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## Postal Censorship

Only a year ago, on 17 March 1961, President Kennedy brought to a stop the interception of mail deemed to be foreign political propaganda by the Post Office and the Bureau of Customs. The practice, which was of dubious legality [Science 133, 549 (24 Feb. 1961)], interfered with the free movement of printed matter, including much that by no stretch of the nonbureaucratic imagination could be classified as political propaganda. As a consequence of the lifting of restrictions, research scholars and scientists as well as other citizens have been able to find out, without hindrance, what the iron curtain countries are up to.

The fears of some that the removal of restrictions would open the floodgates to Communist propaganda have not been realized. Actually, the flow has dropped off: the number of printed pieces of mail received in New York from Communist countries, which averaged 1.3 million per month in 1960, has averaged only 865,000 since March 1961.

But those who lack confidence in the good sense and patriotism of our citizens are always ready to shield us from knowledge. In January the House of Representatives passed the massive Postage Revision Act of 1962 (H.R. 7927), designed to bring in enough revenue to reduce the annual postal deficit from a projected \$875 million to about \$350 million. This is a laudable aim, but, as happens all too often, a good bill carries a bad amendment. If this "Cunningham Amendment" is retained, disruption in the delivery of foreign mail could be much greater than at any time in the past, and even material of domestic origin could be declared nonmailable. The amendment would prohibit the Post Office from the "handling, transportation, or delivery of mail matter determined by the Attorney General to be Communist Political Propaganda financed or sponsored directly or indirectly by any communist controlled government." Political propaganda is defined in the Foreign Agents Registration Act as any communication which is "reasonably adapted to . . . influence a recipient with reference to the political or public interest, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party or with reference to the foreign policies of the United States." Under this definition surely Soviet newspapers and many scholarly and scientific journals would be barred from the mails. A recent study of 19,000 pages of Soviet scientific journals showed that although political propaganda constituted less than 1 percent of the total, it was scattered throughout. It could not be readily eliminated without eliminating the scientific content or delaying its publication. If the amendment should pass, such material could not be mailed within the United States from one scientist or library to another.

In the House, Representatives John V. Lindsay and William F. Ryan raised their voices against the amendment, which was carried by a vote of 127 to 2. There were no hearings in the House, but in the Senate, where the amended bill is in the hands of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, hearings are now being held, and the opposition will have a chance to speak out. Hearings on the amendment itself will be held within the next few weeks, at a time still to be set. The American Council on Education is among the groups that will testify against the amendment, and it will probably be joined by the Post Office, the State Department, the Department of Justice, and the U.S. Information Agency. Let us hope their testimony may be effective.-G.DuS.



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2-6 July. Small bodies and particles in space: (speakers to be announced), "Origin and development of meteorites"; "Anomalous isotopic compositions of meteorites"; "Cosmic ray exposure ages of meteorites"; "Tritium in solar cosmic rays"; "Element abundances in meteorites and stars"; "Experimental studies of hypervelocity impacts"; "Shock propagation in solids"; "Shock transformations of minerals"; "Results of the Ranger lunar experiments (if successful)"; "Nature of particles in comet tails"; "The zodiacal light"; "The Gegenschien"; "Measurements of interplanetary dust particles with satellites"; "Examination of interplanetary dust collected from high altitudes"; "Space erosion by dust particles"; "Properties of interstellar grains"; "Formation of  $H_2$  on interstellar grain surfaces"; "Diffuse interstellar lines and their interpretation."

### Theoretical Chemistry----Molecular Quantum Mechanics

### Harrison Shull, chairman

9 July. C. C. J. Roothaan, "Self-consistent calculations on atoms and molecules." (Frank Harris, *discussion leader*.) F. O. Ellison and Robert K.



Nesbet, "Qualitative applications of quantitative calculations: population analyses and the magic formula." (Robert S. Mulliken, *discussion leader*.)

10 July. Frank Harris and William T. Simpson, "Configuration interaction calculations on atoms and small molecules." (S. Hagstrom, *discussion leader.*) H. E. Zimmerman and L. C. Allen, "Applications of quantum mechanical calculations to organic chemistry." (L. C. Snyder, *discussion leader.*)

11 July. Robert G. Parr and Oktay Sinanoglu, "Pair functions and density matrices." (F. A. Matsen, *discussion leader*.) Thomas L. Allen, "Non-bonded atom-atom interactions." (Discussion leader to be announced.)

12 July. Martin Karplus and H. F. Hameka, "Hyperfine and external field interactions: theory and small molecules." (John A. Pople, discussion leader.) L. C. Snyder and G. G. Hall, "Hyperfine and external field interactions: larger systems." (Martin Karplus, discussion leader.)

13 July. Speaker to be announced, "Experimental areas inviting theoretical work." (Discussion leader to be announced.)

## **Organic Coatings**

Raymond R. Myers, chairman Harold Jaffe, vice chairman

16 July. Physical chemistry of polymerization: Lester C. Case, "Theoretical considerations in condensation polymerizations"; Myron J. Holm, "A lightinduced polymerization occurring in the crystalline phase"; William Burlant, "Ionizing radiation and organic polymers."

17 July. Film-forming systems: John Gibbons, "Methyl glucoside in coatings resins"; Harold Jaffe, "Latex design from theoretical considerations"; James Evans, "The use of starch in the coatings industry."

18 July. Characterization of coatings: Walter K. Asbeck, "Coatings adhesion by knife cutting methods"; E. Jack Kahler, "Magnetic resonance studies of coatings."

19 July. Characterization of coatings (continued): Clara D. Smith and John K. Wise, "The application of special techniques of infrared spectroscopy to coatings problems"; Valeria Artel, "Solvent selection for maximum concinnity in coatings."

20 July. Characterization of coatings (continued): Allen L. Alexander and Robert B. Fox, "The effect of the aerospace environment on organic films."



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used in any given definition. To elaborate further, even the coincidental distribution of any given cultural trait with any given "racial" unit (assuming that such parallel distributions do, in fact, exist and that both trait and unit are independently, not tautologically, defined) does not convert the cultural trait into a "racial" trait; the coincidental distribution remains just that, a *coincidence*, explainable on historical, not biological, grounds.

Human culture has, since the emer-

gence of, at least, *Homo sapiens*, been proved to be a specific, and not in any way, shape, or form, a subspecific—that is, "racial"—phenomenon. The irrelevance of "racial" distinctions to cultural learning and invention is readily established by the familiar and often repeated evidence of culture history.

We do not require the opinions of experts in the biological sciences to make the case *more* definitively for us. The expert most qualified to speak in this matter is the competent cultural



anthropologist, precisely because he deals with the origin and growth of cultural behavior and with the cultural interaction of human groups. Once this plain fact is accepted in the scientific community at large—and it is high time that it was—geneticists and other biological specialists will no longer have to waste their time on this unrewarding problem, and contemporary cultural anthropologists can stop apologizing for the certainty that they have long had concerning the cultural indivisibility of the human species.

2) It is perhaps unfortunate, although understandably conceived as a riposte to recent racist utterances, that the resolution passed by the American Anthropological Association used adaptation to modern technological society and our way of life as an implicit evaluative principle, thus inadvertently giving the impression that adaptation to nonliterate cultures is somehow less demanding. Yet a number of anthropologists, myself included, would argue that the individual engages more complexly and more directly in a fuller round of cultural activities in many nonliterate societies than is characteristically the case among ourselves. That is to say, the factor of culture shock aside, a Hottentot would probably experience less difficulty running an elevator in Des Moines than a professor of English would experience in attempting to live with the Hottentots in the Kalahari Desert. No matter what view one takes, however, the "racial" argument remains fallacious.

3) The attitudes and opinions of men like Putnam and George were aired by Margolis beyond the bounds of scientific propriety, objective necessity, or plain good taste. The result was to inflate the significance of what Putnam, and those of similar persuasion, such as Gates or Garrett, have to say. Why should *Science* lean over backwards so far on this issue—if that, indeed, was Margolis's intention?

4) The present spurt of pseudoscientific racism must be viewed as a cultural phenomenon and not as a significant scientific reconsideration of evidence. Let us recall that, domestically, the integration of all "racial" and religious groups seems to be entering a penultimate phase. Internationally, the "emergence" of colored peoples from colonial and quasi-colonial controls is the most dramatic fact of our time. It has often been predicted, with a certain historical justification, that one response



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of our society to these phenomena will be a panicky racism. The effusions of men like Putnam and, I am sad to say, the effect of such ambiguous articles as that of Margolis help fulfill that prophecy.

May I conclude by stating that an anthropologist today finds it almost embarrassing to have to repeat the most elementary findings of his discipline before sophisticated audiences.

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Margolis's report on "science and segregation" places anthropology in an ugly position regarding racism and American constitutional guarantees, as interpreted by the Supreme Court, in saying that "the scientist speaking on a subject with unavoidable political implications has no comfortable way out . . ." I answer as an individual anthropologist but doubt that any of my colleagues will dispute me.

Margolis discusses two matters which should be wholly separated, even though the American Anthropological Association resolution did not separate them: (i) the political and ethical issue; (ii) the scientific problem.

Our constitution has political and ethical meaning. It is not a scientific document. The Supreme Court may interpret its intent as according Negroes, Jews, the Irish, Puerto Ricans, or other groups equal rights without even considering whether any of these is inferior or superior by any standard. If political rights were accorded on a genetic basis, it is obvious that every individual would have to be examined personally.

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society to permanently inferior status. In view of the neo-eugenics, members of the self-styled master race should take heed lest many of them, too, be found wanting. JULIAN H. STEWARD Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois, Urbana

sponsible statements are opening the door for racists, who would breed an elite and relegate major segments of

Allow me to correct what I believe to be some misleading remarks in the article by Margolis. This article deals with a meeting of the American Anthropological Association in Philadelphia in November at which a resolution was passed "repudiating statements . . . that Negroes are biologically and in innate mental ability inferior to whites." The article also deals with a press conference called by me on 1 December, in which I challenged this resolution specifically and exclusively as to the clause just quoted.

I would like to speak first of the sentence in which Margolis says: "The difficulty the anthropologists faced was the political problem that any recognition that there might be racial differences would be used by racists to support their own side, as is done, for instance, by Putnam, with quotations from authors who think the racist view is preposterous but agree that racial differences probably exist."

It struck me that many people reading this sentence might be led to the conclusion that I have misrepresented the position of some author or authors. Therefore, I called Margolis on the telephone and asked him to name the authors he had in mind. He replied by citing my quotation from Clyde Kluckhohn in Race and Reason, page 51, footnote 6. This footnote occurs after a passage (see also pp. 24, 26, and 111) which classifies Kluckhohn as an equalitarian throughout the greater part of his career and makes no claim whatever that he shared my views. The footnote then reads as follows:

In fairness to the memory of the late Clyde Kluckhohn, I should note here that in a review in *The American Anthropolo*gist in December 1959 (Vol. 61, No. 6) of a book by Walter Goldschmidt, Kluckhohn reversed himself and stated that racial equality in intellect could no longer be assumed. Professor Kluckhohn's words were: "In the light of accumulating information as to significantly varying incidence of mapped genes among different peoples, it seems unwise to assume flatly that 'man's

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It was Margolis's contention that differences implied by Kluckhohn's statement were not necessarily differences involving inequalities of intellect. He suggested, as an example, that they might involve music. For my part I am willing to leave it to the judgment of any reasonable man whether or not references to "man's innate capacity" and to "potentialities for particular kinds of achievement" do not also in all probability include achievement involving intelligence, and whether or not differences in potentialities for intellectual achievement do not involve inequalities of intellect-in other words, superiority and inferiority in processes important to our Western civilization. Moreover, Kluckhohn's phrase "in the light of accumulating information" clearly suggests a progression or development in a direction away from a position formerly held.

