

The new department will embrace the systems engineering groups of the David Sarnoff Research Center, the general engineering development section of the defense electronic products organization, and an R.C.A. advanced development engineering group which for more than a decade has concentrated on new electronic techniques and on mechanical and optical devices associated with electronics.

## ONR Mathematics Associateships

Five universities have been selected to participate in a program sponsored by the Office of Naval Research that will provide research associateships in mathematics to postdoctoral candidates. Those taking part are the universities of Cornell, Tulane, Michigan, Washington, and Wisconsin.

## Proposed Legislation

Of the many bills introduced in Congress, some have a special relevance to science and education. A list of such bills introduced recently follows:

S 200. Provide for control and eradication of water hyacinth and certain other aquatic plant growths. Long (D La.), Ellender (D La.) Senate Agriculture and Forestry.

HR 294. Amend Agricultural Act of 1949 and Agricultural Act of 1954 *re* brucellosis eradication program for fiscal year ending 30 June 1958. Laird (R Wis.) House Agriculture.

HR 347. Establish public use of national forest as policy of Congress. Metcalf (D Mont.) House Agriculture.

HR 377. Provide for compulsory inspection by U.S. Department of Agriculture of poultry and poultry products. Polk (D Ohio) House Agriculture.

S 191. Provide for loans to individuals for purpose of enabling them to obtain a college or university education. Langer (R N.D.) Senate Labor and Public Welfare.

S 197. Authorize an emergency 2-year program of federal financial assistance in school construction to states and local communities. McNamara (D Mich.) Senate Labor and Public Welfare.

HR 306. Provide program of grants and scholarships to encourage education and training in field of nursing. Lane (D Mass.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 390. Provide for loans to enable needy and scholastically qualified students to continue post-high-school education. Rodino (D N.J.) House Education and Labor.

HR 397. Encourage expansion of teaching and research in education of

mentally retarded children through grants to institutions of higher learning and to state educational agencies. Rodino (D N.J.) House Education and Labor.

S 201. Authorize comprehensive project for control and progressive eradication of salt-marsh and other injurious mosquitoes in coastal area of southwest Louisiana. Long (D La.), Ellender (D La.) Senate Public Works.

S 230. Amend title VI of Public Health Service Act, as amended, to make certain nonprofit corporations and associations eligible for federal aid under such title. Mundt (R S.D.) Senate Labor and Public Welfare.

HR 366. Amend Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for protection of public health, by prohibiting new food additives not adequately pretested to establish safe use under conditions of intended use. O'Hara (R Minn.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 383. Provide for establishment of Bureau of Older Persons within Department of Health, Education and Welfare; authorize federal grants to assist in development of operation of studies and projects to help older persons. Rhodes (D Pa.) House Education and Labor.

HR 483. Authorize comprehensive project for control and progressive eradication of salt-marsh and other injurious mosquitoes in coastal area of southwest Louisiana. Thompson (D La.) House Public Works.

HR 373. Establish Commission on the Aging. Ostertag (R N.Y.) House Education and Labor.

HR 307. Provide for establishment of U.S. Foreign Service Academy. Lane (D Mass.) House Foreign Affairs.

HR 491. Provide for appointment of an Assistant Secretary of State for International Cultural Relations. Thompson (D N.J.) House Foreign Affairs.

S 84. Establish Defense Cloud Modification Act of 1957. Case (R S.D.) Senate Armed Services.

HR 453. Amend Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 to provide education and training rights for persons enlisted in armed forces of U.S. during January 1955, but who were not on active duty on 31 Jan. 1955. Smith (D Miss.) House Veterans' Affairs.

S 37. Protect security of U.S. by preventing employment by U.S. of persons found to be disloyal to U.S. Malone (R Nev.) Senate Post Office and Civil Service.

S 195. Amend first section of act entitled "An act to prohibit payment of annuities to officers and employees of U.S. convicted of certain offenses," approved 1 Sept. 1954, to limit its application to cases involving national security. Langer (R N.D.) Senate Post Office and Civil Service.

HR 399. Authorize and direct Civil

Service Commission to make study of classification of and rates of basic compensation payable *re* technical, scientific and engineering positions in classified civil service. Rogers (D Colo.) House Post Office and Civil Service.

S 67. Provide for issuance of special postage stamp in honor of those leaders who pioneered in field of mental health. Carlson (R Kan.) Senate Post Office and Civil Service.

S 68. Provide for issuance of special postage stamp in honor of Dr. Samuel J. Crumbine, who pioneered in field of public health education. Carlson (R Kan.) Senate Post Office and Civil Service.

S 77. Establish Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park and provide for administration and maintenance of a parkway in Maryland. Beall (R Md.) Senate Interior and Insular Affairs.

HR 392. Designate building to be constructed as principal office of Atomic Energy Commission under act of 6 May 1955 as Enrico Fermi Building, provide for establishment therein of appropriate memorial to Fermi. Rodino (D N.J.) Atomic Energy.

HR 435. Prohibit discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry. Roosevelt (D Calif.) House Education and Labor.

S 32. Direct Secretary of Interior to convey certain public lands in Nevada to Colorado River Commission of Nevada, acting for Nevada. Malone (R Nev.) Senate Interior and Insular Affairs.

S 258. Establish U.S. Commission on Aging and Aged. Potter (R Mich.) Senate Labor and Public Welfare.

HR 424. Establish Commission on Civil Rights in executive branch of government. Roosevelt (D Calif.) House Judiciary.

S 86. Provide for experimental research program in cloud modification. Case (R S.D.) Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 370. Provide that standard time be measure of time for transaction of business in interstate and foreign commerce. O'Hara (R Minn.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 478. Provide that one floating ocean station be maintained at all times in Gulf of Mexico to provide storm warnings for states bordering on Gulf of Mexico. Thompson (D La.) House Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

HR 481. Authorize comprehensive project for control and progressive eradication of obnoxious aquatic plant growths from navigable waters. Thompson (D La.) House Public Works.

S 7. Provide for establishment and operation of laboratory for study of utilization of soil and water resources of southeastern U.S. Thurmond (D S.C.) Senate Agriculture and Forestry.