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REA Organizes New Power Division

Rural Electrification Administration reshuffled its management and engineering units recently to set up a new power division. The new organization will take over all REA activities involving planning and operation of generating and transmission facilities.

Administrator Claude Wickard emphasizes that the reorganization move is pointed toward no increase in REA lending for construction of generating plants. On the other hand, it will allow swifter handling of applications for such loans, as well as for other power-supply matters involving REA borrowers.

Administrative organization of the power division also indicates new REA attention to power supply in general and generating systems in particular. Three sections are provided under the new unit: (1) Procurement section will deal with power sources, wholesale rates and contracts, and service to REA borrowers by wholesale energy suppliers. (2) Generation and transmission design and construction section will give technical assistance to borrowers in building their own generating and transmission facilities. (3) Generation and transmission management section

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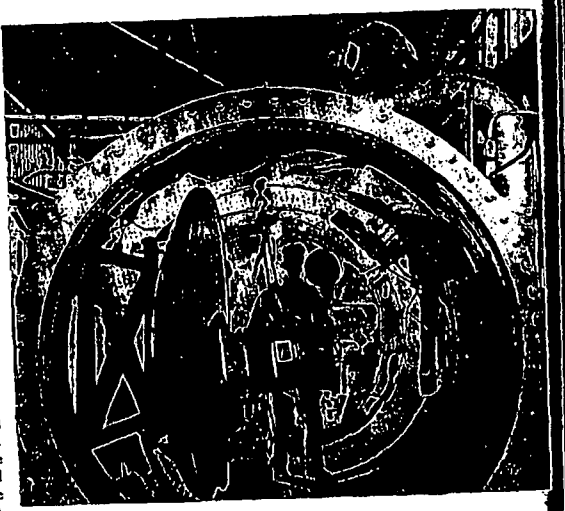

New Test Laboratory for Gas-Turbine Components

A $25,000,000 center at Lynn, Mass. for development, testing and production of aircraft gas turbines has been announced by General Electric Co. Since the war's end, nearly $11,000,000 has been spent for new facilities, including a test laboratory that consists of stands for full-power testing of compressor, combustion chamber, and turbine elements of actual engines, and model testing of single and multistage compressor elements. Scale-model turbine elements and individual combustion chambers of multichamber engines are tested in older, existing facilities

COMING EVENTS

Aug 2-6—Building & Maintenance Supplies Exposition, Grand Central Palace, New York, N. Y. Arthur Tarshis, president, 36 W 47th St, New York 19, N. Y.

Aug 23-26—National Assn of Power Engineers, annual meeting, St Paul Auditorium, St. Paul, Minn. A F Thompson, secretary, 176 W Adams St, Chicago 3, Ill.

Aug 24-27—American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Pacific general meeting, Davenport Hotel, Spokane, Wash. H H Henline, secretary, 33 W 39th St, New York 18, N. Y.

Sept 7-9—American Society of Mechanical Engineers, fall meeting, Reed College, Portland, Ore. Ernest Hartford, executive assistant secretary, 29 W 39th St, New York 18, N. Y.

Sept 14-17—New England Water Works Assn, exhibits and technical meetings, Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, N. Y. Arthur T Clark, secretary-manager, Water and Sewage Works Mfrs Assn, 170 Broadway, New York 7.

Oct 5-7—American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Middle Eastern district meeting, Hotel Statler, Washington D. C. H H Henline, secretary, 33 W 39th St, New York 18, N. Y.

Oct 11-13—National Lubricating Grease Institute, 16th annual convention, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Carl E Bolte, executive secretary, 4638 Mill Creek Parkway, Kansas City 2, Mo.

Oct 18-22—American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Midwest general meeting, Hotel Schroeder, Milwaukee, Wis. H H Henline, secretary, 33 W 39th St, New York 18, N. Y.

Oct 18-22—National Safety Congress & Exposition, meetings in Stevens, Congress, Palmer House, Morrison and Sherman Hotels, Chicago, Ill. O E Burns, 20 N Wacker Dr, Chicago

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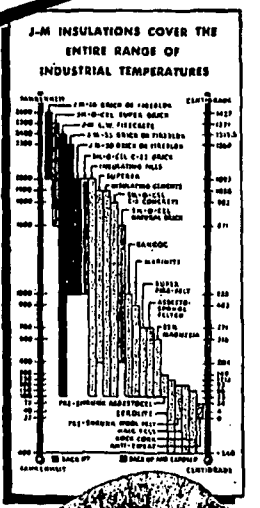


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