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18-20. Optical Soc. of America, semi-annual, Lake Placid, N.Y. (A. C. Hardy, Massachusetts Inst. of Technology, Cambridge 39.)

21-23. American College of Apothecaries, Dallas, Tex. (R. E. Abrams, Hamilton Court, 39th & Chestnut St., Philadelphia 4, Pa.)

21-27. Iberian-Latin American Cong. of Dermatology, 3rd, Mexico City, Mexico. (Centro Dermatológico Pascua, Calle Dr. Garcadiago 21, Mexico 7, D.F., Mexico.)

22-24. American Standards Assoc., 38th annual, New York, N.Y. (ASA, 70 E. 45 St., New York 17.)

22-25. American Soc. for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Louisville, Ky. (H. Hodge, Dept. of Pharmacology, Univ. of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.)

22-26. National Safety Cong., Chicago, Ill. (R. L. Forney, National Safety Council, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, 11.)

22-27. Endocrine Soc., 8th annual post-graduate assembly, Houston, Tex. (Office of Dean, Univ. of Texas, Postgraduate School of Medicine, Texas Medical Center, Houston 25.)

22-2. Industrial Forestry Seminar, New Haven, Conn. (E. T. F. Wohlenberg, Industrial Forestry Dept., Yale Univ., New Haven.)

23. American Soc. of Safety Engineers, annual, Chicago, Ill. (J. B. Johnson, ASSE, 425 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11.)

25-26. National Soc. of Professional Engineers, White Sulphur Springs, W.Va. (P. H. Robbins, 2029 K St., NW, Washington 6.)

26-29. American Heart Assoc., annual, scientific sessions, Cincinnati, Ohio. (Medical Director, AHA, 44 E. 23 St., New York 10.)

27. Eastern Psychiatric Research Assoc., New York, N.Y. (T. R. Robie, 676 Park Ave., East Orange, N.J.)

29-30. American Cancer Soc., scientific session, New York, N.Y. (ACS, Professional Education Section, 521 W. 57 St., New York 19.)

29-30. East Coast Conf. on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics, 3rd annual, Baltimore, Md. (W. D. Crawford, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Air Arm Div., Friendship International Airport, Baltimore 27.)

29-31. Energy Resources Conf., Denver, Colo. (Energy Resources Conf., c/o Denver Chamber of Commerce, 1301 Welton St., Denver 4.)

29-1. Conference on Climatology sponsored by American Meteorological Soc., Asheville, N.C. (K. C. Spengler, 3 Joy St., Boston 8, Mass.)

29-1. Society of Exploration Geophysicists, annual, New Orleans, La. (G. A. Grimm, Tide Water Associated Oil Co., Box 2131, Midland, Tex.)

29-2. Convention on Ferrites, Institution of Electrical Engineers, London, England. (Secretary, IEE, Savoy Place, London, W.C.2.)

