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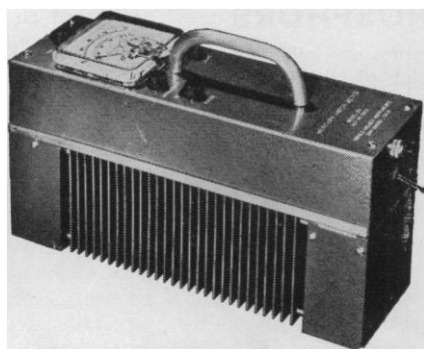
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Meetings

Study of Human Biology

Although there are many scientific societies for the furtherance of the biological study of man as an individual, there has been no organization in Great Britain catering to those (such as physical anthropologists or human geneticists) concerned with human populations. The need for such an association was made clear at an informal symposium held at the Ciba Foundation in November, 1957, when papers were given on "The scope of physical anthropology and human population biology and their place in academic studies." Such a society was founded on 7 May 1958 at the British Museum (Natural History) and was named the Society for the Study of Human Biology. Its aims are to advance the study of the biology of human populations and of man as a species, in all its aspects, particularly those of human variability, genetics, ecology, adaptability, and evolution. This it will do, not only by organizing scientific meetings, for proffered papers, and symposia, but also by ensuring a continuity of workers for long-term research projects in the field.

The elected members of the committee for 1958-59 are as follows: Chairman, A. C. Stevenson (director, M.R.C. Unit for Human Genetics, Oxford); vice chairman, J. Z. Young (department of anatomy, University College, London); general secretary, J. S. Weiner (department of human anatomy, Oxford); programme secretary, G. Ainsworth Harrison (department of anatomy, Liverpool); treasurer, E. H. Ashton (department of anatomy, Birmingham); committee members: N. A. Barnicot (anthropology department, University College, London), M. J. R. Healy (Rothamstead Experimental Station, Harpenden), A. E. Maurant (Lister Institute, London), J. R. Napier (department of anatomy, Royal Free Hospital, London), K. P. Oakley [British Museum (Natural History)], and J. M. Tanner (Institute of Child Health, London).

After the meeting, members were shown some of the work in progress in the anthropology section of the British Museum. The original Rhodesian (Broken Hill), Gibraltar I and II, and Singa skulls were available for inspection. Selected recent skulls and jaws showing abnormalities of genetical interest were examined and discussed. The anthropological library and the store of skeletal material and associated laboratories were visited. As an example of the cast-making undertaken here, members were shown casts of the hand bones of *Proconsul* (to be described by Napier and Davis in a forthcoming monograph).

In the paleontological laboratory, the use of radiometric assay in the relative dating of fossil bones was demonstrated. In the serological laboratory, Madeleine Smith described the research she has begun on the blood typing of bones, aimed mainly at improving the available techniques and defining the limits within which they can be reliably applied to ancient material.

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Geological Conference

Copies of the first circular for the 21st International Geological Congress may be obtained upon request from the American Geological Institute, 2101 Constitution, Ave., NW, Washington 25, D.C. All persons who request the first circular will be placed on the mailing list to receive travel literature and other pertinent information.

Leprosy

The 7th International Congress of Leprology, originally scheduled for India, will be held in Tokyo, Japan, 12-19 November 1958. The sponsoring organizations are the International Leprosy Association, the Japanese Leprosy Association, and the Tofu Kyo-kai (Japanese Leprosy Foundation).

Forthcoming Events

September

15-18. American Rocket Society, national, Detroit, Mich. (A. F. Denham, 925 Book Bldg., Detroit 26.)

14-19. Instrument-Automation Conf., 13th annual, Philadelphia, Pa. (H. S. Kindler, Instrument Soc. of America, 313 Sixth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.)

15-20. Agriculture, European Confederation, Vienna, Austria. (European Confederation of Agriculture, Pestalozzistrasse 1, Brugg, Argovie, Switzerland.)

