, Inc.**, of Santa Barbara, and **Automation Electronics Inc.** In October, **Astra Technical Instrument Corp.** joined the family as a producer of temperature transducers. More growth is reported to be in the making.

### The Infrared Information Symposium . . .

held in Pasadena recently brought out some interesting figures in IR's future. It was predicted that this field will be in the \$500 million category as a market by 1961, and will hit \$5 billion by 1965. But nobody will know about it unless IRIS security loosens a bit. Of the 850 attendees at the meeting, 65 were security officers from various agencies.



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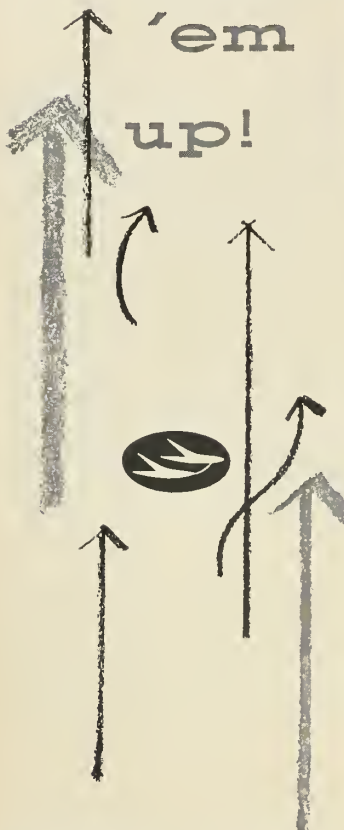
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## people

**Thomas E. Gootée** has left Government service to accept an executive position with Page Communications Engineers, a subsidiary of Northrop Corp., located in Washington, D.C.

Gootée will be Assistant Director of Maintenance and Operations for the firm, which performs government industrial global communications systems engineering, particularly in the fields of tropospheric, ionospheric scatter communications.



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Prior to military and civilian government service, he was a field engineer with the National Broadcasting Co. in Chicago and New York.

**J. C. Pitchford** has been named vice president in charge of engineering at Benson-Lehner Corp. He will be responsible for the management and direction of the firm's expanding engineering department, with particular emphasis on implementation of a program for development of new products.

**Jack Bair** has been named Chief Mechanical Design Engineer for North Atlantic Industries, Inc.



BAIR

In his new assignment, Bair will direct design work associated with product diversification and the application of products to modular instrumentation systems for aircraft, missiles and ground check-out requirements.

Prior to joining the firm he was project mechanical engineer at Reeves Instrument Corp. where he was associated with the design of inertial platforms for the bomb scoring system used in development of toss bombing methods. He also worked extensively on miniaturized transistor amplifiers designed to extreme environmental and performance specifications.

**Dr. Robert A. Fuchs** has joined Electro-Optical Systems, Inc., as a principal scientist and head of the systems analysis group of the Space Defense Systems Division.

Prior to joining EOS, Fuchs was a member of the technical staff of Space Technology Laboratories where he was active in systems analysis work.

**Maxwell H. Harts** has been appointed chief engineer for Alpha Wire Corp. where he will be responsible for the company's research and development activities, maintain quality control and supervise the manufacture of custom cables.

**Brian M. Gallagher**, former design engineer with the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors has been named design engineer for Solar Aircraft Co. **Ben C. Axley, Jr.**, previously with Lockheed Missiles and Space Division, has been named chief of avionics in the research and development engineering division of Solar.



SHONERD

**David E. Shonerd** has been appointed vice president, engineering for Rocket Power, Inc., a division of The Gabriel Co.

Prior to joining the firm, Shonerd was assistant program director for the *Minuteman* weapons system at Space Technology laboratories. Before that, he was president of Era Engineering, Inc., developers of missile instrumentation. At Rocket Power, he will be responsible for all engineering operations relating to solid propellant rockets, high-altitude sounding systems, infrared energy sources, gas generation cartridges and space applications of solid propellants.

DeHavilland Propellers Ltd., has appointed **G. C. I. Gardiner** as Chief Executive of Ballistic Missile Engineering. He relinquishes his position as Chief Engineer but remains Technical Director of the company.

Three chief engineers have been appointed: **T. W. Air** becomes chief engineer of Ballistic Missiles; **G. H. F. Brown** chief engineer Propellers, Aircraft and Industrial Equipment; **Dr. G. H. Hough**, chief engineer Air-to-Air Guided Weapons and **C. C. Williams** has been named general manager.

**Dr. Joseph Hull**, formerly chief scientist, has been promoted to Director of the Research Laboratory of Litton Industries Electron Tube Division.

