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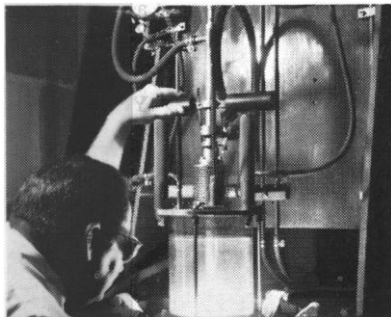
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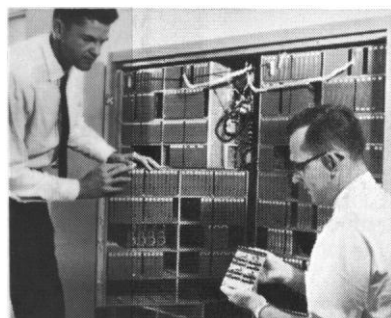
Murray Hill Laboratory, N. J. The search continued for new materials exhibiting superconductivity. Some of these materials have been used to produce very strong magnetic fields with the expenditure of very little electrical energy.



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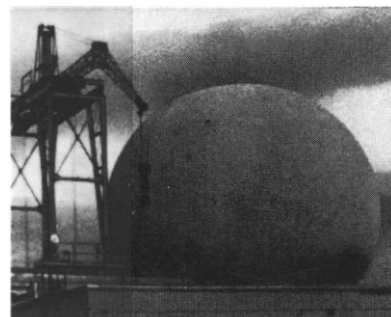
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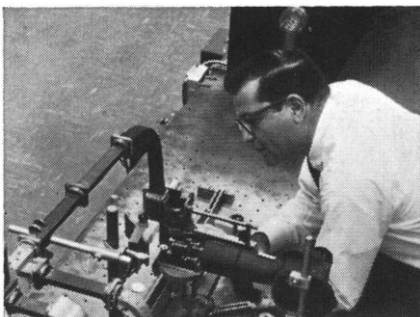
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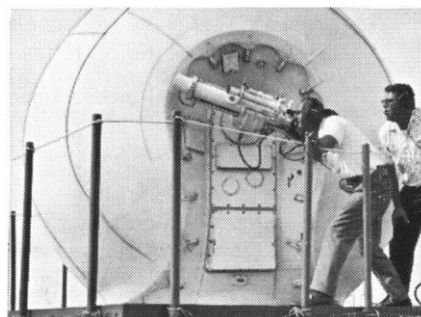
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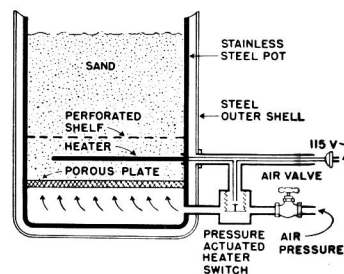
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