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- The Entwicklungshauptleitung (Main Development Direction - EHL) of VEB Carl Zeiss, Jena, headed by Dr. Herbert Kortum, has nine offices for the development of devices which are designated EBOG 1 through EBOG 9 (Entwicklungsbuero or office - Garage). There are two construction and test laboratories for all nine EBOG offices, KoV 1 and KoV 2 (Konstruktions- und Versuchslaboratorium). Blueprints of devices under development prepared in the EBOG offices are forwarded to the KoV laboratories, where the first models of the devices are built and tested.
- KoV 1 is mainly engaged in the construction of microscopes and their accessories, electron microscopes, Schlieren devices, electro-phoretic devices, ultra-centrifuges and infrared devices. It is headed by Meister¹ Fritz Weissenborn and has a total crew of about 65 mechanics and other workshop personnel of which about one-half are trainees and apprentices. KoV 1 is subdivided into three groups:
 - Verarbeitung (preparing section), which has the heavy mechanical equipment, such as drilling, turning, and milling machines.
 - Einzelteilerfertigung und Untergruppenmontage, where individual parts are constructed and partial assembly is carried out. Small devices are also completed in this section.
 - Montage und Justierung: Final assembly and adjustment.
- KoV 2 is chiefly engaged in the construction of measurement devices and geodetic instruments. It is headed by Meister Walter Bernst and has a crew of 18 to 20.

1. Comment: Chief mechanic.

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