

Rollins (Harvard University), Robert Thorne (State University of Iowa), W. Herbert Wagner, Jr. (University of Michigan). The parasitism panel includes: Clay G. Huff (Naval Medical Research Institute), *chairman*, L. O. Nolf (State University of Iowa), Richard J. Porter (University of Michigan), Clark P. Read (Johns Hopkins University), A. Glenn Richards (Minnesota), A. J. Riker (University of Wisconsin), and Leslie A. Stauber (Rutgers University).

Harvard Postdoctoral Dental Program

Harvard University, starting in September 1957, will launch a new program in dental medicine intended to prepare young dental graduates for careers in academic dentistry. The 5-year postdoctoral study program, made possible through a grant of \$162,000 from the Public Health Service, will be carried on within the Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

The new program will be under the immediate direction of Reidar F. Sognaes, associate dean of the school, and will be carried on in collaboration with the basic science department of the Harvard Medical School and the affiliated clinics at the Forsyth Dental Infirmary for Children, Children's Hospital, and the Massachusetts General Hospital. Three postdoctoral students will be admitted to the program in the first year, with three additional students added each year for the first 3 years. For the present, the program will be limited to a total of nine students.

Coffinite in New Zealand

Coffinite, a highly radioactive uranium mineral, has been found in rocks of the Buller Gorge region of the South Island of New Zealand, J. J. Reed and G. G. Claridge of New Zealand have reported. The mineral, first discovered in 1955 on the Colorado Plateau in the United States, has also been made in the laboratory. Coffinite is a uranous silicate with the chemical formula $USiO_4$; it contains as much as 61 percent uranium. Highest amounts of uranium in minerals are found in the uraninites, which have about 85 percent.

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee was created by merger of the former Milwaukee Center of the University of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin State College, Milwaukee. Now in its

first year of operation, it is a 4-year, degree-granting autonomous unit of the University of Wisconsin that is under the control of the University Board of Regents.

This new section of the university is composed of a College of Letters and Science, a School of Education, a Division of Commerce, a Division of Engineering, and a Division of Pharmacy. A 1-year program in home economics completes the programs currently available. Graduate work leading to a masters degree is available in education, social work, engineering, commerce, and some areas in letters and science.

Joseph G. Baier, professor of zoology, has been named dean of the College of Letters and Science. Eldon D. Warner, associate professor of zoology, is chairman of the zoology department, and other appointments are as follows: Ray U. Brumblay, associate professor and chairman of the chemistry department; Ruth I. Walker, professor and chairman of the botany department; T. Alton Rouse, professor and chairman of the physics department; and Harvey Ueber, professor and chairman of the geography department.

Zoological Nomenclature

The International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature has announced that beginning 29 Sept. it will start voting on the following cases involving the possible use of its plenary powers for the purposes specified. Full details were published in the 29 Mar. issue of the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature* (vol. 13, Double-Part 2/3 and Part 4): (i) VIVIPARIDAE Gray (J.E.), 1847, validation and counter-proposal for suppression of *Viviparus* Montfort, 1810 (Cl. Gastropoda); (ii) *mississippiensis* (emend. of *mississippiensis*), validation of, as specific name for North American Alligator (Cl. Reptilia); (iii) MUNTIDAE Pocock, 1923, and ODOBENIDAE Allen (J.A.), 1880, validation of for the Barking Deer and Walrus, respectively (Cl. Mammalia); (iv) *Dicthyoploca* Jordan, 1911, validation (Cl. Insecta, Order Lepidoptera); (v) *Staphylinus* Linnaeus, 1758, designation of *Staphylinus erythropterus* (emend. of *erythropterus*) Linnaeus, 1758, as type species of (Cl. Insecta, Order Coleoptera); (vi) *Anopheles* Meigen, 1818, designation of type species for (Cl. Insecta, Order Diptera); (vii) *picta* Walckenaer, 1802 (*Aranea*) and *Theridium* (emend. of *Theridion*) Walckenaer, 1805, validation (Cl. Arachnida); (viii) *Vespertilio murinus* Linnaeus, 1758, type species of *Vespertilio* Linnaeus, 1758, clarification of interpretation of (Cl. Mammalia); (ix) *Toxo-*

rhynchites Theobald, July 1901, validation (Cl. Insecta, Order Diptera); (x) *truncatula* Bruguière [1792] (*Bulla*), interpretation of and *umbilicata* Montagu, 1803 (*Bulla*) validation (Cl. Gastropoda). Comments should be sent as soon as possible and in duplicate to the Secretary of the Commission, Francis Hemming, 28 Park Village East, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1.

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 889. Authorize a 4-year program of federal assistance to states and communities to enable them to increase public elementary- and secondary-school construction. Smith (R N.J.), *et al.* Senate Labor and Public Welfare.

S 1021. Amend National Science Foundation Act to authorize award of certain scholarships. Pastore (D R.I.) Senate Labor and Public Welfare.

H J Res 200. Establish an international university. Burdick (R N.D.) House Foreign Affairs.

HR 4014. Protect public health by amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for safety of chemical additives in food. Delaney (D N.Y.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 4015. Protect the public health by amending Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for safety of chemicals in cosmetics. Delaney (D N.Y.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 4134. Encourage prevention of air and water pollution by allowing cost of treatment works for abatement of air and stream pollution to be amortized at an accelerated rate for income-tax purposes. Simpson (R. Pa.) House Ways and Means.

HR 4139. Authorize and request President to undertake to mobilize in U.S. an adequate number of outstanding experts, coordinate and utilize their services in an endeavor to discover means of curing and preventing cancer. Staggers (D W.Va.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 4211. Provide for further research and technical assistance required for control of mosquitoes and other arthropods capable of adversely affecting health and welfare of man. Magnuson (D Wash.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 4217. Amend further the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, to authorize Federal Civil Defense Administration to procure radiological instruments and detection devices. Ostrag (R N.Y.) House Armed Services.

S J Res 48. Provide for training of