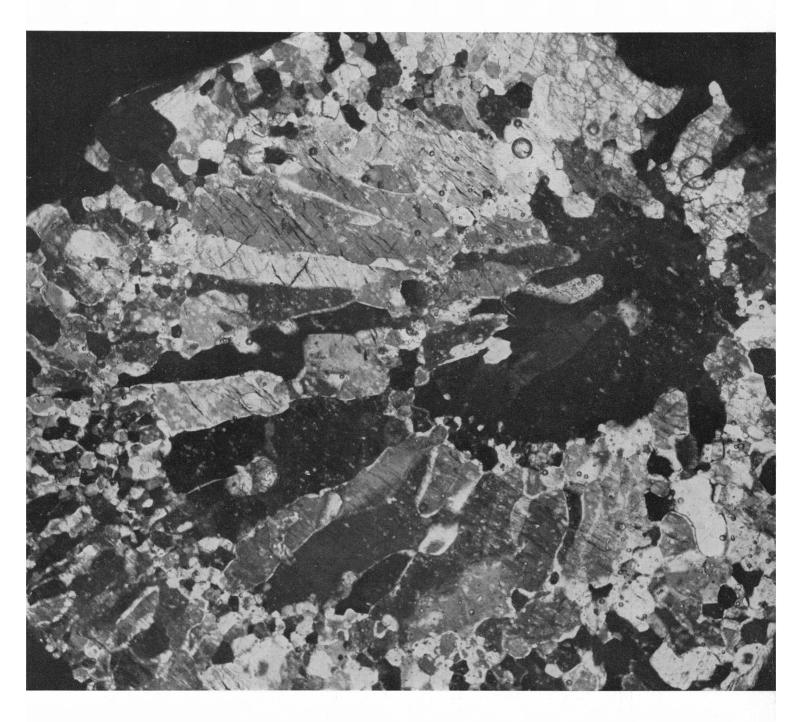
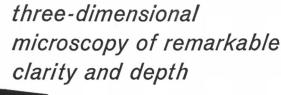
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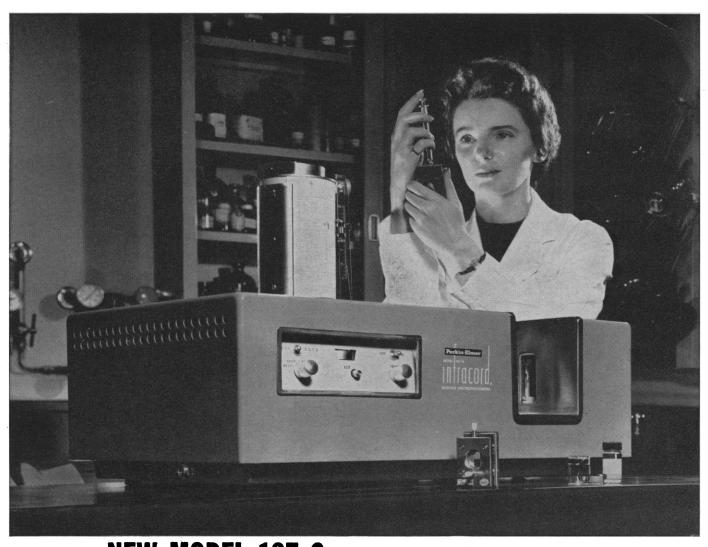
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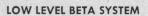
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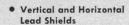
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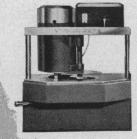
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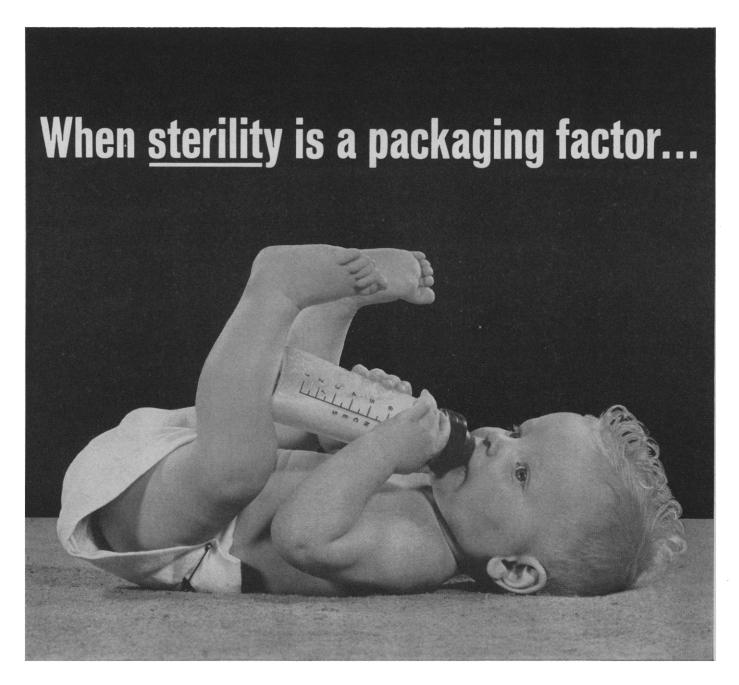
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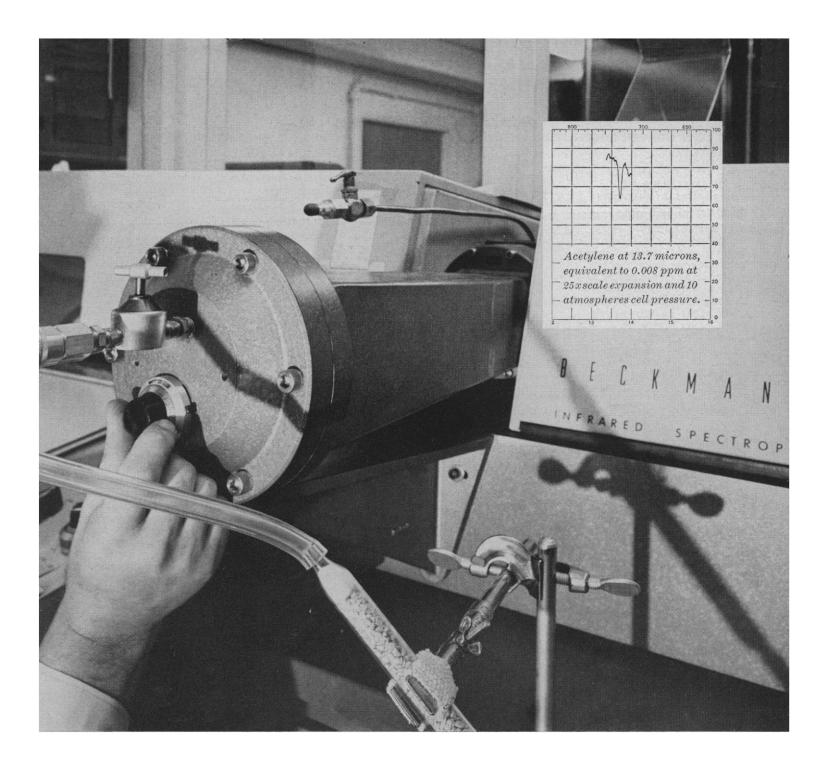
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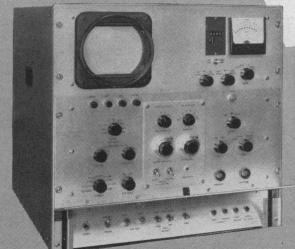
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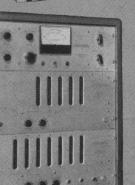
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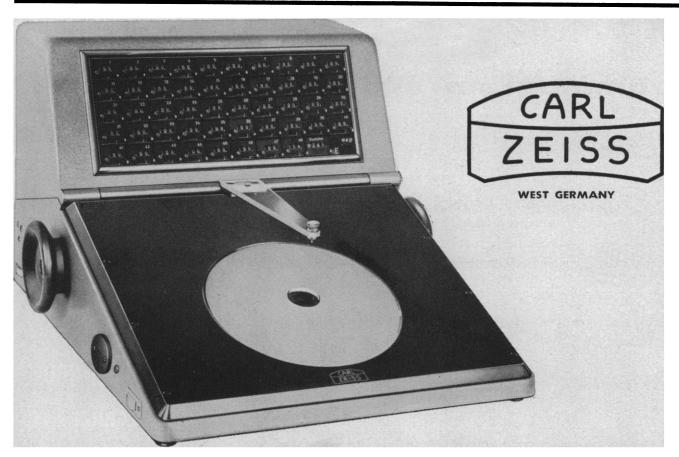
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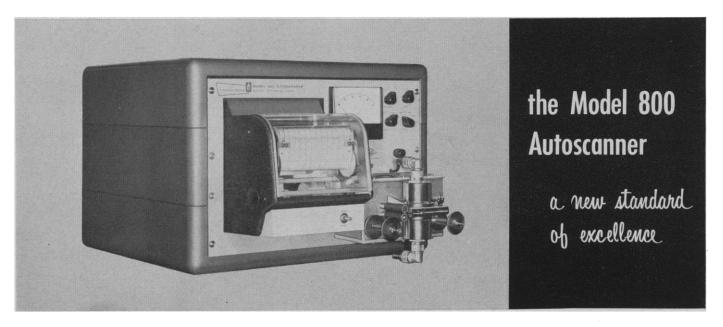
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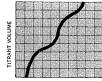
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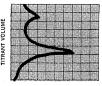
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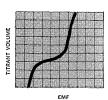
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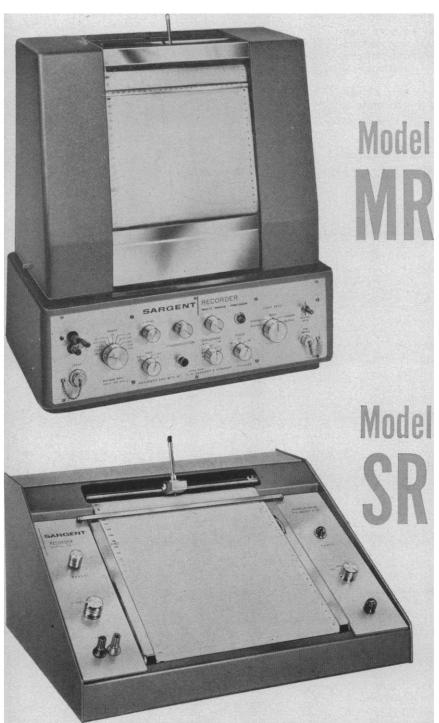
