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FIGURE 27

Development testing of the Apollo spacecraft propulsion systems is conducted at the NASA-operated White Sands Test Facility in New Mexico (fig. 28, MC67-5728) on land acquired from the Army by use permit. NASA has invested a total of \$26,934,000 in this facility which has three major areas.

Mr. GURNEY. Where are you in the budget estimates so we can follow along?

Dr. MUELLER. Actually what I have been doing, Mr. Gurney, is reviewing what had been accomplished in the last year. I wasn't following the budget book.

In this particular case, there are no new requirements in this area so there is no entry in the budget book for it.

Mr. GURNEY. When I can turn to it, let me know.

Dr. MUELLER. I will do so.

Mr. FULTON. Mr. Chairman?

Mr. TEAGUE. Mr. Fulton.

Mr. FULTON. What planning is being done for isolation of men and materials returning from the lunar mission? What are you doing in that field? Are you going to land the first men returning from the Moon at the White Sands Test Facility in New Mexico?

Dr. MUELLER. Our present plans provide for landing in the ocean, either in the Atlantic or Pacific, depending upon the time of year.

Mr. FULTON. You have no plans for any facilities at the point of landing?

Dr. MUELLER. No, sir; we will continue to use the Department of Defense recovery support forces for this operation.