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AIR HANDLING UNITS — FEATURE

The air handling industry has come a long way in the past 15 years. There has been little innovation in the design of the system and its components, although improvements have steadily been taking place to increase the efficiency of each part of the unit. The demands made on the units have probably changed more than anything else. See page 15.

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Shell Bid for Ergas Takeover?

A takeover bid for a stake of more than 70 p.c. of Ergas by the Irish Shell group is expected to be finalised within the next couple of weeks.

The deal — which has been agreed in principle by the two companies — is believed to value the Arklow-based bottled gas distributors at over £5m.

A source close to Ergas said yesterday that Shell "sees the potential we see in LPG."

Another element of the deal is that Ergas has a stake in the Elf offshore consortium, and although Elf has yet to meet any success in its offshore effort, the stake would enhance the attractions of the takeover.

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New Storage Vessels at Guinness

Four of the largest prefabricated vessels ever delivered to the Guinness Brewery in Dublin have just been installed at St. James's Gate. The vessels of 100,000 gallons capacity are made of stainless steel and will be used for hot-water storage. They are part of a £1,000,000 project to improve the efficiency with which energy is used at Guinness.

The tanks are 50 feet high, because of their extreme size, travelled in the early hours of the morning from the manufacturers, Messrs. A.P.V. Desco of the Long Mile Road, Dublin, to the Brewery.

Picture shows one of the huge vessels passing along a narrow street beside Guinness completely dwarfing the nearby houses.

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Coolair Specials at UCD

Such has been the attention to detail in converting the former U.C.D. building in Earlsfort Terrace to house the new Dublin Concert Hall that even the air conditioning grilles have been specially finished to blend in with the various ironmongery finishes.

The aluminium grilles, which were supplied by Coolair Limited of Tallaght, will be installed in the ceiling, support columns, side walls and stage front. In addition, Coolair has also supplied a Daikin air cooled packaged water chiller to serve the air conditioning plant.

Varming Mulcahy Reilly Associates are the Consulting Engineers on the project and the equipment will be installed by the air conditioning contractors Climate Engineering.
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NEWS

New Irish Fan Company

A new company, with plans to create 70 jobs in Ballyfermot Co. Dublin, is being set up by a Bray engineer, Declan Fehilly, under the IDA’s Enterprise Development programme.

Acora Ltd., which will occupy a 9,600 sq. ft. factory in the Cherry Orchard Industrial Estate, will export impellers and fans for industrial and commercial markets.

Mr. Fehilly is the first Irish executive to return from abroad under the Enterprise programme, which through loan guarantees and grants, encourages Irish entrepreneurs to set up their own manufacturing businesses. During his 24 years in Britain, Mr. Fehilly was involved in design, manufacturing and sale of industrial fans.

In its two years, the IDA programme has approved more than 50 projects, which are expected to create 2,400 jobs.

Some months ago after receiving details of the Glow-worm Annual Installers trip HVN commented that it would be nice to see someone from Ireland qualifying for such a holiday. Well as if by telepathy or some other magical means Frank McLoughlin of Sanford Heating in Dublin by installing 125 Glow-worm between July and January of last year, qualified for the trip.

Frank with over 600 central heating installers was airlifted, some by Jumbo Jet, first to Dallas for two nights, where they visited a dude ranch for a rodeo and barbecue, and then on to The Princess Hotel, Acapulco, claimed to be the most luxurious hotel in the world.

To cope with this paradise in the sun required ample refreshment from exotic cocktails served in whole coconuts and pineapples, in between rounds of golf, fishing for Marlin — someone caught a 250 pounder — visits to nightclubs and discos etc.

Next year’s location still remains a mystery, but the target has been reduced to only 90 boilers to enable more installers to enjoy the rewards of their efforts. Maybe next year there will be an Irish contingent going to......?
Hunter Not Too Hot to Handle!

Registering water temperatures of up to 95°C, a working test rig of the Hunter Genova CPVC hot and cold water system on the Hunter Plastic Industries stand at HEVAC '80 provided visitors with a convincing demonstration of the thermal insulation values of the system. They could comfortably hold the CPVC piping which was registering temperatures of up to 55°C, but could not touch the copper tubing used in the rig which was 30°C hotter. Heating engineers were also further impressed with the ease of installation.

In anticipation of the NWC's forthcoming approval for hot water use, orders were taken during the exhibition for the UK market as well as orders for container loads to Hunter's overseas outlets which included both the CPVC and the flexible polybutylene hot and cold water systems. Hunter products are available in Ireland through the following distributors: Ward & Goldstone (Ireland) Ltd., Bishopstown, Cork, or Cork Plastics Ltd., Little Island, Cork. 


New Hendron Company

Mr. Kevin Shearan, M.I.I.M.H., and Mr. Cyril Fitzgerald, M.I.I.M.H., have been appointed Directors of Hendrons Materials Handling Ltd., a new company within the Hendron Group. The new firm will handle the distribution and servicing of the complete product range of the Lancing Group, which comprises Lancing Bagnall and Lancing Henley fork-lift trucks.