**John F. Biehle** has been appointed to the newly-created position of Technical Director of the Beryllium Components Division of Astrometals Corp.

Biehle will be responsible for direction and coordination of research and development projects on beryllium, as well as provide technical liaison with industry and government agencies.

He was previously associated with Misco Precision Casting Co., Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. and Republic Steel Corp.

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## NASA

\$178,000—University of Cincinnati, for research in celestial mechanics; the study of movements of celestial bodies in relation to gravity.

## MISCELLANEOUS

\$400,000—Flite-Tronics, Inc., Burbank, Calif., for the design and manufacture of laboratory test equipment. Subcontract from Hughes Aircraft Corp., Products Division.

\$200,000—Yardney Electric Corp., N.Y., for the manufacture of compact, high-rate silver-zinc missile batteries. Subcontract from Convair and Convair Astronautics Div. of General Dynamics Corp.

\$200,000—Temco Aircraft Corp., Dallas, for machining of components of a classified electronic countermeasures system. Subcontract from Sperry Gyroscope Co.

## AIR FORCE

\$101,000,000—General Electric Co., for continued development of advanced re-entry vehicles for *Thor* and *Atlas* missiles.

\$2,210,594—Sperry Rand Corp., for components of radar set AN/APN-59 and data.

\$2,000,000—Collins Radio Co., Dallas, for engineering, manufacture and installation of a microwave communication system for Fairchild AFB.

\$323,175—Douglas Aircraft Co., Inc., Santa Monica, for 465 modification kits for the MD-1 rocket motor applicable to the MB-1 rocket.

\$61,000—Corning Electronic Components, Bradford, Pa., for feasibility study of multiple-tapped delay lines.

## ARMY

Consolidated Diesel Electric Corp., Stamford, Conn., has received follow-on orders for hydraulic services consoles to be used in connection with the *Lacrosse* surface-to-surface missile. Amount not disclosed.

Kearfott Co., Inc., Little Falls, N.J., a subsidiary of General Precision Equipment Corp., has received an award to design, develop and build hydraulic control systems for the *Pershing* missile. Amount not disclosed.

Waste King Corp., Technical Products Div., Los Angeles, for research in the development of special lubricating systems for improved-performance gear drives.

\$8,617,624—Aeronutronics Div., Ford Motor Co., Newport Beach, Calif., for *Shillelagh* missiles, a new light-weight surface-to-surface-weapon used for close-in support of troops.

\$7,500,000—Radioplane Div. Northrop Corp., Van Nuys, Calif., for production of 400 RP-76 rocket-powered target missiles; broad flight service program to fly target missions for Army Air Defense practice teams firing *Nike-Ajax* and *Hercules* missiles. The ground support, control, and checkout equipment for the target missile system is also included.

\$4,321,658—Henry C. Beck Co., Palm Beach, Fla., for construction of a complete launch complex (excluding blockhouse and serve structure) including above grade launch pedestal, subpad rooms, fuel and liquid oxygen facilities, high-pressure gas facilities and other supporting facilities for the *Saturn* rocket site at Cape Canaveral Missile Test Annex, Patrick AFB.

\$1,705,379—Western Electric Co., for engineering and technical services in the *Nike* field support program.

\$950,000—Raytheon Co., Waltham, Mass., for engineering services for the *Hawk* missile.

\$830,580—Chrysler Corp., Detroit, for additional services on *Redstone* missile systems.

\$542,885—Sperry Rand Corp., Salt Lake City, for design, engineering and fabrication of transistorized amplifier units.

\$200,000—Electrodynamics Corp.'s Datalab Div., Pasadena, Calif., for magnetic-tape recorder/reproducers for use in connection with Project *Courier*.

\$152,175—Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Waltham, Mass., for engineering study of satellite tracking system.

\$119,000—Sperry Rand Corp., Salt Lake City, for furnishing and delivering repair parts for missile systems. (Two contracts.)

\$50,158—Monsanto Chemical Co., Everett, Mass., for electrochemical research of fuel cell technology.

\$26,649—Curtiss-Wright Corp., Princeton, N.J., for preliminary design study and design and construction of a laboratory-scale thermoelectric generator for application beyond the earth's atmosphere.

## BIDS

Procurement Branch, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.—Camera, thermal image: in a/w spec entitled Spec for Camera, Thermal Image—1 each—IFB ORD 18-001-60-64. Bid opening 11 December, 1959.

