

ly to temperatures near 100°F. If this process is properly carried out, the animals die with no signs of distress, but the process carries no automatic safeguard against misapplication and ranks as another cooking art which must be executed with finesse. No valid physiological objections have been raised to this method of killing crustaceans, and it should be employed by those people who assume that lower animals feel pain and who are revolted by their violent reactions to boiling water.

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Studies of the Cuna Religion

Those who witnessed the "burning" of myself and my book *Apples of Immortality from the Cuna Tree of Life* [*Science* **134**, 278 (1961)] will wonder why Stout wasted 73 lines of type rather than tell the editor that my little 68-page essay was so bad that it did not merit review. Possibly Stout was defending his 5 months' San Blas study (1940-41) against my eight trips to the Cuna tribe from 1950 to 1959.

Stout failed to mention that *Apples of Immortality* was merely a postscript to a 352-page study of the Cuna religion as compared with other primitive religions of the world, called *Secrets of the Cuna Earthmother*, in which striking parallels of sacred symbol, belief, and ritual are discussed.

There are those who do not take Stout's dim view of these studies.

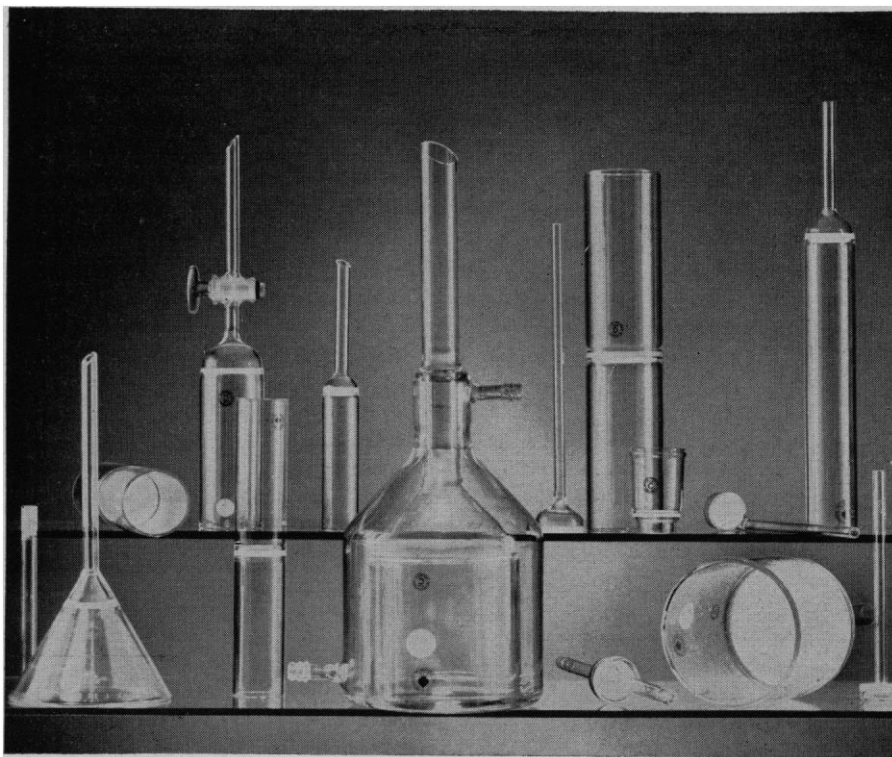
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Support for Medical Research

While I appreciated the lively journalistic style of Robert Toth in "Science and the news" [*Science* **134**, 822 (22 Sept. 1961)], the news item relative to the appropriations for the National Institutes of Health is so obviously slanted that I cannot help but feel it will give a false impression of the attitude of scientists in general toward the attempted solution of problems of illness.

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