Hendrons Materials Handling Ltd. have acquired a 1.3 acre site at Tramore Rd., Cork, and will soon begin construction of a 5,000 sq.ft. holding for spare parts and service.

Ireland Leading Importer of CH Equipment to UK

Recent figures issued in the UK show that Ireland and France are the leading importers of heating equipment to the UK with France leading by a small margin, both hold approx. 20% each of the market. While imports in general to the UK are down Ireland's figure has increased. What is more interesting is the fact that UK export to Ireland are almost half what we import back to the UK giving a healthy balance in our favour. To add to this position UK exports to Ireland are also decreasing while our imports are on the increase. Our main import seems to be radiators, boilers and some ventilating equipment. The figures below are issued by the UK Board of Trade.

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Quadrant - Chromalox
Link-Up

Quadrant Engineers Ltd. have recently been appointed Irish agents for Chromalox Canada Inc. (U.K.), the well known manufacturers of electric space heating and air conditioning products. The range includes all types of electric heaters ranging from infra-red to forced air wall heaters, frost protection cables, hot water and steam boilers and of course packaged heating and air conditioning units. Chromalox have just introduced a forced air wall heater which can be recessed or surface mounted, rendered tamper-proof and is adjustable by a screwdriver.

The external dimensions are 15" wide by 22" deep and the units are available in a variety of power sizes ranging from 1.5kW to 4kW.

The units operate in the temperature range of 45° to 85°F, have an on-off switch, are operated solely by fan and are protected against overheating. The six pole motor is permanently lubricated and the whole unit is available in black louvre section finish with black steel trim, or beige louvre section with beige steel trim.

Further information, literature and the complete Chromalox catalogue and price list can be obtained from the company's newly-appointed Irish distributor:

Quadraent Engineers Ltd.,
Green Street East, Dublin 2,
(tel: 771411).

HEAT PUMPS AND ENERGY CONSERVATION

by
C. P. Ford
Consulting Engineer and
T. C. O'Connor and
M. F. Kyne,
University College,
Galway.

The article with this title which was published in June issue IHSV News inadvertently omitted the table on fuel utilization efficiencies which is given herebelow. The basis of the comparison is a house with a space heating demand of 12800 kwhr (437 therms) per annum.

The costs of different methods of supplying this heat to the consumer and the import cost to the nation are shown. One sees that the use of heat pump technology enables a considerable saving in import costs to be made and it also affords a chance to change part of oil to oil fuels. This was the main point of the original article and the reader is referred to the June issue for detailed considerations.
Glow-Worm Boilers
Now on LPG

C & F Ltd. of Mill Lane, Palmerstown have announced that they are now in a position to supply Glow-Worm Boilers for use on LPG. Glow-Worm who are the biggest manufacturers of Gas Boilers in Europe produce Back Boilers, Wall Hung and Floor Standing Gas Boilers.

Initially, C & F, who are stocking the complete range of Glow-Worm Boilers for use on Towns Gas, will be offering Wall-Hung and Free Standing Boilers only on LPG. The range available giving outputs of from 38,000 BTU/Hr. to 100,000 BTU/Hr. is as follows:

Wall-Hung
Space-Saver 38 Balanced Flue and Conventional Flue. Space-Saver 50 Balanced Flue and Conventional Flue. Space-Saver 75 Balanced Flue and Conventional Flue. Floor Standing Glow-Worm 45/60 Balanced Flue and


The Wall Hung Space-Saver Range is particularly suited to Apartment Block Heating and the Floor Standing Glow-Worm models are designed for the traditional Home Heating Market.

NEW STOVE FOR IRISH CONDITIONS?

It is believed that an announcement is to be made shortly by the Minister for Energy, Mr. Colley, about the state backed development of a special stove particularly suited for Irish conditions. Parameters set by the NBST include that the stove can burn a variety of fuel including wood, turf and coal.

Mr. Frank Lunny of the National Board of Science and Technology declined to comment on the stove's development and said that a major Ministerial statement will be made in the very near future.

Kevin Halpenny has left W. H. O'Gorman (Ireland) Ltd. where he held the position of General Manager. His future plans are not yet known.

James Gleeson & Co. Ltd. of Limerick and Dublin have advised us that apart from the Hoval range of boilers they also do the Kymi Kymmene range of cast iron boilers, the Weisnaupt Monarch range of oil/gas burners and the Loos range of steam boilers. These names are to be added to the lists of industrial and commercial boilers and burners published in our June issue. Gleesons telex number was also omitted, the number is 8287.
Speakers at a Seminar organised by the Public Service Training Committee on Part FF of the Building Regulations (NI) 1977 included J. Swift Chief Building Control Officer of the Borough of Hounslow, J. Harrington-Lynn D.0p E. London, G. Southern, BLE Scottish Laboratory and G. Jackson of Pilkington Glass.

The new regulations are intended as an energy conservation measure. Buildings to which the act applies will have to be designed and constructed to provide adequate resistance to the passage of heat from a building. The regulations lay down provisions for maximum U values for walls and roofs and maximum areas for windows and rooflight openings.

Copies of the regulations are obtainable from H.M.S.O.