Purchasing and Contracting Div., White Sands Missile Range, N.M., ORDBS-P&C—Research metallograph unit—1 each—required delivery 120 days—IFB ORD 29-040-60-117—Bid opening 14 December, '59. Bid sets available through 7 December '59. Recorder, oscillographic, galvanometer type, with one quick look magazine. Required delivery 60 days FOB White Sands Missile Range, N.M. Bid sets available through 27 November or until exhausted. 1 each—IFB ORD 29-040-60-92—Bid opening 7 December '59.

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## The DOD Tells Industry

In an address before the American Management Association in New York recently, James P. Falvey laid down some cogent guide lines for industry in dealing with the military. Since Mr. Falvey is Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Supply & Logistics, and since his points undoubtedly had the sanction of Secretary McElroy, industry might well give his words some close attention.

The Department of Defense, he said, expects American business to discard any feeling of complacency with its own progress and alleged invincibility. Maybe we are tops in automobiles and television sets, but:

**"The cycle of industrial history has made a 180-degree turn. Survival does not depend primarily on mass production. We do not need any massive number of intercontinental ballistic missiles. And these weapons, in large measure, represent craftsmanship rather than mass-production capability. We are now in a period when scientific genius, supported by meticulous shop craftsmanship, has been phenomenally successful in building weapons of cataclysmic fire power."**

The major points he made to his management audience were these:

Survival depends on what we have now. Weapons delivered to the military must be of the highest possible quality and reliability—the nearest thing to perfection.

The cost of weapons must be reduced. Produce the simplest designs that will do the job. Make them reliable—but not gold-plated.

Use standard components and stop redesigning out of self-interest.

Industry has an obligation to take the initiative in eliminating superfluous requirements and to achieve standardization. Advise the contracting agency of wasteful and superfluous contractual

requirements of any kind.

Months of time and a great deal of money are frequently wasted because technical proposals for negotiated contracts are delayed or incomplete. To be wary about disclosing full company data is a mistake. Procedures guarantee protection.

Time and money will also be lost if original pricing proposals are not realistic. Cost data must be up-to-date, complete and accurate.

As the military increases the concentration of military funds in costly individual projects, both the Department of Defense and probably Congress will insist on wider use of subcontracting. The Department of Defense small business subcontracting program, which has been undertaken on a voluntary basis in the past by several hundred military prime contractors, will very soon be mandatory on all recipients of military prime contracts of \$1 million or more which offer subcontracting possibilities.

Industry must have the ability to discard old ideas, old weapons, obsolete equipment and unneeded facilities in favor of new products and production methods. The tendency to seek continued production of outmoded equipment for any reason, including the economic interest of a particular locality, is an unjustified industrial myopia.

These points, perhaps, are not radically new, but they are put with a succinct bluntness that is unusual outside the small, classified briefings that are sometimes held in the Pentagon. Couple these points with the stringency of the proposed 1960-61 budget. Calculate the competition for military projects and weapon systems both proposed and under way.

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**LEAK VALVE.** Scientific Engineering Laboratories, Inc. has announced a new Palladium Leak Valve for control of hydrogen and deuterium gas flows. This valve consists of a 3/4-inch diameter chamber, 4 1/2 inches high, with a palladium thimble. The top flange is 5 inches in diameter and 3/8-inch thick. Input and output connectors are female 1/8-inch diameter pipe fittings. Input can be pressurized up to 15 psi gauge. The valve is heated by an external 117-volt ac heater designed to be powered by a Type 10 Powerstat.

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**PRECISION WIRE.** Technical Data on precision wire wound end composition variable resistors is being offered in the new 24-page engineering catalog just published by Reon Resistor Corp. This collection of valuable engineering information is divided into two sections: one devoted to the precision wire wound resistors and the other to the variable resistors. In the precision wire wound sections such subjects are discussed as characteristics of resistance wire; temperature coefficient interpretation; "E" temperature coefficient; special temperature coefficients; termination of resistance wire; MIL-R-93B and MIL-R-944 nomenclature. The subject matter of the REON composition variable resistor section includes: MIL-R-94B nomenclature, the Reon part numbering system; interchangeability and a complete chart summary of test results on Reon variable resistors.

