

New Products

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■ RECORDER for Pirani-type vacuum gage is a strip-chart galvanometer type. Marking is rectilinear on pressure-sensitive paper; galvanometer is clamped for marking every 2 seconds. Gear trains are available for various synchronous speeds. Vacuum ranges are 0 to 25 and 0 to 1000 μ -Hg. Accuracy is said to be ± 2 percent of full scale. Dimensions are 35% by 55% by 41% in. and weight with 63-ft chart roll is 31/2 lb. (Arthur F. Smith, Inc., Dept. Sci729A, 311 Alexander St., Rochester 4, N.Y.)

• COUNTER-TIMER is an all solid-state instrument that totalizes random events over any of eight time intervals from 10^{-6} to 10 seconds, and measures frequency from 1 to 10^{6} cy/sec; period from 10^{-6} to 10^{7} seconds, and phase angle from 0 to 180 deg. The crystalcontrolled clock signal, said to be stable to $\pm 0.3 \times 10^{-6}$ sec/wk, is brought out to the front panel. Square waves in seven decade steps from 0.1 to 10^{5} cy/sec are also provided. (Transistor Specialties, Inc., Dept. Sci730A, Terminal Drive, Plainview, N.Y.)

• SURFACE INDICATOR ACCESSORY has a sapphire stylus with a chisel point 1/16 in. wide and a radius of 0.0005 in. Its use permits surface measurements of cutting edges, knife edges, and components with very small outside diameter (such as wire) in the range 0 to 1000 μ in. The maximum force exerted by the stylus is 2 gm. (Brush Instruments Div. of Clevite Corp., Dept. Sci775, 37th and Perkins Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio)

PRESSURE CALIBRATOR consists of a frequency-modulated oscillator, an integral power supply, and a plug-in unit containing a selected, precise, pressure pickup with heater and thermostat. Plug-in units are interchangeable, covering absolute and differential ranges from 10 to 3000 lb/in.² and gage pressures up to 10,000 lb/in.² Output can be displayed on a frequency counter or on printed paper tape. Output frequency is 10 kcy/sec at zeroinput. Frequency deviation of 2.5 kcy/ sec may be multiplied by 2 or 4 by a plug-in accessory. Combined linearity and hysteresis is ± 0.05 percent for ranges up to 2500 lb/in.² and ± 0.08 percent for ranges above 2500 lb/in.² Higher accuracy is available at increased cost. (Wiancko Engineering Co., Dept. Sci768, 255 N. Halsted Ave., Pasadena, Calif.)

■ IONIZATION VACUUM PUMP is said to achieve enhanced speed and stability by virtue of a three-electrode construction that includes a sputtering cathode. Speeds claimed are: air, 25 lit./sec.; argon, 8 lit./sec; methane, 28 lit./sec; and hydrogen, 15 lit./sec. Speed is constant over the operating pressure range of the pump. Ultimate pressure is less than 10⁻¹⁰ mm-Hg. The pump can be baked at 450°C. Life of the replaceable sputtering cathode is more than 10,000 hours at 10⁻⁶ mm-Hg. (Consolidated Vacuum Corp., Dept. Sci750, 1775 Mt. Read Blvd., Rochester 3, N.Y.)

■ PHOTOMICROGRAPHY ADAPTER permits a still or motion-picture camera to be used with microscopes. Exposures are made with the camera lens set at infinity. A viewing system with cross hairs permits the specimen to be viewed and the field of view selected and focused. All the light is used for the exposure and is deflected for viewing. The camera shutter is used in the normal fashion. (Lafayette Radio, Dept. Sci788, 165– 08 Liberty Ave., Jamaica 33, N.Y.)

■ TIME CODE GENERATOR furnishes a 36bit code indicating time of day and day of year in a proposed Inter-Range Instrumentation Group format and is read out once each second at a 100pulse/sec rate. A leap-year switch provides for the extra day every 4 years. Two outputs are in d-c-level-shift form and modulated 1000 cy/sec carrier. Stability is said to be 3 parts in 10⁸. Provision is made for synchronization with station WWV. (Electronic Engineering Co., Dept. Sci778, 1601 E. Chestnut Ave., Santa Ana, Calif.)

• ELECTRONIC MICROMETER is an opposed-head device that permits measurement from two sides to the center line of a fragile or compressible part. Opposing micrometer tips may be zeroed against each other at a selected reference position or at the anvil surface. Controls bring the upper tip downward, to touch the top of the part being measured, and the lower tip upward through a hole in the lower anvil to contact the bottom. Measured values are displayed on counters to 20 μ in. (J. W. Dice Co., Dept. Sci782, Englewood, N.J.)

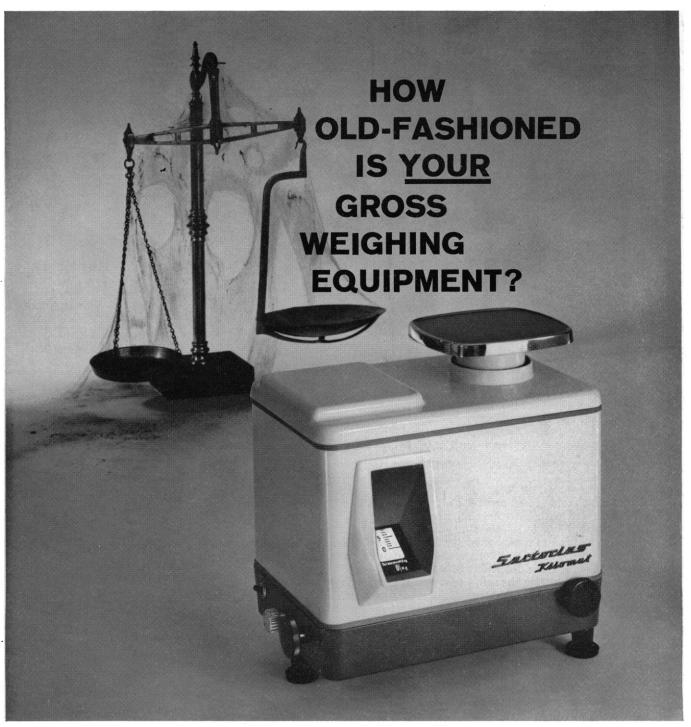
■ SOUND-PRESSURE ALARM operates relay contacts at a preset sound or vibration level. The standard model operates at 70 to 100 db sound pressure level and has a differential of 2 db. An electronic delay prevents actuation on single impacts. (H. H. Scott, Inc., Dept. Sci777, 111 Powder Mill Rd., Maynard, Mass.)

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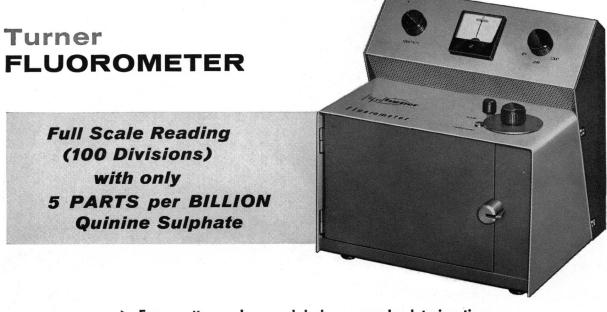




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