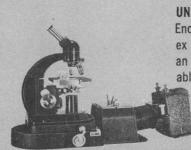
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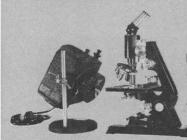
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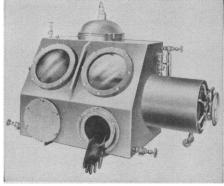
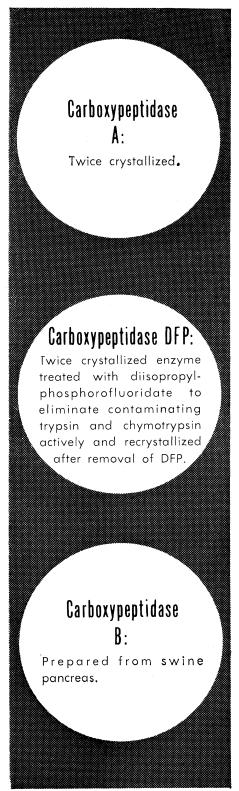


Fig. 1. High-vacuum laboratory enclosure.



Fig. 2. Decade counter tube.



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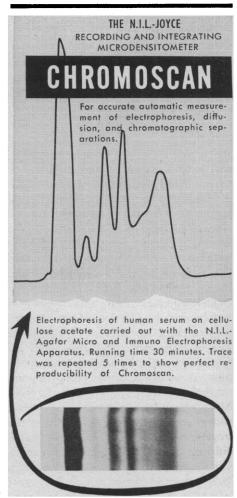
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Differential current meter measures the current from two transducers separately or differentially. Dynamic range of the instrument is 10⁵; it will measure current of 10⁻⁰ amp full scale. Frequency response is 0.5 cy/sec at the lowest range increasing to 30 kcy/sec at the least sensitive range. Preamplifiers with a gain of 10³ are available for low level measurements. (Eldorado Electronics, 2821 10 St., Berkeley 10, Calif.)

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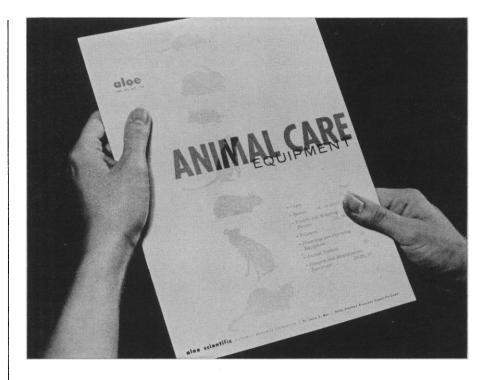
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Time delay is continuously variable up to 3 nsec by manual adjustment or by motor with push-button switch. Bandwidth is from d-c to more than 2000 Mcy/sec. Specifications quoted by the manufacturer include: accuracy better than ± 1 percent at any point with calibration capability to ± 0.01 percent; resolution time infinitesimal and readability better than 0.05 psec; input voltage greater than 500 peak volts; maximum attenuation 0.017 db at 100 Mcy/sec, 0.68 db at 1000 Mcy/sec. and 0.85 db at 1500 Mcy/sec. The instrument is coaxially constructed and consists of bilateral passive network with no active devices. (Ad-Yu Electronics Laboratory, Inc., 249-259 Terhune Ave., Passaic, N.J.)

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512-Channel analyzer, model ND 120, is based on the manufacturer's model ND 102, 256-channel analyzer with various circuit improvements. The unit has 106 count capacity and is rack mounted; the circuitry is said to be extremely accessible. (Nuclear Data, Inc., 3833 W. Beltline, Madison, Wis.)

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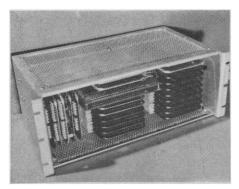


Fig. 3. Magnetic-core memory.

Magnetic-core memory (Fig. 3) operates at 1 Mcy/sec with access time of 0.4 μ sec. Two standard sizes are available, 128 and 512 words, with 24 bits per word. No rewrite circuitry is needed for the nondestructive memory. Loading can be performed at speeds up to 200 kcy/sec, if desired, but the standard input is from paper tape. Ambient temperature range for operation is 0° to 50°C; power consumption is 50 watts for the 512-word memory. (Aeronutronic Division, Ford Motor Co., Ford Rd., Newport Beach, Calif.)