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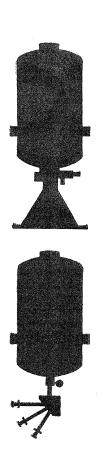
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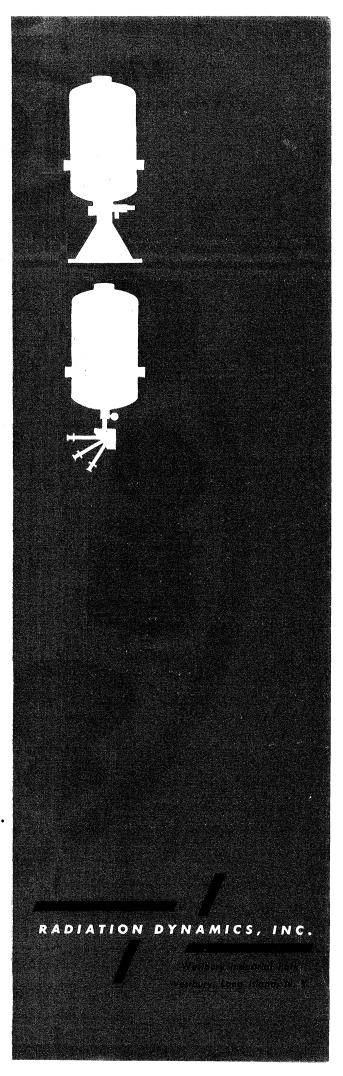
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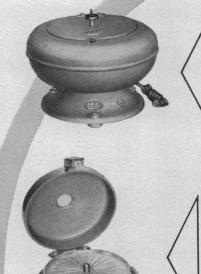
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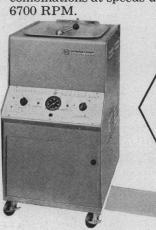
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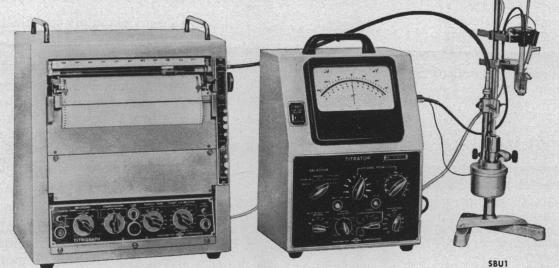
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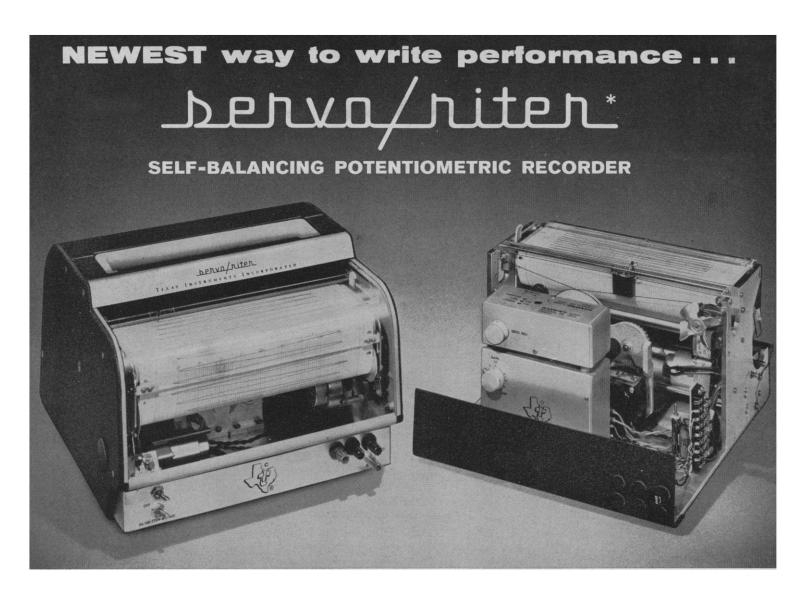
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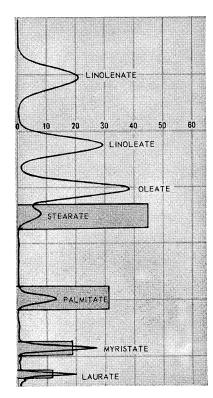
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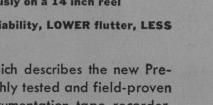
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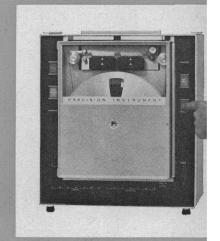
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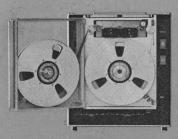
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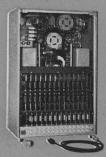
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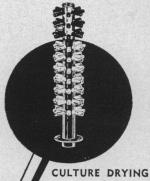
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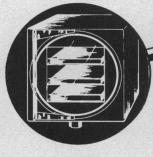
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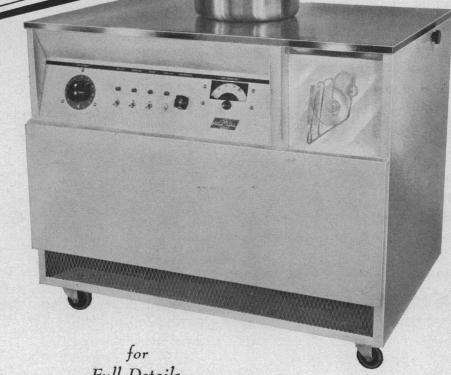


