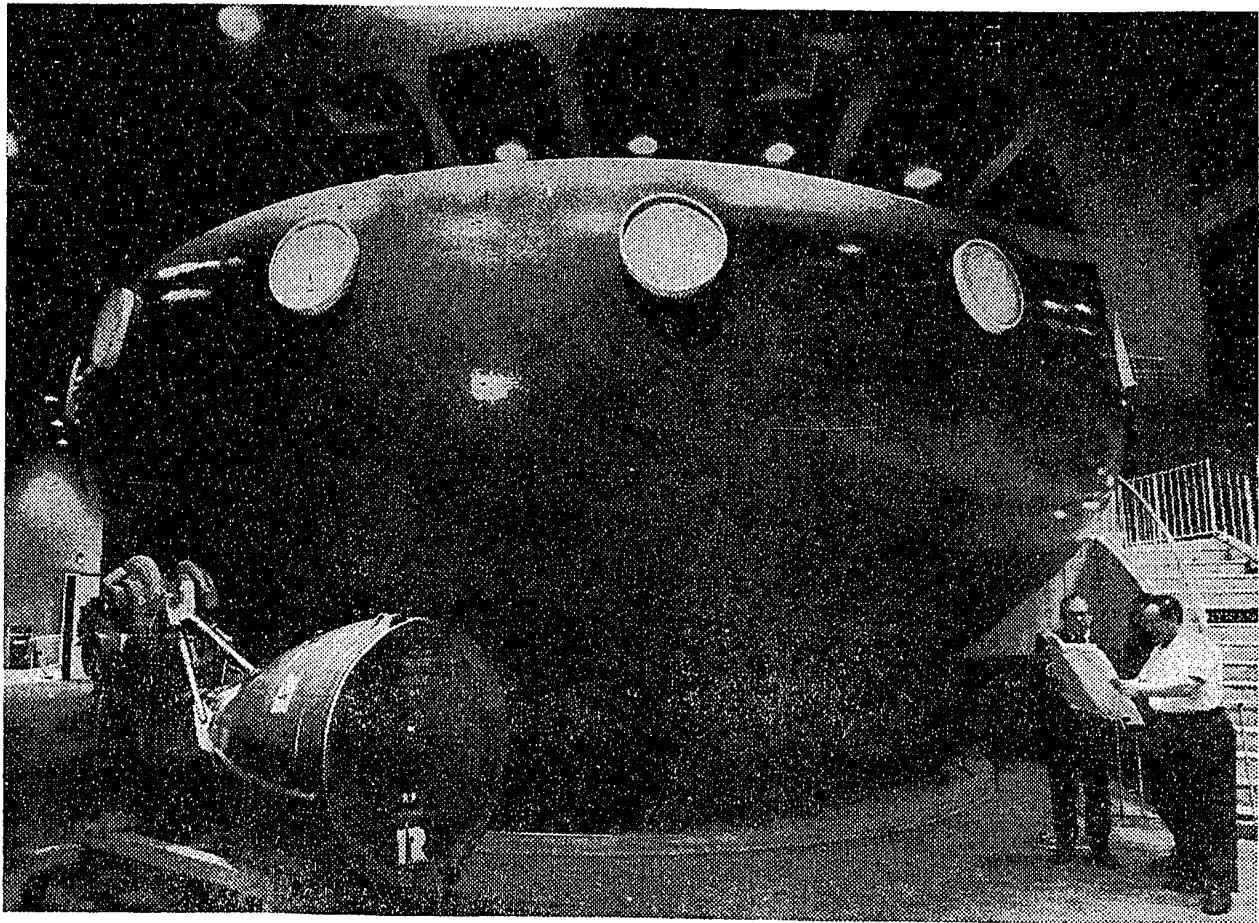


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Looking over a floor layout at Consolidated Edison's model of an atomic power plant at the Hall of Science are Matthew E. Torti, left, director of operations, and Steve Boyle, maintenance. Exhibit will have a 360-degree film.

