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## BIBLIOGRAPHIC NOTE AND REFERENCES

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### SOURCES:

#### NBS/NIST Publications

A list of Bureau publications and their history is given in Appendix H. Detailed information about individual publications is provided in NBS Circular 460 and supplement (1901–1957), NBS Miscellaneous Publication 240 and supplement (1957–1966), and NBS/NIST Special Publication 305 and supplements (1966 to the present). A complete set of Bureau publications, with the exception of the NBS Reports (graybacks), is kept in the NIST Library. The reports are located at the National Archives in College Park, Maryland.

The Bureau's Annual Reports were used to provide a framework for the technical work discussed in the chapters. These reports, with various titles as listed in Appendix H, are complete except for the war years 1943–1945, when as an economy measure, the reports were sent in manuscript form to the secretary of commerce.

#### Other Government Documents

The annual hearings before the House Subcommittee dealing with appropriations for the Department of Commerce were used extensively to provide information on budget, personnel, program, renovation, and construction requests. Other House and Senate hearings and reports provided documentation in specific instances of Bureau history or science-in-general in the Federal Government. Publications of other agencies of the Federal Government were also valuable sources for material relevant to the work of the Bureau.

#### Background

Histories of world science, American social life, and the political climate set the scene for each chapter and put the work of the Bureau into proper context. Handbooks, textbooks, and technical papers and reports were studied and cited. Interviews with current and former NBS/NIST staff were recorded and extensive use of oral histories in the NIST Library collection were reviewed. Local and national newspapers were consulted, particularly in controversial cases such as the AD-X2 affair and E.U. Condon's resignation.

#### Unpublished

The National Archives and Records Administration, repository for the record copy of NBS/NIST documents in Record Group 167, provided a rich source of information in the correspondence files of the director. At NIST, the director's files, consisting of the director's correspondence that comprises the working files of the Director's Office, were made available and provided information for the later chapters. Another useful source was the general records of the Department of Commerce. These records, although inactive, were located at the department.

The archives of the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia provided a wealth of information about the ordeal of E. U. Condon with the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

#### Abbreviations in Footnotes

Certain abbreviations and shortened forms of titles are used in the footnotes. MFP is *Measures for Progress* by Rexmond C. Cochrane; Annual Report is one of the many NBS annual report titles listed in Appendix H; NARA is the National Archives and Records Administration, repository of NBS/NIST official records; DOC is the Department of Commerce; NIST RHA denotes the official records kept in the NIST Records Holding Area until they are sent to the Federal Records Center in Suitland, MD; and the History Project File kept for this history, and the NIST History File are located in the NIST Library. Other abbreviations used are explained where appropriate.

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