16-19. American Assoc. of Petroleum Geologists, Soc. of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists, 44th annual, Dallas, Tex. (W. A. Waldschmidt, AAPG, 311 Leggett Building, Midland, Tex.)

16-20. American Inst. of Chemical Engineers, Atlantic City, N.J. (F. J. Van Antwerpen, AICE, 25 W. 45 St., New York 36.)

16-20. National Assoc. of Corrosion Engineers, 15th annual conf., Chicago, Ill. (NACE, Southern Standard Bldg., Houston, Tex.)

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16-20. Western Metal Exposition and Cong., 11th, Los Angeles, Calif. (R. T. Bayless, 7301 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.)

17-19. National Health Council, Chicago, Ill. (P. E. Ryan, 1790 Broadway, New York, 19.)

18-25. International Social Science Council, 4th general assembly (by invitation), Paris. France. (C. Levi-Strauss, Secretary-General, International Social Science Council 19. avenue Kleber. Paris.)

19-21. Society for Research in Child Development, NIH, Bethesda, Md. (Miss N. Bayley, Laboratory of Psychology, National Inst. of Mental Health, Bethesda 14, Md.)

23-26. Institute of Radio Engineers, natl. conv.. New York, N.Y. (G. L. Haller, IRE, 1 E. 79 St., New York 21.)

24-27. American Meteorological Soc., general, Chicago, Ill. (K. C. Spengler, AMS, 3 Joy Street, Boston, Mass.)

27-28. Michigan Acad. of Sciences, East Lansing. (D. A. Rings, Univ. of Michigan, Dept. of Engineering, Ann Arbor.)

28. South Carolina Acad. of Sciences, Columbia. (H. W. Freeman, Dept. of Biology, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S.C.)

29-3. Latin American Congress of Chemistry, 7th, Mexico D.F., Mexico. (R. I. Frisbie, Calle Ciprès No. 176, Zone 4, Mexico, D.F.)

30-1. American Orthopsychiatric Assoc., San Francisco, Calif. (M. F. Langer, 1790 Broadway, New York 19.)

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31-2. American Power Conf., 21st annual, Chicago, Ill. (N. S. Hibshman, AIEE, 33 W. 39 St., New York 18.)

31-2. Symposium on Millimeter Waves, 9th, New York, N.Y. (H. J. Carlin, Microwave Research Inst., 55 Johnson St., Brooklyn 1, N.Y.)

31-5. International Committee of Military Medicine and Pharmacy, 21st session, Paris, France. (Comité International de Médecine et de Pharmacie Militaires, Hôpital Militaire, 79, rue Saint Laurent, Liège, Belgium.)

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1-3. American Assoc. of Anatomists, Seattle, Wash. (B. Flexner, Univ. of Pennsylvania Medical School, Philadelphia 4, Pa.)

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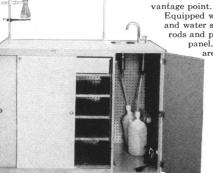


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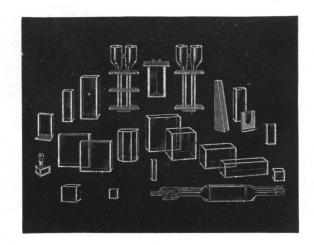
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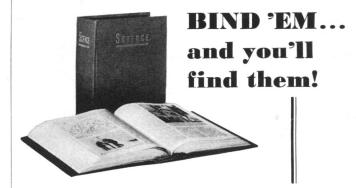
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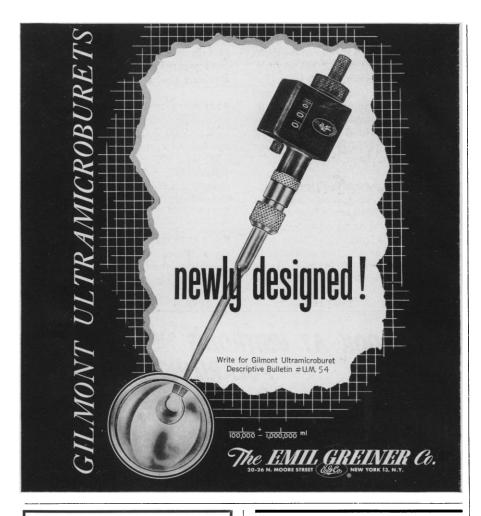
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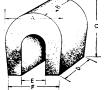


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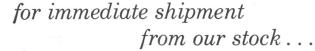
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