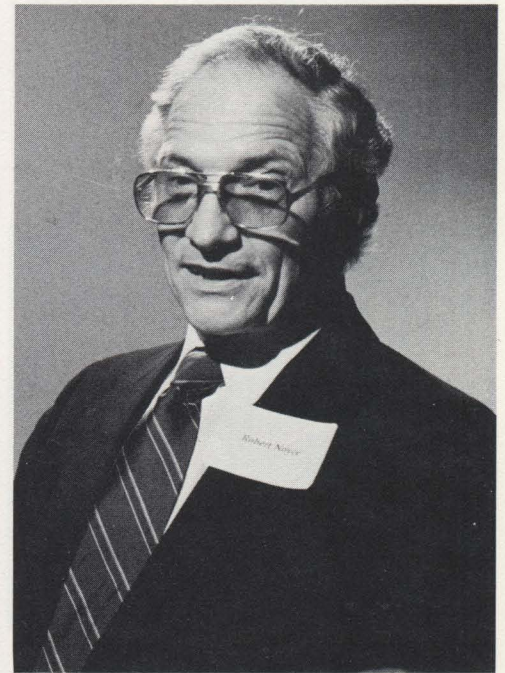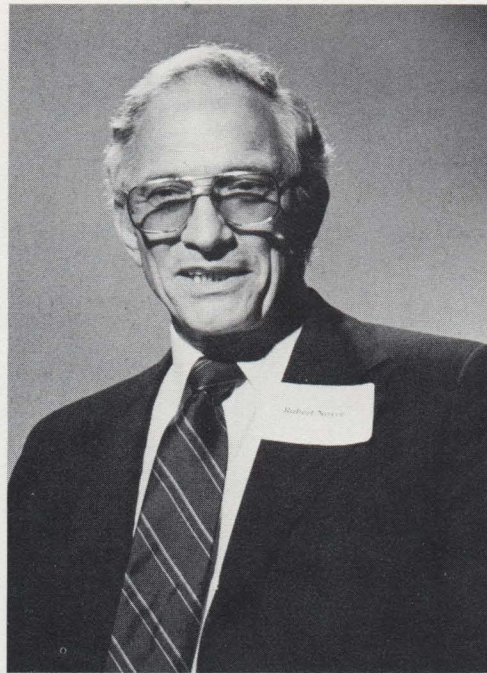# Pre-Preview Party

The Computer Museum held a Pre-Preview Party on May 11 at its new location in downtown Boston. The festive evening commenced with a talk on the invention of the integrated circuit by Intel founder Dr. Robert N. Noyce. Dancing and a screening of the film "Metropolis" followed dinner for party guests from industry and Museum Members.

Pre-Preview Party Lecture. Talking on the invention of the integrated circuit, Intel's Dr. Robert N. Noyce recalled,

"When I was in college, I could slave over something, finally get the right answer, hand in my paper and it would come back with these big red markings on it. My physics professor would say I did it the hard way. Then he'd jot down a couple of sentences which clearly made it much easier for me by using some other method. I guess that is what stuck with me, because one of the characteristics of an inventor I think is that he is lazy and doesn't like to do it the hard way."

Ascending to the sixth floor. *Attendees at The Computer Museum's May 11 Pre-Preview Party climb the new central stairway between the fifth and sixth floors. The stairway was completed just days before the party. The $100 benefit dinner kicked off The Computer Museum's $10,000,000 capital campaign.*

Multiwire machine. *Barbara T. Mastro and Curtis P. Hoffman familiarize themselves with a recent gift to the Museum from Kollmorgen's PCK Technology Division during the Pre-Preview Party. The Multiwire machine can "write" wire pat-*

terns at rates of 100 inches per minute making it possible to reduce the size of computers.

Computing Relic. *Talking by the 1958 SAGE display console are Peter Hirshberg (left) and Michael Poe. The console is part of the SAGE, the U.S. air defense computer that could use a light gun to track down enemy bombers.*

Admiring the SAGE's duplex maintenance console during the pre-preview of the Museum's new 55,000-square-foot facilities in downtown Boston are Mr. and Mrs. Strump.

Janice Stone and Ned Forrester examine the core memory stack from the Whirlwind, an early vacuum tube computer developed at MIT. Forrester's father Jay W. Forrester directed the design of the computer which was the first to use magnetic core memory.

The mini-museum. Stephanie Haack, (right center) communications director at The Computer Museum explains to party guests the concept behind the Museum's 20,000 square feet of exhibits scheduled to open on November 14.

Greetings. Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Pyburn meet a unique guest, "Shakey," the first fully-mobile robot with artificial intelligence, 1969, at The Computer Museum's Pre-Preview Party. The collection browsing followed Dr. Robert N. Noyce's talk on the invention of the integrated circuit.