

SHOWS EARLY TYPE OF FUELLESS MOTOR

Hochstetter Exhibits Previous
Invention by Hendershot at
Which He Scoffed.

PROPOSES TEST OF ENGINE

If New Device Stops in Shielded
Box, Says Critic, He Will Admit
It Is Wonderful Discovery.

Frederick Hochstetter, head of the Hochstetter Research Laboratories of Pittsburgh, came to New York yesterday and exhibited a model of a motor which he said Lester J. Hendershot, inventor of the so-called "fuelless" motor, had invented several years ago and for which much had been claimed but not proved. This was the model, Dr. Hochstetter said, which had concealed in tubes small batteries which actuated it instead of the magnetic currents of the earth, which the inventor contended was its motive force.

Mr. Hochstetter set up the model in a room of the Waldorf and expounded at length his technical reasons for asserting it would not work. He was accompanied by E. H. Wicks, a Pittsburgh attorney, and Lloyd Wheeler, an engineer from his laboratory. He also said that he represented the views of a committee composed of Dr. L. P. Seig, dean of the graduate school of the University of Pittsburgh; Dr. W. R. Worth, director of electrical engineers at Carnegie Technical Institute; G. F. Dillig, a Pittsburgh engineer, R. H. Brownlee and H. O. Swaboda of Pittsburgh.

It was this model, Mr. Hochstetter said, which Hendershot had exhibited in Pittsburgh. It was never developed, Hochstetter said, and Hendershot never revealed the principle by which he contended it worked, although the inventor has signed an agreement to explain it to Hochstetter. He challenged the inventor to test it or his newest model by enclosing it in a shielded box which would intercept any ordinary electrical current in the atmosphere and if it stopped after it were shielded he said he would be willing to admit that Hendershot had a wonderful invention. Otherwise not.

Hendershot himself was not to be found yesterday, although it was reported from Washington that he had started for New York from there.

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NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 1.—The Hendershot "fuelless motor" is amusing as an experiment but a fluke from the standpoint of electrical engineering, declared W. B. Hall, Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering at Yale, today.

The hesitancy of the inventor to permit the motor to be investigated by experts because, as he has put it, he desires to protect the rights to a patent, indicates that there is something wrong with the invention, Professor Hall said.

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