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Digital Readout comparator

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Delivery of the two digital readout systems was scheduled for October 15. Delivery has been delayed and they are now scheduled for 1 on Nov. 15 and 1 on Dec. 6. I suspect the delay will not affect appreciably the work on the equipment into which the digital readouts will be incorporated.

The delay results from two aspects:

1. The assembly and checkout is taking a lot longer than they thought, partly due to a turnover in projects engineers.

2. They discovered an incompatibility of the [] input to their system requirements. This took some time to resolve and it was uncertain whether or not their circuits would change. However it was decided that [] would provide a preamp between the [] reading head and the Digital Readout.

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One Panel assembly, one synchronizer and one counter are complete. The second counter is being wired and will be complete this week. Then checkout of the first system can begin.

There is some questions regarding methods of recording digit output sequence ~~for~~ to demonstrate the readout equipment is working properly. Would it be feasible to send them a dataphone and typewriter on loan for recording the output? The typed output sequence could then be shipped with the equipment. It is not certain that the Readout digit output rate is compatible with the Dataphone-typewriter set.

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