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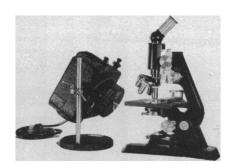
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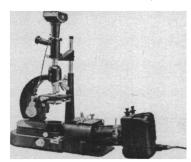
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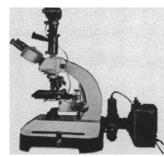
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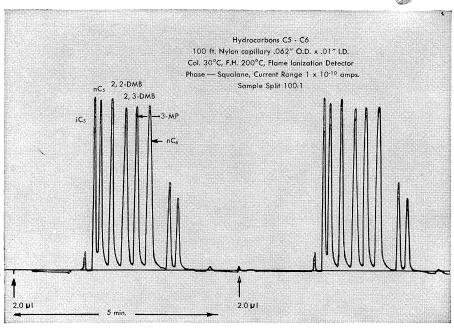
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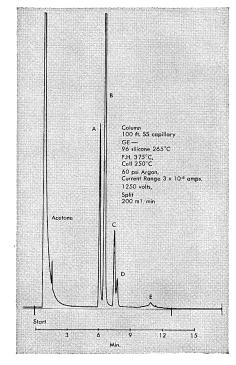
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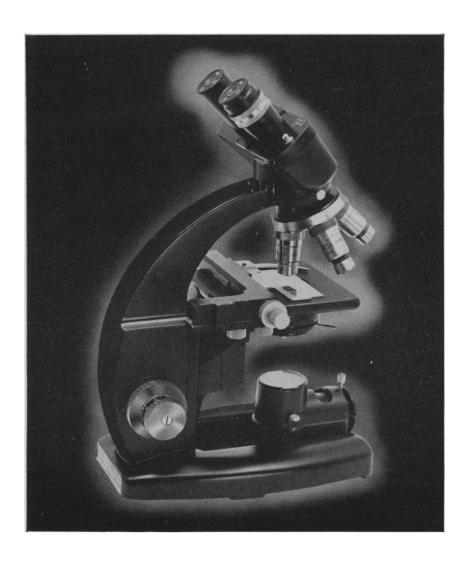
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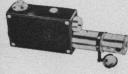
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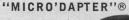
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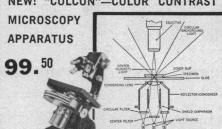


