2-5. American Inst. of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers, fall, Denver, Colo. (E. O. Kirkendall, AIME, 29 W. 39 St., New York 18)

2-6. Water Pollution Control Federa-on, 33rd annual, Philadelphia, Pa. tion, (WPCF, 4435 Wisconsin Ave., Washington 16)

2-7. American Soc. of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Los Angeles, Calif. (T. R. Broadbent, 508 E. S. Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah)

3-5. Applied Spectroscopy, 7th symp., Ottawa, Canada. (C. R. Langdon, Aluminium Co. of Canada, Ltd., Arvida, Quebec, Canada)

3-5. Communications, 6th natl. symp.,

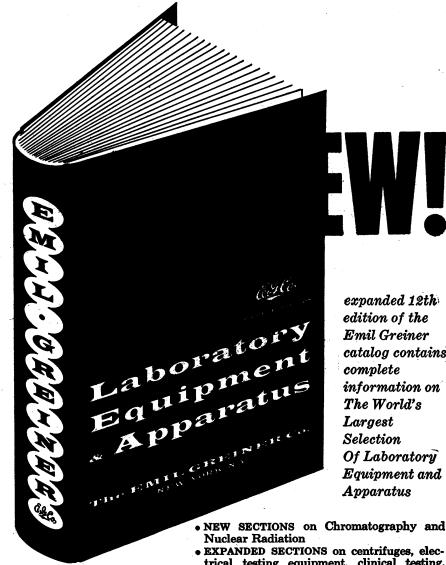
Utica, N.Y. (B. H. Baldridge, Communications Symp., Light Military Electronics Dept., General Electric Co., Utica)

3-5. Nuclear Science, 7th annual, Gat-linburg, Tenn. (H. E. Banta, Oak Ridge National Lab., P.O. Box X, Oak Ridge, Tenn.)

3-7. Atomic Energy, 5th intern. seminar, Wiesbaden, Germany. (Mr. Trebst, Diplom-Volkswirt, Generalsekretär, Internationale Studiengesellschaft e.V., Theodorenstr. 6-8, Wiesbaden)

4-6. Radio Interference Reduction, 6th conf., Chicago, Ill. (S. I. Cohn, Armour Research Foundation, 10 W. 35 St., Chicago)

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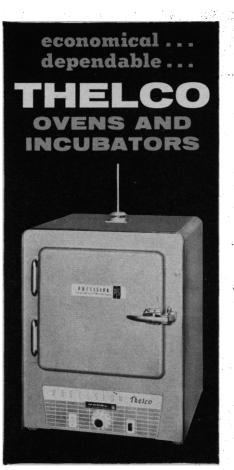
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INTEGRATING AMPLIFIER for use with chromatographs accepts the output of the chromatograph amplifier and produces an output to the recorder that is displayed as deflection from a base line. When the component has been completely eluted, the recorder trace again runs parallel to the base line. Height of the step measures area under the conventional chromatogram peak. Alternative output systems such as indicating meters or digitizers can also be used. (Jarrell-Ash Co., Dept. Sci711, 26 Street, Farwell Newtonville 60. Mass.)

■ 256 CHANNEL ANALYZER features preselected automatic programing; magnetic tape auxiliary memory; 600 to 2500 volts high-voltage power supply; single-push-button manual operation; and six modes of readout. Desired analyzer cycle of 12 operations, including accumulate, display, complement, print, and selective storage, can be preprogramed by patchboard. The analyzer automatically performs the specified operations at the touch of a single button. (Radiation Counter Laboratories, Dept. Sci713, 5121 W. Grove, Skokie, Ill.)

• POTENTIOMETRIC RECORDER has been redesigned to increase flexibility and convenience. Among the changes are a constant voltage reference using a Zener diode and eliminating batteries, standard cell and standardizing mechanism; compartmented measuring circuit that interchanges as a unit for range changing; plug-in unit for multipoint recorders that interchanges to change number of points recorded from 2 to 24 points; plug-in amplifier unit. (Minneapolis-Honeywell, Dept. Sci714, Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia 44, Pa.)

