Change often happens so gradually that at any given time it's imperceptible. But at other times, changes are more pronounced. That latter sort of change is taking place now at Tektronix.

We are moving from a period—several years—of heavy investment in the future into a period of realizing the returns on those large expenditures. A parade—already begun—of significant new instruments is continuing; at the same time, expense levels are dropping.

This reduction didn't quite offset our lowered income, as the US recession continued to adversely affect sales and orders. But it did minimize their effect on earnings, which were off three cents per share for the quarter, at 30 cents (but up from \$1.71 to \$1.73 for the year ended August 22, compared to the year before). Details of the quarter's financial performance are found on the other side of this folder.

Financial statements comparing the latest quarter with the preceding one show the trend. Expenditures for engineering have dropped from \$3,936,000 to \$3,452,000; for selling, from \$3,860,000 to \$3,508,-000; and for administration, from \$3,311,000 to \$2,-650,000. Total expenses went down by 21 per cent.

In light of general profit levels in today's business world, I suppose a shareholder might find our quarterly figures reasonable. Yet they are not satisfactory to **us**; we're continuing to bend every effort to increase orders, sales, efficiency—and earnings.

Seeing daily, as I do, the broad skills and great energy of your company, I find it very easy to be optimistic about tomorrow. It's harder, however, to **define** "tomorrow," for the US economy seems to be showing, as of yet, only the slightest twitches of recovery.

But **whenever** 'tomorrow' comes, Tektronix will be ready, with a wide array of excellent, needed products and a strengthened organization.

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At the annual meeting, our seven directors were re-elected: Jack Murdock, Earl Wantland, Robert Fitzgerald, Jim Castles, Walter Dyke, Frank Warren and myself. Haskins & Sells were once again selected auditors. Before and after the meeting, shareholders had a chance to see and, if they wished, to operate some of our new instruments. Most of these were described in your recent annual report. One that wasn't however, was the 1701, one of our machinecontrol units just introduced in September.

These special products, designed for a market new to us, use computer-generated tapes to provide automatic control of production machinery. Two models, the 1701, a two-axis unit, and the 1702, a three-axis unit, comprise the current line.

Our practice has always been to move into a new product field only when we feel we can make a real contribution to it. In this case, we offer high quality, small size and wide flexibility, plus an unusual feature: Cathode-ray-tube monitoring of the tool path. By coupling a 611 display unit to the 1701/ 1702, the user can quickly check out a new tape by getting a plot of the tool path on the CRT screen. Since this process is limited in speed only by the tape reader rather than by the machine tool, a lot of time can be saved.

In addition to new, advanced instruments already in delivery status, many others with comparable potential are moving quickly and smoothly toward introduction. One reason the process **is** so smooth is our recent reorganization along product lines. Marketing has matched Engineering's restructuring into three product-related groups by naming three corresponding product-line managers. And, to make sure each new instrument moves easily into the production process, that responsibility has been assigned in each case to a specific Manufacturing manager.

The new organization is certainly working out very well, and is one of our biggest assets. But there are other plusses:

Productivity is increasing, as new-instrument production techniques become increasingly familiar. Marketing efforts are intensifying; our Information Display Products people, for example, have substantially improved their contact with customers. Overhead costs are coming into line with revenue, thanks in part to the transfer since spring of about 480 people into production jobs. They have responded with excellent performance, adding to product output and, in many cases, broadening themselves by acquiring new skills, which in the future will benefit them and Tektronix alike.

In the US today, liquidity problems plague many businesses. Tektronix is fortunate in that respect, for we have very little borrowing. The \$14 million at present outstanding represents only 12 per cent of shareholder equity. But our greatest asset continues to be one whose value increases as times get tougher. That, of course, is the men and women whose efforts make this company succeed. In the past unsettling months, they have responded with performance in many cases exceeding the call of duty—reinforcing once again my belief that Tektronix employees, as I noted at the annual meeting, are a truly remarkable group of people.