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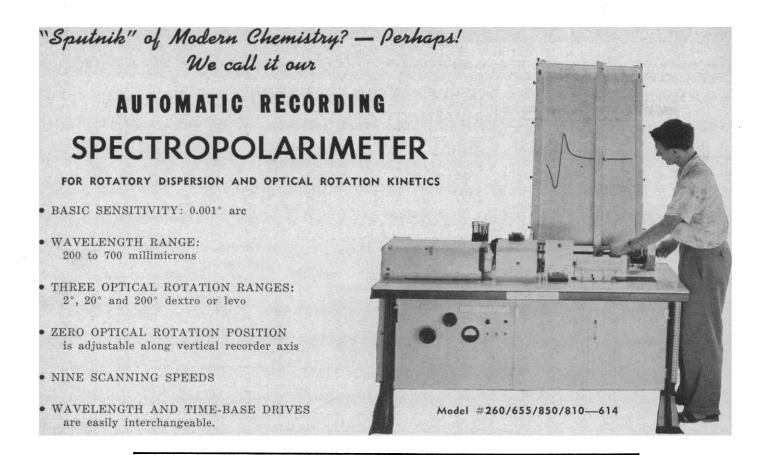
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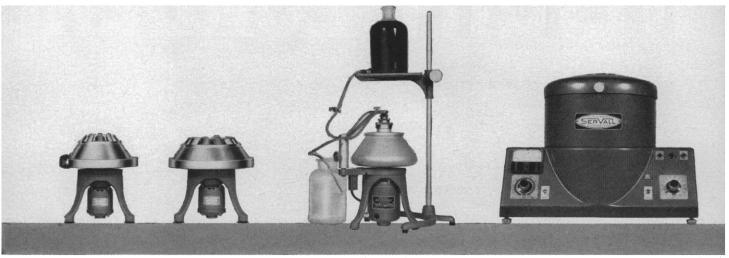
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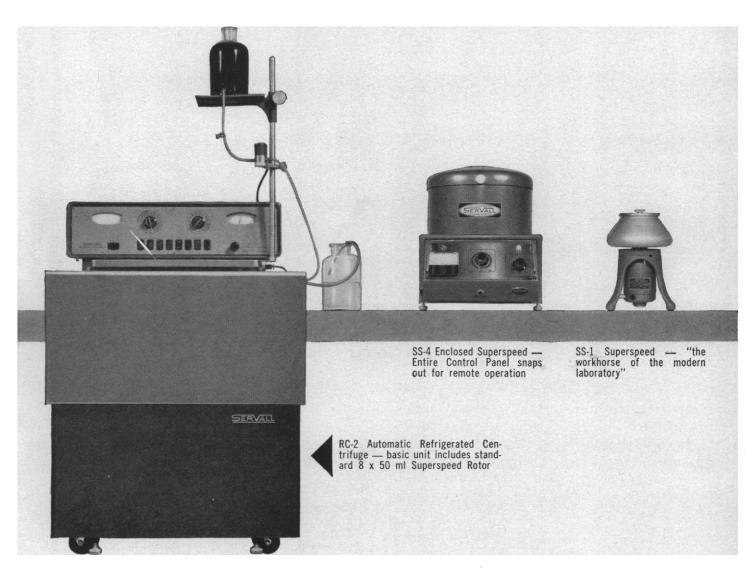
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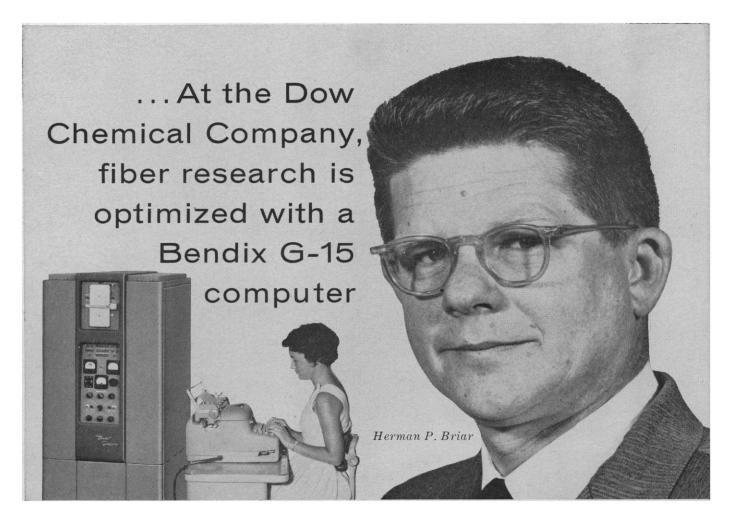


