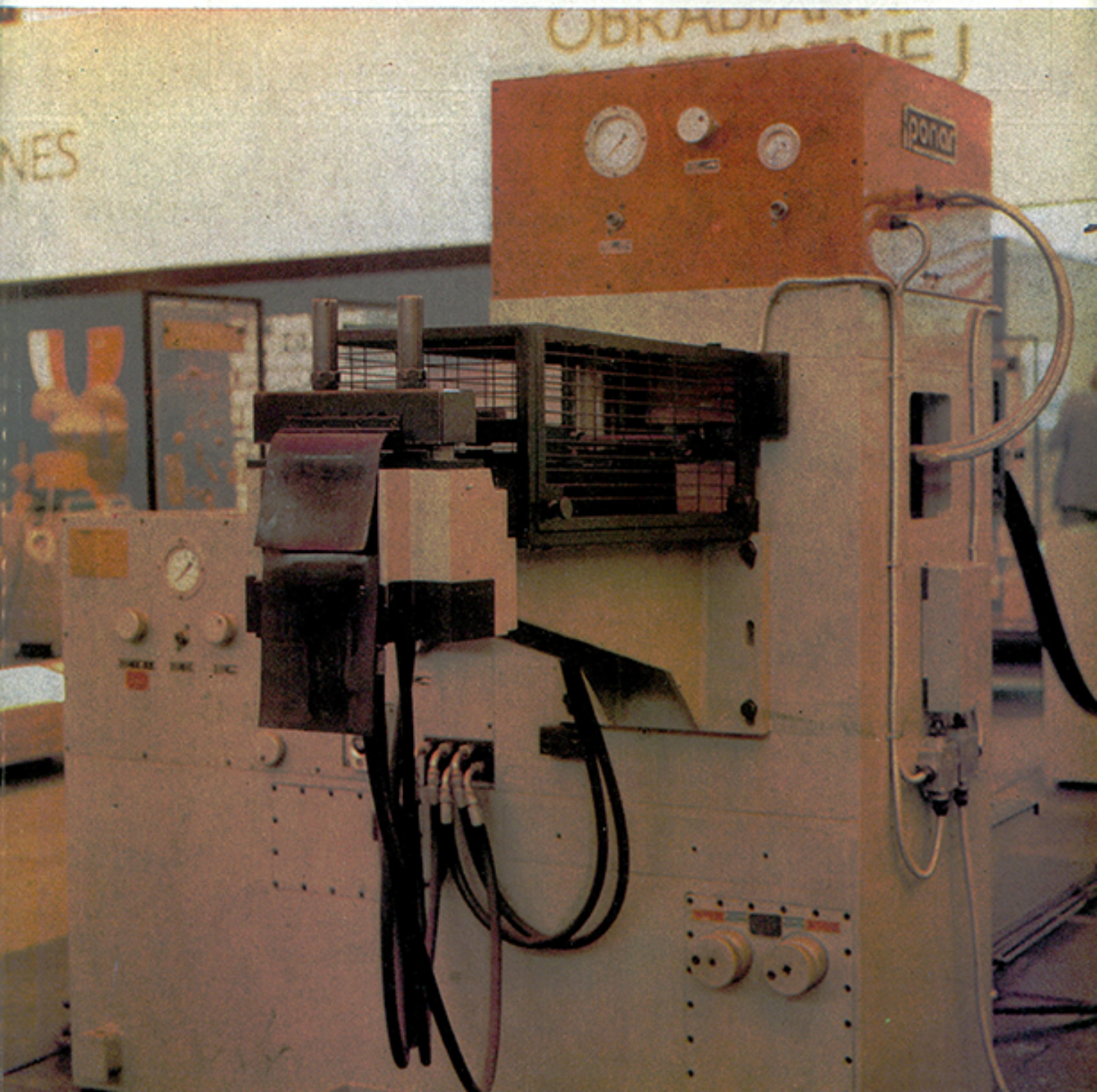




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Editor's note

In no 2/76 of POLISH TECHNICAL REVIEW, the name of the author of the article on p. 3 entitled "Machines for foundation work" should read Bogusław Szewczyk and not Bronisław Szewczyk as erroneously stated. We express our apologies for this mistake both to the author and to our readers. Ed.

Automatic Hydraulic Presses

The HYDOMAT Automatic Press and Die Factory has designed and produced two types of automatic hydraulic presses for precision blanking of metal parts. These are triple-action presses with a table underdrive. Hydraulic system have been used for both control and drive which is a novelty on the world scale. The presses allow for high precision blanking of parts of any intricate shape. There is no need for any finishing treatment. The presses find application in serial and mass production in the precision, motor-car, electric engineering and other industries.

Generator for heating trains

The rectifier heating generator developed at the Institute of Electrical Engineering in Warsaw is designed to heat trains hauled by diesel-electric locomotives, not supplied with electric energy from the electric traction line. The generator substitutes electric heating for steam heating thus improving the comfort of travelling, simplifying the operation, servicing and control of heating. The design and operational parameters make this generator a unique, so far unknown machine of this type. In 1974, the authors of the design were awarded a Class I prize at the competition for "Master of Technology".

Phenol refining

An installation for phenol refining of an annual output of 30,000 to 35,000 tons of refined phenol has been erected at the Mazowieckie Refining and Petrochemical Works. The original Polish method applied consists in a catalytic refining on a ionite bed. It allows for removal from phenol of a number of harmful substances including mesityl oxide, benzofuranes and alpha-methylstyrene. The purified product contains 70-80 ppm admixtures. Its moisture content does not exceed 0.03 per cent by weight. The melting point is above 40.8°C.

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