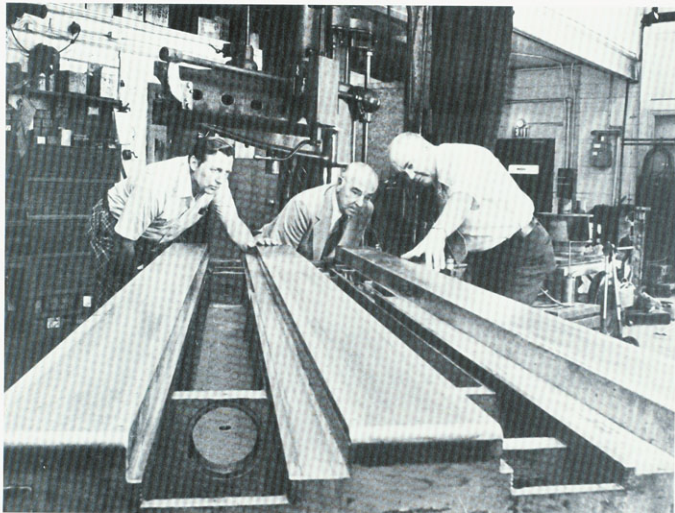


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Officials of Metal Locking Service of Buffalo inspect finished repair of Mexican milling machine table

Metal Locking Service Expands

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A \$100,000 expansion program that will initially add at least three jobs has been announced by Metal Locking Service Inc. at 68 Hayes Place in South Buffalo.

The company, which currently employs 11 persons, is one of three firms in the United States that make cold repairs to broken castings and machine parts. It is also the oldest of the three.

The expansion program will increase the current 4,000-square-foot plant of Metal Locking to 6,000 square feet. The addition will house a recently purchased 20-ton crane-

George Jackman, president and founder of Metal Locking Service, said the expansion will allow the company into new endeavors, including large machine tool applications, heavy welding and brazing, and fabricating and machining.

"The 20-ton capacity lift crane-way is being added because we are getting larger castings to repair," said Jackman. "We have the broadest experience in our field of cold repairing, and the larger and larger castings are a result of our experience."

Jackman founded Metal Locking Service in 1942, and

was built at the Hayes Place site in 1952. The plant has been expanded twice before.

George A. Jackman, son of the founder and vice president of Metal Locking Services, said a large plant isn't necessary because much of the company's work is done in the field at work sites. He said the company does work worldwide.

Service Abroad
"In recent times we have had our service people in Saudi Arabia, Spain, Mexico, the Virgin Islands, Labrador, Alaska and all over the U.S.," said George A. Jackman. "We also have work shipped to our Buffalo plant for repair, and we are currently repairing a

ble from a company in Mexico City."

The cold repair process is a precise and mechanical method of using metal inserts instead of the heated fusion method of welding. Cold, metal-locking repairs can be made in restricted areas where flames and arcs are prohibited.

The metal-locking process had its beginnings in the oil fields of Texas and is an invention of the late Lawrence B. Scott. As an original franchisee, George Jackman enlarged on Scott's process over the years.

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