Press announcements indicate that a new L.P.G. company Transgas Ltd. is about to enter the N.I. market.

The death has taken place of Savel O. Hicks, OBE founder and lately chairman of I.E.S. Industrial (Ireland) Ltd. Son of a well known Dublin cleric the Rev. Hicks, Savel was equally well known throughout the industrial and commercial scene in the U.K. and Ireland.

He did his training in Harland & Wolf Ltd. before joining Arthur Guinness Son & Co. Ltd. at St. James Gate Dublin. On the outbreak of war he took up a series of government posts in London, Belfast and U.S.A. and all Canada all related to production. At the end of the war he became Sales Director of the international Davidson & Co. Ltd. the fan markers, for whom he travelled the world.

A few years ago he resigned to form his own company I.E.S. Industrial (Ireland) Ltd. with offices in Belfast and Dublin.

He took an active part in the professional bodies having been a past chairman of the N.I. branches of the Institute of Energy, Mechanical Engineers, Production Engineers, British Institute of Management, Engineering Employers Assoc. to mention but a few.

A person who devoted his life to the development of the prosperity of Ireland North and South — Savel will be remembered for his contribution not only to the engineering and energy industry but also to the fishing industry, the field of education, tourism — in all his feelings for the well being of his fellow man.

Sheffield Insulations chose the Europa Hotel for a trade show. Among those present were, D. P. Scannell, Managing Director, Sheffield Insulations (Ireland) Ltd. David Abbéwhite, Sales Manager and Ken Whitehouse, General Manager and J. Bryans N.I. Representative of Sheffield Insulations.

Mr. G. W. Jennings, Chairman of the Rotary Group presided over a pleasant ceremony at the Groups Mallusk headquarters when 23 of the Groups employees received long serving presentation. Messers T. Colborn, W. Baird and D. Barry all received awards for their 21 years & over service while the remainder had between ten and fifteen years service.

Automation Controls Ltd. have moved into new premises at Musgrave Park Industrial Estate Stockmans Lane, Belfast.

Managing Director — Tony Watson welcomed consultants electrical and mechanical contractors to his new 10,000 sq. ft. premises, where they were able to inspect the estimating and design offices, stores, production area etc.

The company which employs 25 at present specialises in the design of panels, electrical components, which it also manufacturers and distributes. They also are the sole distributors for Kraus & Naimer Logstreey Modular Panels, Hinem Enclosures, George Ellis Wire Circuit Breakers and Fuses etc.

Mr. Brian McAdams, Service Manager of Fuel Services Ltd presented the prizes at the N.I. Branch of the Institution of Domestic Heating Golf outing at the renowned Clandeboye course. The outing was sponsored by Fuel Services and Shell Marketing Ltd.

The presentation was chaired by the Branch Chairman — Philip Johnston of Thorn Heating Ltd. The prize winner were — Shell Trophy went to Roy Goodwin while the runners up were Dan Loughrin, Andy Davison, Victor McMillon while the visitor prize went to David Thompson.

Following the death S. O. Hicks referred to elsewhere in these notes the Institute of Energy N.I. Section have invited Mr. L. S. Green to assume the role of Honorary Treasurer of the Section.
leading information that could be obtained by not rigidly following installation instructions, insisting that when in the works engineer should always consult with the suppliers.

This meeting was followed a few weeks later with a joint meeting with the local section of the Institute of Energy, when a “full house” heard Dr. McClements, Director of the Northern Ireland Economic Development Council present his Council’s Report on Energy Conservation.

After he had presented his Report, Dr. McClements entered into the spirit of a frank, critical and at the same time complimentary discussion.

It was interesting to note that, though the Report had come out in favour of CHP, there was little support for the idea from the members of the Group, as it was felt that Northern Ireland’s industrial units did not really lend themselves to such a policy, with a few exceptions.

The discussion also covered such things as tidal barrages, wind power, tighter building regulations, heat recovery and of course, the ever present local problem, the future of the gas industry.

The third event was the presentation of the prizes to the Regional Winners of the National Energy Conservation Competition for Schools.

Member companies of the Northern Ireland’s Group’s sponsored a prize fund for the winning team in each age group. As a result, Mr. F. R. McBride, M.B.E., Chairman of the Group had the pleasure of presenting portable television sets to each of the winning team of the Holywood Primary School and Friends School, Lisburn.

In recognition of their reaching the National Final in London, the Group presented each of the members of the team of Castlereagh School for Further Education with transistor radios.

Suitably engraved plaques were presented to each of the schools.
As we said last month, the general aim or objective of all business organisations is to make a profit. We can define company profit quite simply by saying it is the amount of money remaining in the company's hands after it has met all of the vast amount of knowledge of the operation of your company from your administration end.

The basic overheads required for all companies should reflect on the size of the business and the long or short term objective on future growth. By calculating the amount of money required to carry out a certain turnover in a years trading, a base percentage can be used to determine costs for carrying out an increased turnover. An example of this is shown in Table 1.

If you therefore decide to increase your turnover, you have details of approximately what overheads you will require to carry out this function.