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The Hall of Science, visited during the 1964-65 World's Fair by some five million of the curious, is being revived, replete with its model accelerators, life-sized earth satellites and whirring, flashing scientific devices.

For the last year and a half, this remote area of Flushing Meadow Park has echoed only to the scrape of rakes of maintenance crews. Now it is scheduled to reopen Nov. 19 and to delight and amaze thousands of schoolchildren each day.

Several grants from the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations and scores of carpenters and electricians paid by New York City are making the reopening possible. The sparks will jump again from the Van de Graaff generator, the space station and orbiter will merge in a black velvet heaven, and the mock nuclear power generator will again glow with an eerie red light.

### Admission Free

Up to 6,000 schoolchildren and their adult companions are expected in attendance on weekdays. Admission at all times is to be free.

Two years ago the Hall of Science, whose board of trustees included the editor of Scientific American magazine, financiers and city officials, was

riding high. It was planning a new \$24.5-million headquarters that was to have included the first operating nuclear reactor in a science museum.

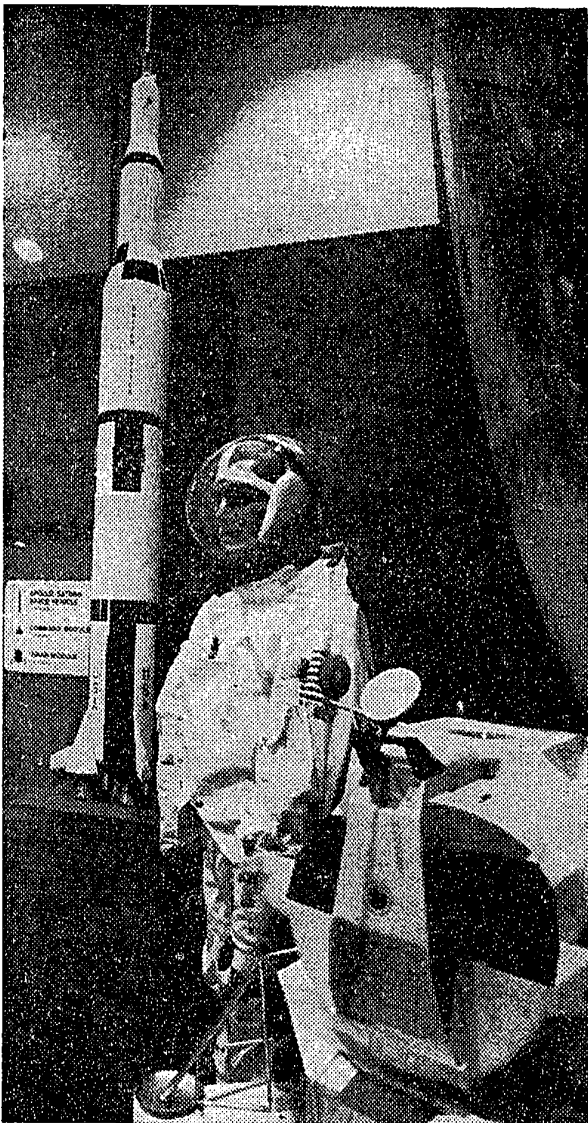
"The budget freeze got us," recalled Matthew E. Torti, director of operations of the Hall of Science. The funds were cut from the city's capital budget and the new center, which would have pushed the Hall of Science into the ranks of the Chicago Museum of Science and Technology and the Boston Museum of Science, was scrapped.

### All New Exhibits

The museum folded, sending its exhibits out on tours of schools in New York State or back to the companies that originally donated them for the World's Fair.

When the Hall of Science opens again, it will have all new exhibits and a staff of workers to deliver lectures and conduct film shows. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has sent over a real satellite and an Apollo mockup. Consolidated Edison has revamped its model atomic power plant and added a feature film, to be shown on a 360-degree screen.

And an amateur radio station, a chick and duck hatchery and a weather station will also be added.



The NASA exhibit has a spaceman, an actual earth satellite and a model of an Apollo mission vehicle.