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Re: Corso and 'Alien' Transistors

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>Date: Tue, 02 Sep 97 12:21:35 pst
>From: mdavis@ccsmtp.glycomed.COM (Davis, Michael)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Corso and Alien Transistors

> "Mervin Kelly, who became head of the Bell Telephone Laboratories
> in 1936 and remained its leader for more than 20 years, can clearly
> be said to be the spiritual father of the transistor. While head of
> the vacuum tube division of the Western Electric Company, also a
> subsidiary of AT&T, he noted in the late 20s the remarkable, durable
> properties of inexpensive copper-oxide rectifiers, commonly used at
> that time for the conversion of relatively low-frequency alternating
> current to direct current." (snip)

>So, transistor concepts were being explored in the 1920s.

No! A rectifier is indeed as the article mentions a device to convert alternating current to direct current. A transistor is something else: it switches and amplifies current.

>The review outlines the developments in transistor technology
>through the war years

I am going to read that article, but I would be very very surprised if it said that transistor technology was under development in the war years. For one thing the name transistor was invented at the same time as the invention itself. Furthermore, a transistor was not difficult to make at all, so there was no need for a years long development effort. The transistor was simply a good idea. Once the idea was there, the device could be made by using standard components and equipment.

> "Then, in reexamining a different failed experiment carried out in
> connection with the study of trapping levels, they made a remarkable
> discovery." (snip)

OK, that could have spurred the invention. But it could be disinformation as well that is now taken for truth. I have stated my reasons before why I think the Corso/AC scenario is a plausible one. If asked, I will elaborate on it.

However, to determine what was really going on, I would suggest that we simply need more precise data.

James Easton started to present some information about the costs

and the duration of the transistor project. James, would you
- PLEASE! - look this up and present the exact dates, the
exact costs and supply as many names and locations as you can find.

> "The invention of the bipolar point-contact transistor followed.
> It was demonstrated to management on 23 December 1947."

>As I mentioned, I have not read Corso's book yet, but five months
>between the Roswell event and a working transistor model based on
>advanced alien technology is an awfully short time, coupled with
>the idea that transistor concepts were being explored twenty years
>prior to 1947.

As I said, once the idea of the transistor was there, it could be
made from standard components and equipment. A few months would
indeed be enough.

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Met vriendelijke groet/Best wishes \
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