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tribution of valuable property. On a variety of scales, from city versus suburbs to this region of the country versus that region, the children are one place and the money is another. (ii) The property tax is very regressive. According to testimony by the National Education Association in support of federal aid to education, "this tax hits incomes under \$2000 almost three times as hard, percentagewise, as it does the incomes of \$15,000 and over."

I am not pretending that these arguments are original. As Vause says, the views expressed in the editorial are "widely publicized." I am merely suggesting that these views, if well known, have also been well defended.—J.T.

Satellite Orbits

I. I. Shapiro and H. M. Jones, of the Lincoln Laboratories, and R. W. Parkinson, their collaborator, now at Aeronutronics Inc., have raised the question of priority with respect to the publication of calculations on the effect of radiation pressure on satellite orbits.

I am more than pleased to put on record the fact that our interest in this subject was stimulated by reports of the work of Shapiro, Parkinson, and Jones, which they subsequently published [*Science* 131, 920 (1960)]. These reports led me to suggest to Peter Musen of our division that he might undertake an investigation of this same problem. As a result of my suggestion Musen developed an independent theory of the effect of radiation pressure on satellite orbits, which he and his collaborators applied shortly thereafter to the orbit of the Vanguard satellite [Musen, Bryant, and Bailie, *Science* 131, 935 (1960)], demonstrating that the discrepancy between theory and observation for the Vanguard orbit was removed by the allowance for this effect.

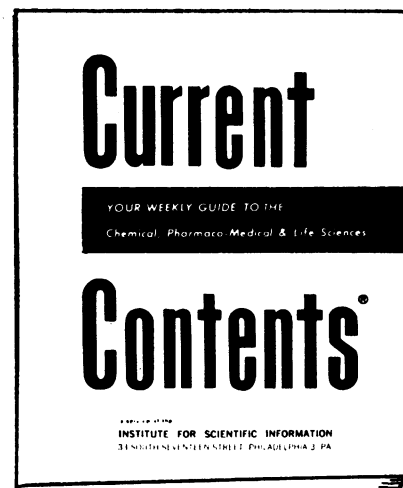
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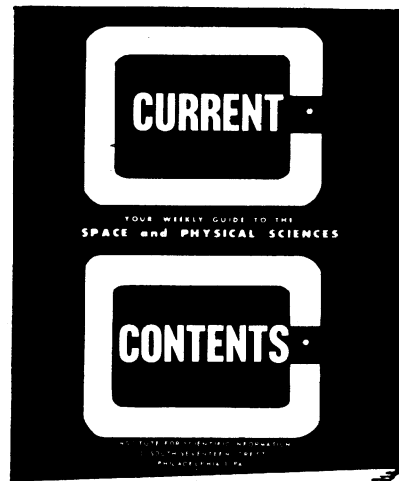
Aims of a Scientists' Association

Theodore C. Kahn's letter of resignation and protest [*Science* 133, 656 (3 Mar. 1961)] will undoubtedly bring many responses. I think that I am with the majority of members of the AAAS in believing that our association is not

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