Howard Vollum

President



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# TEKTRONIX, INC. CONSOLIDATED WITH SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (THOUSANDS)

## **OPERATION**

12 WEEKS ENDED	12 WEEKS ENDED	52 WEEKS ENDED	52 WEEKS ENDED	
Aug. 23 1969	Aug. 22 1970	Aug 23 1969	Aug. 22 1970	
\$35,011	\$33,956	\$151,540	\$164,150	NET SALES
18,564	18,207	77,120	83,470	MANUFACTURING COST OF SALES
16,447	15,749	74,420	80,680	GROSS PROFIT
11,625 2,993 3,129 2,730 55 157 2,561	$11,726 \\ 3,508 \\ 3,452 \\ 2,650 \\ 285 \\ (290) \\ 2,121$	$\begin{array}{r} 49,883 \\ 12,554 \\ 13,356 \\ 11,195 \\ 241 \\ (409) \\ 12,946 \end{array}$	56,735 15,070 15,706 13,132 910 (787) 12,704	EXPENSES Selling Engineering Administration Interest expense Non-operating (income) expense Employee profit share
4,822	4,023	24,537	23,945	INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES
<b>2,136</b> 1,742 155 239	1,595 954 146 495	10,719 7,869 834 2,016	9,950 6,695 817 2,438	PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES Federal State Foreign
2,686	2,428	13,818 33	13,995	Earnings Before Minority Interest Minority Interest in Earnings
2,686	2,428	13,785	13,995	EARNINGS
<mark>3</mark> 3¢	30¢	\$1.71	\$1.73	EARNINGS PER SHARE

# Supplemental information





Aug. 23 1969	May 30 1970	Aug. 22 1970	
\$80,588 7,704 25,146 8,195 35,707 3,836	\$98,430 7,979 28,519 11,270 46,989 3,673	\$93,436 5,484 26,642 13,311 45,577 2,422	CURRENT ASSETS Cash including cash earning interest Accounts receivable — net Finished inventory Other inventory Prepaid expenses
22,043 3,343 5,142 6,494 7,064	38,573 13,526 6,296 6,299 12,452	31,549 14,026 3,921 6,465 7,137	CURRENT LIABILITIES Indebtedness — current portion Accounts payable Income taxes Accrued expenses
<mark>58,5</mark> 45	59,857	61,887	WORKING CAPITAL
38,411	48,185	48,484	FACILITIES at depreciated cost
2,668	2,426	2,415	INTANGIBLE ASSETS
1,044	2,114	2,200	INVESTMENTS at cost
(353)	(306)	(306)	LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS—less current portion
_	_	—	MINORITY INTEREST IN EQUITY
100,315 6,312 (29) 94,032	112,276 6,711 (16) 105,581	114,680 6,711 (31) 108,000	SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY Common shares Less treasury shares at cost Reinvested earnings

## CONDITION

### Supplemental information

24,400	18,600	16,400
2,600	15,600	18,500
8,097	8,108	8,107
1,826	2,081	2,184
9,436	9,857	9,477

Product unfilled orders at catalog price Product finished inventory at catalog price Common shares outstanding Buildings (thousand square feet) Employees (number)

### To shareholders and employees:

Financial data in this report pretty well describe our last quarter. The U.S. economy showed only slight glimmers of recovery, and the slump continued to adversely affect our orders, sales and earnings.

(To give you an additional—and probably better—measurement of our performance, we have also included in this report operational figures for the 12 weeks ended August 22, 1970.)

As you may know, we have cut expenditures, transferred people into production jobs and shut down the company for two weeks at Christmas. We chose these moves instead of more severe ones, to buy time in which to fully study our situation and to give the economic picture every possible chance to brighten.

Although the hoped-for has not happened economic recession continues—the picture is a bit brighter now: National fiscal and monetary policies have become more expansionary, which should benefit us; and our orders have stopped declining.

However, we can not forecast a rapid improvement in our situation. The need is obvious for us to curtail our production and to trim other expenses correspondingly. To do this in the most effective way, we have asked each employee to take 10 days off work by May 1. This move will cut both output and expenses, and do so fairly fast; our hope is that it will forestall an actual reduction in the work force, with all the inefficiency and heartache that would create.

We hope that the long-awaited economic upswing will happen soon, so that we can once again resume sound company growth.

New-product development continues very smoothly, and at an accelerated pace. One major addition to our product line, the 5103 oscilloscope, will be introduced this month. The 5100 series is by far the most versatile low-frequency system anywhere. Made in two modules, display module and plug-in module, it may be converted from cabinet to 5¼-inch rackmount and back again. Four interchangeable display modules give a choice of singleor dual-beam storage or non-storage CRTs, with a 4 x 5-inch graticule area. The 5103 is the only low-frequency plug-in scope. It accepts up to three of nine plug-in units, with more to come—a combination of features and prices that should prove very attractive.

