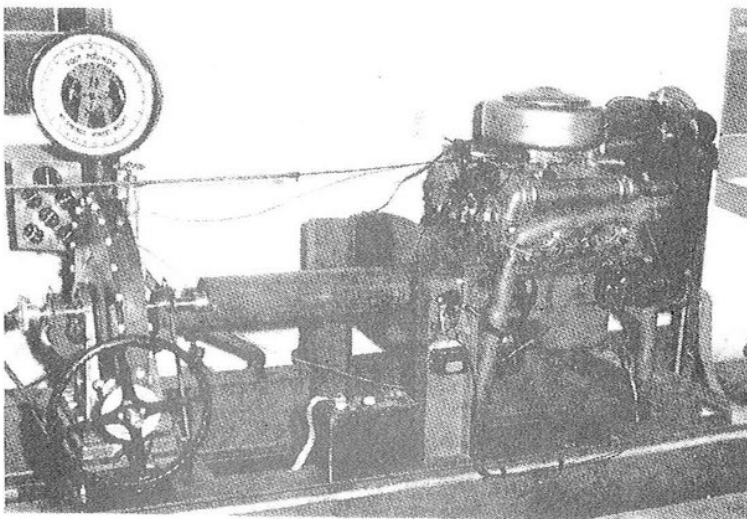


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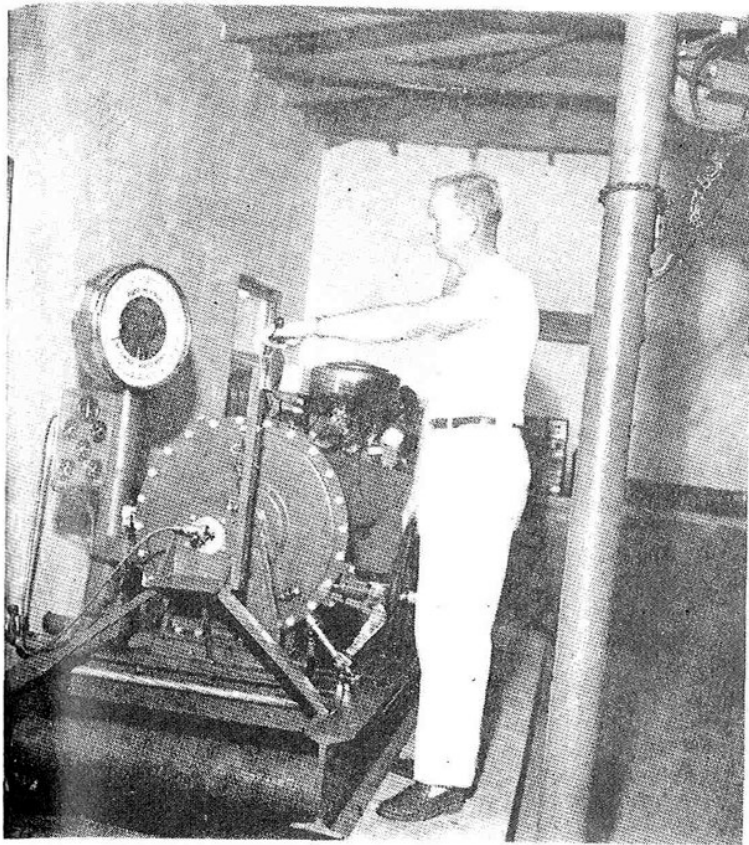
PREPARING THE LINCOLNS FOR THE

MEXICAN ROAD RACE



THIS is the story of how the Lincolns are prepared for the toughest road race in the world. Clay Smith and Bill Stroppe completely dismantle each of the four cars and a thorough test is made on every part. The immaculate shop is equipped with all the machinery needed to completely rebuild every part of the cars. An engine test room has separate stands, work benches, parts bins and a dynamometer on which each engine is tuned to its maximum horsepower output. In another room the chassis are dis-assembled and stiffer springs, shock absorbers, brake cooling motors, and many other chassis improving innovations are installed. Inside the cars every effort has been made to insure driver safety in case of accidents on the narrow Mexican highway. Last year none of the Lincolns prepared by Smith and Stroppe experienced failure or malfunction of any part. The Lincolns will be as well prepared as any other team of cars in the race.

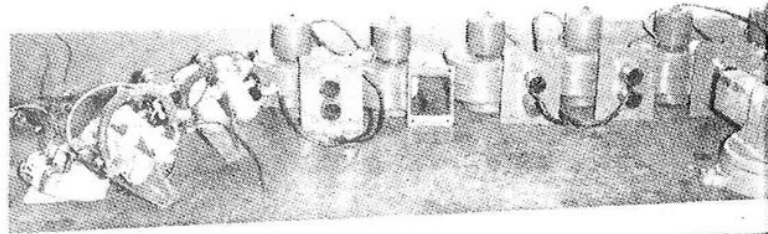
LINCOLN engine on dynamometer, complete facilities for every phase of lab testing are available at Stroppe & Rene's



CHUCK Daigh operates controls on dynamometer. Gauges include: tachometer, oil temp, water, vacuum & fuel pressure



CAR to be driven by Johnny Mantz is stripped for complete precision preparation. Every nut and bolt is safety checked



EXCELLENT example of vast scope of Stroppe and Smith's preparations is photo of heater blowers used to cool brakes



IMMACULATELY uniformed team and cars include, Chuck Daigh, Clay Smith, Johnny Mantz, Bill Stroppe, Bill Vukovich (kneeling) and Walt Faulkner. Methodical preparation and fine sense of teamwork prevail in entire Lincoln crew. Car in background is last year's winning car driven by Chuck Stevenson (not here for photo). Car entered by Bob Estes was still in shop having changes made to suspension and brake systems. Cooling system for all brakes is used