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A.N. Finn of the National Bureau of Standards (NBS) is shown operating a dish-smashing machine. The machine was a scientific device developed by NBS to determine the strength of china. A weighted pendulum swung against the dishes from various distances until they broke. To see more historic NIST images visit [www.nist.gov/digitalarchives](http://www.nist.gov/digitalarchives).

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An anthropomorphic mannequin used for acoustic research is shown inside the National Bureau of Standards (NBS) anechoic chamber in 1974. The mannequin "listened" through an over-the-ear hearing aid as part of a testing program conducted for the Veterans Administration. To see more historic NIST images visit [www.nist.gov/digitalarchives](http://www.nist.gov/digitalarchives).

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