In February, we will bring out another major addition to our product line. Like the 5100 series, it will move advanced scope performance down into a lower price range. Both lines should be very competitive instruments.

Continued improved productivity is reflected in the increased ratio of output to standard hours worked; our delivery position in all but a very few products is excellent. Our financial strength is undiminished. Nationally, the drop in interest rates and the proposed liberalization of depreciation deductions should have *some* effect on capital-goods buying, which would benefit us; and, locally, a decrease in the large payroll tax supporting mass transit will reduce our expenses.

So, all is not black—certainly not as dark as for much of our industry, in which numerous companies have had to face severe losses in earnings. But things are gray enough to spur us once again to renewed efforts in product marketing, and in increased productive efficiency.

As to the world about us, I hope that the apparent small signs of coming economic recovery do turn out to be true heralds of better fortune in the new year. Tektronix' men and women will, as ever, be ready and responsive.

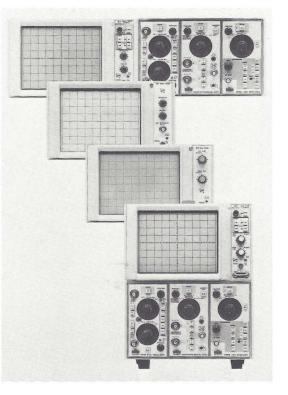
Howard Vollum

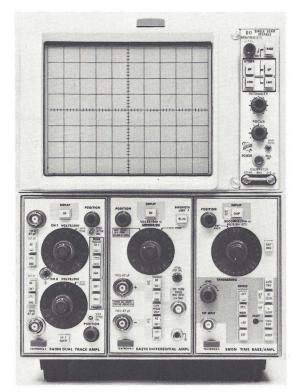
President

January 15, 1971 Tektronix, Inc. P.O. Box 500 Beaverton, Oregon 97005 THE TYPE 5103 oscilloscope, to be introduced this month, ushers in the 5100 series, the most versatile low-frequency system anywhere. Shown below are (from top) the rackmount version, single- and dualbeam display modules and the cabinet version (also at right). Display modules come in storage or non-storage. The world's only low-frequency plug-in oscilloscope, the 5103 accepts three of nine existing plug-ins.



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# **TEKTRONIX, INC. CONSOLIDATED WITH SUBSIDIARIES** UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (THOUSANDS)

## **OPERATION**

]	52 WEEKS ENDED	52 WEEKS ENDED	12 WEEKS ENDED	12 WEEKS ENDED	12 WEEKS ENDED
	Nov. 14 1970	Nov. 15 1969	Nov. 14 1970	Aug. 22 1970	Nov. 15 1969
NET SALES	\$156,064	\$158,916	\$32,716	\$33,956	\$40,802
MANUFACTURING COST OF SALE	80,097	81,524	17,829	18,207	21,202
GROSS PROFIT	75,967	77,392	14,887	15,749	19,600
EXPENSES Selling Engineering Administration Interest expense Non-operating (income) expense Employee profit share	55,169 15,453 15,639 12,756 1,159 (848) 11,010	$51,905 \\ 13,009 \\ 13,735 \\ 11,919 \\ 337 \\ (549) \\ 13,454$	11,550 3,622 3,350 2,686 351 (232) 1,773	11,726 3,508 3,452 2,650 285 (290) 2,121	<b>13,116</b> 3,238 3,417 3,061 103 (170) 3,467
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	20,798	25,487	3,337	4,023	6,484
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES Federal State Foreign	8,418 5,477 782 2,159	11,222 8,060 841 2,321	<b>1,353</b> 752 125 476	1,595 954 146 495	<b>2,884</b> 1,970 159 755
Earnings Before Minority Interest Minority Interest in Earnings	12,380	14,265 15	1,984	2,428	3,600
EARNINGS	12,380	14,250	1,984	2,428	3,600
EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$1.53	\$1.76	24.5¢	29.9¢	<b>44.4</b> ¢