This also assists you when tendering for contracts as you know the minimum amount of overheads you must include in your nett cost and the required percentage can be applied as shown in Table 2.

Your percentage nett profit can now be applied to your final price as you have covered your operating and overhead costs and, depending on the nature of the contract, your own knowledge of the market will determine what element of profit you should include.

The required percentage to cover overheads can be adjusted if necessary if any of the individual costs increase or decrease during the trading year but, the amount of any increase would be small and would not effect the overall running of the company's contracts.

Having this overhead control will make you more competitive in the tendering of projects and more in control of the money you are spending in order to make a profit and therefore

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### Schedule 3

Having implemented the necessary controls on contract costs, claims and cash flow, companies must not forget that the operating costs of the organisation must also be controlled in the same manner. The true profit situation of any company can only be known when all costs for labour and material and overheads are taken into account.

A very simple system of control can ensure that your profits are not absorbed by your overheads and by installing the method on Schedule 3 you can obtain a
FINANCE FOR SUB-CONTRACTORS

SCHEDULE 3 — FIGURE 1

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*The author, Robert McClean is Accountant and Services Manager, Rotary Group.*
WINDPOWER — A WINDFALL?

by Don Hinrichsen

As part of the EEC's development plan for alternative energy Ireland has been financed to set up a number of experimental wind turbines on the West coast. It will be some time before this project shows any results and so Zone for the next two months looks at wind power, its origins and some experiences of wind turbines in Sweden.

Famous artists like Cezanne, Daudet and Rembrandt have lived in them. They've been rhymed, riddled, romanticized and ridiculed over the years. Still another was tilted at in one of the most memorable scenes in world literature. Windmills have finally turned the full circle. Wind science, a term which did (and still does) send some power experts edging nervously for their pocket calculators, is coming out of the technological closet. The energy crisis has prompted the re-harnessing of the power in the wind.

Like all of our global systems, wind is generated by the sun — the earth's thermonuclear power plant. But because of the variety of climatic and topographic conditions on earth, the sun's energy doesn't warm the surface of our planet at a constant rate. Cloud cover blocks out sunlight, different materials absorb and reflect the sun's rays in varying degrees, and, of course, the equator is a good deal warmer than the poles. These variations in the sun's gigantic "heating system" of the earth's surface and atmosphere is what makes the wind blow.

The energy contained in the ocean of air moving above the earth's surface is enormous. The total amount of energy stored in the winds is about 3 times the world's annual energy use. But naturally most of this energy will never be extracted.

Wind power is one of the oldest forms of energy used by man. No one knows for certain when the first windmill's sails started to turn in the wind. Some suspect that the ancient Egyptians and Minoans (on Crete) were using primitive wind machines 4,000 years ago. In any case, it is known that by the seventh century AD the Persians had devised a crude vertical axis windmill for grinding grain. Wind power blew into Europe much later. The earliest reference to a
windmill was in 1105 at Arles, France. By 1191 windmills had reached England.

During the Middle Ages, wind technology spread rapidly. Up to the industrial revolution, the Dutch, Flemish and Danish economies, to name a few, virtually ran on wind and hydro power. But it was Dutch ingenuity that really refined wind technology into a science. Using two-horsepower windmills — called polder mills — Dutch engineers managed to battle back the North Sea, reclaiming much land that would otherwise have been lost.

Today's modern wind turbines are just more sophisti-cated versions of the old Dutch horizontal axis machines. The basic technology hasn't changed that much. Blades or sails catch the wind and turn a shaft that powers an electric generator instead of a pump or a grinding wheel. Like in the old days, gears are used to increase the rotational speed of the shaft without requiring the blades to turn faster.

Still, it's a big leap from pumping water or grinding sesame seeds to extracting electricity from the wind. Whereas fossil fuels are highly concentrated and easily storable forms of energy, wind is neither. It remains a frustratingly unpredictable and undependable energy source. Wind conditions vary dramatically from place to place (even at sites a few hundred meters apart), it has a habit of changing direction frequently and sometimes doesn't even blow enough to move a hair on your head.

Despite these drawbacks, wind power is on its way to becoming an important component in a number of energy supply systems. As the world's barrel of fossil fuels continues to dwindle, some highly industrialized countries like Sweden, which imports 70 percent of its total energy needs, feel increasingly vulnerable to economic manipulation by energy exporting nations and large oil corporations. After all, wind power (like most solar sources) cannot be monopolized, or turned off!

One of the spinoffs of this feeling of "energy insecurity" is that wind technology is now a drawing card. This was highlighted recently when 200 delegates from 21 countries breezed into Amsterdam for the Second International Symposium on Wind Energy Systems. There was an emerging awareness that what the experts call "wind energy conversion systems" (or WECS, whatever happened to windmills?) are rapidly becoming both technologically and economically feasible ways of tapping a largely wasted energy source.

Sweden, the US, Japan, and the Netherlands presented overviews of their respective wind energy programs. Having tossed $60 million into the wind, the US is by far the biggest spender. Sweden follows with a wind budget over the next three-year period of 110 million kronor ($26 million). This year, Canada, Denmark, and the Netherlands will also be spending millions of dollars on wind energy R&D.