Consequently I can see no grounds for the implication that I misrepresent Kluckhohn in footnote 6. I must also add that Margolis seems to me somewhat confused when he writes of "authors who think the racist view is preposterous but agree that racial differences probably exist." An author who thinks racial differences *in intellect* exist cannot think my view is preposterous unless he also believes that such innate intellectual differences will have no bearing upon the results of intermarriage, a view which would itself be preposterous.

Let me close with a brief reference to two other points in Margolis's article. He refers to the South as a region "where a scientist would presumably feel free to speak out without much fear of being ostracized, or of losing his chances for promotion . . ." I must advise Margolis that I have found that the academic world, South as well as North, is thoroughly infected with the equalitarian virus, and that professors in southern colleges and universities are almost as fearful of persecution as the others. The southern university and the northern-controlled southern newspaper are the advance guard of the equalitarian attack on the South.

Finally Margolis remarks that the great majority of scientists "regard George's views as hokum." I gravely



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question this. I have found that men may disagree with George but that his standing as a scientist is unimpeachable. To speak of George's views as hokum is as unwarranted as it would be for me to refer to the views of Herskovits and Dobzhansky as balderdash-in fact I am compelled to say it is less warranted. Moreover, the time is coming when the American people must rouse themselves to the deception in talking about "great majorities" and in taking ballots, secret or otherwise. Instead, let them examine the evidence. Let them begin to read the books of the equalitarian scientists and try to find their proof. It will be one of the most disillusioning experiences of our generation. I have warned the public that these scientists will try to hide behind the screen of numbers in order to mask the emptiness of their arguments, and I reiterate my assurances that the emptiness is real.

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I wish you might have brought out the fact that the question of racial differences, whatever the criteria of differentiation, is irrelevant to the question of segregation. The fact is that Negroes are citizens and for this reason deserve equal opportunity. I am not certain that integration is the necessary solution to the problem of equal opportunity, but since the Supreme Court has so decreed, so be it!

I would hope that the AAAS and perhaps the American Anthropological Association could help separate and isolate the question of racial differences from the problems of segregation.

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## Questionable Linguistics in "Bergey's Manual"

The system of nomenclature used in the current edition of *Bergey's Manual* of *Determinative Bacteriology* includes an innovation that can hardly escape the attention of readers having some knowledge of classic Greek. This is a procedure of transliterating Greek into Latin, described on pages 26 and 27 of the *Manual*. After spending some time evaluating the claim that this procedure is "probably the most readily understood" by the student, I must confess that I cannot see any such advantage.

Personally, I view handling of a classic language for purposes of expediency as an undesirable practice, partly because, far from helping the uninstructed, it usually adds to the confusion created by previous manipulations.

In this connection I should like to discuss a few typical cases, some of which are cited in the Manual in support of the new procedure. Let us take first the Greek noun theion (sulfur), which on page 27 is analyzed letter by letter and finally transliterated into thium. In paragraph 2 of that page (last sentence), it is stated that thi is the stem from which a great number of Latin names of taxa have been constructed, such as Thioploca, Thioderma, and Thiocystis. To the reader who knows little or nothing of Greek this would mean that the above names are composed as follows: thi-oploca, thioderma, thi-ocystis. The fact is that they are not so composed. The stem of these names is thio-, which represents the Greek noun theion, now spelled thion. Why would this factual explanation be less easily understood by the student than the elaborate procedure leading to the nonexistent word thium?

Let us consider another example. On page 48 it is stated that the name *Rhab*domonas derives from the Greek nouns *rhabdus* (rod) and monas (unit). This explanation confronts the uninstructed reader with the question of why the name is not *Rhabdmonas* or *Rhabdu*monas. If he were told that the name derives from the real Greek noun *rhabdos*, then he would have no problem.

Another interesting application of the new procedure is the suggestion regarding transliteration of lysodeikticus (p. 27). After a detailed analysis of this name, the Manual writer concluded that the correct transliteration would have been lysodicticus. Probably it escaped him that the Greek language includes, together with the adjective δεικτικος, the adjective  $\delta$ ηκτικος, pronounced the same but differing both in spelling and in meaning. The first, with  $\epsilon \iota$  (epsilon, iota), means "indicating," and the other, with  $\eta$  (eta), means "biting." Consequently, the transliteration of lysodeikticus to lysodicticus would have concealed the etymology of the name and, as a result, would have been incorrect. This ex-





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ample may serve to indicate the kind of pitfall one may step into in trying to force a sophisticated language like Greek into an artificial pattern.

Further, I notice that in certain cases in which the Greek noun could not be latinized, the genitive form of the noun has been changed, regardless of the confusion this entails. On page 262, for instance, we read that the family name Chlamydobacteriaciae derives from the Greek noun *chlamys*, *chlamydis* (cloak). In fact, this family name derives from the real genitive of this Greek noun, which is *chlamydos* hence *Chlamydo*-, and not *Chlamydi*bacteriaceae. The genitive form of the Greek nouns belonging to the third declension, such as *chlamys*, serves as the root of words derived from these nouns. Any change of the original genitive form, therefore, leads to confusion.

As a result of the procedure discussed here, the Greek nouns bios (life) and zoon (animal), from which derive many everyday English terms such as "biology," "biochemistry,"

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"zoology," and "protozoon," are deformed into bius and  $z\overline{o}um$ . The fallaciousness of the procedure could not be more clearly illustrated than in the case of the name *Peptostreptococcus* micros. On page 537, with reference to this name, the real Greek adjective micros (small) is explained as deriving from the made-up "Greek" adjective micrus.

In summary, the procedure of transliteration applied in the current edition of *Bergey's Manual* may be characterized as an arbitrary mass latinization of Greek words that puzzles the proficient and perplexes the uninstructed.

Fortunately, there is an easy way to remedy the situation, and that is reversion to the system applied in the preceding, 6th edition of the *Manual*. This is the system used in the standard English dictionaries.

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## **Electro-Magnetics of Matter**

Transistors and telescopes have a lot in common. Our modern culture depends heavily upon our use of myriads of gadgets-gadgets which often depend in turn upon the interaction of matter with electric or magnetic fields. It is my belief that our present educational arrangements leave a wide gap and do not adequately prepare our college graduates to deal with this situation. I intend to show that this gap can and should be filled, preferably and simply by giving deserved emphasis to a broad discipline which one may term the "electromagnetics of matter."

I submit that a proper function of an education is to prepare the student to enter his contemporary culture well prepared both to participate in and to develop it. Centuries ago it was sufficient, for example, to study history, philosophy, the arts, several "universal" scholarly languages such as Latin or Greek, and a smattering of mathematics, and the individual emerged rather well equipped to grapple with the then current culture. Since then, the times have witnessed large advances in the scientific areas of our culture. Therefore, a well-educated person must also possess at least a modicum of understanding of science to fit the modern culture. Similarly, the

present-day scientist or engineer needs to be well acquainted with the fundamentals of all presently useful branches of scientific knowledge. Since so great a number of our present-day machines, the substructure of our modern culture, depend upon the interaction of matter with electro-magnetic fields, it appears to me that we must not minimize that aspect of our education, at least in educating scientists and engineers.

The gadgets of our civilization which depend upon the interaction of matter with electric and magnetic fields are numerous. Consider the transistor, the resistor, semiconductors, photoconductors, insulators, crystal microphones, regular electric lights, fluorescent lights, neon lights, x-ray machines, magnets, large computers, thermocouples, electric wiring, electric motors, and telescopes, to name a few. The electrical and magnetic properties of our earth, the ionosphere, and the Van Allen belts are important in this age of space. Plasmas such as the ionosphere, the Van Allen belts, the sun, and the stars are of great importance in our dealings with nature. Diverse as all these are, there is an underlying interconnection, for all obey the laws of quantum mechanics and all are manifestations of the effects of electromagnetism upon matter. It would seem wasteful, educationally speaking, to treat each item as a separate, special case and to neglect our opportunity to unify our approach in trying to understand them.

Teaching the interaction of matter with electromagnetic fields as a unified discipline, at least as a 1-year course, seems to me to offer the following advantages.

1) It would give college students a well-rounded approach to current scientific and engineering problems dealing with materials and devices.

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now given, do for mathematics courses. If what has been said about the need for such a course seems reason-

able, then we should proceed to make such a unified presentation. There remains a problem as to just what to call such a course. I submit that an appreciable part of such teaching has been given for some years at various schools under the name of "dielectrics" courses. It therefore seems reasonable, although perhaps not entirely unobjectionable, to suggest that the name "electromagnetics of matter" be used for the broader unified discipline which includes the study of the interaction of matter with electric and magnetic fields. This would release the restrictions upon the study of dielectrics which previously held-restrictions which precluded study of the effects of other than "adiabatic" electrical polarization and dipolar influences. This release of the restrictions would be an advantage, for we now know that electronic processes such as conduction, incipient corona, avalanching, and ionization play major roles in real materials, roles that cannot be incorporated in the older, classical considerations.

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## **On Cause and Effect in Biology**

In the thoughtful article on cause and effect in biology [Science 134, 1501 (1961)], Ernst Mayr mentions some difficulties presented by the classical concept of final cause. He acknowledges that this concept was introduced by Aristotle in order to explain the goaldirected activities of organisms and to account for the over-all harmony of the world. However, the definition of final cause which Mayr quotes and seems to accept-namely, "the cause responsible for the orderly reaching of a preconceived ultimate goal"-is not easily harmonized with the letter of Aristotle or with his natural realism.

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attained by either natural or purposive agents and is something worth acting for-that is, something better than what was before the action took place. According to Aristotle, the cause at work for the orderly reaching of a goal is the efficient cause, not the final cause. In order to attain a goal regularly, not by accident, the efficient cause must be oriented toward the goal and act for it, but it need not have any knowledge of the goal. Man is the only natural being capable of acting for a preconceived goal which he understands as such and freely chooses to pursue. The activities most characteristic of man are purposive in this sense, but man performs many other activities which are naturally determined, not freely chosen, some of which require sense knowledge for direction to the goal, as in maintaining balance, while others, such as digestion, do not require knowledge of the goal.

Goal-directed action is more manifest and more marvelous in living organisms than in the chemical elements and compounds, but even these tend to preserve and protect themselves and to promote the general harmony of the world. Organisms are composed of elements and compounds united in a very complex and orderly system, and many of their goal-directed activities, as Mayr points out, have an analyzable physicochemical basis. However, it is by no means clear that physicochemical activity is purely mechanistic, and much less clear that the behavior of an organism is mechanistic. We understand machines better than organisms, and we know that a machine is not a natural unit but an artifact made from suitable but not specifically determined materials joined together by the maker working from without and aimed or directed to his goal. On the other hand, an organism is a natural and primary whole, not a mere aggregate, with complex but highly specific composition of parts joined and unified from within, and possessing an active nature by which it preserves and perfects itself and reproduces its kind. Mayr uses the word individual in such a broad sense that he includes both an organism and a machine, as if there were no essential differences, and then concludes that the purposiveness of the organism is purely mechanistic.

How organisms came to be as they are is a very interesting question. Mayr notes that the Aristotelians and their successors asked themselves what goaldirected process could have produced such a well-ordered design in nature.



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It is no secret that they interpreted the evidence as pointing ultimately to divine wisdom. Human art does not suffice to produce a natural thing, nor does any man know exactly how natural things are produced now, or how new species were produced in the past. We are gradually learning more about natural processes, as Mayr's article shows, but he does not enlighten us very much by appealing to natural selection and excluding "Nature" or "God," who created a superior design or plan. Evolutionary adaptation may not require a special divine intervention, but it does seem to require more than chance variation and fortuitous preservation of the fittest.