# CONDITION

Nov. 15 1969	Aug. 22 1970	Nov. 14 1970	
\$85,444 5,281 28,698 8,697 39,295 3,473	<b>\$93,436</b> 5,484 26,642 13,311 45,577 2,422	<b>\$95,871</b> 7,862 23,699 15,886 45,844 2,580	CURRENT ASSETS Cash including cash earning interest Accounts receivable — net Finished inventory Other inventory Prepaid expenses
<b>26,613</b> 4,126 4,506 6,867 11,114	<b>31,549</b> 14,026 3,921 6,465 7,137	<b>32,451</b> 13,026 4,110 6,027 9,288	CURRENT LIABILITIES Indebtedness — current portion Accounts payable Income taxes Accrued expenses
58,831	61,887	63,420	WORKING CAPITAL
41,530	48,484	48,963	FACILITIES at depreciated cost
2,575	2,415	2,327	INTANGIBLE ASSETS
1,545	2,200	2,281	INVESTMENTS at cost
(353)	(306)	(306)	LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS—less current portion
104,128 6,509 (13) 97,632	114,680 6,711 (31) 108,000	116,685 6,711 (19) 109,993	SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY Common shares Less treasury shares at cost Reinvested earnings

### Supplemental information

20,300	16,400	12,200
13,800	18,500	22,700
8,103	8,107	8,108
1,899	2,184	2,177
9,908	9,477	9,278

Product unfilled orders at catalog price Product finished inventory at catalog price Common shares outstanding Buildings (thousand square feet) Employees (number)

### Supplemental information





5,372 149,980

Depreciation of facilities (mostly accelerated) Orders received

#### To shareholders and employees:

Jubilation is not a common state of mind in US business nowadays. But, as I write, the mood of many Tektronix people is nothing short of jubilant.

As you might suppose, their reaction is not to financial performance. Our past quarter, summarized in this report, continued to reflect soft markets and a suggish economy.

Their exuberance, rather, stems from our success at two recent major US electronics shows. Response, from customers and competitors, to a large number of significant new Tektronix instruments testified once again to the continued creative technical vitality of your company. The shows were the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers in New York and National Association of Broadcasters in Chicago. At both, Tektronix did itself proud.

Of three circumstances that affect its growth, a company can do nothing about one—and only a bit about the second. But it can do a great deal about the third.

First is to operate within a booming economy. Needless to say, it's been a while since Tektronix, or any US company, could do that.

Second is for it to belong to a fast-growing segment of that economy. Electronics, reflecting the sag in aerospace and reduced government funding, is not growing fast.

Third is to increase its share of the market, and to **expand** that market itself. In this respect, we are making long strides. Our success at the recent shows clearly indicates increased competitive strength.

The very large number of instruments announced in the last fiscal quarter—45 new products in all has bolstered our position in market areas where we were already strongest, and recaptured the lead in those segments where competition was keenest. And, by offering performance never before available, we expect to create **new** markets.

Forty-five new products is far too many to review here. But let me briefly outline some major product areas: **Portables**—Truly portable oscilloscopes are almost unique to Tektronix. These small, lightweight instruments, combining laboratory performance with ruggedness, have become the favorites of many users, such as those in computer servicing. Our 453 and 454 are now the standards in that industry. This quarter we have introduced the 453A and 454A, new instruments with significant improvements, to take their place.

We also introduced the Sony/Tektronix 324, a 10 MHz portable manufactured by our jointly owned Tokyo subsidiary. It weighs only eight pounds.

Television instruments. Another market where Tektronix has been very strong from the start has been TV instrumentation. By anticipating its needs, and providing products that more than met them, we have made our waveform monitors and vectorscopes the standards for that industry. This quarter we expanded our product line by adding the 146 and 147 test-signal generators, and our first two TV picture monitors—the 630 (engineered and built by Tektronix Holland) for black and white and the 650 for color.

High frequency. Traditionally, "state of the art" in oscilloscopes has come to be equated with bandwidth. Tektronix has led in this area most of the time. The introduction of the 500 MHz 7904 maintains that lead. The world's fastest real-time oscilloscope, it has four-plug-in versatility, and scale-factor readout on the CRT screen. It will be available for delivery late in the calendar year.