• SYNCHRONOUS MOTOR for slow speeds comprises two identical counter-rotating motors in a housing. One motor is connected to the 60 cy/sec line; the other, to a variable-frequency power supply. If the variable frequency is 60 cy/sec, the output shaft is stationary and opposes rotation with full motor torque. An increase or decrease of the variable frequency causes rotation forward or reverse. Motors can be supplied from 1/50 to 1 hp. (Genisco Inc., Dept. Sci725, 2233 Federal Ave., Los Angeles 64, Calif.)

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■ MAGNETIC TAPE PLOTTING SYSTEM permits plotting of digital computer results in continuous curve form on an X-Y recorder. The system includes a tape transport, a digital magnetic tape translator, a tape-control unit, amplifiers, and an X-Y recorder. The translator permits continuous plotting up to 4 in./sec of curve generated by a computer interpolating routine at information change rate of 100/sec. Point plotting at 100 points/min speed at  $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. spacing is also provided. Accuracy is said to be better than  $\pm 0.1$  percent of full scale. (F. L. Moseley Co., Dept. Sci715, 409 N. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Calif.)

• FREEZE-DRYING SYSTEM features condensing coils built into the vacuum drying chamber. Samples are frozen and dried in the same vacuum chamber. Forty pounds of product load or up to 1300 10-ml vials can be processed simultaneously. Cabinet is on casters for easy moving. (RePP Industries, Inc., Dept. Sci716, Gardiner, N.Y.)

■ INTERCHANGEABLE OPTICAL SYSTEM for the manufacturer's 1R-7 prismgrating infrared spectrophotometer extends the range of the instrument to the 200 to 700 wavemembers region. This extension of range is accomplished by equipping the interchange with a cesium-iodide prism and a 30-µ blaze, 30-line/mm, long-wavelength grating. The prism, grating, associated drive mechanisms, slit-program potentiometer, and frequency readout are mounted together on a casting that duplicates mechanically the original equipment. Replacement requires 2 or 3 minutes. (Beckman Instruments, Inc., Dept. Sci717, 2500 Fullerton Rd., Fullerton, Calif.)

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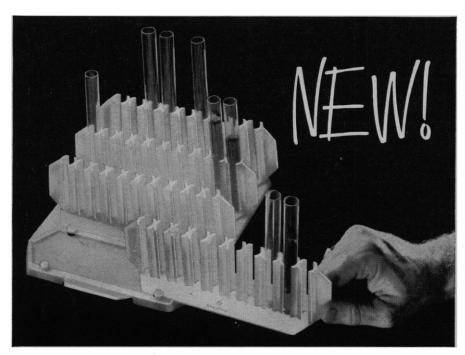
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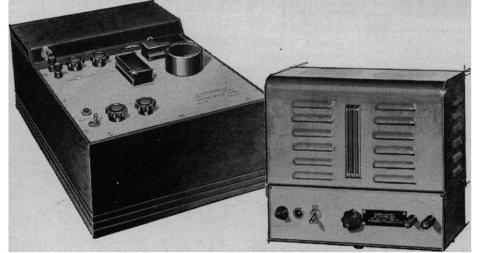
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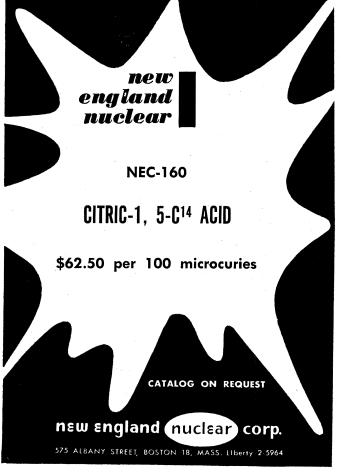


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• MICROTOME KNIFE SHARPENER will accommodate any microtome knife up to and including 185 mm. The sharpening process is automatic, the operator being required to insert the knife into a holder and to apply honing compound to a vibrating glass hone plate. An electric timer is set to stop the operation. Subsequent hand stropping is said to be unnecessary. (American Optical Co., Dept. Sci729, Buffalo 15, N.Y.)