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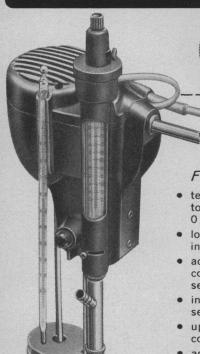




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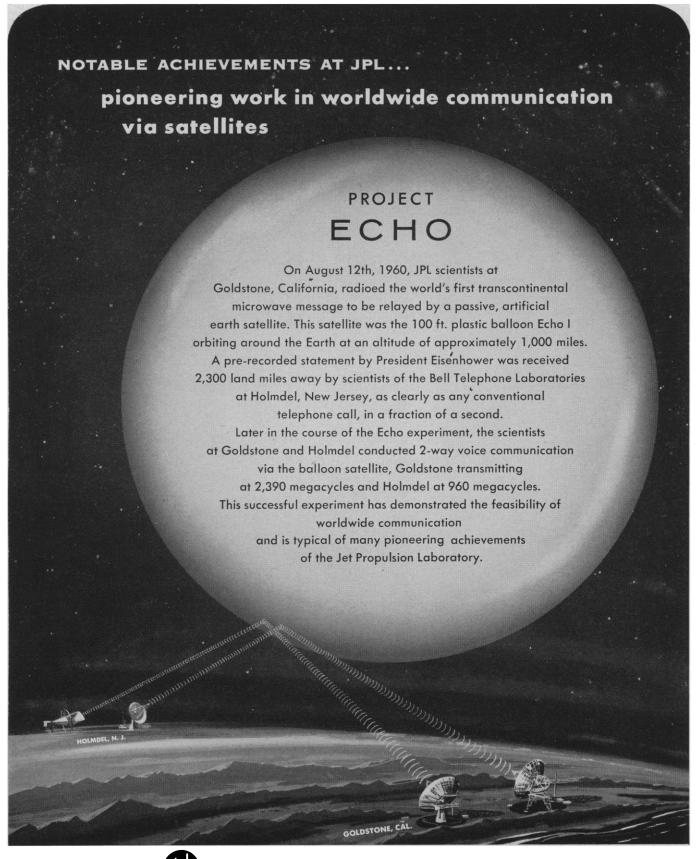
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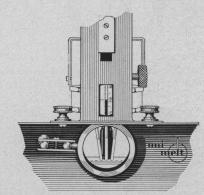
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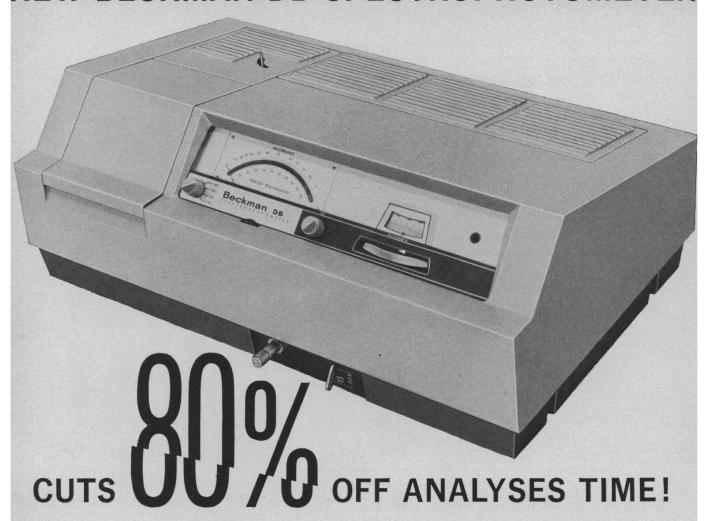


