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28-5. American College of Allergists, Miami Beach, Fla. (E. Bauers, 2160 Rand Tower, Minneapolis 2, Minn.)

29-3. American College of Surgeons, Boston, Mass. (H. P. Saunders, 40 E. Erie St., Chicago, Ill.)

29-4. Pittsburgh Conf. on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy, Pittsburgh, Pa. (L. P. Melnich, U.S. Steel Corp., Monroeville, Pa.)

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3-5. American Acad. of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, Ill. (W. J. R. Camp, AAFS, 1853 W. Polk St., Chicago 12.)

4-6. National Wildlife Federation, Dallas, Tex. (C. H. Callison, 232 Carroll St., NW, Washington 12.)

6-13. American Otorhinologic Soc. for Plastic Surgery, Miami Beach, Fla. (J. G. Gilbert, 75 Barberry Lane, Roslyn Heights, N.Y.)

7-9. Wildlife Management Inst., Dallas, Tex. (C. R. Gutermuth, 709 Wire Bldg., Washington 5.)

7-11. American Soc. of Civil Engineers, New Orleans, La. (E. S. Kirkpatrick, ASCE, 33 W. 39 St., New York 18.)

10. Recent Developments in Poultry Nutrition (Assoc. of Vitamin Chemists), Chicago, Ill. (J. T. Sime, Director of Research, Evaporated Milk Assoc., 228 N. La Salle St., Chicago 1.)

13-14. American Otological Soc., Miami Beach, Fla. (L. R. Boies, University Hospital, Minneapolis 14.)

14-16. American Railway Engineering Assoc., annual conv., Chicago, Ill. (N. D. Howard, AREA, 59 E. Van Buren St., Chicago 5.)

14-17. Positive Health of Older People, forum, Miami Beach, Fla. (A. Mallach, National Health Council, 1790 Broadway, New York 19.)

15-16. American Broncho-Esophangological Assoc., Miami Beach, Fla. (F. J. Putney, 1712 Locust St., Philadelphia 3.)

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17. Congress for Pharmacists, 2nd annual, Jamaica, N.Y. (Congress for Pharmacists, Public Relations Office, St. John's Univ., Jamaica 32.)

17-19. American Radium Soc., conf., San Juan, Puerto Rico. (ARS, 635 East Union, Pasadena, Calif.)

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17-20. International Assoc. for Dental Research, Chicago, Ill. (D. Y. Burrill, Northwestern Univ. Dental School, 311 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago 11.)

