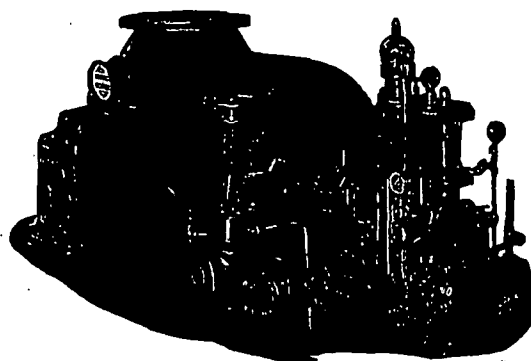




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will advise on operation and maintenance of such facilities.

James B McCurley Jr, chief of REA technical standards division, has been transferred to head up the new power unit. McCurley joined the REA staff in Oct 1946. John M Duncan is assistant chief of the power division. He has been with REA's engineering division since 1941. Milton Chase, who headed the planning group of the old generating and transmission section, acts as coordinator for the new division.

Another transfer from the old generating and transmission section brings Ivan A Bosman to the power division as head of the generation and transmission design and construction section. Bosman headed the internal-combustion unit of the g & t section. Franklin P. Wood, chief of this section, became head of the generation and transmission management section. George A Ball, veteran rate engineer of the agency, heads the power procurement section.

Joseph E O'Brien succeeds McCurley as chief of technical standards division. He has been assistant chief since Dec 1946.

James A Powell, 59, of Stone & Webster, Dead

James A Powell, 59, chief mechanical engineer, Stone & Webster Engineering Corp, died suddenly at Boston on June 1. He was an outstanding designer of steam power plants in the U. S. and Philippines. A graduate of North Carolina State College in 1908, he earned his mechanical engineering degree there in 1913 and was awarded an honorary doctor of science in 1931.

In his early career he worked for Westinghouse Machine Co, Pittsburgh, Elliott Co, and in 1930 became assistant chief engineer and vice-president of Barstow & Co. For five years he held a post with E M Gilbert Engineering Co, Reading, Pa., and in 1938 he was vice-president of Utility Management Co. In 1941 he joined Stone & Webster as mechanical engineer, becoming chief in 1945. Powell represented the U. S. at the last World Power Conference, held in Berlin, Germany. He held numerous patents on power-station equipment and was prominent in professional societies.

Walter Gelst, president of Allis-Chalmers Co, Milwaukee, Wis., was awarded an honorary doctor of engineering degree by Michigan College of Mining and Metallurgy at Houghton, Mich.

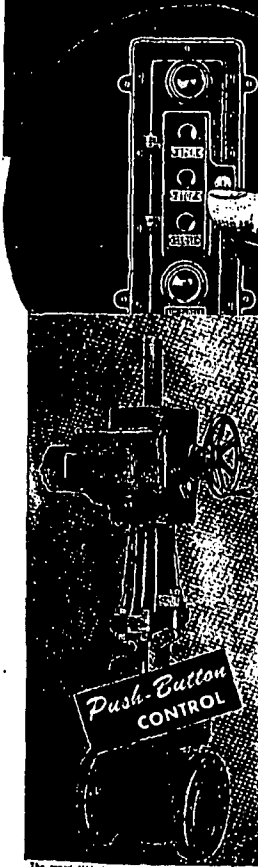
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