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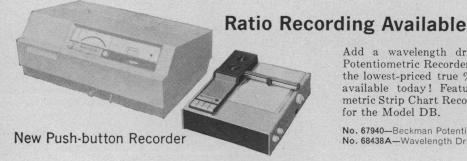
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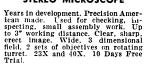
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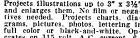
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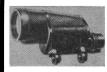
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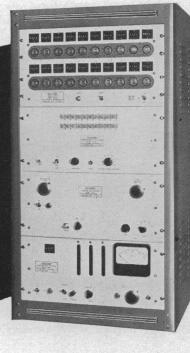


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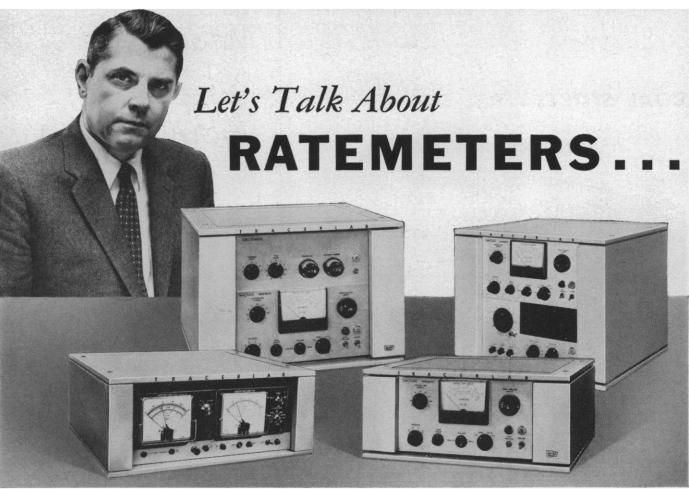
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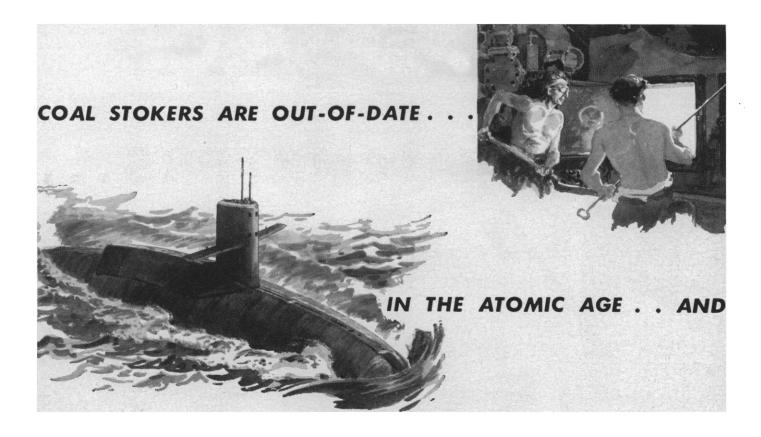
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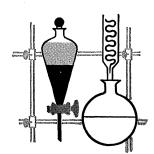
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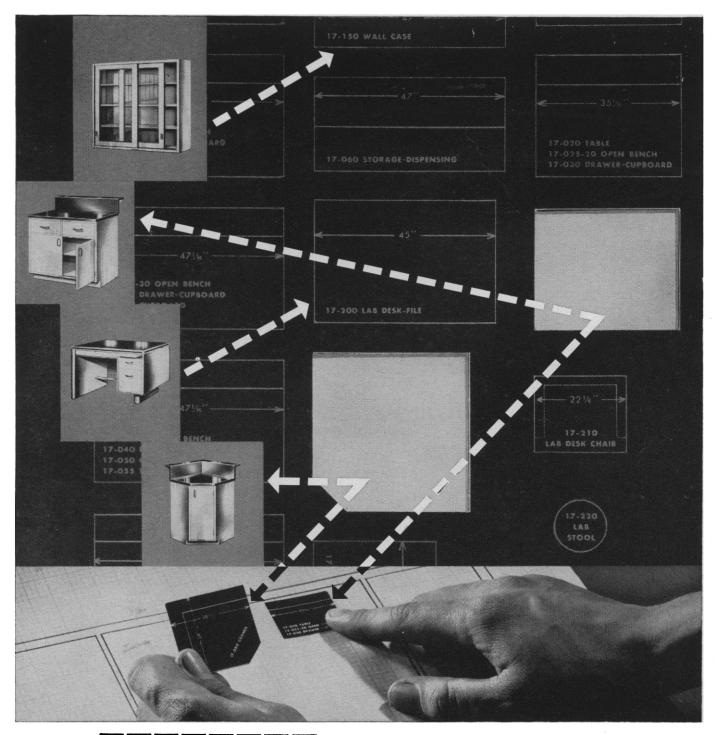
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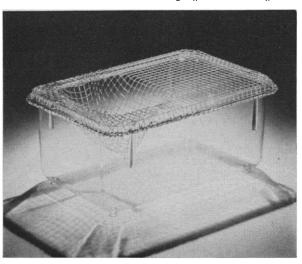
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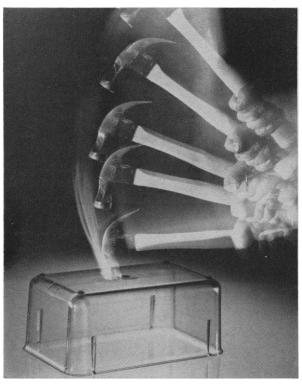
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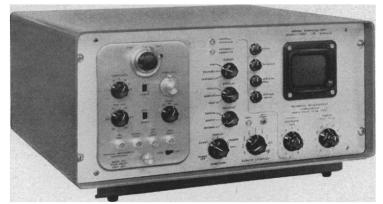
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The decisions become more difficult to make in assigning experiments for large and expensive equipment. More people want to schedule experiments for a big synchrotron or a nuclear pile than time permits. Who is to decide how to allocate experiments? One solution would be to build enough synchrotrons and nuclear piles so that all worthy projects could be carried out promptly. But decisions of this kind have to be made at the national level. Shall we build this additional equipment or an oceanographic vessel? Or a radiotelescope?

