

8-11. American Electroencephalographic Soc., Atlantic City, N.J. (G. A. Ulett, Malcolm Bliss Mental Health Center, 1420 Grattan, St. Louis 4, Mo.)

8-18. International Organization for Standardization, general assembly (members only), Finland. (American Standards Association, 70 East 45 St., New York 17)

9-11. Society of Biological Psychiatry, Atlantic City, N.J. (G. N. Thompson, 2010 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 57, Calif.)

9-17. European Convention of Chemical Engineering, Frankfurt, Germany. (DECHEMA, Postfach No. 7746, Frankfurt/Main 7)

11-15. American Soc. of Mechanical Engineers, summer annual, Los Angeles, Calif. (O. B. Schier II, 29 W. 39 St., New York 18)

12-13. Radio Frequency Interference, 3rd natl. symp., Washington, D.C. (E. F. Mischler, National Engineering Service, Washington, D.C.)

12-14. American Dairy Science Assoc., Madison, Wis. (H. F. Judkins, 32 Ridgeway Circle, White Plains, N.Y.)

12-14. American Neurological Assoc., Atlantic City, N.J. (M. D. Yahr, Neurological Inst., 710 W. 168 St., New York 32)

12-14. Society for the Study of Development and Growth, regeneration symp., Williamstown, Mass. (A. C. Braun, Rockefeller Inst., New York 21)

12-15. Nature of the Real, conf., Milwaukee, Wis. (E. D. Simmons, Dept. of Philosophy, Marquette Univ., Milwaukee 3)

12-15. Physics of Electronic and Atomic Collisions, intern. conf., Boulder, Colo. (B. Bederson, Physics Dept., New York Univ., New York 53)

12-16. Association of Official Seed Analysts, Richmond, Va. (D. D. Forsyth, Agronomy Building, Madison 6, Wis.)

12-16. Molecular Structure and Spectroscopy, symp., Columbus, Ohio. (R. A. Oetjen, Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, Ohio State Univ., Columbus 10)

12-18. European Assoc. for Animal Production, 8th intern. cong., Hamburg, Germany. (European Assoc. for Animal Production, Via Barnaba Oriana 28, Rome, Italy)

12-24. European Inst. of Scientific Studies for the Prevention and Treatment of Alcoholism, Amsterdam, Netherlands. (D. Ehlbeck, Intern. Bureau against Alcoholism, Case Gare 49, Lausanne, Switzerland)

12-29. Statistical Quality Control Intensive Courses for the Chemical and Processing Industries, 18th annual, Rochester, N.Y. (H. M. Kentner, Extended Services Div., Rochester Inst. of Technology, Rochester 8)

13-14. Product Engineering and Production, 5th natl. conf., Philadelphia, Pa. (P. J. Riley, R.C.A., Building 10-6, Camden 2, N.J.)

13-16. Gas Chromatography Symp., 3rd biennial, East Lansing, Mich. (J. E. Callen, Procter and Gamble Co., Miami Valley Laboratories, P.O. Box 175, Cincinnati 39, Ohio)

13-16. Institute of Aerospace Sciences and American Rocket Soc., Los Angeles,

Calif. (Inst. of Aerospace Sciences, 2 E. 64 St., New York 21)

13-18. Nuclear Congress, 6th, Rome, Italy. (Ufficio Stampa e Relazioni Pubbliche-CNEN, Via Belisario 15, Rome)

14-16. Applied Mechanics Conf., Chicago, Ill. (American Soc. of Mechanical Engineers, Meetings Dept., 29 W. 39 St., New York 18)

14-16. Semiconducting Compounds, conf., Schenectady, N.Y. (W. W. Tyler, General Electric Research Laboratory, Schenectady)

14-16. Theory of Weak and Strong Interactions, conf., La Jolla, Calif. (T. A. Manar, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla)

14-17. American Assoc. of Bioanalysts, Dallas, Tex. (L. D. Hertert, 490 Post St., Room 1049, San Francisco 2, Calif.)

16-17. Meteoritical Soc., Nantucket, Mass. (G. L. Rowland, Long Beach City College, Long Beach 8, Calif.)

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19-21. American Soc. of Pharmacognosy, annual summer meeting, Houston, Tex. (R. S. Westby, Eli Lilly and Co., 740 S. Alabama St., Indianapolis 6, Ind.)

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22-26. American College of Chest Physicians, New York, N.Y. (M. Kornfeld, 112 E. Chestnut St., Chicago 11, Ill.)

23-25. American College of Angiology, 7th annual, New York, N.Y. (A. Halpern, Secretary, 11 Hampton Court, Great Neck, N.Y.)

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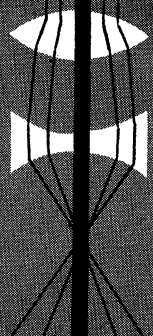
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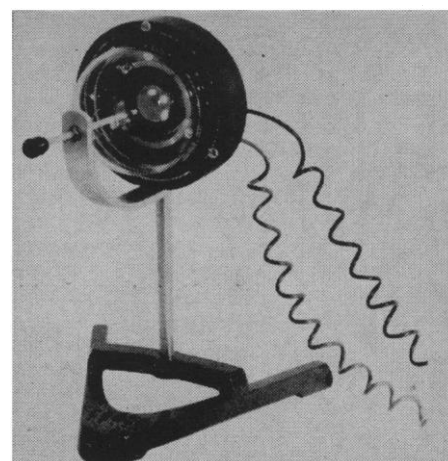


Fig. 1. Alpha particle counter.

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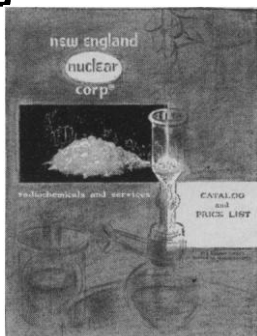
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