

10-13. Conference on Embryology and Experimental Morphology, Cambridge, England. (D. R. Newth, Dept. of Zoology, University College London, Gower St., London W.C. 1.)

11-13. American Assoc. of Pathologists and Bacteriologists, annual, Washington D.C. (E. A. Gall, Cincinnati General Hospital, Cincinnati 29, Ohio.)

11-13. Southwestern Inst. of Radio Engineers Conf. and Electronics Show, 9th annual, with 2nd National Simulation Conf., Houston, Tex. (F. C. Smith, Jr., Box 13058, Houston 19.)

12-13. Colorado-Wyoming Acad. of Science, annual, Fort Collins, Colo. (O. W. Olsen, Colorado A.&M. College, Fort Collins.)

12-13. Eastern Psychological Assoc., annual, New York, N.Y. (G. G. Lane, Dept. of Psychology, Univ. of Delaware, Newark.)

12-13. New Orleans Acad. of Sciences, New Orleans, La. (A. Welden, Dept. of Biology, Newcomb College, New Orleans.)

12-14. American Assoc. for Cancer Research, Chicago, Ill. (H. J. Creech, Inst. for Cancer Research, Fox Chase, Philadelphia 11, Pa.)

12-14. American Assoc. of Physical Anthropologists, annual, Ann Arbor, Mich. (J. H. Spuhler, Dept. of Human Genetics, Univ. of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor.)

12-14. American Soc. of Human Genetics, annual, Ann Arbor, Mich. (E. J. Gardner, Dept. of Zoology, Utah State College, Logan.)

12-14. National Speleological Soc., Natural Bridge, Va. (Mrs. M. McKenzie, 1407 Hickory Ct., Broyhill Park, Falls Church, Va.)

13. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, spring, New York, N.Y. (W. C. Clark, Hartford School of Religious Education, Hartford 5, Conn.)

13. South Carolina Academy of Science, annual, Columbia (Miss M. Hess, Box 114, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S.C.)

14-16. Telemetering Symposium, natl., Philadelphia, Pa. (A. S. Westneat, Jr., Applied Science Corp., Box 44, Princeton, N.J.)

14-20. American Physiological Soc., Chicago, Ill. (M. O. Lee, APS, 9650 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington 14.)

15-17. American Soc. of Lubrication Engineers, annual, Detroit, Mich. (W. P. Youngclaus, Jr., ASLE, 84 E. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.)

15-17. Molecular Mechanism of Rate Processes in Solids, Faraday Soc. discussion, Amsterdam, Netherlands. (Faraday Soc., 6 Gray's Inn Sq., London, W.C.1.)

15-17. Systems for Information Retrieval, symp., Cleveland, Ohio. (J. H. Shera, School of Library Science, Western Reserve Univ., Cleveland 6.)

15-18. American Personnel and Guidance Assoc. and constituent divisions: American College Personnel Assoc., American School Counselor Assoc., National Assoc. of Guidance Supervisors and Counselor Trainers, National Vocational Guidance Assoc., Student Personnel Assoc. for Teacher Education; Detroit, Mich.

(A. A. Hitchcock, APGA, 1534 O St., NW, Washington 5.)

15-18. Host-Specificity and Parallel Evolution among Parasitic Insects and Worms, symp., Neuchatel, Switzerland. (J. G. Baer, C.P. 2, Neuchatel 7.)

15-18. International Inst. of Differing Civilizations, 30th session, Lisbon, Portugal. (11, Blvd. de Waterloo, Brussels, Belgium.)

15-19. American Assoc. of Immunologists, annual, Chicago, Ill. (F. S. Cheever, Graduate School of Public Health, Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh 13, Pa.)

15-19. American Soc. for Experimental Pathology, annual, Chicago, Ill. (C. G. Erickson, Inst. of Pathology, Univ. of Tennessee, 858 Madison Ave., Memphis.)