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One of the major decisions that had to be made early was whether or not to launch a crash program to overtake Russia in the brute force competition in spatial weight lifting. NASA decided instead to develop a well-balanced scientific program and has recently laid out a ten-year schedule to accomplish its aims, which will include the development of high-thrust vehicles.

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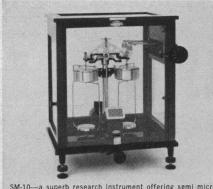
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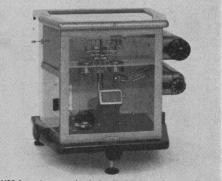




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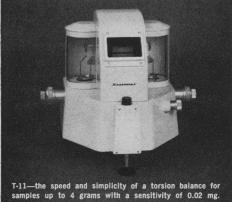
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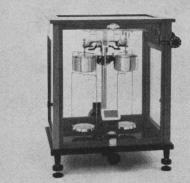
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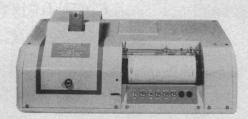
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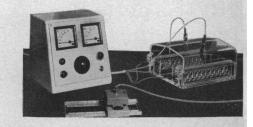
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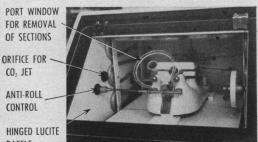
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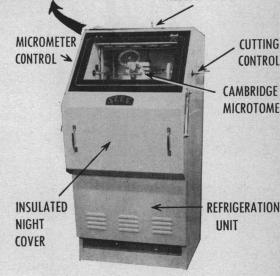
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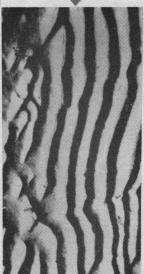


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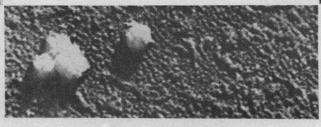


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Forthcoming Events

November

3-4. Muscle as a Tissue, conf., Philadelphia, Pa. (Division of Research, Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia 31)

4-5. West-Central States Biochemical Conf., Lincoln, Neb. (J. H. Pazur, Dept. of Biochemistry and Nutrition, Univ. of Nebraska, Lincoln)

4-6. Assoc. of Clinical Scientists, Washington, D.C. (R. P. MacFate, 54 W. Hubbard St., Chicago 10, Ill.)

5. Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Philadelphia, Pa. (G. Kaskey, Remington Rand Univac, 1900 W.

Allegheny Ave., Philadelphia)
7-10. Society of Exploration Geophysicists, 30th annual intern., Galveston, Tex. (C. C. Campbell, Box 1536, Tulsa, Okla.)

8-10. Forensic Sciences, 2nd symp., Washington, D.C. (Director, Armed Forces Inst. of Pathology, Washington 25)

9-10. Use of Secondary Surfaces for Heat Transfer with Clean Gases, symp., London, England. (Secretary, Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1 Birdcage Walk, London, S.W.1)

9-11. Clinical Chemistry Methods, symp., Cleveland, Ohio. (A. Hainline, Cleveland Clinic, 2020 E. 93 St., Cleveland 6)

10-12. Geological Soc. of America, 73rd conv., Denver, Colo. (H. R. Aldrich, GSA, 419 W. 117 St., New York 27)

10-12. National Assoc. of Geology

Teachers, Denver, Colo. (F. Foote, Dept. of Geology, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.)

10-13. Pacific Coast Fertility Soc., Las Vegas, Nev. (A. C. Wineberg, 3120 Webster St., Oakland, Calif.)

11-12. Paleontological Soc., Denver, Colo. (H. B. Whittington, Harvard Univ., Cambridge 38, Mass.)

