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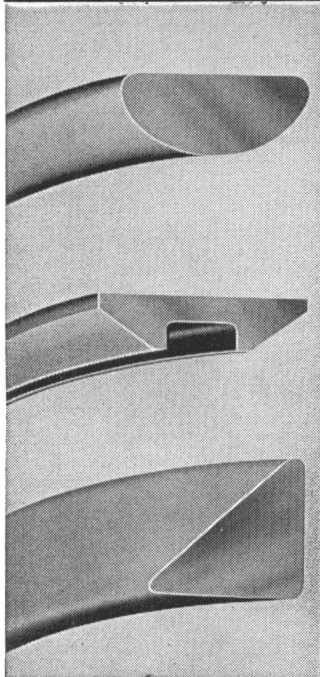
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JONES, J. P.

#### **The Helicopter Rotor**

*The conditions of working of a helicopter rotor are outlined and the methods of providing roll balance and control are discussed. The development of the conventional rotor is explained and its inherent performance and control penalties are described. The influence of blade section characteristics on performance is discussed in detail. It is then argued that the semi-rigid and rigid rotors offer greater potential for future development. The semi-rigid rotor offers better handling qualities and this is illustrated by reference to gyro and electronic autostabilisation systems. The performance advantages of much stiffer rotors are brought out by reference to the ABC helicopter.*

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TYE, W.

#### **Airworthiness and the Air Registration Board**

*This paper is a commentary on the history of civil aircraft airworthiness, mainly as it has developed in Britain over the past 33 years, this being the present age of the ARB. The author views the scene in three ways: the aims and objectives; the administrative arrangements; and the achievements and accidents.*

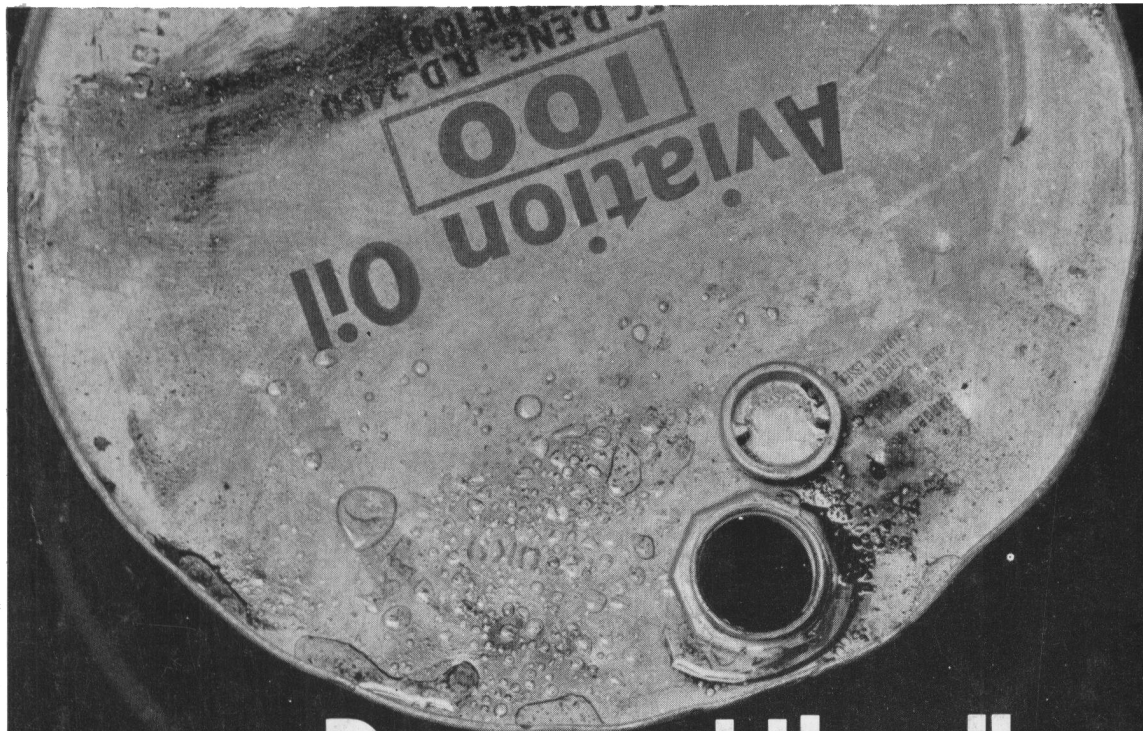
*An airworthiness authority has obligations to the various users of aircraft, passengers, crew, and private owners, to provide acceptable safety standards. It is also important not to impede the designer's ingenuity in the struggle for economy. These considerations have led to increasing rationalisation; objectively stated requirements; account of operational circumstances; quantification of the "acceptable" risk. Post-war developments in airworthiness have been rapid, matching the introduction of turboprop and turbojet aircraft, automatic landing, supersonic aircraft and hovercraft, Britain having led the world in many fields.*

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MATTHEWS, N. O.

#### **Accident and Maintenance Recording for Civil Aircraft**

*National requirements for accident recording systems are reviewed. Equipment developed to meet these requirements is described and some operational aspects considered. Future developments in this field are examined. Surplus capacity on these systems has led to their use for maintenance recording purposes. These, and the development of specialised maintenance recording systems has led to problems in handling the mass of data recorded. This has to be processed and presented in a form and time-scale which is consistent with the airline maintenance problem. Future possibilities, including telemetry systems for the transmission of performance data in flight to the airline maintenance base, are discussed.*



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