Low frequency. We've brought new performance and versatility to the low-frequency end of the spectrum also, with the lower-priced 5100 series. The early order rate is exceptionally brisk for these instruments, which were described in the last quarterly report. The only plug-in low-frequency scope system, it also offers interchangeable display units, and can convert in minutes between rack and bench models.

**25 to 50 MHz.** In the mid-frequency area, where most scopes are sold, we've pushed high performance down into a lower price range with the 50 MHz 7400 series of three-plug-in instruments. Small, light and offering a 6 1/2-inch CRT and many advanced features, the scopes are expected to be very strong competitors in the "bread and butter" center of the product line.

One of the most popular instruments at IEEE was the 25 MHz Telequipment D-67, designed and built by our subsidiary in London. This dual-trace delayed-sweep scope sells for less than \$1000— an excellent value.

Besides new scopes and plug-in units, we introduced a large number of supplemental products, including cameras, sampling heads and probes.

A competitor remarked to one of our booth staff: "I see you've been busy." Yes, we have; and we intend to continue. After all, that's what technical leadership is all about.

Howard Vollum

President April 12, 1971



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THE WORLD'S FASTEST real-time oscilloscope is the 500-MHz Tektronix 7904, introduced in March. This state-of-the-art instrument accepts up to four interchangeable plug-in units, and offers scalefactor readout on its cathode-ray-tube screen.

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# OPERATION

16 WEEKS ENDED Mar. 7 1970	16 WEEKS ENDED Mar. 6 1971	52 WEEKS ENDED Mar. 7 1970	52 WEEKS ENDED Mar. 6 1971	
\$49,294	\$43,097	\$164,506	<b>\$1</b> 49,867	NET SALES
26,411	24,143	85,254	77,830	MANUFACTURING COST OF SALES
22,883	18,954	79,252	72,037	GROSS PROFIT
16,735 4,463 4,902 4,109 241 (207) 3,227	$14,329 \\ 4,625 \\ 4,134 \\ 3,096 \\ 314 \\ (277) \\ 2,437$	$54,513 \\ 13,795 \\ 14,959 \\ 12,882 \\ 499 \\ (647) \\ 13,025$	52,762 15,615 14,872 11,743 1,232 (920) 10,220	EXPENSES Selling Engineering Administration Interest expense Non-operating (income) expense Employee profit share
6,148	4,625	24,739	19,275	INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES
2,254 1,342 133 779	1,963 1,079 183 701	10,388 7,115 793 2,480	8,127 5,214 832 2,081	PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES Federal State Foreign
3,894	2,662	14,351	11,148	EARNINGS
48¢	33¢	\$1.77	\$1.38	EARNINGS PER SHARE

Depreciation of facilities (mostly accelerated) Orders received

## CONDITION

Mar. 7 1970	Nov. 14 1970	Mar. 6 1971	
\$89,327 5,225 27,506 10,302 42,960 3,334	<b>95,871</b> 7,862 23,699 15,886 45,844 2,580	\$95,400 7,554 24,308 15,769 45,072 2,697	CURRENT ASSETS Cash including cash earning interest Accounts receivable — net Finished inventory Other inventory Prepaid expenses
<b>30,890</b> 12,026 4,773 4,773 9,318	32,451 13,026 4,110 6,027 9,288	28,969 12,826 3,835 4,724 7,584	CURRENT LIABILITIES Indebtedness including current portion Accounts payable Income taxes Accrued expenses
58,437	63,420	66,431	WORKING CAPITAL
45,873	48,963	48,365	FACILITIES at depreciated cost
2,522	2,327	2,395	INTANGIBLE ASSETS
1,645	2,281	2,432	INVESTMENTS at cost
(306)	(306)	(280)	LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS—less current portion
108,171 6,672 (27) 101,526	116,685 6,711 (19) 109,993	119,343 6,718 (46) 112,671	SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY Common shares Less treasury shares at cost Reinvested earnings

### Supplemental information

 $11,500 \\ 22,200$ 

8,107 2,192 9,052

18,000	12,200
16,700	22,700
8,107	8,108
1,925	2,177
10,173	9,278

Product unfilled orders at catalog price Product finished inventory at catalog price Common shares outstanding Buildings (thousand square feet) Employees (number)

 $1,748 \\ 42,635$ 

4,458 165,130 5,598 144,662

1,523 47,952