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Ernst Mayr emphasizes that the phenomena of development and evolution, which were always the domain of teleologic concepts, are actually "teleonomic." This term is supposed to cover purposiveness programmed by a preformed code of information contained in DNA. Since it seems that this code was formed simply by a long historic process of an interplay between chance events (in the form of mutations) and natural selection, the "purposiveness" programmed by this code and appearing on the level of an individual is purely mechanistic. In conformity with the opinion now prevailing among biologists that there is no evidence for "plan and design" in nature, Mayr rejects any form of Aristotelian teleology as it appeared in the nonscientific ideologies of vitalism and finalism of Driesch, Bergson, and Lecomte du Noüy.

Without entering into a discussion of the philosophical implications of this view, I would like to point out, from the sense of historical justice, that vitalism and finalism were not so unscientific as one is led to believe. When Driesch, Bergson, or Lecomte du Noüy spoke about entelechy, élan vital, or telefinalism, they wanted to designate by one word an unknown x that presides over biological processes, unable as they were to convince themselves that mechanistic physics is a sufficient basis for a biological theory. It was not realized at that time how well suited the language of information theory is to formulation of the problems of biology. Had, for instance, Driesch realized that, from the viewpoint of the

second law of thermodynamics, biological phenomena are distinguished by a high degree of improbability, and had he known that thermodynamics was to be made the backbone of information theory of virtue of Szilard's recognition of the correlation between information and entropy, he could then have spoken about "negative entropy" instead of "entelechy" and would thus have avoided being accused of autonomizing biology. Of course, even then Driesch would probably have spoken about entelechy, Bergson, about élan vital, and Lecomte du Noüy, about telefinalism simply to emphasize that the manner by which biological open systems increase their information content is largely unknown. These men would probably have pointed out that there must be some unknown factor involved in the processes of development and evolution, of the type postulated, for example, by Prigogine and Wiame [Experientia 2, 451 (1946)], which would come close to what they meant by those specific terms they chose for the unknown x. In any case, it was mainly because Driesch, Bergson, and Lecomte du Noüy were not dogmatists, because they looked upon the phenomena of life as something which can be gradually revealed in a never-ending inquiry rather than by a simple reduction to the physics of the day, that they subscribed to vitalism and finalism. This, to me, seems to be the crucial point.

The word teleonomy, suggested by Pittendrigh and used by Mayr, was coined on the opposite grounds-those of a dogma, which, moreover, rests upon a mere hypothesis. It is an established fact that development is programmed by an inherited code. But the assumption that this code is only a result of the interaction between the chance events of mutation and natural selection is an unproved hypothesis. It is dangerous to accept this hypothesis as a dogma only because, at the present time, we have no idea about the real mechanism. It means closing the door where it should have been left open. It is true that, at the present time, the only safe abode for theories of evolution is in Darwinism, but one should not assign to this abode more territory than it can cover. With all due recognition of the greatness of Darwin's achievement, we cannot remain blind to the fact that not a single step in the evolutionary mechanism has been clarified. Evolution means primarily an increase in the content of information in the code of DNA, but natural selection BURRELL ... for Balance Satisfaction STANTON UNIMATIC SINGLE PAN BALANCE Complete Weighing In Seconds Easy Access Front Opening Convenient Grouping Of Controls, Pan, Counter Indicator And Graticule Screen Simplify Operation Beautiful Design, Sturdy Construction

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For these reasons it seems to me that a teleonomic concept of biological enddirected processes in development and evolution is not any more "scientific" than a teleologic concept. It is only more dogmatic. The use of mechanical

models for the representation of biological problems had in the past a rather comical effect on the thinking of a certain segment of scientific circles. When the great successes of mechanistic physics became obvious, concepts of free will and purpose disappeared from the writing and the theoretical (but not the practical) thinking of biologists. It was only when engineers constructed devices with prefabricated purposeful behavior in the form of computing machines, electronic brains, and so on, that the same scientific public felt that it may be, after all, legitimate to speak again about purposeful behavior, provided

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Of course, a man-made machine can be of excellent pedagogical value for demonstrating a point in physiology, but to expect that one can derive the principles of biological causality from these man-made models rather than from the study of biological systems themselves may seem rather far-fetched to those who are not dogmatically set upon mechanical models. The following proposal may illustrate the situation: When the biologist borrowed from the engineer the intellectual capital for the construction of his (the biologist's) theory, he might as well have repaid the engineer by suggesting that the latter construct the machines by a simple process invented by the biologistnamely, by shuffling and reshuffling and by selection-and then await the engineer's answer.

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The very interesting article by Mayr (1) seems to call for some comment. Mayr distinguishes between an unacceptable and an acceptable form of finalistic explanation; the former is teleological or vitalistic, the latter "teleonomic," or, in the phrase I have used, "quasi-finalistic." But having made this distinction between types of hypothesis, Mayr proceeds to assert that there is a corresponding cleavage between types of phenomena. "The development or behavior of an individual," he writes, "is purposive" [that is, in the acceptable sense], natural selection is definitely not"; and by "is not" he seems to mean "cannot be," since in another place he writes, "Historical processes, however, can not act purposefully." I have for some years been urging that quasifinalistic types of explanation are called for in the theory of evolution as well as in that of development (2).

If any process is set going (for example, if two chemical substances are allowed to start reacting with one another) it will eventually reach some end. The question of "finalism" arises when there is something interesting about the end—in particular, when it is both complex and definite in character. We then have three main types of explanation available: (i) that the end itself acts as a cause, directing the process so that it terminates at the pre-



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determined end state; this is Aristotelian finalism, which we reject because it involves a concept of causation guite outside our accepted range of ideas; (ii) that some nonmaterial agency directs the process to the predetermined end; this is "vitalism," which we also reject; (iii) that the end state of the process is determined by its properties at the beginning; this is "mechanism," and our recent experience of such mechanical systems as computers has led us to realize that it is a more powerful type of hypothesis than it had previously appeared to be. We can set up a process in such a way that it will reach an assigned end state by building into the initial situation a set of conditions which act as a "programme," and by providing suitable negative-feedback relations to bring the process back onto the right course if it should diverge from it. Conversely, if we find any process to be characterized by a programme and feedbacks, we can deduce that it will proceed towards some end which should in principle be ascertainable from the nature of the programme and the feedbacks (the degree of precision with which the end is determined will depend, of course, on the particular characteristics of the programme and feedbacks).

Mayr accepts the theory (3) that ontogenetic development depends on a quasi-finalistic mechanism of this type, the programme and feedback relations both being incorporated in the genotype which has been moulded by natural selection. But there is nothing in the nature of such quasi-finalistic mechanisms which makes it impossible to suppose that the evolutionary process itself is also of this kind. It is obviously characterized by a programme, that involved in the theorem of natural selection. This in itself suffices to determine, to a certain degree, the nature of the end towards which evolution will proceed; it must result in an increase in the efficiency of the biosystem as a whole in finding ways of reproducing itself. And there are, surely, many feedback relations which will serve to determine ends in a more precise fashion. The two to which I have previously directed attention are (i) that involved in the fact that an organism's behavior influences the nature of selection pressures which will operate on it (loosely, an animal selects its environment before its environment selects it), and (ii) that arising from the fact that selection of previous generations for stability or flexibility of development will influence the type of



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It seems to me that it is becoming inadequate to point out, as Mayr does, that natural selection is not purposive. In itself it is of course no more purposive than is the process of formation of interatomic chemical bonds. But just as the latter process is the basic mechanism underlying the protein syntheses which are integrated into the quasifinalistic mechanism of embryonic development, so natural selection is the basic mechanism of another type of quasi-finalistic mechanism, that of evolution. The need at the present time is to use our newly won insights into the nature of quasi-finalistic mechanisms to deepen our understanding of evolutionary processes.

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Father Kane would have a valid point if he were right in his belief that the "preservation of the fittest" was purely "fortuitous." The evidence is, of course, all opposed to this assumption. Natural selection is merely another word for differential reproduction, and the probability of successful reproduction is not strictly a matter of luck but is correlated with properties of the genotype. Both the observational and the experimental evidence for this is quite overwhelming. Naturally, reproductive superiority is true only in a statistical sense, and this is what makes the understanding of natural selection so difficult for one who is used to typological thinking. This is why the term survival of the fittest is so inappropriate and not used by modern evolutionists.

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I plead guilty to a less than precise definition of Aristotle's "final cause." But then Aristotle's own ambivalence makes such a definition a tough task. Aristotle used *final cause* both for the completed result of a process (obvious-



ly not a cause in the modern sense nor even strictly an *aition* in Aristotle's sense) and for the goal which was incipient in the process from its beginning. The latter meaning dominated medieval philosophy, as I see it, and has dominated finalistic ideologies ever since. It was the object of my discussion to show that there is a fundamental difference between those seemingly goal-directed processes that are based on a built-in program (teleonomic) and those that are not (teleological).

Fiala, by stating that I had labeled the phenomena of development and evolution teleonomic, by saying that "not a single step in the evolutionary mechanism has been clarified," and by implying that the biologist has derived his ideas on causation from a study of machines rather than of biological systems, reveals a mode of thinking so far removed from my own that we cannot, in the Letters column of Science, achieve a common basis for discussion. It is true that Driesch and other vitalists of his day had been provoked by exceedingly naive attempts to describe biological processes in grossly mechanistic terms. Modern vitalists cannot make this accusation against modern biologists. Indeed, one of the conclusions of my recent article was that the simplifications of classical mechanics were not applicable to biology.

In the case of the points raised by Waddington, it is evident that there is no disagreement as to facts, nor even a disagreement as to emphasis, but merely one of classification. Ultimately, the difference of opinion between Waddington and myself boils down to the question of what is deterministic. Waddington stresses the unquestioned fact that the complete interdependence of the gene-physiological and developmental processes sets severe limits to the evolutionary potential. No evolutionist would expect a line of tetrapods to develop suddenly a six-legged side line. A line of terrestrial animals that has become aquatic or has acquired the power of flight will go its merry way until it has either reached near-perfection in the adaptation to this new adaptive zone, or invaded a new zone, or become extinct. No good biologist would deny the pseudofinalistic nature of such processes. It was precisely observations such as these which led earlier biologists to sponsor theories of orthogenesis. And yet any detailed analysis of a single evolutionary line demonstrates the complete absence of any truly finalistic aspect to these

changes, no matter how regular they appear to be. But evolution is usually very capricious. Evolutionary lines may become stagnant, the trends may change their direction, the rates may accelerate for one organ and slow down for another, and one is forever impressed by the evident opportunism of evolution. When lines split it is quite impossible to predict how similar or different the independent lines will become in due time. In other words, one can often specify for an evolutionary line what it will not do (I would not expect any evolutionary line of cats to develop horns), but one cannot specify for a line what it will do.

Waddington states that if any process is set going, it will eventually reach some end. As far as evolution is concerned, he claims, only three ends are possible. Here I disagree with him. In addition to the three possibilities admitted by Waddington, there is a fourth one-namely, that the end state of the process is determined neither by the end itself nor by a supernatural agency nor by the properties at the beginning but by a general principle (natural selection) interacting successively with materials ever new in every generation.

Perhaps the difference between Waddington and myself is that we define process differently. He says "that the end state of the process is determined by its properties at the beginning; this is 'mechanism'." Where is the beginning and the end in a concrete case? Is the development of man from a primitive protozoan such a process? Does the development of man from marine prechordates qualify, or the development of man from primitive anthropoids? As soon as we list such illustrations, it becomes apparent how dangerous it is to say that "the end state of the process is determined by its properties at the beginning." The development of an adult organism from a fertilized or unfertilized egg cell can be considered a single process. For this, all that Waddington says about the quasi-finalistic nature of this process is correct. On the other hand, it seems inescapable to me that the change in an evolutionary line is not such a process -its end is not determined by its beginning and it is not finalistic, nor even quasi-finalistic. To my mind, the similarities between the changes in an evolutionary line and those of a developing individual are pure analogies. Surely there are evolutionary feedbacks, surely the biosystem tends to increase in efficiency (but there are countless ways

of doing so), surely behavior plays a great role in evolution, but it seems to me that nothing is gained and much is lost by trying to imply that the changes in an evolving evolutionary line are of the same nature as those in a developing individual. I am sorry that somehow I cannot see how one can designate as "quasi-finalistic" a phenomenon as unpredictable as evolution.