It seems as though wind power is catching a "second wind" in other countries too. New Zealand has launched an extensive search for favorable wind wites and the government is apparently very interested in using wind-powered electricity generation in connection with hydro-

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Introduction
Although the basics in building services design do not change much with the years, the emphasis placed on certain aspects of design do. Today, the use or misuse of energy can often by the determining factor in selecting one design over another. This article looks at some alternative methods of controlling volume in V.A.V. central station air-handling equipment, and of how they compare from the point of view of energy usage.

The Problem
Although some manufacturers still offer Inlet guide vanes as a preferred method of control, a quick survey of this available central station V.A.V. plant very quickly convinces one of the need for a fresh approach. The principal problems associated with Inlet vane control are:
1. The inability of inlet vane dampers to maintain the fan operating efficiency at reduced volume.
2. The fact that the drive motors are designed basically for peak efficiency when operating close to full load, and consequently poor efficiency figures at reduced power output.
3. The problems associated with achieving smooth reliable control over the range of movement.
4. The testimony of most commissioning engineers who, through a variety of the above, and other problems, consistently find it difficult to match design figures.
5. The high initial cost of fan inlet vanes.

The Alternatives
So, what are the alternatives? Face damper control is immediately out of the running on efficiency grounds. Variable pitch pulleys lack properly developed automatic control systems, and are limited in the maximum power they can handle. Hydraulic and other variable speed “Gearboxes” generally suffer from the disadvantage of high initial costs, difficulty in achieving automatic speed variations, and the inherent problem of the primary source of motive power being designed for “full power” operation. D.C. variable speed motors are well developed for automatic operation, but perform rather poorly on efficiency and initial cost. Thyristor control of standard three phase motors does not appear to be sufficiently well developed to merit serious consideration, and also exhibits very high power losses. The main contender therefore is the use of a variable speed motor, which has the ability to maintain a high efficiency at reduced power, and is specifically designed for automatic control. The three phase motor fed by the commutator motor appears to perform well on these grounds, and has the benefit of being commonly used for precisely this application.

The Facts
Despite the slightly lower efficiency of the variable speed motor, the energy saving is quite considerable. Apart from the direct saving in power consumption, the reduced losses at peak load represent a saving in the sensible heat gain normally associated with fan/driver assemblies in air handling units. It is appropriate at this stage to describe the variable speed motor itself in some greater detail, and to look more closely at the control system associated with it.

The Motor
The principle of operation of the variable speed motor can best be explained with a reference to fig. 1. The primary winding of the motor is directly connected to the three phase supply via slippers (2) and this generates a rotating electromagnetic field. This field induces a voltage in the regulating winding (3) (the magnitude of which will be independent of speed), and also in the stator winding (7) (the magnitude of which is speed dependent, deducing to zero at synchronous speed). A partial voltage, which can be varied by altering the brush position is now tapped off the commutator by two sets of brushes (5 and 6) and fed to the stator winding (7). Depending on the magnitude and phase angle of this voltage, its addition to the secondary voltage produces a variable resultant voltage, and a state of equilibrium is reached corresponding to a certain speed, i.e. the voltage tapped off by the brushes “balances” with the speed-variable stator voltage. Speed control is obtained by shifting the brushgear. A small three phase induction motor is used for this purpose. This motor is “built-in” to the main motor and can be run in either direction to decrease or increase the speed. The speed variations achieved is therefore smooth and silent. The regulating time from minimum up to maximum speed is usually about 90 sec, although this can be selected anywhere from about 10 secs. to 240 secs. where required.

Motor Protection
Overload protection by an overload relay in the three-phase supply lines, as used with standard induction motors, is ineffective with three-phase commutator motors since the supply current rises as the speed increases. Such an arrangement would, therefore, protect the motor against overload in the upper speed range only. However, there are two methods of protecting the three-phase commutator motor as follows:
1. Incorporating a button-type thermostat in the stator winding, which interrupts the control circuit of the supply contactor if the permissible winding temperature is exceeded and thus shut down the motor, or trigger a warning device and:
2. Incorporating an overload relay in the secondary circuit of the motor. At rated torque the secondary current is practically constant over the whole speed range so that the motor can be protected against overload in this way.

The Control System
It is the great simplification in controls that adds much to the appeal of the variable speed motor. The speed control mechanism is an integral part of the motor. No mechanical links are used. All that is required on site is a pressure switch, speed variation can then be achieved with a simple across the line contactor. Using this arrangement stable control can be achieved, with duct pressure being maintained typically with the less than 1.0 mm wg of selpoint. It could be noted at this stage as well that, as the variable speed motor is always started at minimum speed, the need for current limiting devices on large motor startup does not arise, this introduces a further saving in controls.

The control of the return air flow is then straightforward. A signal from the supply flow motor to a control box will set the speed of the return flow to that of the supply fan, with an accuracy of better than 1%. As a bonus to the commissioning engineer, some “knobs” are fitted here which allow the speed of the return fan to be “shifted” in relation to the supply motor. A range of 20% can be used. The range can also be expanded or contracted, thus allowing absolute flexibility in meeting design figures.

