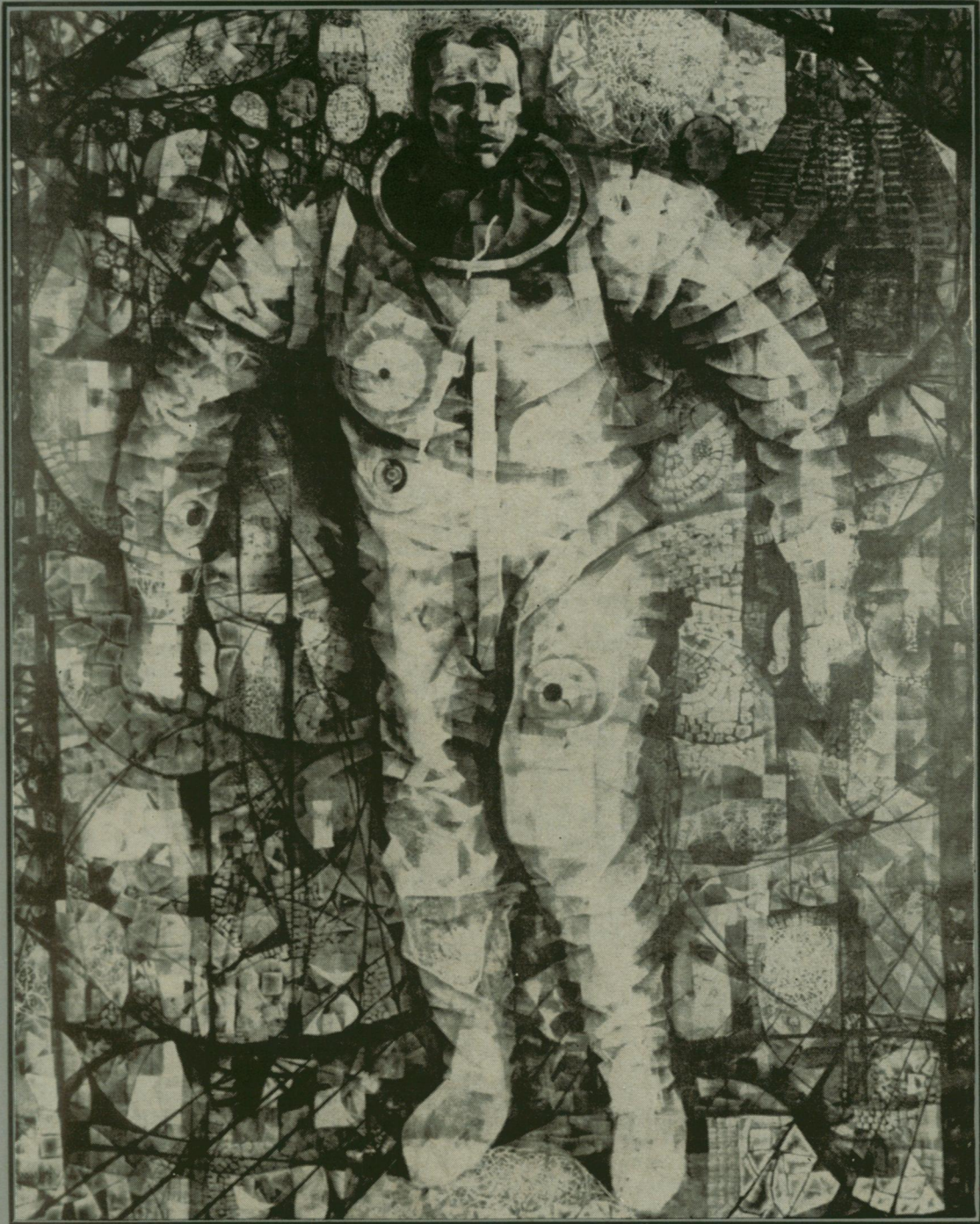


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The reduction in funds for the space program
has left the nation with a surplus of astronauts.
Nine or ten scientist-astronauts and 11 or 12
pilot-astronauts will probably never fly in space.
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