

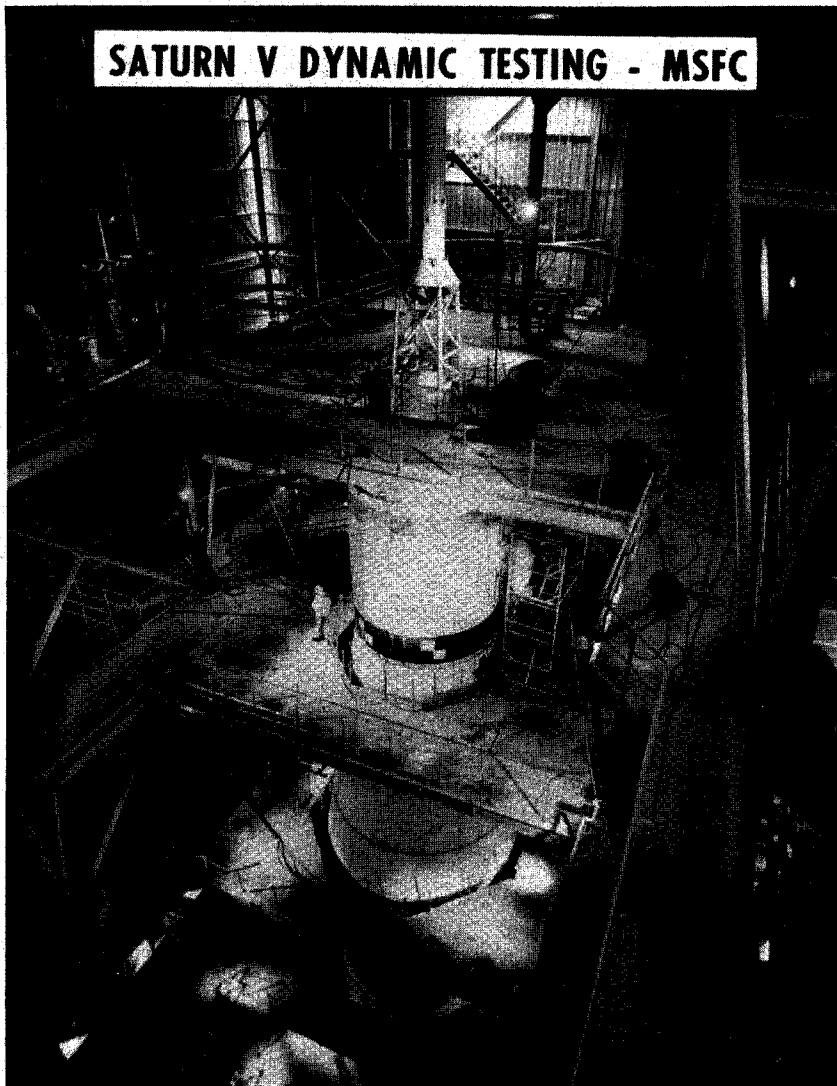


FIGURE 23

total vehicle to the ground support equipment, and checkout of propellant handling and loading procedures. The vehicle was fueled with kerosene, liquid hydrogen, and liquid oxygen. Of equal significance was the automatic checkout of the vehicle by the electronic support equipment contained in the firing room at the cape. This operation went very smoothly and is one that cannot be portrayed in a picture due to the great mass of electronic equipment involved.

After the Facilities Checkout vehicle was destacked, the second stage was returned to Huntsville and is the second stage which you saw in the dynamic test tower.