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## **Resistance to Discovery**

The article "Resistance by scientists to scientific discovery" by Bernard Barber [Science 134, 596 (1961)] is provocative. Could it be that such resistance is a proper and desirable function of the scientist? To distinguish between fact and fallacy can be difficult. A scientist's bias toward acceptance or rejection can be influenced by some or all of the factors noted by Barber. It is possible for a correct new development to be introduced with insufficient



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In connection with the Abel incident cited in Barber's article, let it be said that the problem of the solution of the fifth-degree equation was in the air at the time. It was one of those problems that sounded easy enough to be tackled by incompetent enthusiasts. Gauss had probably received many manuscripts that were not worth the time it would have taken to decipher them. There was no way for him to recognize a genius from a cursory glance at the work of an unknown.

I wonder if investigation would not reveal that there has been more resistance to the ideas that contradicted accepted theory than to those that extended or complemented it.

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The article by Barber was most interesting. However, I would like to point out that he utilized a common misconception to illustrate his thesis that substantive theories held by scientists prevent their acceptance of new ideas. The illustration used was the rejection of the heliocentric theory of Copernicus by the astronomers of his era because they firmly believed that the earth was motionless and at the center of the universe.

At the time of Copernicus the heliocentric theory could no more be justified than could the geocentric theory. Neither could be chosen as superior on the basis of observations accumulated up to that date. The rejection of the Copernican universe, therefore, did not imply a stubborn and blind clinging to outdated concepts on the part of the comtemporaries of Copernicus. Indeed, it was only after the formulation of the Newtonian synthesis, which presented mechanical reasons for believing the heliocentric theory superior, that this theory began to gain wider acceptance. Both were taught at Harvard and Yale in the 18th century. The first observational evidence from which the motion of the earth could be inferred was not obtained until 1838, when several observers were able to determine annual stellar parallax.

Many new theories are rejected because there is no way in which a firm decision may be made at that particular time, due to lack of evidence in favor of either theory. Either may be satisfactory, and it is only after criticism, discussion, and further investigation have produced more definite evidence that the more adequate theory will survive.

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## Racial Differences and Witch Hunting

In a recent issue of Science (1), Santiago Genovés of the University of Mexico discourses at some length concerning a paper of mine published in the Mankind Quarterly last year (2). Genovés objects to my criticism of Klineberg's chapter "Race and psychology," included in the UNESCO publication The Race Quesion in Modern Science (ed. 2, 1956). He confuses the issues through bad logic and too much vehemence. What I actually did in my paper was to show, I think conclusively, that the evidence for no race differences presented by Klineberg is far too meager, too ambiguous, and too inconclusive to justify his sweeping assertion that "the scientist knows of no relation between race and psychology." My paper would have been "unscientific racism" (Genovés's term) only if its main purpose had been to support the doctrines of a "master race" or "chosen people." As its aim was simply to point out the flimsy nature of Klineberg's data, it is a legitimate enterprise, unless one considers any criticism of equalitarianism to be morally untenable.

Genovés is critical of my view that widespread Negro-white hybridization has in the past led to illiteracy, social and economic backwardness, and degeneracy. He assumes that I condemn all race mixing, which is untrue. Most racial hybrids are viable, and many are successful people, as witness the Hawaiian-Chinese and Japanese-American crosses in Hawaii. But one need go no farther afield than the West Indies, Central America, and parts of South America to be convinced of the bad effects of Negro-white crosses when these are numerous. My concern was

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-and is-that American whites, under the prodding of the equalitarians and moralistic social reformers, will become convinced that it is their duty to absorb the 18 or so million Negroes and Negroids in this country. No matter how low (in a socioeconomic sense) an American white may be, his ancestors built the civilizations of Europe; and no matter how high (again in a socioeconomic sense) a Negro may be, his ancestors were (and his kinsmen still are) savages in an African jungle. Free and general race mixture of Negrowhite groups in this country would inevitably be not only dysgenic but socially disastrous.

Genovés becomes quite vehement in his denunciation of a review by A. James Gregor (3) of Juan Comas's Racial Myths (published by UNESCO). He calls it "a review which is full of totally unjustified personal attacks and insinuations of a political type, without basis and completely outside the framework of the problem under discussion." This statement so blatantly distorts Gregor's review as to be a com-

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plete caricature of what he said. Gregor pointed out, with appropriate references and in relevant detail, that that Comas is guilty of shoddy and pretentious scholarship, is unfamiliar with the movements and people whom he criticizes, does not know his primary sources, borrows (often inaccurately) from secondary sources, and is ill informed even in those matters in which he claims special competence. Gregor's paper is a masterly piece of scientific debunking.

Genovés's letter would be pathetic were it not at once tragic and dangerous-tragic because it represents the utterly illogical attitude of many present-day social scientists toward race; dangerous because it implies that equalitarianism is somehow sacrosanct and that its denial is heresy. When racial differences are found, especially those between Negro and white groups, they must be explained away, distorted, belittled, or ignored. And scientists reporting such differences must be discredited and maligned.

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Santiago Genovés took the time, at the close of his long communication to Science, to gratuitously add his judgment concerning my review of Juan Comas's pamphlet Racial Myths, carried in a recent issue of the Mankind Quarterly (1). In his considered judgment, the review was full of (i) "totally unjustified personal attacks" and (ii) "insinuations of a political type, without basis and completely outside the framework of the problem under discussion."

Ultimate appeal, of course, should be made to the review itself, but for the benefit of the readers of Science, who will not, in all probability, ever see the review, I should like to briefly consider Genovés's contentions.

If Genovés understands a "totally unjustified personal attack" to mean the exposure of gross errors in scholarship on the part of a man selected to write a brochure to be given international circulation, then my review constituted such an "attack." Comas, in the course of his brief pamphlet, misspelled the proper names of at least ten of the authors he was ostensibly "criticising." He was cavalier in the use of dates, arch in his criticism of


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Honeywell H. Photo Products men whose books he had obviously not read, and given to broad and unqualified pontifications about matters of fact and theory still in legitimate dispute. These are, of course, serious charges. I have documented them in my review. I was shocked that a scholar of Comas's reputation could have produced so shoddy a piece of work.

To anticipate, perhaps, I should like to say that my professional concern has been with critical analysis of theory constructions in the social sciences. My objections to Comas's work arise from this concern. Similarly, the current issue of Phylon will carry my critical discussion of the "racist" theories of Hans F. K. Guenther (whom Comas deals with only through secondary references). Furthermore, Sociological Quarterly will, in the near future, carry my review of Ludwig Winter's Der Begabungsschwund in Europa (Paehl, Hohe Warte, 1959), an attempted "racist" analysis of the decline of European potential. My criticisms are, in both cases, as sharp as those I directed against Comas's "antiracist" pamphlet. My concern, fundamentally, has been with respectable scholarship rather than "racism" or "antiracism" (whatever those expressions might mean).

Concerning Genovés's second point, I should like to say that there was very little in the way of insinuation in my review. I said specifically that Comas had rested a substantial part of his case on a rather trivial book written by a notorious Communist, whose work, in itself, has been characterized as "completely lacking in academic selfrespect" (the expression is that of Dobzhansky).

Both Genovés and Comas know that orthodox Marxism conceives of science (both natural and social science) as "partisan." Science, for the Marxist, is an element of the "ideological superstructure" of society (2, pp. 11, 39, 54, 78) and as such serves the interests of determinate classes (3). One of the criteria for the validation of a scientific theory is, therefore, its utility in the class struggle (2, p. 87; 4). We know what effect such conjectures have had on genetics, anthropology, psychology, biology, and even nuclear physics in the Soviet Union. The influence of this kind of thinking in the social sciences is particularly deleterious (5).

While it would not be legitimate to simply dismiss Marxist works in this specific area, their materials are to be employed with more than a little circumspection. Comas, on the other hand,



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employed the analysis of an avowed and orthodox Communist (in fact, he did little more than paraphrase his conjectures) to level the most serious charges against a number of academicians (Alexis Carrel among them).

All these things, I am convinced, are quite to the point. Comas's little pamphlet was, and is, objectionable for a number of reasons: its evident lack of scholarship, its devious documentation, its theoretical poverty, and its almost abject dependence upon as questionable a source as Marcel Prenant.

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This matter has come to such a point that review of a little of its history is justified. On the appearance in the first number of the Mankind Quarterly of Garrett's criticism of Klineberg's work (1), several biologists and anthropologists expressed their amazement and disagreement (2, 3). Moreover, several scientists on the honorary advisory board of the Mankind Quarterly resigned.

What happens then? The editors (4) of the Mankind Quarterly, and others in sympathy with its views (5), devote themselves by all available means to discrediting those who from a strictly scientific point of view agree in their opposition to the Quarterly's positionall this without presenting a single scientifically proved fact to support their position. Furthermore, they ascribe to us sympathy for political ideas which we simply do not have, gratuitously making us partisans of what they call "the equalitarian dogma." Disagreement with Garrett's second article (4) was wide and explicit (6). Now Garrett tells us that his racism is not "un-



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scientific" because he does not explicitly propose a "master race" or a "chosen people." However, a few lines later, without any factual basis, he alleges the bad effects of Negro-white hybridization in the West Indies, Central America, and parts of South America, stating that the white, "no matter how low (in a socio-economic sense)," will always be better than the Negro, "no matter how high (again in a socioeconomic sense)."

I may point out that the major percentage of delinquency found among the Negroes in the United States was interpreted by Garrett as caused by racial characters (1). That is, according to Garrett and others, Negroes possess a genetic factor that induces prostitution, crime, robbery, and so on: "Haiti is an unhappy example of what the Negro can do when left to govern himself"; "The weak, disease-ridden population of modern Egypt offers dramatic evidence of the evil effects of a hybridization which has gone on for 5000 years" (1), and so on and on (7). According to Garrett, the Negro is in-



capable of governing himself, and the same holds for the Indian. Hitler *et al.*, supported by similar theories—which sprouted from the views of pseudoscientists—murdered many millions of Jews because their hybridization with "Aryans" were also not "viable," to use Garrett's expression. We all remember the result, but if Garrett has forgotten it, he should read the impressive story by Miklos Nyiszli, *Médecin à Auschwitz*, which appeared in October 1961.

Garrett misquotes me in affirming that I subscribe to "racial equalitarianism." No anthropologist or biologist with average knowledge maintains such a position. I repeat what I said: "Racial differences exist. These differences should be and are being studied. A whole branch of anthropology is concerned with this study in an effort to determine what the differences are and how they may be used---to understand them from every possible angle (genetic, morphological, social, and so forth) but always within the framework of serious and scientific investigation. The 1952 UNESCO Statement on Race is quite clear on this point" (3).

I hold that from the viewpoint of human biology and of human genetics it is just as unscientific to support an equalitarian dogma as it is to maintain that the actual cultural superiority or inferiority of a certain human group is due to morphological or possibly psychological differences. I do not belong to the group that takes the first position, but Garrett does belong to the group that takes the second.