15-19. American Soc. for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Chicago, Ill. (H. Hodge, Dept. of Pharmacology, Univ. of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.)

15-19. Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology, annual, Chicago, Ill. (M. O. Lee, FASEB, 9650 Wisconsin Ave., Washington 14.)

15-19. High Energy Nuclear Physics Conf., 7th annual, Rochester, N.Y. (R. Marshak, Univ. of Rochester, Rochester.)

15-20. American Inst. of Nutrition, annual, Chicago, Ill. (R. W. Engel, Dept. of Biochemistry and Nutrition, Virginia Polytechnic Inst., Blacksburg 13, Va.)

16-18. Nuclear Tests for Nondestructive Testing Applications, symp., Chicago, Ill. (American Soc. for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.)

17-19. American Assoc. of Anatomists, annual, Baltimore, Md. (L. B. Flexner, School of Medicine, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 4.)

18-20. Assoc. of Southeastern Biologists, annual, Athens, Ga. (J. C. Dickinson, Jr., Univ. of Florida, Gainesville.)

18-20. Ohio Acad. of Science, annual, Bowling Green. (R. W. Dexter, Dept. of Biology, Kent State Univ., Kent, Ohio.)

18-20. Southern Soc. for Philosophy and Psychology, annual, Gatlinburg, Tenn. (W. B. Webb, U.S. Navy School of Aviation Medicine, Pensacola, Fla.)

18-20. Venereal Disease Postgrad. Conf., 26th, Memphis, Tenn. (H. Packer, Dept. of Preventive Medicine, Univ. of Tennessee College of Medicine, Memphis 3.)

18-21. American Soc. of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, 37th annual, New Orleans, La. (F. R. Cagle, Dept. of Zoology, Tulane Univ., New Orleans 18.)

19-20. Arkansas Acad. of Science, annual, Fayetteville. (L. F. Bailey, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.)

19-20. Seismological Soc. of America, annual, Los Angeles, Calif. (P. Byerly, Bacon Hall, Univ. of California, Berkeley 4.)

20-26. Industrial Health Conf., 12th natl., St. Louis, Mo. (E. C. Holmblad, Industrial Medical Assoc., 28 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4, Ill.)

22-24. National Acad. of Sciences, annual, Washington, D.C. (H. L. Dryden, NAS, 2101 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington 25.)

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LETTERS

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Diffraction Patterns

A recent news note in *Science* [125, 109 (18 Jan. 1957)] reported a new method of investigating diffraction patterns as a function of time. The method had been described in an article by R. Thun [*Umschau* 56, 660 (1 Nov. 1956); 56, 688 (15 Nov. 1956)]. It may be of interest that just recently a still better method serving a similar purpose has been disclosed.

H. Nielsen, in *Photographie und Wissenschaft* 5, 3 (1956), shows x-ray diffraction patterns taken continuously from tantalite crystals when subjected to heat. Different photographs are printed separately, using colored light and color-sensitive photographic paper, in a manner similar to Land's color-translation process [*Science* 109, 371 (15 Apr. 1949)]. On the final x-ray diffraction photographs, it can easily be seen that changes occurring during the photographic exposure yield different colors. Unlike the results with Boettcher and Thun's method, these x-ray diffraction patterns retain a three-dimensional shape.

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Biology of Schizophrenia

M. K. Horwitt [*Science* 124, 429 (1956)] apparently finds little fact and much artifact in many current reports concerning differences between schizophrenic and nonschizophrenic individuals. Certainly uncontrolled studies that neglect the variables cited shed little light on the problem.

However, some of the remedies suggested for converting artifact to fact appear to be of doubtful significance. This arises mainly from a common misinterpretation or delusion shared by many psychiatrists which may have induced in the author a bit of *folie à deux*. He states: "Much of this conflict is due to a lack of understanding by some workers that the term *schizophrenia* is a general classification with many subdivisions, which are often only slightly related, and that the manner in which the patient chooses to