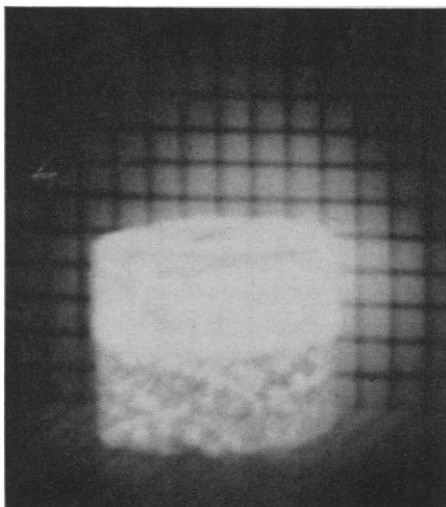


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sure is not part of the goal of the Society for Social Responsibility in Science.

With regard to item 5 (page 72) "How can scientists best meet their social responsibilities?" the authors of the report suggest "discussion among scientists." It is hoped that the AAAS may arrange, at an annual meeting, a forum to discuss the several means to achieve this end. It seems to me that there is no single means, either presently known or probable in the near future. Instead, a number of means will have to be utilized simultaneously. Such means include education of the public with regard to social issues; they include work with the legislature; they include, also, the personal commitment mentioned above.

Finally, with regard to the code of ethics mentioned in item 6, I recognize that there are scientists in several fields who put great emphasis on such a code. This is not the place to debate the usefulness of such codes per se; rather, I would enter a plea that if such a code is developed it should state clearly its basis: Does it deal only with what one might call the "production" end—namely, truthfulness, honesty, and so on in developing scientific insights—or does it deal also with the "consumption" end—the application of science to technological ends and to humanity in general?

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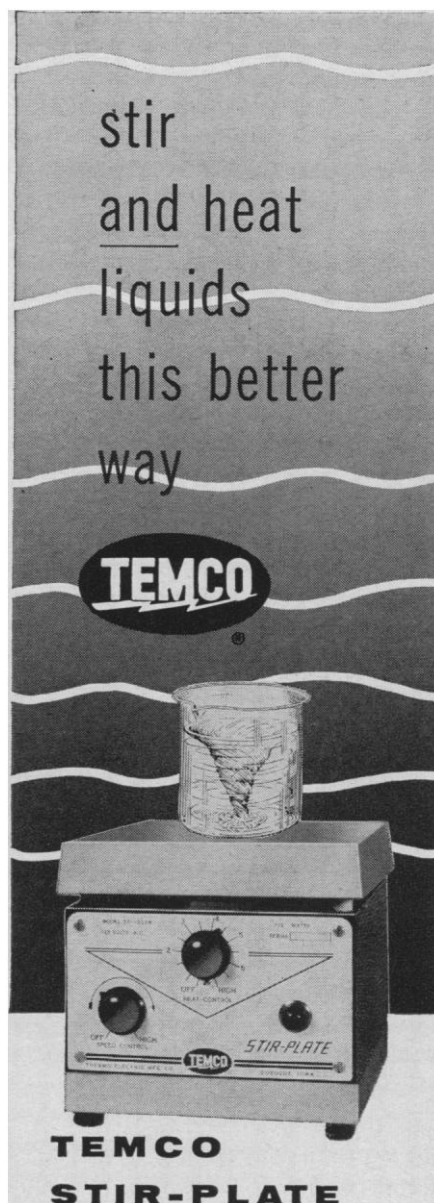
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As editor of *American Men of Science*, I would like to call to the attention of the readers of *Science* the confusion caused by the titles which have been adopted by others in the biographical publishing field.

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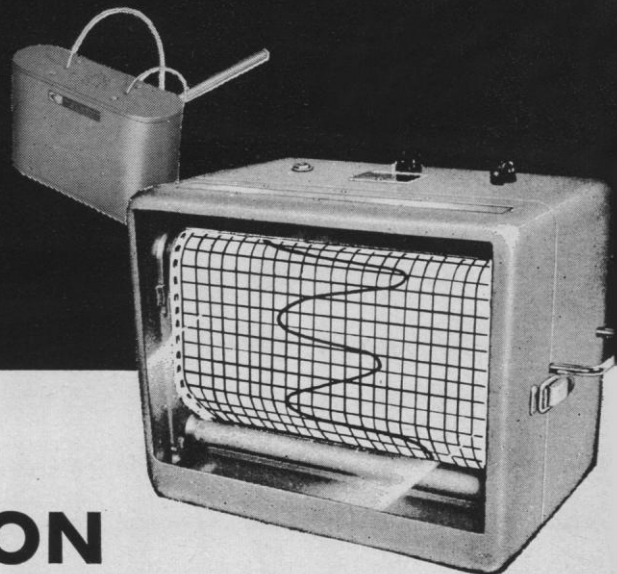
Open Literature

An article in the Russian newspaper *Ekonomicheskaya gazeta* (Economic Gazette) of 24 August 1960 shows that an influential part of Soviet public opinion desires now a stricter control over the Russian technical press in order to prevent publication of data that may benefit the government of the United States or industry in this country. This newspaper is published by the central committee of the Communist party, and it may be assumed that nothing would appear there which is contrary to the prevailing views of the leaders of the Communist party.

After referring to the Francis Powers case and citing a number of cases of Soviet engineers who carelessly talked to American and other spies and unwittingly revealed various secrets, the article, entitled "Guard closely the State's secrets," continues, "Many valuable secret information items find their way abroad also through our scientific-technical journals and [other] publications. The American political expert, Harry H. Ransom, the author of the book *Central Intelligence and National Security*, published by Harvard University Press, touches upon the methods of openly collecting information and writes, 'The U.S., in attempting to obtain important information from behind the Iron Curtain, does not rely completely or even principally upon secret operations. They utilize open information pertaining to achievements of Soviet science and technology which appears in the Soviet press.' A case of a secret apparatus described in an article by the chief engineer of a plant manufacturing radio appliances is then quoted; also given is the case of a chemist who described a method of preparation of a chemical element in high purity, after which, a year later, an American manufacturer visiting the U.S.S.R. thanked Soviet specialists for revealing their method which helped in the development of an economical process for the same purpose in the U.S.A.

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