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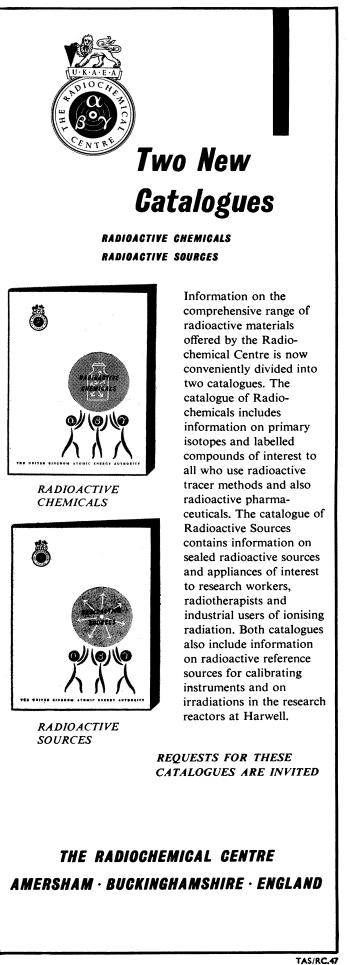
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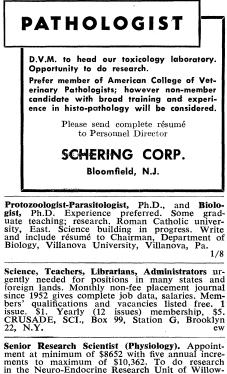
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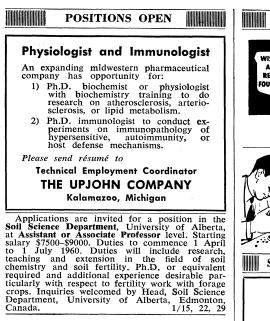
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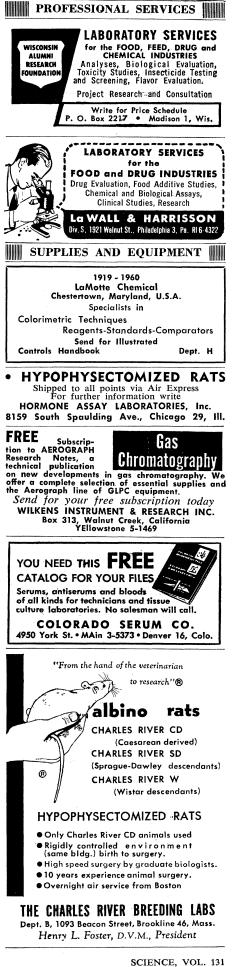
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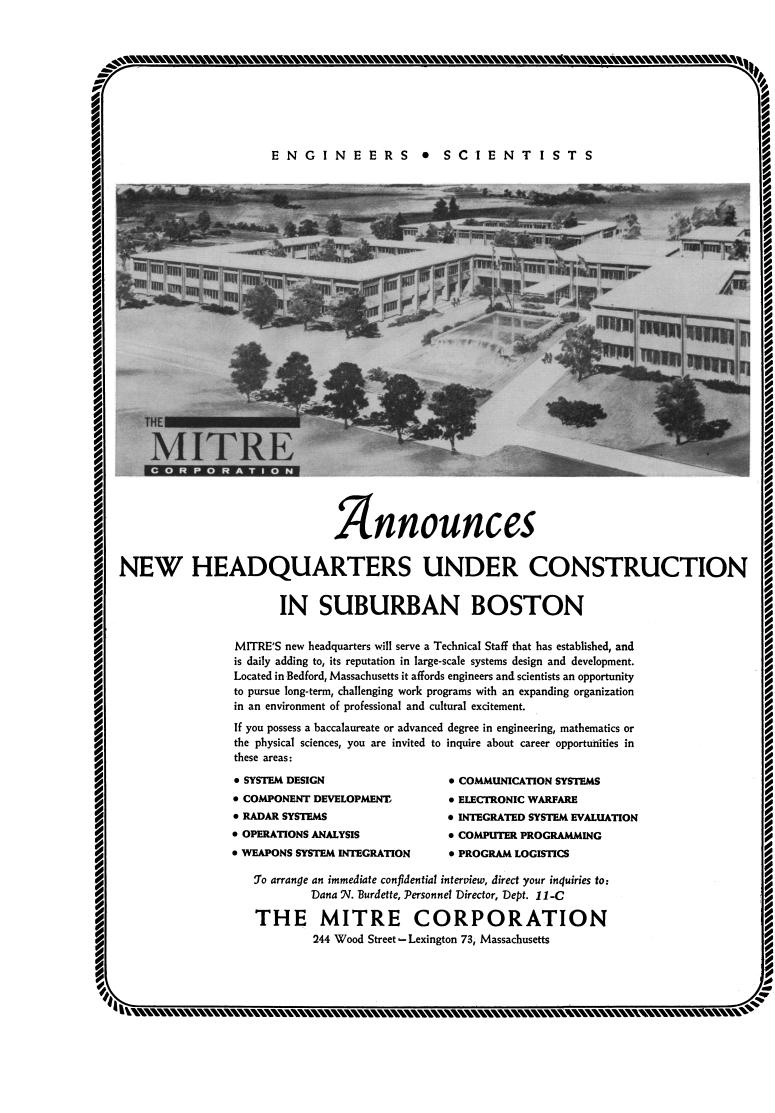
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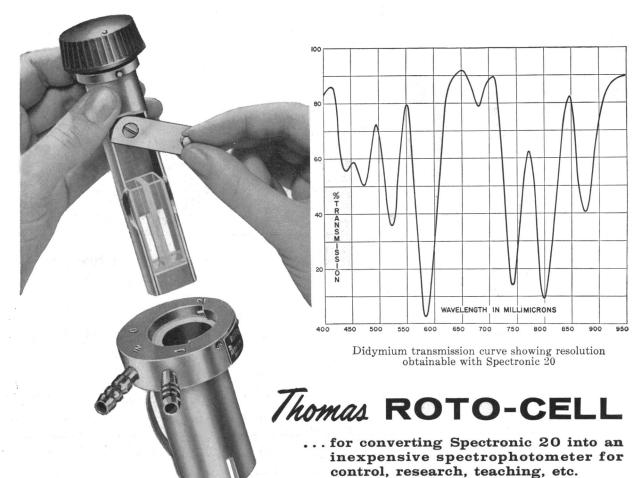
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