15-20. Carboniferous Stratigraphy and Geology, 4th intern. cong., Heerlen, Netherlands. (Secretary, 4th Carboniferous Cong., Geological Bureau, Akerstraat 86-88, Heerlen.)

16-20. Nuclear Electronics, Intern. symp., Paris, France. (Colloque Electronique Nucléaire, 10, avenue Pierre-Larousse, Malakoff (Seine), France.)

16-24. Glacier Movement Symp., Chamonix, France. (International Assoc. of Scientific Hydrology, 61, rue de Ronces, Gentbrugge, Belgium.)

21-25. Differential Anthropology, 5th intern. cong., Amsterdam, Netherlands.

(R. A. M. Bergman, Royal Tropical Inst., Linnaeusstraat 2A, Amsterdam.)

21-28. Poultry Science, 11th world cong., Mexico, D.C., Mexico. (E. Karpoff, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, Washington 25.)

22-24. Standards Engineers Soc., 7th annual, Philadelphia, Pa. (Standards Engineers Soc., Box 281, Camden 1, N.J.)

22-25. Scientific Instruments of the 16th to the 19th Century, symp., Frankfurt/Main, Germany. (International Union for the History and Philosophy of Science, 4, rue Thenard, Paris 5^e, France.)

22-27. High-Speed Photography, 4th Intern. cong., Cologne, Germany. (Royal Photographic Soc., 16 Princes Gate, London, S.W.7, England.)

23-25. Fat Research, 3rd Intern. cong., Seville, Spain. (J. M. Martinez, Instituto de la Grasa, Avenida de Heliopolis, Seville.)

23-30. Rheology, 3rd intern. cong., Bad Oeynhausen, Germany. (R. S. Marvin, Rheology Section, Natl. Bureau of Standards, Washington 25.)

24-26. Mass Spectrometry Meeting, London, England. (R. A. Friedel, U.S. Bureau of Mines, 4800 Forbes St., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.)

24-28. Angiology and Histopathology, 3rd intern. cong., Venice, Italy. (L. Gerson, Intern. Committee on Angiology and Histopathology, 4, rue Pasquier, Paris, France.)

26-6. International Council of Scientific Unions, 8th general assembly, Washington, D.C. (W. W. Atwood, Natl. Research Council-Natl. Acad. of Sciences, Washington, D.C.)

28-2. Electrochemical Soc., semianual, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. (R. K. Shannon, 1860 Broadway, New York 23.)

29-1. Analytical Chemistry in Nuclear Reactor Technology, 2nd conf., Gatlinburg, Tenn. (C. D. Susano, Oak Ridge Natl. Lab., P.O. Box Y, Oak Ridge, Tenn.)

October

1-8. Speleology, 2nd intern. cong., Bari, Lecce, and Salerno, Italy. (F. Anelli, Castellana-Grotte (Bari), Italy.)

2-5. International Soc. of Audiology, 4th cong., Padua, Italy. (M. Arslan, 37, via Altinate, Padua.)

