a member of the University of Michigan faculty since 1926. From 1923-43, during what may be considered Laporte's first research period, his main interest was atomic spectroscopy. His study in this field included work on the iron spectrum and the formulation of the "Laporte rule." Beginning in 1944, he began to study fluid mechanics by pro-



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posing solutions for subsonic and supersonic flow. Later he propounded the use of reflected shock waves to achieve extremely high temperatures.

While on leave from the University of Michigan in 1954-55, Laporte served the US State Department as attache in Tokyo. Because of this endeavor the State Department lauded him for "his efforts in securing the agreement between the US and Japan on the uses of atomic energy."

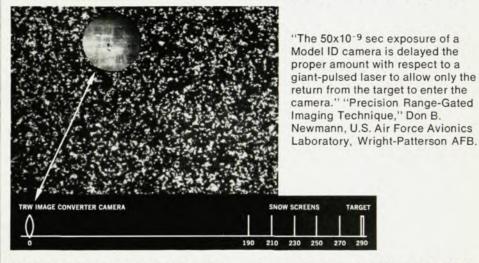
## Philo T. Farnsworth

Philo T. Farnsworth, a scientist for the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp, died 11 March in Salt Lake City, Utah. He'was 64.

Farnsworth, known as the "Father of Modern Television," filed his first patent covering the electronic television system at the age of 21. In 1934 the US Patent Office on Interferences awarded Farnsworth the basic patents on electronic television over V. Zworykin of RCA. A similar interference, also resolved in his favor, named him the inventor of the basic principles of the camera tube now known as the "image orthicon" which is used in television broadcasting. He also invented another camera tube known as the "image dissector," and held more than 165 other patents in television technology. addition he was involved in the development of radar systems and specialpurpose vacuum tubes.



## A TRW Image Converter Camera combines with a giant-pulsed laser for range-gated imaging



The illustration is a composite of a snow screen and a delayed picture of the floodlighted target showing range gate effect at -20 feet. It was made during feasibility studies of a range-gated imaging technique using the TRW Image Converter Camera and a giant-pulsed laser to actively illuminate a distant target. Back-scatter from snow particles was greatly reduced and range information added to the image.

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