At the last meeting of the American Anthropological Association, in November 1961, the assembled anthropologists approved, by a vote of 192 to 0, the following resolution (9):

The American Anthropological Association repudiates statements now appearing in the United States that negroes are biologically and in innate mental ability inferior to whites. . . . According to present knowledge there is no proof that the groups of mankind differ in their innate mental characteristics, whether in respect of intelligence or temperament. The scientific evidence indicates that the range of mental capacities in all ethnic groups is much the same. No doubt the myth of racial inferiority will continue to be believed by those who are able to find in it a fortification against their personal in-security and lack of status. But for the good of mankind in general the myth ought to be recognized for what it is-a pretext for bigotry and discrimination.

No further comment is needed. But I should like to repeat what I said in



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my earlier note (3): "I am now formally addressing Science, as the official voice of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, to ask that the Association urge the scientists who are accessible to it (I would suggest, among others, Medawar, Haldane, Simpson, Huxley, Neel, Wright, Dunn, Dobzhansky, and de Beer), United States citizens or not, to take action, in the name of the Association, against this unwelcome, ill-founded, unbiological outgrowth of racism."

I accorded Gregor only 12 meager lines in my earlier letter (3). My judgment, however, was justified. I have carefully read Comas's work and Gregor's criticism and have also seen Comas's reply to Gregor, to be published shortly. Because of this, not only do I continue to maintain my expressed opinion of Gregor's trivial criticism of Comas's brochure but, on reading his present comments on my letter to Science, note that he as well as Garrett attributes to me, in an effort to influence the reader, political ideas which I do not support. The "witchhunting" of "McCarthyism"-to quote the expression of Garrett, his colleague -fortunately has disappeared. Gregor, utilizing as a pretext various typographical errors in the last edition of Racial Myths, for which Comas is not responsible (this edition was published in the United States, without the knowledge or revision of the author; the original manuscript, in Spanish, was commissioned and published by UNES-CO in 1951), proceeds to discredit it, as well as Comas's competence in the field of anthropology. I refer Gregor and the reader to Comas's reply, which will appear in a forthcoming issue of Current Anthropology.

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### The Search for Other Civilizations

The article by Sebastian von Hoerner, "The search for signals from other civilizations" [Science 134, 1839 (1961)], contains at least one statement that seems to be so out of line with observed facts that it should not go unchallenged. This is the statement that the ancient Greeks could have found the distances between neighboring stars to within 5 percent.

Let us accept, for the moment, von Hoerner's statement that by assuming the earth to be an "average" planetthat is, comparable to the average for the five planets visible to the naked eye -the Greeks could have obtained a value for the distance of the sun too large by a factor of 2, and thus a value for its luminosity too high by a factor of 4. By subsequently comparing the brightness of the "ten brightest" stars (presumably the brightest ten are meant) with that of the sun and assuming the average luminosity for these stars equal to the luminosity of the sun, the Greeks could have "determined" the average distance of these stars-but they would have been way off. The brightest ten stars visible from Athens 2400 years ago would have been the same as the brightest ten in the sky now, except for Achernar which was then not really visible north of Khartoum; the ten would have been Sirius, Canopus, Alpha Centauri, Arcturus, Vega, Capella, Rigel, Procyon, Beta Centauri, and Betelgeuse. At about 450 B.C. Alpha and Beta Centauri had declinations around -49°; Canopus had a declination of  $-52^{\circ}$ , but since the Greeks presumably named this star, they must have been aware of its existence, and it must have been easily visible from Alexandria. If, however, one does not include it. Altair would be added to the list.

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It is always easy, in the light of hindsight, to show what erroneous assumptions should have been made in order to come out with the right answer—but isn't such a procedure tantamount to saying that if one makes a large enough number of assumptions, all of them erroneous, the "wrongness" of these is bound to cancel out and one will inevitably get the correct answer? This may work in economics, but it is thoroughly unscientific, and brings to mind Kettering's famous defi-



nition of logic as "an organized way of going wrong with confidence."

With one statement of von Hoerner's I am in complete agreement: "the search for other civilizations will have either a tremendous result or none at all," But it seems to me that any scientist should feel duty bound to add that at the present time not only are we completely and totally ignorant of the relative probabilities of either occurrence but most scientists have a strong feeling that the odds are strongly against the former occurrence. If this is not said, someone may cite d'Alembert's easy definition of probabilities (that since all events either can or cannot happen, the probability of any event's happening is 50 percent) and come up with the conclusion that therefore project OZMA has a 50-50 chance of immediate success.

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First, it is nice to see that my suggestion of what the ancient Greeks should have guessed has been taken *seriously*; but this should not be done to such an extent that the *fun* in it is overlooked.

Second, I must apologize for not having mentioned explicitly the assumption involved, that the brightest stars are the nearest ones. That this assumption was used might have been seen from the phrase "the distance between *neighboring* stars" (the goal of this estimate), but I should, of course, have mentioned it.

Third, that we draw conclusions from assumptions which later on turn out to be erroneous—this is true but unavoidable in the whole realm of science; just the degree of error varies from one case to another. Take, for example, such an important figure as the cosmic distance scale (the Hubble constant). If Sandage's latest value is right, then Hubble's original one was wrong by about a factor of 8. But many even of our well-established and most accurate figures would never have become available if nobody had dared to make the first guess.

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Fifth, as to the strong feeling of most scientists, I would like to reply that there are a number of good scientists, too, who have criticized my paper the other way, for being too pessimistic, as I have learned from various discussions and letters.

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### UNESCO's Role in the Indian Ocean Expedition

I have read the recent article on the International Indian Ocean Expedition by Knauss [Science 134, 1674 (1961)] with great interest. One significant omission should be pointed out. This concerns the role of UNESCO, which in addition to sponsoring the Indian Ocean Biological Center in India is also cosponsor of the expedition. This sponsorship was authorized by a resolution of the 11th session of the general conference of UNESCO in 1960.

Sponsorship of the expedition by UNESCO has been, and continues to be, more than nominal. Working in close collaboration with the International Council of Scientific Unions' Special Committee on Oceanic Research, organizer of the expedition, UNESCO has provided the financial means for bringing together participating scientists in the fields of marine meteorology (Bombay, July 1961), zooplanktology (Cochin and New Delhi, August 1961), and nutrient chemistry and primary productivity (Honolulu, September 1961). During the meeting in Honolulu, scientists from seven nations worked together, ashore and aboard the research vessels Vitiaz (U.S.S.R.) and Gascovne (Australia), in a comparison of methods to be used during the expedition. Scientific equipment is being provided for research vessels of India and Pakistan. Fifteen fellowships have been awarded young scientists



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It should also be noted that at its first session (19 to 27 October 1961) the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission adopted a resolution directing its secretary (directer of UNESCO's Office of Oceanography) to assume additional coordinating functions for the expedition. Hence, by the time the expedition is in full swing, the role of UNESCO may be even more significant. WARREN S. WOOSTER

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F. Reif's stimulating article, "The competitive world of the pure scientist" (1), brings to mind an earlier discussion of this theme-namely, Robert K. Merton's presidential address to the American Sociological Society in 1957, on "Priorities in scientific discovery" (2). Like Reif, Merton points out that the "selfish" motives of scientists may be both functional or dysfunctional for the progress of science, and, moreover, that the competition for originality is by no means a modern phenomenon. Thus, he quotes François Arago, one of the permanent secretaries of the French Academy of Sciences, who wrote in 1839, apropos a priority controversy involving Cavendish and Watt, that "to describe discoveries as having been made 'about the same time' proves nothing; questions as to priority may depend on weeks, on days, on hours, on minutes" (3).

My purpose in writing this letter is twofold: (i) to make Reif and the readers of *Science* aware of another treatment of the priorities problem a treatment both exhaustive and delightful; and (ii) to point out that competition for originality may occur not only between the practitioners of a discipline but also between the ad-

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herents of different disciplines which are ordinarily not in close competition with each other-for example, physics and sociology.

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 F. M. Arago, Historical Eloge of James Watt (London, 1839), p. 106.

Reif has let the cat out of the bag. Most of the readers knew about this state of affairs, but this is the first time, to my knowledge, that such statements have appeared in print.

This article brings to mind a story told me about 2 years ago by a professor of chemistry at a large southern university. I have put it into dialog form, with suitable disguise for the characters.

### MERIT OR DEMERIT or

### Crank Out Those Papers

Characters in order of appearance.

- PROFESSOR A, chairman of the department of chemistry of a large southern university, late middle-aged, expects to retire in 10 to 15 years.
- ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR C, early middleaged, expects his professorship next year.
- ASSISTANT PROFESSOR D, new Ph.D., full of vim and vigor. Aspires to promotion and administrative position.
- Dean B: the villain in this story, who does not appear but whose pervading spirit is always present. He is dean of arts and sciences.

SCENE I

Chemistry department staff meeting in the late autumn, about two years ago.

Prof. A. I have just returned from a meeting of department chairmen of the college, with Dean B. He says that in the future all promotions and pay raises will be based on merit and merit alone.

Assoc. Prof. C. [Somewhat bored; he has seen deans come and go] How is he going to determine merit?

Prof. A. The dean will base merit on publications. Not quantity but quality.

- Asst. Prof. D. [Eagerly] How is he going to determine quality?
- Prof. A. He is going to count the number of papers.

Lights dim as evening falls over the campus. All hurry back to their desks to see what data and articles can be reworked to get one more publication out before the next review of the faculty for promotions and raises.

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### **Standards of Ethical Conduct**

Khrushchev does not set off atomic explosions all by himself. They are the work of a team of highly competent, professionally distinguished scientists and technologists. Surprisingly enough, nobody seems to think of these. Apparently, everybody takes it for granted that it is perfectly natural and proper for them to do whatever they are bid to do. Presumably, they are entitled to expect a warm welcome in the "great brotherhood of science," once they again appear at international scientific gatherings, bedecked with the medals they have won by their recent dirty work.

But have not men been judged for crimes against humanity because they did precisely that: share conscientiously and competently in whatever crimes they were ordered to perform? What difference is there between the chemist perfecting poison gas for Auschwitz and the nuclear physicist perfecting a 50megaton bomb for Novaya Zemlya?

Is it not high time the scientific community, and specifically the great international scientific societies, acknowledge that the age of romantic innocence in science is dead? Is it not high time for them to set up standards of ethical conduct for the members of their professions, so that it may become plain for all the world to see that, whatever their professional skill, the scientific accomplices of test-ban cheating and atmosphere poisoning and nuclear blackmail are not honored colleagues among them?

The world has urgent need of whatever moral pressure can be brought to bear in this way on scientists and future scientists. Even more is this true of the scientific world. Nothing less than the claim to respect, and to selfrespect, of every scientist is at stake in this issue of drawing a clear line between the scientist who cures cancer and the one who willfully induces it through nuclear fall-out. No longer should the first gladly suffer the insult of being a fellow to the other.

ALEXANDER WITTENBERG Faculty of Science, Laval University, Quebec, Canada

What follows is a quotation from my letter of 1 November 1961 to Professor V. Zhdanov of the Soviet Union, setting forth my reasons for not attending the 8th International Cancer Congress in Moscow next summer. I thought that

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others besides Professor Zhdanov might be interested in these reasons.

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"I am convinced that this series of explosions, culminating in this latest one of frightful magnitude, will cause the premature and unnecessary death of at least a few individuals in the world from leukemia or bone cancer and must therefore be considered an outrage against society. In protest, I must forego attending the VIII International Cancer Congress and am therefore forced regretfully to decline your kind invitation."

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## Auditory-Oculomotor Reflexes at Birth

Wertheimer has made an interesting and significant discovery in finding that the newborn infant will move his (or in this case, her) eyes toward the side on which auditory stimulation is received [Science 134, 1692 (1961)]. But he then goes on to say: "This finding is not compatible with the view that space perception, and particularly crossmodal spatial coordination, is based upon a long and arduous learning process." In saying this he either attacks an enemy who no longer exists or he goes way beyond his data.