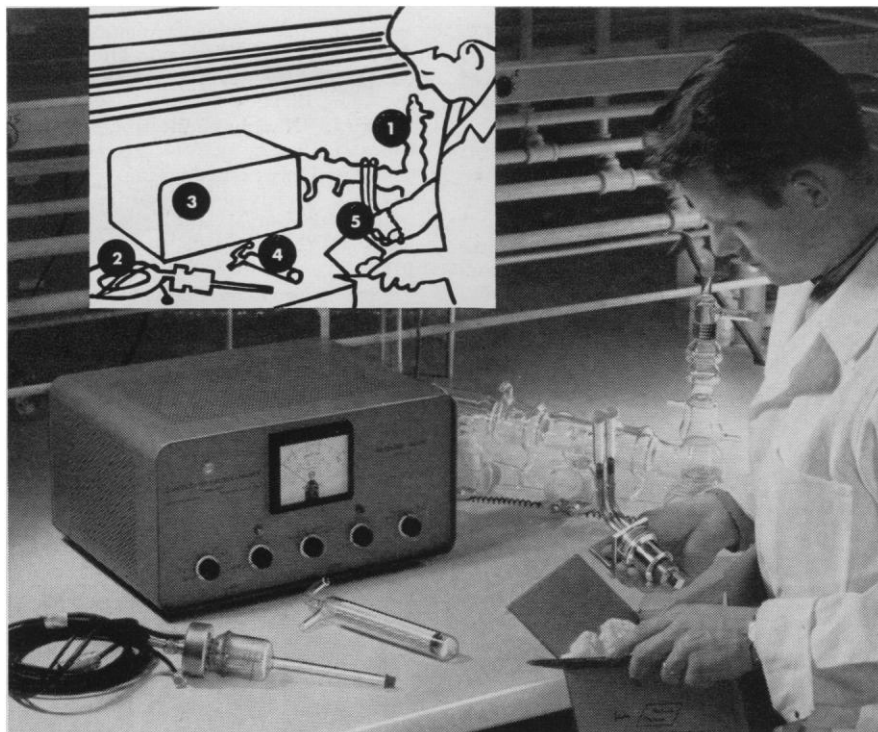
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4-8. Hydrology and Climatology, intern. cong., Lacco Ameno and Ischia, Italy. (Segreteria del Comitato Organizzatore, Congresso Internazionale di Idrologia e Climatologia, Viale Castrense, 9, Roma, Italia.)

4-13. International Federation of Agricultural Producers, 10th conf., Brussels, Belgium. (IFAP, 1624 Eye St., NW, Washington, D.C.)

5-8. American Inst. of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers, fall, Houston, Tex. (E. O. Kirkendall, AIME, 29 W. 39 St., New York 18.)

6-11. Electroencephalographic Study of the Higher Nervous Activity Processes in Animals and Man, colloquium (by invitation), Moscow, U.S.S.R. (Miss Mary A. B. Brazier, Massachusetts Neurophysio-



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7-9. International Soc. for the History of Pharmacy, cong., Venice, Italy. (A. F. Vitolo, Piazza Carrara 10, Pisa, Italy.)

8-12. Nutrition and Vital Substances, 4th intern. conv., Essen, Germany (Secretary General, Bemeroder Strasse 61, Hannover-Kirchrode, Germany.)

11-15. Salinity Problems in the Arid Zones, UNESCO symp., Tehran, Iran. (UNESCO, 19, avenue Kleber, Paris 16^e, France.)

12-17. American Acad. of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, Chicago, Ill. (W. L. Benedict, 100 First Ave. Bldg., Rochester, Minn.)

13-15. Association of American Medical Colleges, 69th annual, Philadelphia, Pa. (W. Darley, AAMC, 2530 Ridge Ave., Evanston, Ill.)

13-15. National Electronics Conf., Chicago, Ill. (L. W. Von Tersch, Michigan State Univ., East Lansing.)

13-16. Society of Exploration Geophysicists, 28th annual intern., San Antonio, Tex. (C. C. Campbell, Box 1536, Tulsa 1, Okla.)

13-17. American Soc. of Civil Engineers, annual conv., New York, N.Y. (W. H. Wisely, ASCE, 33 West 39 St., New York 18.)

19-22. Land and water, Soil Conservation Soc. of America, 13th annual,

Asheville, N.C. (H. W. Pritchard, executive secretary, 838 5th ave., Des Moines 14 Iowa.)

19-24. American Soc. of Anesthesiologists, Pittsburgh, Pa. (J. E. Remlinger, 802 Ashland Ave., Wilmette, Ill.)

19-26. Allergology, 3rd intern. cong., Paris, France. (S. M. Feinberg, Medical School, Ward Memorial Building, 303 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill.)

19-26. Medical Hydrology, 21st intern. cong., Madrid, Spain. (Dr. Francon, 55, rue des Mathurins, Paris 8^e, France.)

