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INVENTION

Patents of the Week

A jet device for undersea propulsion and a kind of Submarine decoys have been patented. A ground control system for airplanes and an oil-well rig are other recent inventions.

➤ THE JET AGE will soon invade the ocean depths when a patent issued to one of America's top outer space experts is applied.

Dr. Fritz Zwicky, astrophysicist at the California Institute of Technology, has patented a device (No. 2,974,626) that opens up new realms in the undersea world. Sneaky torpedoes tracking and destroying enemy ships, submarines quickly but silently darting through the murky depths and jet-assisted take-offs for deep sea exploration are envisioned in the patent assigned to Aerojet-General Corporation.

Objects are propelled through the water by an explosive chemical reaction generating tremendous energy. Strong chemicals, such as metal hydrides, are used to react violently with water, forming gases that make a hasty exit through the exhaust nozzle. The pressure force "pushes" the object through the water.

A "school" of submarine decoys surrounding a real submarine could help cut down the submarine (not the missile) gap between the Russians and the United States. A decoy (No. 2,975,396) patented for the U. S. Navy sends out signals, imitating a submarine, to enemy search craft cutting through the waters overhead. Ship instruments, recording the "blips" on a sonar screen, pinpoint the non-existent submarine and the real submarine slips away undetected. By shutting off the signals periodically, the searchers think they have lost the "submarine," inventor Richard A. Mueller of San Diego stated in his patent.

A portable, simplified ground control system providing flying and taxi information for airplanes won patent No. 2,975,413 assigned to Gilfillan Bros. Inc., Los Angeles. The compact radar unit is ideal for small airports where space is valuable. Seven California scientists who combined their talents to produce the invention are: Robert W. Landee, James R. Deen, John J. Fling, Robert G. Shaw, Ronald R. Davis, James K. Johnston, and Paul L. Bennett.

An oil-well rig that can be lifted by helicopter over mountains and other rough terrain to the remotest areas not reached by roads was patented by Homer J. Woolslayer, Calvin L. Turner and Cecil Jenkins of Tulsa, Okla. The invention, patent No. 2,974,760, was assigned to Lee C. Moore Corporation. Oil rig sections, identical except for the top and bottom of the rig, are carried by cable and stacked like building blocks, one on top of the other, in another location. The bottom section of the old rig becomes the top of the new rig.

A device controlling the flow of traffic into unattended parking lots has been patented. A car running over a treadle switch lifts up a gate, permitting the driver to pass through. Another treadle switch closes the gate behind him. Other means, not covered by the invention, can be used to keep out persons who do not have permission to park in the lot. The invention, Eugene T. Mahoney of Chicago, Ill., assigned patent rights of patent No. 2,975,350 to Johnson Fare Box Company, also of Chicago.

A system (patent No. 2,974,441) by which toys can be remotely controlled by children, was patented by Helmut Denner of Aargua, Switzerland. Toys, such as automobiles, can veer to the left or right, or back up, to a child's delight, by a simple command into a microphone.

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