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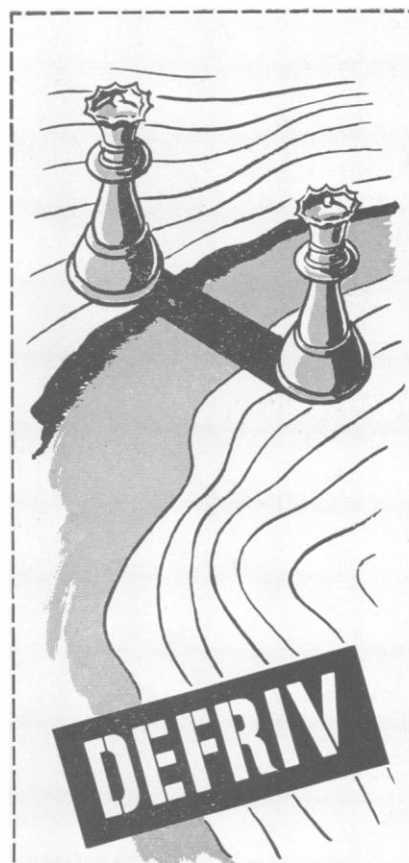
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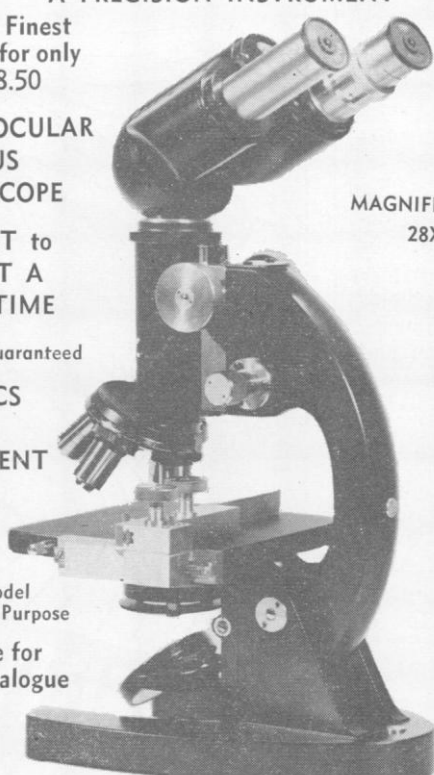
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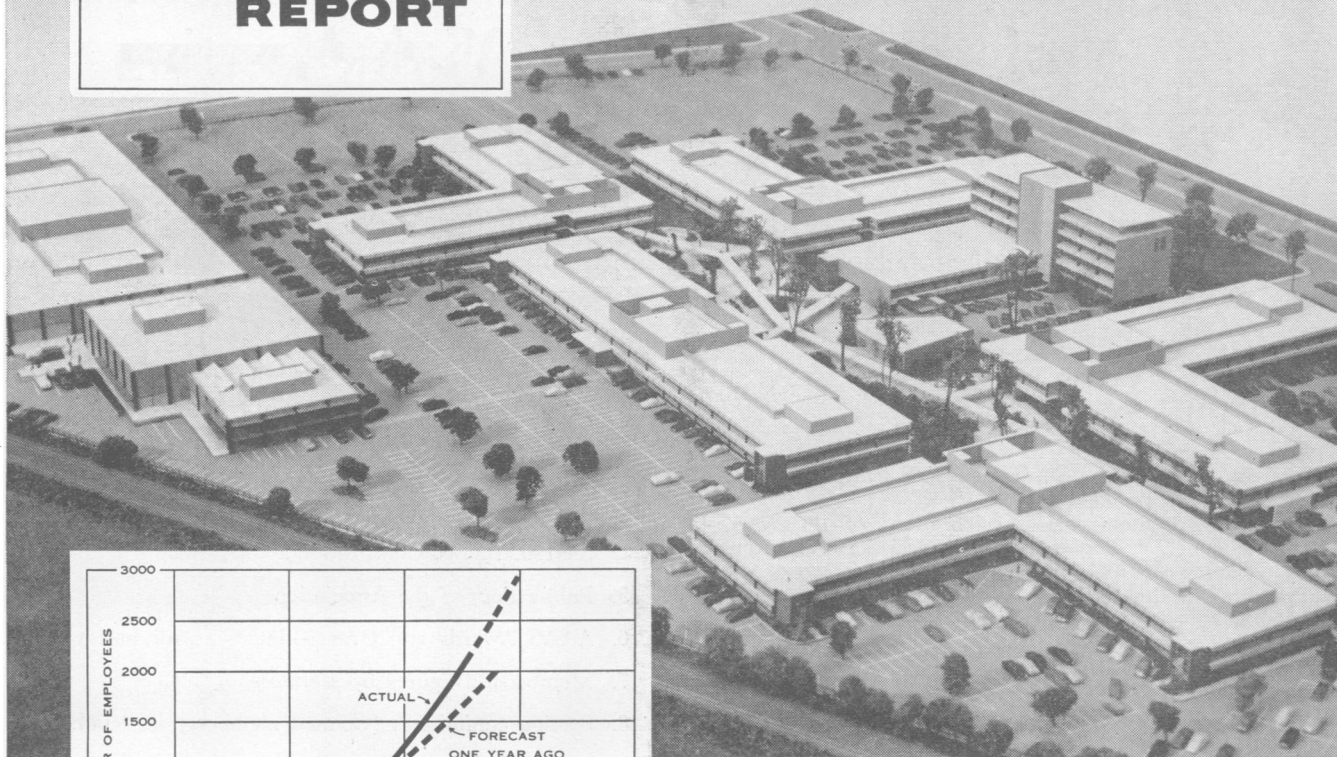
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