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Conclusion
We can conclude that the variable speed motor has some outstanding advantages over V.A.V. fan drive applications.
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• Simple reliable control, offering savings in initial capital cost, and in commissioning effort.
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The air handling industry has come a long way in the past 15 years. There has been little innovation in the design of the system and its components, although improvements have steadily been taking place to increase the efficiency of each part of the unit. The demands made on the units have probably changed more than anything else. By meeting these demands as they arise, air handling units can provide a far more flexible service in a package now than was available from the first units. The customer has come to expect not only a better quality unit, but also a better quality service from the supplier — and he can now receive both.

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**Coolair**

Air conditioning specialists Coolair Limited of Tallaght are sole distributors in the Republic of Ireland for the full range of Vequip air handling equipment. Manufactured in the U.K., the Vequip range comprises air handling units in standard and fast build form, twin fan extractors and air purification equipment. The Vequip air handling range consists of fourteen models all with double skinned infill panels for better thermal insulation and reduced noise breakout. Sections bolt easily together for rapid site assembly and all moving parts are isolated from casings for increased anti-vibration.

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J J ventilation systems are based on individual and self-contained 'Inblo' Units and Roof Extract Units, thereby dispensing with the costly central plant room and long runs of metal ducting associated with conventional systems. This not only permits fast and economical installation, but also results in substantial reductions in power requirements since the self-contained units do not move air over long distances. In the event of break-down only the immediate area is affected. Cleaning and maintenance are relatively simple and future extensions for expanding premises are quickly and easily installed.

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The J J development of modular construction enables purpose-designed units to be assembled in minimum time from accurately mating sections, each of which fulfils a particular function.

Further information from Eurenco Sales Ltd.

Masterair

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Whilst the Masterair catalogue illustrates a range of standard sizes of air handling units, custom built units can be designed to suit awkward and restricted plantrooms or other spaces. This flexible policy ensures a very comprehensive service to clients in terms of primary air moving equipment and one which will be welcomed by the mechanical contractor and the trade in general.

Westinghouse

Westinghouse Air Conditioning International are the largest manufacturer of air conditioning equipment in the world. They are represented in the Republic of Ireland by Reconair Ltd., of Coolock, who also boast the largest service back-up to the air conditioning industry. Westinghouse air handling units are adaptable for most types of application and more versatile than any other.

The range which starts with the low volume AJ range which can be vertical or horizontally mounted and can be provided with direct expansion cooling coils, electric heater batteries, filters and forward curved centrifugal fans. Air volume on the AJ range is from 600 cfm to 4,600 cfm with external static pressures up to 1.5 ins W.G. Further along their range Westinghouse offer the popular AY series, units which range in capacity from 1200 cfm to 110,000 cfm with external static pressures to 10 ins W.G. The AY series units consist of modular sections, combines according to the system requirements. This helps the user in the selection and combination of unit sections while permitting the manufacturer a better control over quality and faster assembly and delivery of complete units. The use of modular components allows for various sections to be interchanged for achieving the best air treatment and control. The four basic arrangements of the AY units are those designate "T", "C", "S". The heating and ventilation type "T" units consist essentially of a fan section which can be used alone or with a filter section added for industrial and commercial ventilation. Addition of a steam or hot water heating coil allows the units to be used for heating and ventilating applications. Steam injector or electric pan humidifiers may be added to match an-

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applications requiring air humidification. The air conditioning type “C” units in their simplest format only from the type “T” unit in that a drain pan extends below the unit sections for the collection of condensate. “C” units are available in a great variety of arrangements which may include a water or direct expansion cooling coil, or a combination of many sections and accessories which make these units suitable for most air treatment applications.

The “S” type unit includes an air release surface process section attached to the fan section. Compared to the “C” model, this unit provides the specific answer to any humidification requirement through the precise dew point control obtainable on the air distributed to the conditioned space. A heat exchange coil of copper tubes with aluminium fins to avoid early corrosion is included.

A full range of accessories are available for the complete AY series including external motors, face and by-pass sections, mixing boxes, dampers and a complete range of filters and filter sections. For further details of the full range of Westinghouse equipment contact Reconair Ltd.

Multivent
Multivent Ltd have extended their Metricaire Series A range of modular air conditioning units with the introduction of the new Model 11M and 12M high pressure units for heating, cooling, humidity, air filtration and air circulation applications. Embracing both air handling equipment and air conditioning equipment with optional low silhouette air cooled refrigeration condensing units for ‘split package’ applications, i.e. in systems which have no chilled water available, the Metricaire Series A range now comprises 10 models with an extended range of capacities from 0.15m³/s (300 ft³/min) to 14m³/s (29,500 ft³/min) at pressures up to 2.2 kPa (9.0 in wg).

Construction of the new 11M to 12M units is from double skinned 50 mm (2 in) thick panels having an acoustic insulation sandwiched between two 1.6 mm (16 gauge) steel sheets bolted into a 3.2 mm (10 gauge) fabricated, all welded Penta-post frame. Metricaire Series A units incorporate a new design of heating and cooling coil, embodying an open header construction, which simplifies the connection of pipes and makes for easier access to air cocks, drain cocks and channels etc.