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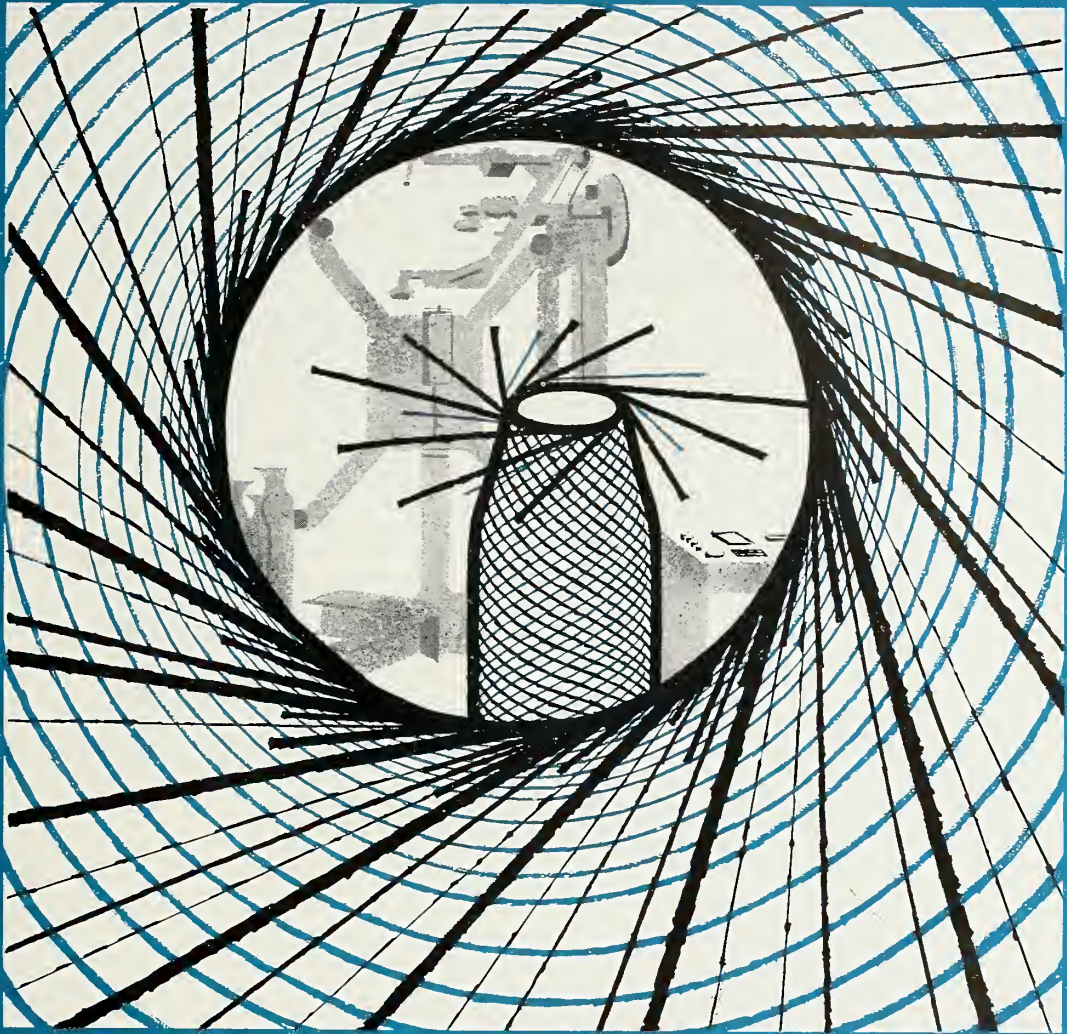
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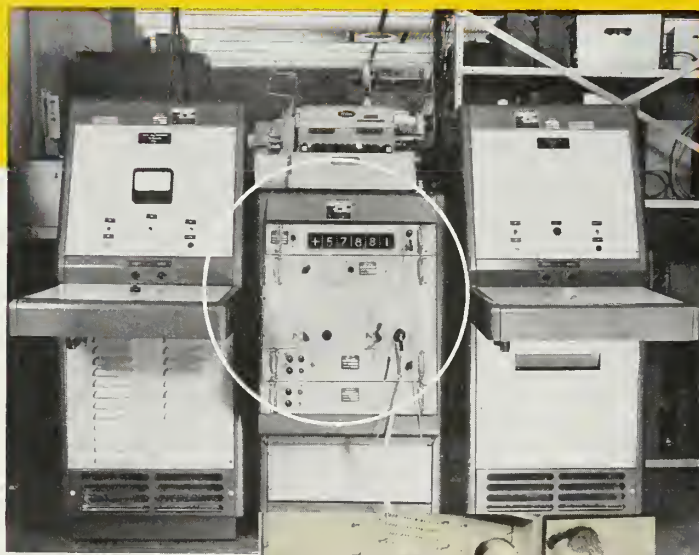
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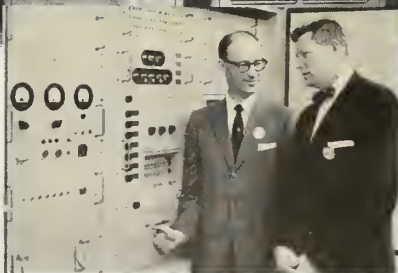


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