

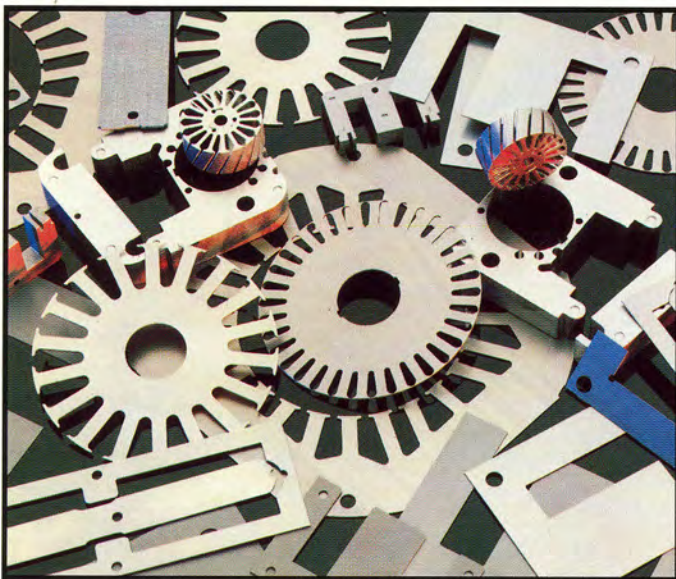
National Lamination and Minster . . . Taking That Extra Step

National Lamination Company, Des Plaines, IL, has had an outstanding reputation for its quality products and services; a reputation that has been earned through a willingness to go beyond the satisfactory in pursuit of perfection -- to take that extra step.

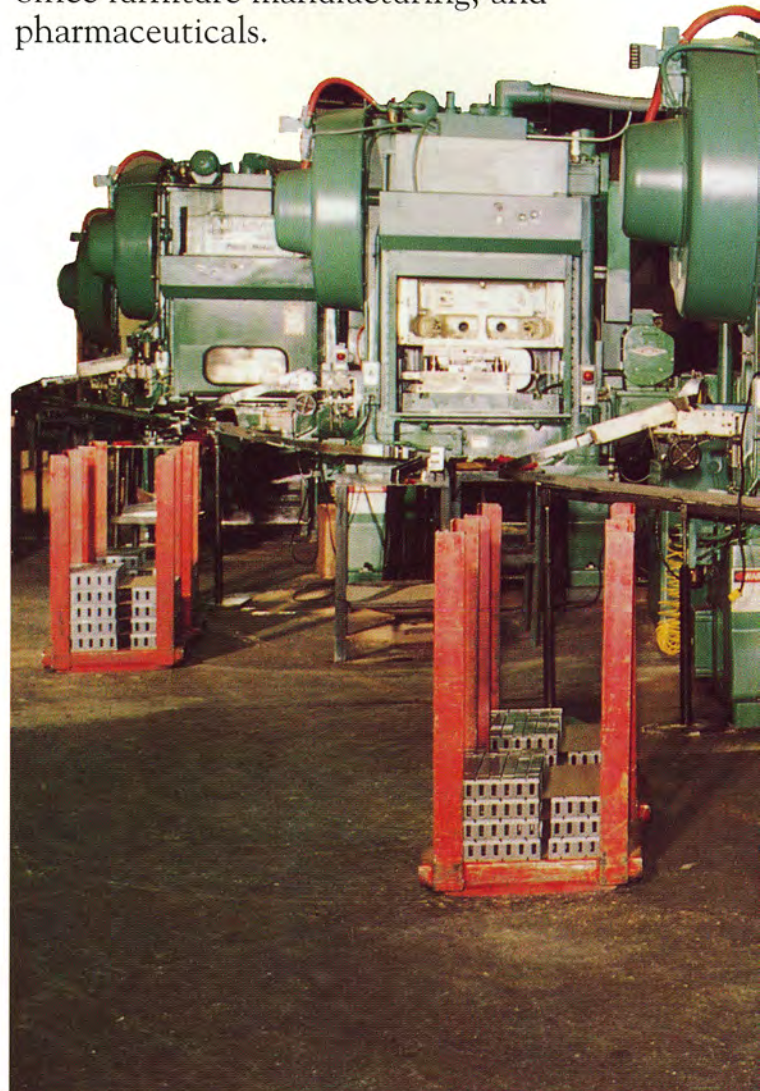
"Our dedication to excellence combined with a readiness to adopt state of the art equipment and methods have enabled National Lamination to rapidly double in size," says Tim Bross, Sales Manager. "Minster combines reliability and high-tech performance to help us meet our customers' demands. The equipment's dependability and consistent uptime has ultimately allowed us to produce a superior product while keeping the costs to the end user at a minimum.