Coils are available for use with hot water, steam, chilled water, or direct expansion, all being constructed from high quality copper tube with mechanically bonded, aluminium plate fins.

Further information from Glowtherm Ltd.

Luwa
The Luwair SB range of air handling equipment consists of various standardised sections which can be assembled on a modular basis. Individual cube and part cube sections with easily removable access panels give the utmost flexibility and virtually any arrangement is possible to suit awkward siting.

The casings of Luwair SB air handling units have rigid frames fabricated from preformed channel sections with purpose made corner sections and flush mounted cover plates.

The cover plates have internal thermal and acoustical insulation fitted with a protective coating to prevent insulation breakdown. All panels are fitted with slot operated quick release devices and fan handlings, side panels, dampers and other components are easily interchangeable to alter the unit arrangement at any time.

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There is still a lot of talk about heat pump test rigs, mock up installations etc but there is little data available on actual local installations. So it was very interesting to look at a job that has been installed for three years in a normal household environment. The house overlooks Dublin bay at Howth and the owners claim that on the cost per useful therm basis the system could be saving them as much as £300 p.a. over an oil fired system.

The system was designed by Walker Air Conditioning Ltd., with the heat pump installed at the back of the house and air, at a rate of 244m³/s is distributed via an underfloor duct system. The ducting was laid in trenches cast in the foundations of the house.

The house itself was designed with energy saving in mind, to take full advantage of solar heat gains, with the sun shining into the kitchen early in the day, moving round to the lounge by late afternoon.

Air distribution grilles are located in the floor beneath the windows, approximately 10 in. from the wall to give curtain clearance, the ideal situation for heat pump systems because of the low grade heat generated. This location enables discharge air to blanket walls and windows, eliminating cold draughts. It also allows excellent temperature stratification across the rooms, impossible to achieve with a high level supply which tends to heat the ceiling instead of the occupied areas. Since supply air temperatures with heat pump heated homes are lower than with conventional heating systems, low level supply is recommended to reduce draughts. Moving air, even at 37°C may feel uncomfortable to those in the vicinity of the supply outlet. Another major point in favour of low level supply with grilles positioned below the windows is that it minimises condensation and may eliminate the need for double glazing.

Grilles positioned above the doors take all return air back into the main corridor and it is exhausted via one large wall mounted grille at the end of the hall.

A clever innovation to this system is that the thermostats are located in the kitchen, dining room, living room and lounge. These have been wired in
morning sun. Therefore the system would throttle down maintaining 22°C in the kitchen and 4°C less throughout the rest of the house. This reduces running hours drastically by allowing the area actually in use at the time to control the overall system, thereby eliminating one of the minor disadvantages of an all air system.

Parallel and the area governing the sequence of the system can be manually selected by a selector switch. This gives added economy on running costs in that in any normal home, the family would be in the kitchen in the morning where heat is generated by cooking. In this instance the kitchen is East facing and gets the early morning sun. Therefore the system would throttle down maintaining 22°C in the kitchen and 4°C less throughout the rest of the house. This reduces running hours drastically by allowing the area actually in use at the time to control the overall system, thereby eliminating one of the minor disadvantages of an all air system.

Other advantages of this type of system are filtration — the whole house is kept cleaner and cigarette and cooking smells are removed, and cooling is an added bonus during the summer.

In this instance the whole house is kept comfortably warm the whole time. During the evening the system is held at 21 - 22°C and at bedtime it is throttled back to 15°C, generally considered to be an acceptable daytime temperature. Since the house has an excellent level of insulation it takes about eight hours for the system to switch back on automatically, even with an outdoor ambient of 0°C.

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This Carlyle 50DQ008 packaged heat pump has a nominal heating capacity of 25.47Kw, and nominal cooling of 26.05Kw. The ESB have installed instruments to enable the system to be monitored. Thermocouples were set in the unit itself to measure supply and return air temperatures, condenser on and condenser off temperatures, as well as electrical input. These E.S.B. instruments only succeeded in confirming that the savings in running costs estimated by Walker Air Conditioning were totally accurate.
**NEW PRODUCTS**

**New Grundfos Controls**

With energy conservation becoming more and more vital, manufacturing companies, in particular those in the heating and ventilating industry are being called upon to develop energy saving products. In response to this call Grundfos Pumps Limited has launched a range of pump controls designed to maximise the in-built flexibility and economy of the company's commercial heating pumps.

In many heating systems today, inadequate, outdated or inflexible controls lead to energy being wasted needlessly. The new Grundfos controls, coupled with circulators from the company's commercial range offer not only flexibility and reliability but make a positive energy saving contribution.

The range comprises 24 hour clock programmers, automatic change-over programmers and panels, and a new starter unit.

The SAMT and SAPT Programmers cover the entire Grundfos range of Multi-speed circulators. They ensure heating systems operate at maximum economy in fluctuating energy requirement conditions by changing pump speeds on a timed basis. Also introduced for the Multi-speed range is the GES I Auto-Changeover programmer which guarantees total reliability through the automatic cutting in of a standby unit, both on a timed basis and in the event of failure of the duty pump.