■ MINIATURE PRINTER operates at speeds of more than 30 characters per second. The device is 9¼ in. long and fits into a standard 3-in. instrument case with self-contained paper supply. Output is a 5/16-in. tape. (Potter Instrument Co., Dept. Sci732, Sunnyside Blvd., Plainview, N.Y.)

• TEFLON BOTTLES available in 1-, 2-, and 6-liter sizes are of one-piece, molded construction. Stoppers and pouring spouts are also of Teflon and are fastened by a stainless-steel screw-lock arrangement. (Chemplast Inc., Dept. Sci742, 3 Central Ave., East Newark, N.J.)

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■ HANDLING DEVICE for very small objects operates on compressed gas at pressures of 1 to 2 lb/in.<sup>2</sup> Flow of the gas in the pencil-shaped device produces a reduced pressure at the unsharpened end of a standard hypodermic needle of diameter appropriate to the size of particle to be held. To release the held particle, the operator stops an orifice with his finger, thereby creating a higher pressure that repels the particle. (Penfield Manufacturing Co., Dept. Sci734, 19 High School Ave., Meriden, Conn.)

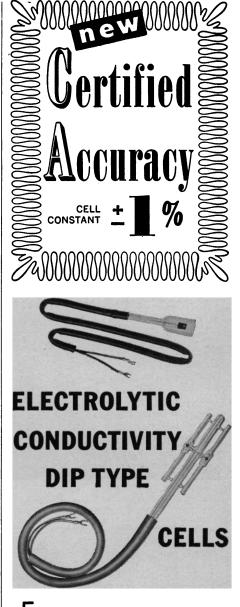
• LABORATORY HOMOGENIZER is said to be capable of processing samples as small as 1 oz with results equal to the quality obtainable with production homogenizers. Up to 8 gal/hr may be processed. All contact parts are 18-8 stainless steel. Thermostatically controlled heater is an optional accessory. (C. W. Logeman Co., Dept Sci740, 633 Bergen St., Brooklyn, N.Y.)

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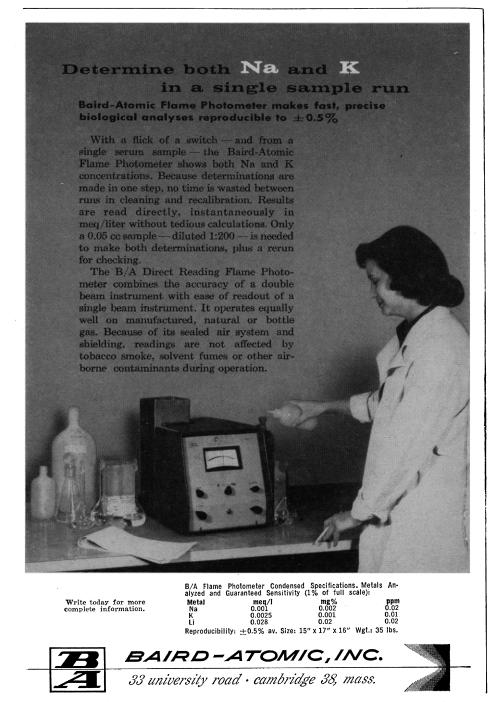
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■ LOADING REACTOR is designed to provide a convenient inductive load that can be made adjustable by using it with a variable transformer. It consists of a gapped, strip-wound, toroid-core wire wound and embedded in epoxy compound. Ratings are: 120 volts, 60 cy/sec, 2 amp continuous, 3 amp intermittent, inductive reactance 60 ohms,