If Wertheimer means that not all aspects of perceptual organization involve learning, I can agree without reservation; but this has been shown repeatedly, and no one now holds this view (it has not been defended in the past 30 years). Alternatively, however, showing that there are reflexively coordinated and unlearned components obviously does not show that the full





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normal development of space perception is independent of the stimulation normally received from a varied environment.

It is apparently still difficult to escape from the false dichotomy of an extreme nativism versus an extreme empiricism. Neither view can be taken seriously today.

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I must agree with Hebb: the demonstration that a human neonate was able to turn her eyes to the side on which auditory stimulation was produced does not in any way exclude the possibility that space perception in the human adult is greatly influenced by experience. But one need not share his optimism—much as one might wish to about the demise of extreme views.

In his stimulating *The Organization* of Behavior (Wiley, New York, 1949), Hebb himself concludes that all that is present perceptually at birth is discrimination of the "primitive unity" of figures, not their shape or identity as distinctive wholes—these, and by implication other aspects of adult perceptual performance, are "slowly acquired through learning." My little experiment demonstrates that, without learning, more is present than primitive unity: primitive space perception.

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### Scientific Consultants

Your item in "Science and the news" on scientific consultants [Science 134, 1739 (1 Dec. 1961)], their high pay, their conflicts of interest, and so on, neglects a point.

The highly paid employees of the nonprofit corporations can also be fired without regard to Civil Service regulations. They can be promoted and shuffled around, likewise. Their work is subject to the criticism and approval not only of congressional committees but of the Service and Civil Service employees of the Department of Defense. The impending investigation, so long as it avoids excesses and abuses, is merely a normal exercise of prudence that should be welcomed by all.

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## Meetings

### Shallow-water Oceanography

The First Coastal and Shallow-water Research Conference, which was supported by the National Science Foundation and the Office of Naval Research through grants to Florida State University, appears to have been a unique event for at least two important reasons. In order to reduce the aggregate of individual travel, especially of graduate students, and to provide meetings of appropriate size and still permit as many American students and scientists as possible to share the knowledge and opinions of foreign participants, the conference was convened successively on three university campuses. And though the conference title was couched in broad terms to accommodate the interests of other than strictly marine aquatic scientists, principal emphasis centered in an endeavor that has come to be called shallow-water oceanography. To my knowledge this field has not been featured before in a conference of international or national scope. It is evident now, however, that a significant number of investigators wish to be identified with this field, but it seems likely that no attempts will (or should) be made to formalize the group.

There appears to be general agreement that the domain of shallow-water oceanography lies between the point of maximum penetration of sea salt into river systems and the outer edge of the continental shelf. Moreover, even though this field has solid academic bonds to deep-sea investigation and training, it does have in practice special interests, techniques, and facility requirements that cannot be disregarded.

The conference met at Johns Hopkins University from 19 to 21 October, at Florida State University from 23 to 25 October, and at the University of Southern California from 27 to 29 October 1961. Donn S. Gorsline served as general chairman, led the Florida State meeting, and will edit the proceedings volume. D. W. Pritchard and R. B. Tibby were regional chairmen at the Baltimore and Los Angeles meetings, respectively. Admittedly, the formal parts of the regional programs were choked by a steady flow of papers, with little time for discussion, but many participants joined informal discussion groups that dealt with problems of curriculum at the undergraduate and graduate level and the relative merits of the institute or department affiliation of an oceanographic group with a university.

The participants were separable into two categories: (i) scientists from the United States and abroad who received special invitations to comprise the Traveling Group that attended all regional meetings, and (ii) the Regional Groups, constituted of scientists who, for the most part, attended only the regional meeting nearest their home institutions. The Traveling Group had 19 members, but only 17 were able to complete the circuit. Members of this group delivered papers at all three meetings and thus provided a unifying thread. Members of the Traveling Group, in addition to the general and regional chairmen, were as follows: W. W. Anderson, chief, U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries Biological Laboratory, Brunswick, Georgia; J. L. Barnard, associate director, Beaudette Foundation for Biological Research, Solvang, California; R. A. Bryson, head, department of meteorology, University of Wisconsin; A. M. Christensen, Marine Biological Laboratory, Elsinore, Denmark; P. E. Cloud, Jr., head, department of geology, University of Minnesota; K. O. Emery, department of geology, University of Southern California; G. Gunter, director, Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, Ocean Springs, Mississippi; J. W. Hedgpeth, director, Pacific Marine Station, Dillon Beach, California; W. Krauss, Institute for Marine Studies, University of Kiel; D. F. Leipper, head, Department of Meteorology and Oceanography, A & M College of Texas; H. Niino, Tokyo University of Fisheries; H. T. Odum, director, Institute of Marine Science, Port Aransas, Texas; W. E. Pequegnat, head, department of biological sciences, State University of New York, Oyster Bay; E. L. Pruitt, chief, Geography Branch, Office of Naval Research; R. J. Russell, director, Coastal Studies Institute, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge; and A. Voipio, Marine Institute, Helsinki, Finland.

A total of 586 participants, of whom 164 were graduate students, registered at the three regional meetings; they were about equally distributed among the three meetings. The breadth of institutional interest in shallow-water oceanography is demonstrated by the breakdown in affiliation of the approximately 200 registrants at the southern California meeting: colleges and universities, 34; industrial laboratories, 21; federal laboratories, 16; state, county, and



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municipal laboratories, 6; private laboratories, 4.

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or in progress at a given institution.

Examples here, by title and author, are

as follows: "Shallow-water research at

the Chesapeake Bay Institute," D. W.

Pritchard; "Teacher participation in

research at the Pacific Marine Station."

J. W. Hedgpeth; "Marine biological re-

search in Scandinavia," A. M. Chris-

tensen; and "Shallow-water oceanog-

research projects, or reviews of rela-

tively narrow areas of research. Exam-

ples are: "Origin of beach rock," R. J. Russell; "A physical control of sublit-

toral epifaunas," W. E. Pequegnat; "Spectra of turbulence and internal waves in the Baltic Sea," W. Krauss; and "Relation of seaward and landward flow of groundwater to the salinity of

3) Description of new techniques or instruments applicable to shallow-water oceanography. Examples in this category are: "The Savonius Rotor current meter," R. D. Gaul; "New instruments in use by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey," A. C. Poling; "An empirical method of determining momentary discharge of tide-affected streams," S. E. Rantz; and "Applications of soil analytical techniques to sediments," B. W.

One special paper, delivered by L. A. Walford, called for establishment of a committee to develop a plan for a comprehensive study of the oceanography of the Atlantic continental shelf. Such

a committee was created, and meetings

the principal subdisciplines of oceanography is of considerable interest. Geology accounted for 33 percent of the total, biology for 27 percent, physics and meteorology for 17 percent, and

chemistry for 7 percent; 16 percent

from "Mineralogy of carbonate sedi-

ments along the western margin of

Florida Bay" (W. Taft), through "Recent history of San Quintin Bay, Baja,

California" (D. S. Gorsline), to "Sedi-

ments of continental shelves" (K. O.

Emery). Topics of direct interest to

biologists were exceedingly diverse; a

number of the papers dealt with mat-

ters of economic concern. The majority were more nearly referable to bio-

logical oceanography than to marine

biology. Typical of the biological component were "Biological shrimp studies

conducted by the Florida State Board

The geological papers ranged in scope

The distribution of the papers among

have already been scheduled.

were truly interdisciplinary.

Biscayne Bay," F. A. Kohout.

Nelson.

2) Discussion of individual or group

raphy," D. F. Leipper.

It is not possible to give here even brief descriptions of the 120 different papers presented; it is possible, however, to give some idea of the coverage, by classifying the papers and citing a few examples in each category. The papers can be divided into three groups, according to the principal emphasis of the subject.

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(B. Elred); "Research on productivity" (H. T. Odum); and "Results in benthic biology in Southern California" (O. Hartman). Physical oceanography and meteorology were represented by an interesting array of papers, among which were "Internal waves" (E. C. LaFond) and "Oceanographically oriented research in the University of Wisconsin department of meteorology" (R. A. Bryson). Chemists rounded out the program by discussing "The distribution of silicate in the Baltic" (A. Voipio) and "Continuous recording of salinity in an estuary" (N. H. Beamer).

Several other features of the conference contributed to its success. At each regional meeting there was a banquet, open to all participants, followed by a special lecture delivered by one of the foreign members of the Traveling Group. At two conference sites the Traveling Group was privileged to confer with the university staff on educational problems and inspect the facilities of the host institution the day before the plenary sessions. Of considerable value, also, were the displays of oceanographic equipment arranged by industrial organizations and the host schools.

When the conference was first envisaged in the form described here, the following objectives were set forth: (i) to obtain some conception of the number of scientists who consider themselves to be engaged in shallow-water oceanographic research and training; (ii) to review the nature of the work in this field currently being carried out; (iii) to review methods of sampling, observing, and data handling presently employed; and (iv) to serve as a stimulus for future research and training in the field. It appears that these objectives were met quite adequately. We can now estimate that the number of scientists in the United States who are active in this field lies between 200 and 300. The nature of the current work has been only briefly outlined here. Soon a more complete survey will be available to all interested persons-the proceedings volume, scheduled to appear early in 1962. In addition to approximately 200 abstracts of papers devoted to training and research, the volume will contain individual reports on the conference by members of the Traveling Group. It will provide a permanent record of the types, scope, and geographic distribution of coastal and shallow-water studies and of the persons active in the special fields. Requests for the proceedings volume



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Written comments received by the general chairman since the close of the conference have been overwhelmingly laudatory. Furthermore, unexpected interest in holding another meeting has been expressed by a large number of correspondents. In response to this interest, tentative plans have been made for a single-site conference on the Atlantic Coast to be held in the spring of 1963, possibly with the University of Georgia acting as host; this will be followed by a similar meeting at an as yet undesignated place on the Pacific Coast, in the fall of 1964.

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#### **Forthcoming Events**

#### March

24-31. Symbolic Languages in Data Processing, symp., Rome, Italy. (Secretary, Provisional Intern. Computation Center, Palazzo degli Uffici, Zona dell'-EUR, Rome)

25-30. National Education Assoc., Dept. of Audio-Visual Education, Kansas City, Mo. (Chief of Information, Dept. of the Army, Washington 25)

26-27. High Energy Nuclear Physics, symp., London, England. (C. C. Butler, physics Dept., Imperial College, London, S.W.7)

26–29. Circum-Pacific Petroleum Exploration, Amer. Assoc. of Petroleum Geologists–Soc. of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists, annual, San Francisco, Calif. (G. B. Oakeshott, State Div. of Mines and Geology, Ferry Bldg., San Francisco 11)

26-29. Institute of Radio Engineers, intern., New York, N.Y. (E. K. Gannett, IRE, 1 E. 79 St., New York 21)

26-29. Recent Advances in Acarology, symp., Ithaca, N.Y. (J. Naegele, Dept. of Entomology, Cornell Univ., Ithaca)

26-20. World Meteorological Organization, Commission for Synoptic Meteorology, Washington, D.C. (WMO, 41, Avenue Giuseppe Motta, Geneva, Switzerland)

27–29. American Physical Soc., Div. of High-Polymer Physics, Baltimore, Md. (H. D. Keith, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, N.J.)