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**Fernox Alu Protects Aluminium Radiators**

Fernox Alu, Central Heating Corrosion Inhibitor for systems with aluminium radiators came too late to please Sr. Galvani the discoverer of the type of corrosion named after him, but Fernox Alu has already pleased heating engineers and householders who reported excessive hydrogen gassing prior to the addition of the new product to the circulating water.

Sacrificial elements have been made of aluminium for decades and can protect copper and steel by the preferential corrosion of the aluminium. Sacrificial radiators are no longer a problem with the new Fernox Alu, claim the manufacturers, except that the price of Fernox Alu is slightly higher than for Fernox MB-I (for steel/copper systems).

Boiler noises are also effectively prevented by Fernox Alu. For good measure, and since we are morally obliged to save fuel, it also prevents or greatly reduces the chance of lime deposits in the boiler.

Fernox Alu is supplied in 1 Gallon and 5 Gallon containers. It is used at the approximate dilution of 1 in 20 gallons, i.e. gallon for a small bore installation serving an average 3-bedroomed house.

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**Leak Detectors from Robinair**

Robinair announce the availability of their new halogen Leak Detector following successful field trials. The instrument has a 14 in. flexible probe connected to a coiled cord which extends to 40 ins. — ideal for those hard to reach joints. Warning is both audible in the form of increasing alarm frequency and by visual indicator lamps. A low battery, two position, high-low level switch to compensate for contaminated areas. The instrument, model 14850, is competitively priced and is supplied in a high quality carrying case.

Robinair products are available from RSL Ltd.

Further information from Industrial (anti corrosion) Services, Britannica House, 214-224 High Street, Waltham Cross, Herts, England, (tel: 0992-22368 & 28355 — 5 lines) or distributors throughout Ireland.
Latest in Perimeter Heating

An original concept in perimeter heating design has been introduced by HCP Limited.

Peristrip is an entirely new style of hot water natural convector perimeter heating based on 100mm wide facing panels fitting between continuous top and bottom carrier rails and capped with a continuous aluminium linear grille.

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MEDION GRILLE ADAPTOR

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Further information from Eurenco Sales Ltd.

New Peristrip which can also be used to clad perimeter air conditioning systems is supplied with a coating of strippable film to protect against accidental damage during installation.

Further information from Eurenco Sales Ltd.

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NEW PRODUCTS

Metric Axials from Matthews & Yates

Matthews & Yates have introduced a new range of metric Axial Fan Flow Fans to complement their established range of Centrifugal Fans and Air Handling Units. The Fans, known as the M + Y Axial, come in thirteen metric sizes from 315 mm to 2,000 mm, each fan size is available at a variety of speeds with 3, 6, 9 blade, guide vanes and two stage options. Die cast aluminium impellers are standard and bifurcated and vee-belt driven versions are available for industrial applications. A full range of accessories is also available including silencers, flexible connections, anti-vibrations mounts etc. To aid fan selection the Company has published an extensive 100 page catalogue AF/5, which is available on request. Within days of launching the Axial Fan range, an order for 75 fans was received from Dublin Stockists, Finheat Limited.

Avo Digital Multimeters from IIL

The range of Avo digital multimeters is further extended with the introduction of two new pocket sized instruments. Both use liquid crystal 3½ digit displays with 13mm characters and are finished in the Avo two-tone grey styling.

Avometer DA211 is a hand-held dmm with function and range selected by thumb-operated push-buttons. The measurement ranges cover ac or dc voltage up to 1000V, dc (only) current up to 10A and resistance up to 2MΩ. There is also a Diode Test facility. DC voltage accuracy is +0.8% of reading +1 digit and input impedance 10MΩ. The meter is rated to withstand the accidental application of 250V mains on any range except the 10A socket. A single 9V PP3 type of zinc carbon battery gives an approximate life of 200 hours.

Avometer DA212 is a pocket size meter with function and range selected by the more traditional Avo style rotary switches. The 3½ digit LCD also includes symbols for polarity, decimal point, low battery warning, over range and, most importantly, units of measurement. A zinc carbon cells of the HP7 type give a life of about 200 hours. The measurement ranges include ac current up to 1000mA. The others are dc voltage to 1000V, ac voltage to 750V, dc current to 1000mA, resistance 20MΩ. DC voltage accuracy is +0.25% of reading +1 digit and input impedance 10MΩ. By using the “Hi-Lo” ohms facility, resistance in sensitive semiconductor circuits may be measured with a voltage of less than 0.35V, to avoid errors caused by junctions being turned on by the more normal resistance measuring voltage of 3.2V.

Avo products are available from Industrial Instruments Ltd.

Myson Launches Eurofan

Myson Fans Limited, a Myson Group company, announces the introduction of the Myson Eurofan. With the Myson Eurofan, any foot mounted motor manufactured anywhere in the world (to metric standard) can be fitted to the fan, enabling the user to standardise on complete plant installation and to facilitate replacement.

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