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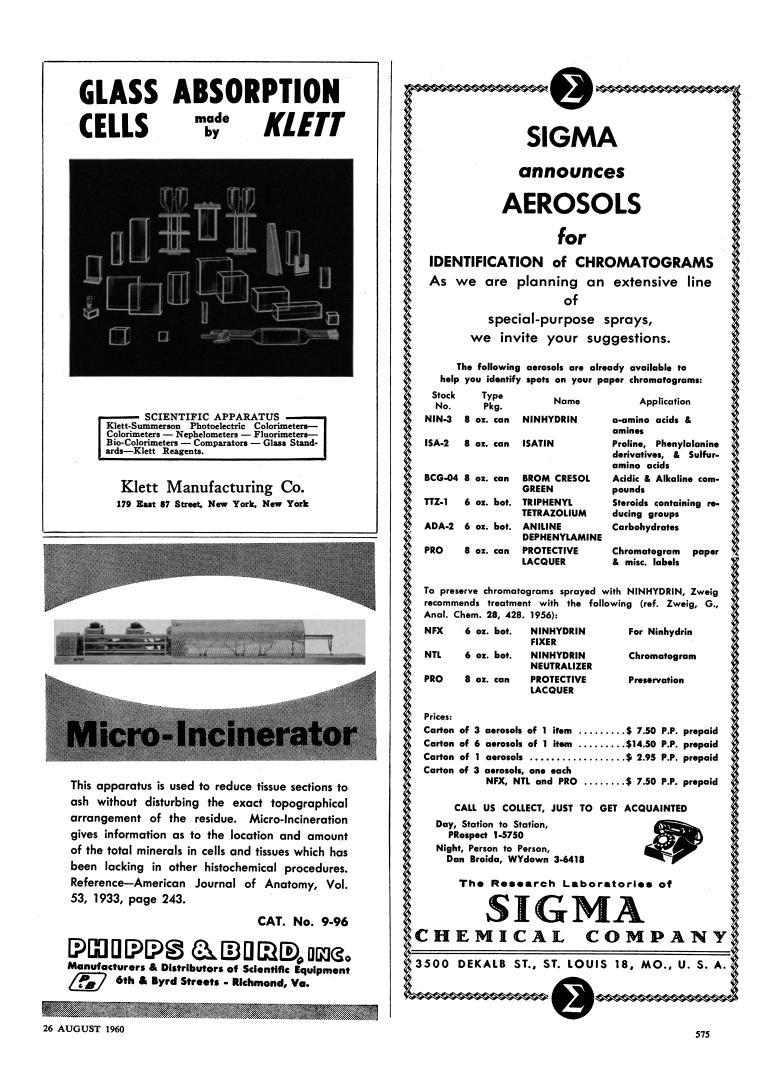
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• SWITCH CIRCUIT ASSEMBLY for application to digital systems produces a single square-wave output pulse, synchronized with an external clock pulse, in response to each operation of the push button. Clock pulse frequency can be 4 to 500 kcy/sec. The transistor electronic circuit used is an integral part of the switch with all components sealed in a resilient potting material. (Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Dept. Sci749, Freeport, Ill.)

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■ DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER features input resistance greater than 500 megohms, voltage gain from 2 to 50, and linearity  $\pm 0.05$  percent. A mechanical chopper and silicon-transistor carrier amplifier are used. Output voltage range is  $\pm 5$  volts. Power consumption is 140 ma at 28 volts unregulated. (Dynamics Instrumentation Co., Dept. Sci759, 583 Monterey Pass Rd., Monterey, Calif.)

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• AUTOMATIC SAMPLE CHANGER is designed to handle up to 200 samples for radioactivity measurements. Models are available for gas-flow or scintillation counting or for both. A feature of the instrument in an automatic reverting circuit that avoids excessive time for counting low activities. Samples of normal activity are timed for full preset count; low-count samples are timed for a small fraction of the preset count and this reversion is recorded and identified on the output tape. (Technical Associates, Dept. Sci741, 140 W. Providencia Ave., Burbank, Calif.)

■ REFERENCE RADIOGRAPHS for inspection of aluminum and magnesium castings include 13 covering discontinuities in aluminum alloy castings and 12 for magnesium alloy castings. Each radiograph illustrates eight grades of severity for a particular discontinuity. Illustrated are gas holes, segregation, microshrinkage (both sponge and feather), and foreign matter. Each standard is held in an 8½ by 11 in. cardboard frame. (American Society for Testing Materials, Dept. Sci747, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.)

