

WASIELEWSKI HONORED AT FAREWELL PARTY

On Friday, September 7, 1956, over 100 of his associates and friends joined in bidding farewell to Eugene W. Wasielewski, Assistant Director of Lewis Laboratory.

Mr. Wasielewski first joined the NACA at Langley in 1937 as an assistant engineer. He left four years later for private industry, returning to the NACA at Lewis Laboratory in 1947. As project engineer he designed the Propulsion Systems Laboratory, the largest in the world for testing of turbojet and ramjet engines.

In 1949 he was appointed Chief of the Engine Research Division, with the responsibility of directing the Lewis phase of the NACA's Unitary Plan for transonic and supersonic tunnels. November, 1952, Mr. Wasielewski was appointed to Associate Chief of the Technical Services Division, and in 1955 he was appointed to Assistant Director of Lewis Laboratory.

Mr. Wasielewski's accomplishments are many. He designed, constructed and tested the NACA eight-stage axial-flow blower. This was the first designed for high efficiency and pressure ratio by the use of aerodynamic principles. The methods established in this work formed the basis for subsequent design of axial-flow compressors for jet engines in this country. His work in establishing basic principles, designing and developing superchargers is widely recognized.

