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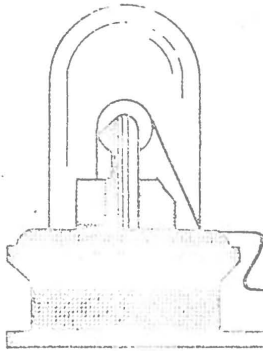
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GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION: OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

President Nixon stated to Congress: "Over three decades the Executive Office of the President has mushroomed--but not by conscious design. In many areas it does not provide the kind of staff assistance and support the President needs in order to deal with the problems of Government in the 1970's. We confront the 1970's with a staff organization geared, in large measure, to the tasks of the 1940's and 1950's." This statement emphasizes the organizational obsolescence that has evolved because of the dramatic changes in size, structure and function of the U.S. Government.

The President's reorganization plan creates a domestic council to coordinate policy formulation in the domestic area. This new council would be considered the domestic equivalent to the National Security Council. In addition it establishes the Office of Management and Budget. A simplification of their functions would describe the domestic council as being concerned with what is to be done and the Office of Management and Budget with how it is to be done and how well it is done.

The Office of Management and Budget is not simply a change in the name of the Bureau of the Budget. President Nixon has discovered that making decisions is not the same thing as having them carried out. He and several of his aides have complained of obstruction by the federal bureaucracy to implement fully and effectively essential domestic federal programs.

George P. Shultz--known as Mr. Nixon's favorite administrator--has been elevated to the new post of Director of the Office of Management and Budget. Schultz commented, "Hot groups are usually small," obviously referring to the fact that he would rather deal with a small number of "supercompetent" individuals than create another administrative jungle. The goals of this new office will be:

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- 1) program evaluation on a continuing basis to insure that intended services are delivered to the intended recipients.
- 2) assistance to state and local governments on intergovernmental programs.
- 3) improvement of government organization, information, and management systems. It will develop new information systems to provide the President with performance data on federal programs.
- 4) assistance to the President in the preparation of the annual budget.

President Nixon feels this reorganization will bring about significant indirect savings while insuring that funds are spent in the most efficient manner. This may not be the last change either. Mr. Nixon stated, "I expect to follow with other reorganization plans, quite possibly including ones that will affect other activities of the Executive Office of the President."

NPS JUNE GRADUATES

The Naval Postgraduate School graduated 263 students in June including 49 from the BS/BA programs. All services were represented: Navy (220), USMC (9), USCG (7), Army (8) and USAF (1). Eighteen foreign students were also graduated.

| <u>CURRICULUM</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--|--------------|
| Communication Management (Staff Comm. included) | 3 |
| Computer Science | 5 |
| Ordnance Engineering | 5 |
| Environmental Science | 6 |
| Advance Science | 8 |
| Communications Engineering | 8 |
| Operations Research | 10 |
| Nuclear Engineering | 14 |
| Aeronautical Engineering | 15 |
| Naval Engineering | 21 |
| Engineering Electronics | 26 |
| Computer Systems Mgmt. | 30 |
| Management | 63 |
| | <u>119</u> |

The Department of Business Administration and Economics awarded degrees to students in the Communication Management, Computer Systems Management and Management Curricula. Of the 214 graduate students, 96 (44.8%) were from one of these three curricula.