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#### Laser power meter

The model 504 portable power meter presents a flat response over virtually the entire visible wavelength range by utilizing internal electronic compensation. By dialing the wavelength being measured on the front panel of the instrument, the laser power can be read directly for any wavelength from 440 to 680 nm in 1-nm steps. Laser power can be measured over the range of a fraction of a milliwatt to 10 W in seven power ranges, permitting use of the meter with helium neon, helium cadmium, and helium selenium lasers as well as argon and krypton ion lasers.



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#### Digital oscilloscope

The Explorer digital oscilloscope uses an analog-to-digital converter to digitize the input signal and store it in a solidstate memory. The stored signal is then reconstructed by digital-to-analog conversion for display on the cathode ray tube. Points of interest may be selected by a movable electronic cursor for alphanumeric display of actual time and voltage values on the same CRT. Stored data may be output in digital form or in analog form to a pen recorder. Both the X and the Y axes may be expanded, in steps of 2, up to 64 times. Two signals from an event may be recorded and displayed as functions of time, or of each other, at the flip of a switch. Bandwidth is dc to 5 MHz. Memory capacity of 4096 12-bit words may also be used in halves or quarters for measurement, display, or readout. One- and two-input plug-in modules are offered with choice of single-ended or differential amplifiers.—Nicolet Instrument Corp., 5225 Verona Rd., Madison, Wisconsin 53711.

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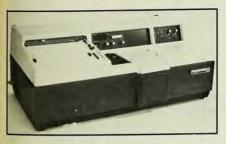
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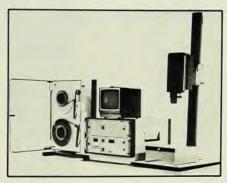
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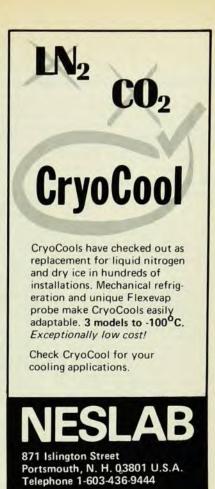
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