FOREWORD

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The program is being conducted at Battelle by the Metalworking Research Division with Mr. R. J. Fiorentino, Associate Chief, as project engineer. Others contributing to the program are Mr. W. R. Hansen, Research Metallurgist, Mr. B. D. Richardson, Research Metallurgical Engineer, Mr. A. M. Sabroff, Chief, and Mr. F. W. Boulger, Senior Technical Advisor. Mr. R. L. Jentgen, Project Leader in the Experimental Physics Division, is assisting in the fluid and lubrication studies of the program. Dr. J. C. Gerdeen, Research Mechanical Engineer, Mr. E. C. Rodabaugh, Senior Mechanical Engineer, and Mr. T. J. Atterbury, Chief of the Applied Solid Mechanics Division are contributing to the high-pressure container design study. Mr. R. E. Mesloh, Research Mechanical Engineer of the same division, is assisting in the design of an instrument for measuring fluid pressure at elevated temperatures. Mr. H. Ll. D. Pugh, Visiting Professor of Metallurgy, Case Institute of Technology, is contributing to the beryllium-wire fabrication study as a consultant. Data from which this report has been prepared are contained in Battelle Laboratory Record Books Nos. 21799, 21990, 23055, and 23287.