■ TEMPERATURE INDICATING LABELS provide a change from pastel to black to give an irreversible record of exposure to heat. The labels are available in 50°F steps. From 100° to 500°F they are offered in plastic casing and from 500° to 1100°F on stainless-steel foil. Both types are self-adhesive and are said to adhere until intentionally removed. (Pyrodyne, Inc., Dept. Sci751, c/o William Wahl Corp., 11973 San Vincente Blvd., Los Angeles 49, Calif.)

■ RELAY TESTER measures pull-in and drop-out voltage and current simultaneously. Coil voltage is continuously variable. Automatic driving circuitry provides three repetition rates. Contact resistance and coil resistance are measured by a built-in ohmmeter. Connections are provided for oscilloscope disdisplay. (Anaheim Electronics Division of Electronic Engineering Co., Dept. Sci755, 1601 Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.) ■ INFRARED SPECTROPHOTOMETER uses a prism-grating monochromator and a ratio recording system in a two-frequency, dual-beam system with beam chopping ahead of the sample. Cell space is over 10 in. long. Manufacturer's specifications include the following: wave-member accuracy  $\pm 0.5$  cm<sup>-1</sup>; wave-member reproducibility  $\pm 0.1$  cm<sup>-1</sup>; photometric accuracy  $\pm 0.1$  percent; resolution 0.3 cm<sup>-1</sup> or better. Range is 4000 to 450 cm<sup>-1</sup> by use of KBr prism and windows. Photometric scales of 0 to 1, 0.5 to 1.5 absorbance, and 0 to 100 percent transmittance are provided, as well as a compound scale and expanded scales. Spectra from 18 in. to 150 ft in full-span length are recorded without gaps at order-change points. (Applied Physics Corp., Dept. Sci765, 2724 S. Pack Rd., Monrovia, Calif.)

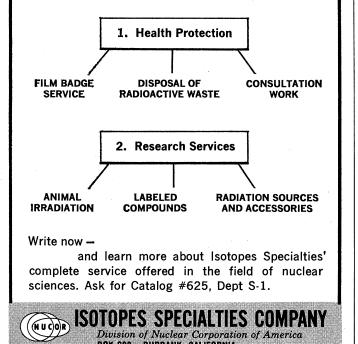
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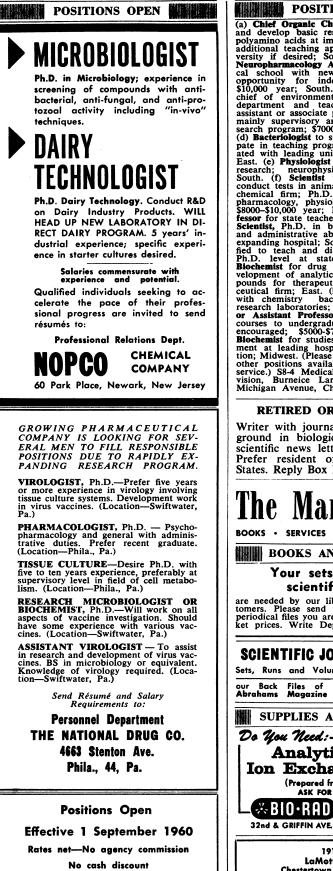
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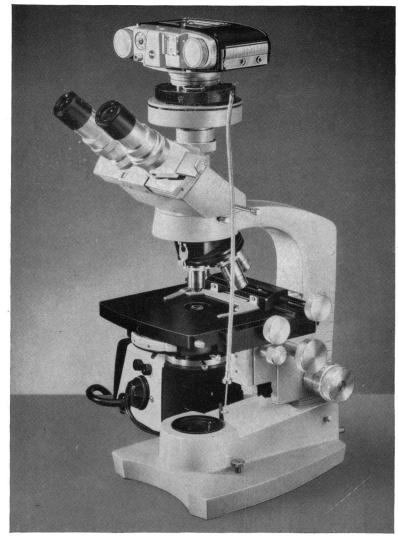
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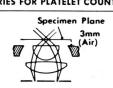
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