27-29. American Power Conf., American Soc. of Mechanical Engineers, Chicago, III. (A. B. Conlin, Jr., ASME, 29
W. 39 St., New York 18) 27-30. Cellular Basis and Actiology of

27-30. Cellular Basis and Aetiology of the Late Somatic Effects of Ionizing Radiations, symp., London, England. (P. Alexander, Chester Beatty Inst., Inst. of Cancer Research, Royal Cancer Hospital, Fulham Rd., London, S.W.3)

28-12. International Conf. on the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, London, England (Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization, Chancery House, Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2)

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28-29. Engineering Aspects of Magnetohydrodynamics, symp., Rochester, N.Y. (G. W. Sutton, Massachusetts Inst. of Technology, Room 3-254, Cambridge 39)

29-30. Electron Beam Symp., annual, Boston, Mass. (Dr. Bakish, c/o Alloyd Electronics Corp., 35 Cambridge Pkwy., Cambridge 42, Mass.)

29-31. Kappa Delta Pi, Lafayette, Ind. (E. I. F. Williams, 238 E. Perry St., Tiffin, Ohio)

30-1. American Psychosomatic Soc., annual, Rochester, N.Y. (S. Wolf, APS, 265 Nassau Rd., Roosevelt, N.Y.)

30-1. American Soc. for the Study of Sterility, annual, Chicago, Ill. (Scientific Liaison Office, Natl. Research Council, Sussex Dr., Ottawa, Ont., Canada)

#### April

1-3. International College of Surgeons, Las Vegas, Nev. (Secretary, ICS, 1516 Lake Shore Dr., Chicago 10, Ill.)

1-4. American Radium Soc., annual, New York, N.Y. (C. G. Stetson, Dept. of Radiology, Englewood Hospital, Englewood, N.J.)

1-6. American Soc. of Abdominal Surgeons, clinical congr., Chicago, Ill. (B. F. Alfano, ASAS, 663 Main St., Melrose 76, Mass.)

2-5. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Chicago, Ill. (Chief of Information, Dept. of the Army, Washington 25)

2-5. Instrument Soc. of America, instrument-automation conf. and exhibit, Pittsburgh, Pa. (W. H. Kushnick, ISA, 313 Sixth Ave., Pittsburgh 22)

2-13. Photogrammetry Week, Munich, Germany. (H. Bischoff, Zeiss-Aerotopograph G.M.P.H., Ismaniger Str. 57, Munich.27)

3-5. Organic, Inorganic, and Physical Chemistry, symp., annual, Chemical Soc., Sheffield, England. (General Secretary, Burlington House, London; W.1, England)

3-5. Plasma Sheath, symp., Boston, Mass. (C. Ellis, Air Force Electronics Research Directorate (CRRD), L. G. Hanscom Field, Mass.)

3-6. Society of Automotive Engineers, natl. aeronautic, production forum and engineering display, New York, N.Y. (R. W. Crory, SAE, 485 Lexington Ave., New York 17)

3-7. Inter-American Nuclear Energy Commission, Mexico City, Mexico. (IANEC, Pan American Union, Washington 6)

4-6. Institute on Rehabilitation of the Mentally III, New York, N.Y. (B. J. Black, Altro Health and Rehabilitation Services, Inc., New York)

4-6. Physics of Graphite-Moderated Reactors, symp., Bournemouth, England. (Inst. of Physics and the Physical Soc., 47 Belgrave Sq., London, S.W.1, England)

4-6. Short Run Production Techniques, intern. seminar, American Soc. of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers, Mexico City, Mexico. (Conf. Director, ASTME, 10700 Puritan Ave., Detroit 38, Mich.)

5-7. Pacific Sociological Assoc., annual, Sacramento, Calif. (R. Nisbet, Univ. of California, Riverside)

6-8. American Soc. of Internal Medi-

cine, annual, Philadelphia, Pa. (S. O. Krasnoff, ASIM, 3410 Geary Blvd., San Francisco 18, Calif.)

6-8. Association of Clinical Scientists, Chicago, Ill. (R. P. MacFate, 323 Northwood Rd., Riverside, Ill.)

6-8. Biological Photographic Assoc., midwestern sectional, Des Moines, Iowa. (BPA, 551 W. Grant Place, Chicago 14, Ill.)

7. New Jersey Acad. of Science, annual, West Long Branch. (H. L. Silverman, NJAS, 361 Highland Ave., Newark 4, N.J.)

7. New Mexico Acad. of Science, Socorro. (K. G. Melgaard, P.O. Box 546, Mesilla Park, N.M.)

7. Paleontological Research Institution, Ithaca, N.Y. (R. Harris, PRI, 109 Dearborn Pl., Ithaca)

7-9. Impact of Physical Metallurgy on Technology, symp., San Carlos de Bariloche, Argentina. (J. A. Sabato, National Atomic Energy Commission, Avda. Libertador General San Martin 8250, Buenos Aires, Argentina)

9-10. Chemical and Petroleum Instrumentation Symp., natl., Instrument Soc. of America, Wilmington, Del. (C. W. Sanders, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Louviers Bldg., Newark, Del.)

9-12. Aerospace Medical Assoc., annual, Atlantic City, N.J. (W. J. Kennard, c/o Washington National Airport, Washington, D.C.)

9-12. American Acad. of General Practice, annual, Las Vegas, Nev. (AAGP, Volker Blvd., Kansas City 12, Mo.)

9-12. International Feigl Symp. on Analytical Chemistry, Birmingham, England. (M. L. Richardson, c/o John & E. Sturge Ltd., Lifford Chemical Works, Kings Norton, Birmingham 30)

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9-13. Greater New York Safety Council, annual regional convention and exposition, New York, N.Y. (A. F. Fuller, Aetna Insurance Co., 161 Millburn Ave., Millburn, N.J.)

9-13. Inter-American Symp. on the Peaceful Application of Nuclear Energy, Mexico City, Mexico. (J. D. Perkinson, Jr., Inter-American Nuclear Energy Commission, c/o Pan American Union, Washington 6)

9-13. International Soc. for Fat Research, London, England. (Soc. of Chemical Industry, 14 Belgrave Sq., London, S.W.1)

9-13. Physiology, Behavior, and Ecology of Orthoptera in Relation to Metamorphosis, intern. colloquium, Paris, France. (F. O. Albrecht, Laboratory of Natural Evolution, Natl. Scientific Research Center, 16 rue Pierre Curie, Paris)

9-14. Nutritional Absorption in Vegetables, intern. symp., Pisa, Italy. (Instituto di Chimica Agraria, Università degli Studi di Pisa, Via S. Michele degli Scalzi, 2, Pisa)

10-12. American Industrial Health Conf., Chicago, Ill. (M. E. Fairbank, Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester 4, N.Y.) 10-13. European Symp. on Size Reduction, European Federation of Chemical

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Engineering-Processing Technology Soc., Frankfurt am Main, Germany. (Verfahrentechnische Gesellschaft im V.D.I., Rheingau-Allee 25, Frankfurt am Main 7)

10-14. International Conf. on Stress Analysis, Paris, France. (Secretary, 10, rue Vauquelin, Paris 5°)

11-13. Institute of Environmental Sciences, annual meeting and equipment exposition, Chicago, Ill. (J. P. Monroe, Lear, Inc., Grand Rapids, Mich.)

11-13. Institute of Radio Engineers, southwest conf. and electronic show, Houston, Tex. (IRE, 1 E. 79 St., New York 21) 12. Symposium on Non-Conventional

Nuclear-Engineering Lubricants and Bearing Materials, symp., London, England. (Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1 Birdcage Walk, London, S.W.1)

12-13. Histochemical Soc., annual, Atlantic City, N.J. (M. Wachstein, St. Catherine's Hospital, Bushwick Ave., Brooklyn 6, N.Y.)

12-13. International Assoc. for Dental Research, British Div., annual, Sheffield, England. (C. H. Tonge, c/o Dept. of Anatomy, King's College Medical School, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England)

12-14. Association of Southeastern Biologists, Wake Forest, N.C. (H. J. Bennett, Dept. of Zoology, Louisiana State Univ., Baton Rouge 3)

12-14. Experimental Arithmetic, symp., American Mathematical Soc., Chicago, Ill. (N. C. Metropolis, Inst. for Computer Research, Univ. of Chicago, Chicago)

13-14. American Soc. for Artificial Internal Organs, annual, Atlantic City, N.J. (E. C. Peirce, II, ASAIO, 514 W. Church Ave., Knoxville 1, Tenn.)

13-14. Iowa Acad. of Science, Waverly. (P. F. Romberg, Iowa State Univ., Ames)

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13-14. Nebraska Acad. of Sciences, Lincoln. (C. B. Schultz, Univ. of Nebraska, Lincoln 8)

13-15. Alabama Acad. of Science, Inc., Troy. (W. B. DeVall, Forestry Dept., Auburn Univ., Auburn, Ala.)

13-15. American Assoc. for Cancer Research, annual, Atlantic City, N.J. (H. J. Creech, Inst. for Cancer Research, Fox Chase, Philadelphia 11, Pa.)

13-19. Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology, Atlantic City, N.J. (M. O. Lee, 9650 Wisconsin Ave., Washington 14)

14-16. Kinetics, Equilibria, and Per-formance of High Temperature Systems, 2nd conf., Los Angeles, Calif. (G. S. Bahn, 16902 Bollinger Dr., Pacific Palisades, Calif)

14-19. American Inst. of Nutrition, Atlantic City, N.J. (A. E. Schaefer, Bldg. 16-A, Natl. Institutes of Health, Bethesda 14, Md.)

14-19. American Soc. of Biological Chemists, Inc., Atlantic City, N.J. (F. W. Putnam, Dept. of Biochemistry, Univ. of Florida College of Medicine, Gainesville)

15-18. American College Personnel Assoc., Chicago, Ill. (B. A. Kirk, Counseling Center, Univ. of California, Berkeley) 15–18. National Education Assoc., Council of Mathematics Teachers, San Francisco, Calif. (Chief of Information, Dept. of the Army, Washington 25)

16-18. Flight Test Instrument Symp., intern., Cranfield, England. (College of Aeronautics, Cranfield) 16–18. Reactor Safety and Hazards

Evaluation Techniques, symp., Vienna, Austria. (Intern. Atomic Energy Agency, 11 Kaerntnerring, Vienna 1)

16-18. Spins and Phonons, conf., Bristol, England. (P. M. Llewellyn, H. H. Sills Physics Laboratory, Royal Fort, Bristol 8)

16-19. American Personnel and Guidance Assoc., annual, Chicago, Ill. (J. Fishbein, Science Research Associates, 259 E. Erie St., Chicago 11)

16-19. Interactions between Mathematical Research and High-Speed Computing, symp., American Mathematical Soc.-Assoc. for Computing Machinery, Atlantic City, N.J. (E. Pitcher, AMS, 190 Hope St., Providence 6, R.I.)

16-19. Paleoclimatology and Paleopedology, symp., International Soc. for Plant Geography and Ecology, Stolzenau, Germany. [R. Tüxen, Intern. Vereinigung für Vegetationskunde, Stolzenau (Weser)]

16-19. Vacuum Ultraviolet Radiation Physics, intern. conf., Los Angeles, Calif. (G. L. Weissler, Univ. of Southern California, Los Angeles 7)

16-20. American Physiological Soc., Atlantic City, N.J. (R. G. Daggs, APS, 9650 Wisconsin Ave., Washington 14)

16-20. American Soc. for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Atlantic City, N.J. (H. G. Mandel, George Washington Univ. School of Medicine, 1337 H St., NW, Washington 5)

17-18. Conference on Permafrost, Ottawa, Ont., Canada. (R. J. E. Brown, Div. of Building Research, Natl. Research Council, Ottawa 2) 17-20. International Mineralogical As-

soc., Washington, D.C. (D. J. Fisher, Dept. of Geology, Univ. of Chicago, Chicago 37, Ill.)