Formed in 1960 by Cyrus Tang, National Lamination quickly became an industry leader of transformer and motor lamination stampings. However, National Lamination

is just one of the many successful ventures of Tang Industries. The insightful businessman founded National Material Corporation in 1964, the nation's largest buyer and distributor of electrical steel. National Material then grew into 24 successful steel related companies located across the midwest and nation. The companies' customer base spans from the U.S. to foreign countries in Asia, Europe and Mexico. They each specialize in different areas from processing and trading to stamping and recycling. Tang Industries is also involved in real estate development, office furniture manufacturing, and pharmaceuticals.



A wide range of lamination stampings are produced on Minster presses at National Lamination Company



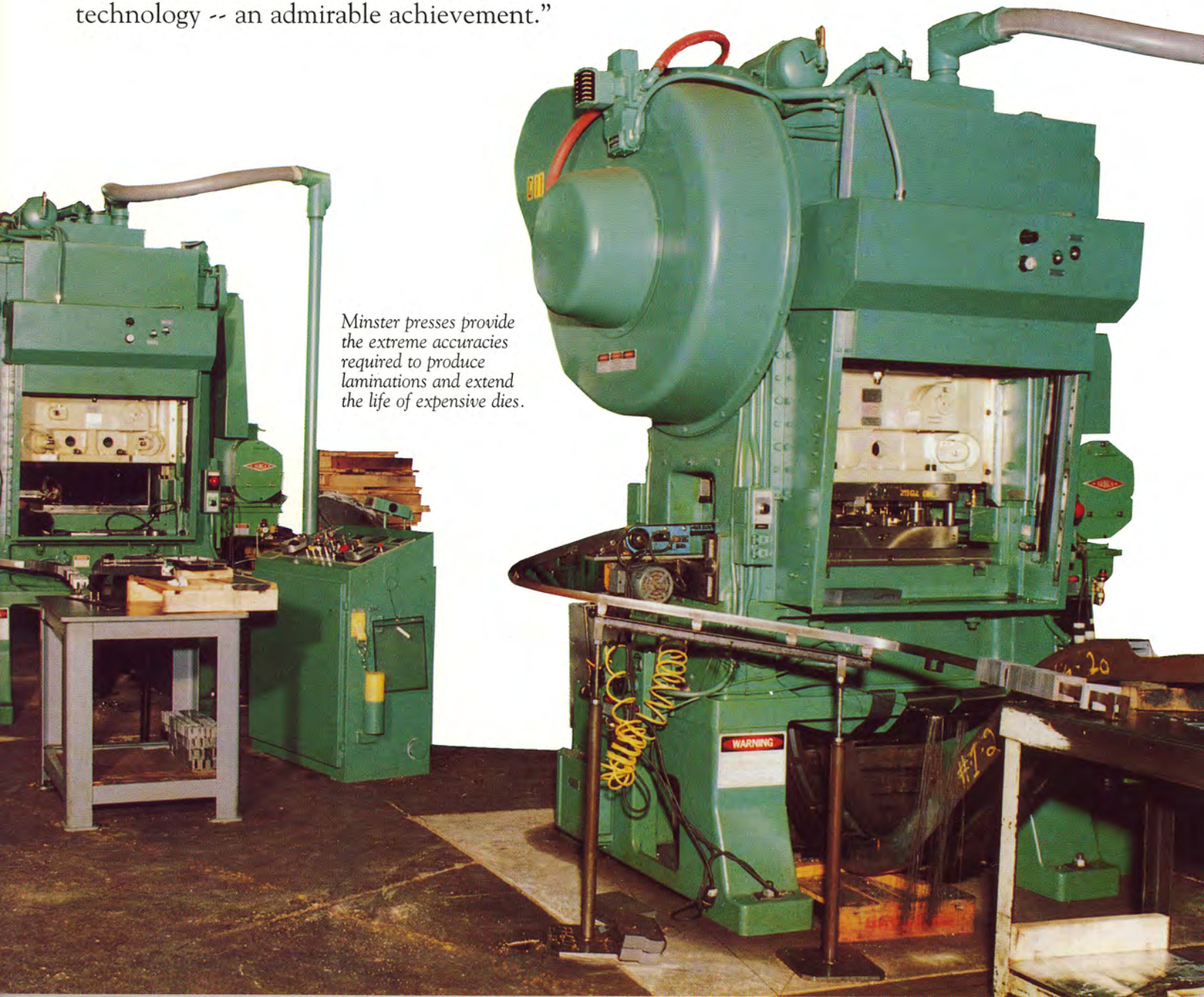
While each of the companies operates autonomously to ensure optimum sensitivity to their customers, each derives substantial benefits from their combined strength. "We're proud to be part of the largest minority-owned company in the Chicagoland area, and one of the largest privately-owned companies in the state," says Bross. "To be successful, we have to be able to depend on our equipment. If our machinery goes down, we can't meet our customers' demands for high quality products within a short leadtime period. Minster hasn't let us down. The Minster's we've acquired over the past 30 years have met those demands while keeping up with technology -- an admirable achievement."