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Fig. 4. Static voltmeter.

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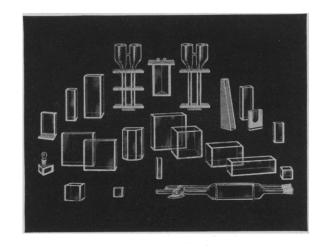
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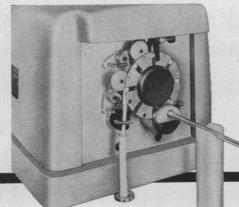
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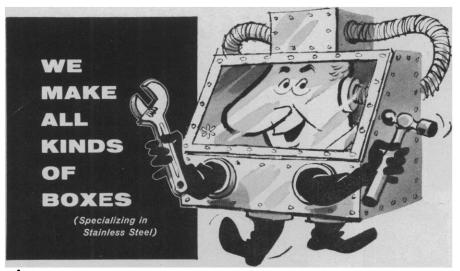
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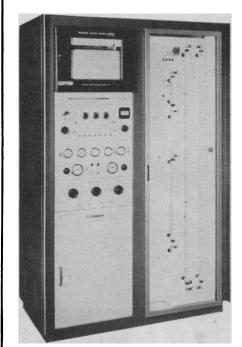
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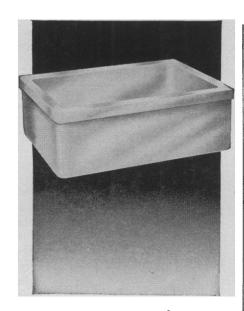
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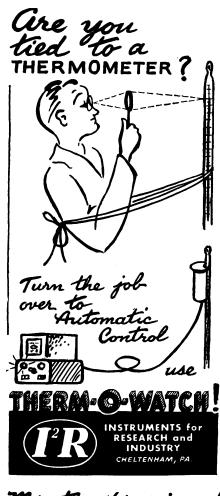
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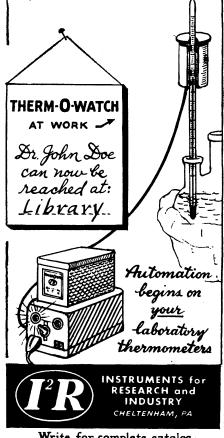
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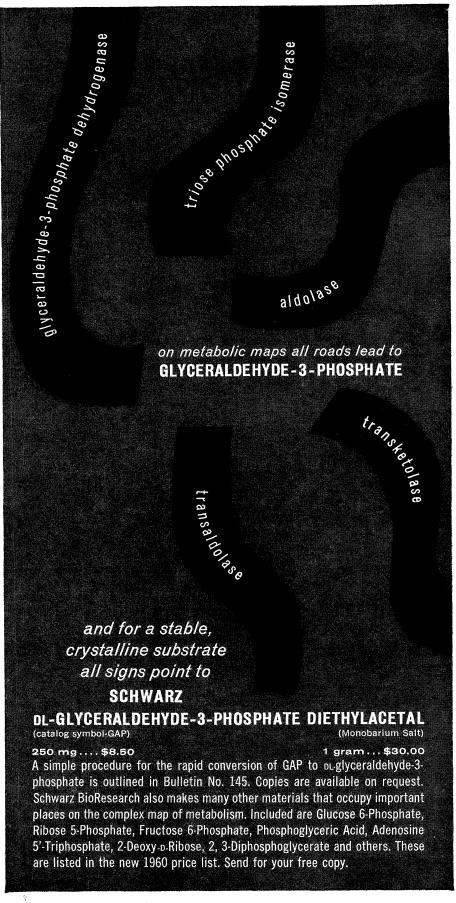
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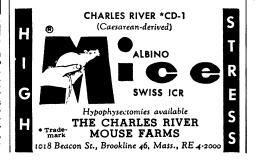
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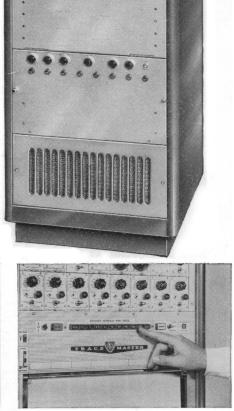
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