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Mr. Howard E. Montgomery, Sandia Corp., Past-Chairman of the Rocky Mountain District Council, organized the meeting and served as General Chairman. Mr. James E. Smith, at Sandia Corp. at the time of the symposium and now at United Aircraft Corp. Research Laboratory, was Program Chairman and Editor.

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