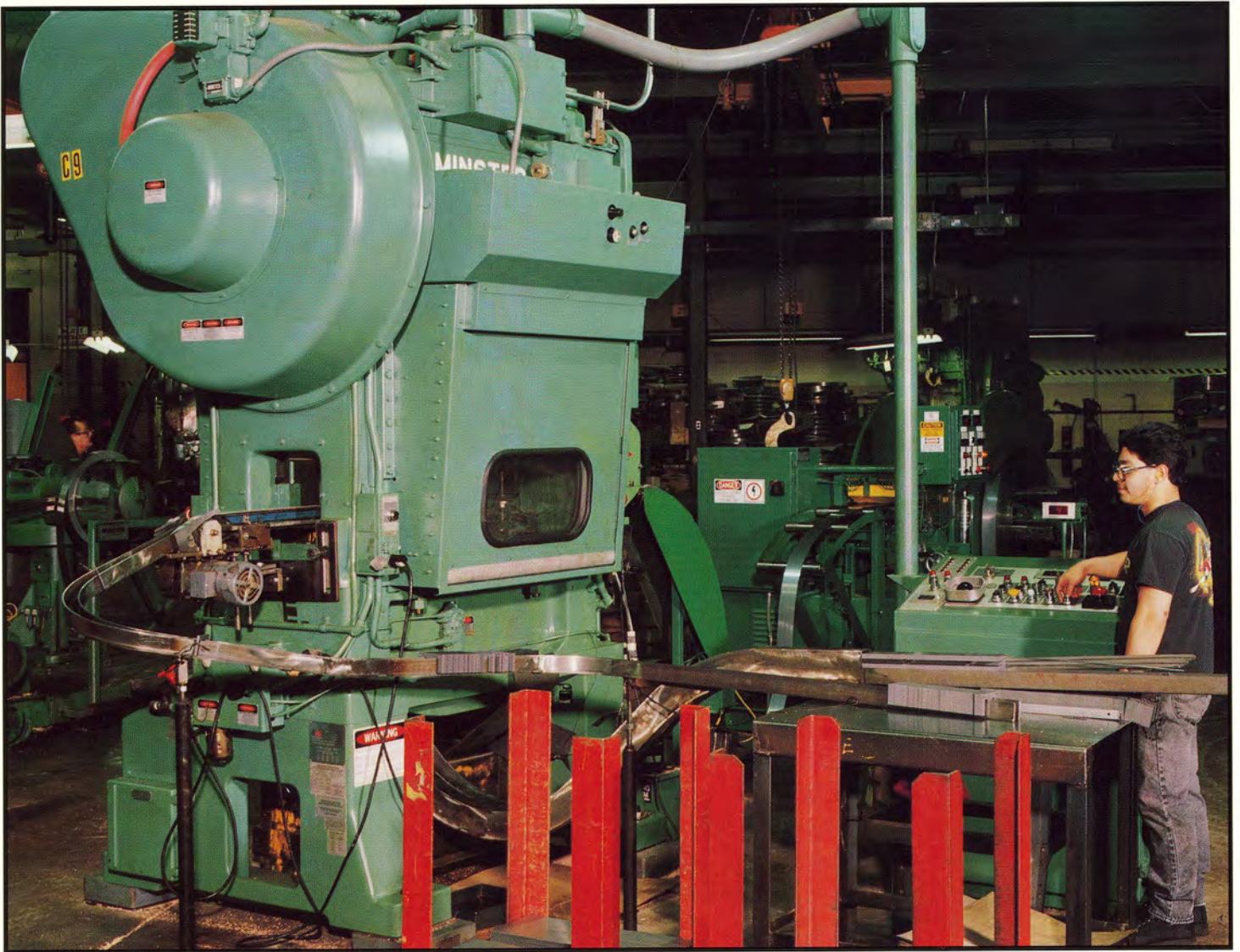
Tim Bross adds that with the technological improvements in Minster presses over the years, National Lamination has also upgraded their production. "We've instituted more advanced training programs for our machine operators leading to a more aggressive quality-control approach."

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Minster presses provide the extreme accuracies required to produce laminations and extend the life of expensive dies.





Minster P2 Piece-Makers work around the clock producing parts at National Lamination Company, Des Plaines, IL.

National Lamination Company cites accuracy, machine life and quick changeover as the three most critical factors for the success of their lamination presses. Again, Bross recognizes Minster as an important key to that success. "To be competitive in the lamination business requires taking that extra step -- producing high-volume quality products at optimum efficiency. That means you have to do things right. At National Lamination, we have to keep our fine-tuned Minster presses running as close to capacity as possible."

Mr. Bross says that at full equipment capacity, National Lamination Company's annual stampings could convert a half billion pounds of steel into enough motor and transformer laminations to circle the entire earth.

"We plan to continue to give our customers the most advanced, finest quality, and most competitively priced products available. With Minster as our most dependable means of productivity, I know that we'll always be able to stay one step ahead."