13-16. Society of American Foresters, 60th annual, Washington, D.C. (H. Clapper, SAF, 825 Mills Bldg., Washington 6)
14-17. Magnetism and Magnetic Materials

rials, 6th annual conf., New York, N.Y. (L. R. Bickford, Jr., I.B.M. Research Center, Yorktown Heights, N.Y.)

14-18. American Soc. of Agronomy, Chicago, Ill. (L. G. Monthey, 2702 Monroe St., Madison 5, Wis.)

14-18. Nuclear Ship Propulsion, symp., Taormina, Sicily. (International Atomic Energy Agency, 11 Kärntner Ring, Vienna 1, Austria)

15-16. Engineering Application of Probability and Random Function Theory, symp., Lafayette, Ind. (J. L. Bogdanoff, School of Aeronautical and Engineering Sciences, Purdue Univ., Lafayette)

16-19. Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, annual, New York, N.Y. (W. N. Landers, SNAME, 74 Trinity Pl., New York 6)

17-19. Extrapyramidal System and Neuroleptics, intern. symp., Montreal, Canada. (J.-M. Bordeleau, Dept. of Psychiatry, Univ. of Montreal, Montreal)

17-19. Surgery of Endocrine Organs, symp., New York, N.Y. (Office of the Associate Dean, New York Univ. PostGraduate Medical School, 550 First Ave., New York 16) 17-20. Ar

American Anthropological Assoc., Minneapolis, Minn. (B. J. Meggers, 1530 P St., NW, Washington 5)

17-20. Southern Thoracic Assoc., Nassau, Bahamas. (H. H. Seiler, 517 Bayshore Blvd., Tampa 6, Fla.)

18-19. American Medical Writers' Assoc., Chicago, Ill. (H. Swanberg, 510 Maine St., Quincy, Ill.)

21-23. Fluid Dynamics, annual, Baltimore, Md. (R. J. Emrich, Div. of Fluid Dynamics, APS, Dept. of Physics, Lehigh Univ., Bethlehem, Pa.)

24-25. American Physical Soc., Chicago, Ill. (K. K. Darrow, APS, 538 W. 120

St., New York 27)
24-26. Central Assoc. of Science and Mathematics Teachers, 60th annual conv., Detroit, Mich. (L. A. Conrey, School of Education, Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

25-26. American Soc. of Animal Production, Chicago, Ill. (C. E. Terrill, Animal Husbandry Research Div., Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Md.)

25-26. National Council for Geographic Education, Cincinnati, Ohio. (L. Kenndmer, Univ. of Texas, Austin)

25-16. Bahamas Medical Conf., Nassau. (B. L. Frank, P.O. Box 4037, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.)

27-1. Latin American Cong. of Neurology, Santiago, Chile. (R. Nunez, Almirante Montt 485, Dep. 11, Santiago)

27-2. American Soc. of Mechanical Engineers, annual, New York, N.Y. (A. B. Conlin, Jr., ASME, 29 W. 39 St., New

27-5. International Federation of Agricultural Producers, 11th conf., New Delhi, India. (IFAP, 1624 Eye St., NW, Washington 6)

28-1. Entomological Soc. of America, Atlantic City, N.J. (R. H. Nelson, 4603 Calvert Rd., College Park, Md.)

29-2. American Medical Assoc., Washington, D.C. (F. Blasinggame, 1535 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 10, Ill.)

30-2. Steels in Reactor Pressure Circuits, symp., London, England. (Secretary, Iron and Steel Inst., 4 Grosvenor Gardens, London, S.W.1)

December

1-16. Commission for Climatology, 3rd session, London, England. (World Meteorological Organization, Campagne Rigot, 1, avenue de la Paix, Geneva, Switzerland)

2-5. Central American Medical Conf., 8th, Panama City. (A. Bissot, Departamento de Saud Publica, Ministerio de Trabajo, Prevision Social y Salud Publica, Panama)

3-6. Visual Communications, 4th annual intern. cong., Chicago, Ill. (Visual Communications Cong., 10600 Puritan Ave., Detroit 38, Mich.)

3-8. American Acad. of Dermatology and Syphilology, Chicago, Ill. (R. R. Kierland, First National Bank Building, Rochester, Minn.)

4-6. Spectroscopy, annual southern seminar, Gainesville, Va. (Annual Seminar on Spectroscopy, Univ. of Florida, Gainesville)

4-7. American Inst. of Chemical Engineers, annual, Washington, D.C. (F. J. Van Antwerpen, AICE, 25 W. 45 St., New York 36)

4-9. Radiological Soc. of North Amer-

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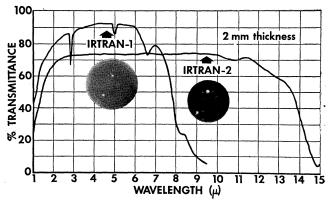
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5-8. American Rocket Soc., 15th annual, Washington, D.C. (R. L. Hohl, ARS, 500 Fifth Ave., New York 36)

7-13. American Acad. of Optometry, San Francisco, Calif. (C. C. Koch, 1506-08 Foshay Tower, Minneapolis 2, Minn.)

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27. American Astronautical Soc., Lunar Exploration symp., New York, N.Y. (F. F. Martin, AAS, 516 Fifth Ave., New York 36)

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