20-23. American Acad. of Pediatrics, Chicago, Ill. (E. H. Christopherson, 1801 Hinman Ave., Evanston, Ill.)

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

22-24. Aviation Medicine, 4th annual symp., Santa Monica, Calif. (T. H. Sternberg, UCLA Medical Center, Los Angeles 24, Calif.)

22-26. American Soc. for the Study of Arteriosclerosis, annual, San Francisco, Calif. (O. J. Pollak, P.O. Box 228, Dover, Del.)

23-25. National Soc. of Professional Engineers, San Francisco, Calif. (K. E. Trombley, NSPE, 2029 K St., NE, Washington 6.)

23-25. Rocket Technology and Astronautics, intern., Essen, Germany. (Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Raketentechnik und Raunfahrt, e.v., Neunsteinerstrasse 19, Stuttgart, Zuffenhausen.)

24-25. International Conference on the Insulin Treatment in Psychiatry, New York, N. Y. (M. Rinkel, 479 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass.)

24-25. Taxonomic Consequences of Man's Activities, symp., Mexico, D. F. (H. C. Cutler, Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis.)

24-28. American Heart Assoc., San Francisco, Calif. (J. D. Brundage, 44 E. 23 St., New York 10.)

27-28. Plant Physiology, 9th annual research cong., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. (D. T. Coupland, Plant Ecology College of Agriculture, Univ. of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.)

27-29. Radio, Institute of Radio Engineers, fall meeting, Rochester, N.Y. (V. M. Graham, EIA, 11 W. 42 St., N.Y.)

27-31. American Inst. of Electrical Engineers, fall general, Pittsburgh, Pa. (N. S. Hibshman, AIEE, 33 W. 39 St., New York 18.)

27-31. American Public Health Assoc., St. Louis, Mo. (B. F. Mattison, 1790 Broadway, New York 19.)

27-31. Vertebrate Speciation Conf., Univ. of Texas, Austin. (W. F. Blair, Dept. of Zoology, Univ. of Texas, Austin 12.)

27-1. Mental Health, 3rd Latin American cong., Lima, Peru. (B. Caravedo, Comité Peruano Organizador, III Congreso Latinoamericano pro Salud Mental, Avenida del Golf 1040, San Isidro, Lima.)

30-31. Plastics, intern. symp., Philadelphia, Pa. (ASTM, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia 3.)

30-1. American Assoc. of Textile Chemists and Colorists, 37th natl. conv., Chicago, Ill. (J. G. Kelley, E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Inc., 7 South Dearborn St., Chicago 3.)

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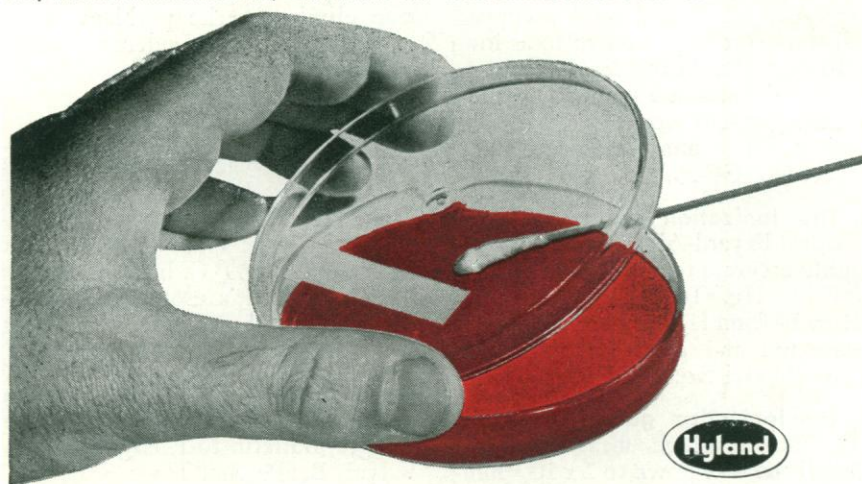
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