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17-20. Sector-Focused Cyclotrons, conf., Los Angeles, Calif. (B. T. Wright, Dept. of Physics, Univ. of California, Los Angeles 24)

18-20. American Inst. of Electrical Engineers, Fort Wayne, Ind. (R. S. Gardner, AIEE, 33 W. 39 St., New York 18)

18-20. Information Retrieval in Action, conf., Cleveland, Ohio. (Center for Documentation and Communication, Western Reserve Univ., 10831 Magnolia Dr., Cleveland 6)

18-28. World Seed Congr., Rome, Italy. (Intern. Agency Liaison Branch, Office of the Director General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the U.N., Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, Rome)

19. Southern California Acad. of Sciences, Los Angeles. (G. Sibley, Los Angeles County Museum, 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles 7)

19-20. Southern Municipal and Industrial Waste Conf., Chapel Hill, N.C. (Dept. of Sanitary Engineering, Univ. of North Carolina, Box 899, Chapel Hill)

19-21. Southern Soc. for Philosophy and Psychology, Memphis, Tenn. (D. R. Kenshalo, Dept. of Psychology, Florida State Univ., Tallahassee)

20-22. Czechoslovak Soc. of Arts and Sciences in America, 1st natl. congr., Washington, D.C. (M. Rechcigl, Jr., 1703 Mark Lane, Rockville, Md.)

21. Pennsylvania Acad. of Science, Pittsburgh. (K. B. Hoover, Messiah College, Grantham, Pa.)

21-21 Oct. World's Fair of Science, Century 21 Exposition, Seattle, Wash. (J. Rockey, c/o Seattle World's Fair, Seattle)

22-26. Association of American Geographers, Miami Beach, Fla. (M. F. Burrill, AAG, 1785 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, D.C.)

23-25. Canadian Inst. of Mining and Metallurgy, annual, Ottawa, Ont. (C. Gerow, CIMM, 1117 St. Catherine St., W. Montreal 2, Quebec, Canada)

23-25. Meteorological Uses of Rockets and Satellites, symp., Washington, D.C. (World Meteorological Organization, 41, Avenue Giuseppe Motta, Geneva, Switzerland)

23-25. Pan American Congr. of Gastroenterology, New York, N.Y. (C. A. Flood, 180 Fort Washington Ave., New York 32)

23-26. American Physical Soc., Washington, D.C. (K. K. Darrow, APS, Columbia Univ., New York 27)

23–27. International Conf. on Palynology, Tucson, Ariz. (G. O. W. Kremp, Geochronology Laboratories, Univ. of Arizona, Tucson) 23–5. Television Arts and Sciences,

23-5. Television Arts and Sciences, intern. symp. and festival, Montreux, Switzerland. (Intern. Television Symp., 8, Grand-Rue, Montreux)

24-25. Managing Petroleum and Petrochemical Operations, conf., San Antonio, Tex. (J. Harmon, Southwest Research Inst., 8500 Culebra Rd., San Antonio 6) 24 26 Building Browneth U

24-26. Building Research Inst., spring conf., Washington, D.C. (M. C. Coon, Jr., BRI, 2101 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington 25)

24-26. Mathematical Theory of Automata, intern. symp., New York, N.Y. (Symposium Committee, Polytechnic Inst. of Brooklyn, 55 Johnson St., Brooklyn 1, N.Y.)





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25. Rocket Propulsion, symp., Cranfield, Bletchley, England. (Secretary, British Interplanetary Soc., 12 Bessborough Gardens, London, S.W.1, England)

25-27. International Federation of Associations of Textile Chemists and Colorists, annual, Amsterdam, Netherlands. (J. Boulton, Dean House, 19, Piccadilly, Bradford 1, Yorks, England)

25-27. Present Status and Future Prospects of Television and Motion Pictures as Media for Medical Education, intern. conf., Milan, Italy. (L. L. Leveridge, Medical Television Unit, New York Univ. Medical Center, 550 First Ave., New York 16)

25-27. Pulp and Paper Instrumentation Symp, natl., Jacksonville, Fla. (L. G. Good, Systems Service Corp., P.O. Box 952, Charlotte, N.C.)

27-28. Idaho Acad. of Science, annual, Moscow, (L. M. Stanford, College of Idaho, Caldwell)

27-29. Oklahoma Acad. of Science, Woodward. (A. D. Buck, Northern Oklahoma Junior College, Tonkawa)

27-29. West Virginia Acad. of Science, Bethany. (J. D. Draper, Dept. of Chemistry, West Virginia Univ., Morgantown) 28. Mississippi Acad. of Sciences, Inc.,

Jackson. (C. Q. Sheely, Mississippi State Univ., State College)

29-2. International Acad. of Pathology-American Assoc. of Pathologists and Bacteriologists, Montreal, Canada. (F. K. Mostofi, c/o Armed Forces Inst. of Pathology, Washington 25)

29-2. National Workshop on Aging, American Home Economics Assoc., Lafayette, Ind. (A. J. Bricker, AHEA, 1600 20th St., NW, Washington 9)

29-3. American Ceramic Soc., annual, New York, N.Y. (C. S. Pearce, ACS, 4055 N. High St., Columbus 14, Ohio)

30-1. International Acad. of Pathology, annual, Montreal, Canada. (M. Davis, Intersociety Committee on Pathology Information, 1785 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington 6)

30-1. International Acetylene Assoc., annual, Toronto, Canada. (L. Matthews, 30 E. 42 St., New York 17)

30-2. American Soc. of Mechanical Engineers, Design Engineering Div., Philadelphia, Pa. (A. B. Conlin, Jr., ASME, 29 W. 39 St., New York 18)

30-2. Association of Iron and Steel Engineers, Detroit, Mich. (T. J. Ess, AISE, 1010 Empire Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.)

30-2. Instrumental Methods of Analysis, natl. symp., Instrument Soc. of America, Pittsburgh, Pa. (E. E. Buckston, Works Engineering Dept., Union Carbide Chemicals Co., P.O. Box 8004, S. Charleston 3, W.Va.)

30-2. Role of Food in World Peace, intern. symp., Columbus, Ohio. (R. M. Kottman, College of Agriculture, Ohio State Univ., Columbus 10)

30-3. Mid-America Spectroscopy, annual symp., Soc. for Applied Spectroscopy, Chicago, Ill. (J. R. Ferraro, Argonne, Natl. Laboratory, 9700 S. Cass Ave., Argonne, Ill.)

30-4. Compressed Air and Hydraulics, intern. conf. and exhibition, London, England. (W. G. H. Chesher, c/o John Trundell and Partners Ltd., St. Richard's House, Eversholt St., London, N.W.1)

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30-5. Automobile Technical Congr., intern., London, England. (Automobile Div., Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1 Birdcage Walk, London, S.W.1)

#### May

1-3. Biologistics for Space Systems, symp. and workshop, Dayton, Ohio. (Col. A. I. Karstens, Aerospace Medical Research Laboratories, Aeronautical Systems Div., Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio)

1-3. Joint Computer Conf., San Fran-cisco, Calif. (R. I. Tanaka, Computer Systems-Logical Design, Lockheed Mis-siles & Space Co., Palo Alto, Calif.)

1-4. Conference on Radiodiagnosis and Radiotherapy, Southern Rhodesia. (P. E. S. Palmer, P.O. Box 958, Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia)

1-4. Gamma Alpha Graduate Scientific Fraternity, St. Paul, Minn. (W. T. Keeton, Dept. of Entomology, Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N.Y.)

2. International Symp. on Crop Protection, Ghent, Belgium. (I. J. Van den Brande, Institut Agronomique de l'Etat, Coupure Gauche 233, Ghent)

2-3. Iron and Steel Inst., annual, London, England. (ISI, 4 Grosvenor Gardens, London, S.W.1)

2-4. American Assoc. of Pathologists and Bacteriologists, annual, Montreal, Canada. (Intersociety Committee on Pathology Information, 1785 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington 6)

2-4. European Corrosion Conf., Paris, France. (Société de Chimie Industrielle, 28, rue St. Dominique, Paris 7")

2-4. Institute of Management Sciences, Toronto, Canada. (T. Fabian, c/o Mathe-

matica, 76 Nassau St., Princeton, N.J.) 2-5. Air Force Systems Command Management Conf., Monterey, Calif. (Office of Information, AFSC, Andrews AFB, Washington 25)

2-5. Midwestern Psychological Assoc., Chicago, Ill. (D. R. Meyer, 1314 Kinnear Rd., Columbus 12, Ohio)

2-5. National Science Fair-International, Seattle, Wash. (Science Service, 1719 N St., NW, Washington 6)

2-6. Film Techniques, conf., Budapest, Hungary. (Hungarian Soc. of Optics, Acoustics and Film Techniques, Szabadság tér 17, Budapest V)

2-8. Space Science Symp., intern., Washington, D.C. (Secretary, Committee on Space Research, 28 Nieuwe Schoolstraat, The Hague, Netherlands)

3. Electronic Marketing Seminar, intern., San Diego, Calif. (E. T. Clare, Cohu Electronics, Inc., Box 623, San Diego)

3-4. Human Factors in Electronics, intern. congr., Long Beach, Calif. (C. Hopkins, Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, Calif.)

3-5. Institute of Hospital Administrators, annual, Cardiff, Wales, England. (J. F. Milne, 75 Portland Pl., London, W.1)

3-5. Kansas Acad. of Science, Pittsburgh. (G. A. Leisman, Dept. of Biology, Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia) 3-5. Ohio Acad. of Science, Toledo.

(G. W. Burns, 505 King Ave., Columbus 1, Ohio)

3-5. Society for American Archaeology, Tucson, Ariz. (J. B. Wheat, Univ. of Colorado Museum, Boulder)

3-5. University Computing Centres, intern. conf., Mexico, D.F., Mexico. (Centro Electrónico de Cálculo, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, México, D.F.)

4. North Carolina Acad. of Science, Winston-Salem. (J. A. Yarbrough, Meredith College, Raleigh, N.C.)

4-5. Colorado-Wyoming Acad. of Science, Greeley, Colo. (R. G. Beidleman, Zoology Dept., Colorado College, Colorado Springs)

4-5. Minnesota Acad. of Science, annual, Winona. (J. P. Emanuel, 206 E. Howard, Winona)

4-5. North Dakota Acad. of Science, Fargo. (B. G. Gustafson, Box 573, Union Station, Grand Forks, N.D.)

4-5. Population Assoc. of America, Madison, Wis. (K. B. Mayer, Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, Brown Univ., Providence, R.I.)

4-5. South Dakota Acad. of Science, Vermillion. (T. Van Bruggen, Dept. of Botany, Univ. of South Dakota, Vermillion)

4-6. Protides of the Biological Fluids, colloquim, Bruges, Belgium. (H. Peeters, Sint Jans Hospitaal, Bruges)

4-6. Wisconsin Acad. of Sciences, Arts and Letters, La Crosse. (T. J. McLaughlin, Univ. of Wisconsin, 3203 N. Downer Ave., Milwaukee 11)

5-6. Academy of Psychoanalysis, annual, Toronto, Canada. (J. H. Merin, 125 E. 65 St., New York 21)

5-6. Society of Biological Psychiatry, annual, Toronto, Canada. (G. N. Thompson, 2010 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 57, Calif.)

5-7. International Congr. of Medical Laboratory Technologists, Cologne, Germany. (M. Gesunsheitsverwaitung, Intern. Assoc. of Medical Laboratory Technologists, Cologne)

6-9. Bockus Alumni Intern. Soc. of Gastroenterology, annual, Geneva, Switzerland. (J. L. A. Roth, Graduate Medical Bldg., Suite 302, 419 S. 19 St., Philadelphia 46, Pa.)

delphia 46, Pa.) 6-9. National Power Instrumentation Symp., Fort Worth, Tex. (C. W. Macune, Westronics, Inc., 3605 McCart, Fort Worth 10)

6-10. American Soc. for Microbiology, annual, Kansas City, Mo. (P. Gerhardt, Dept. of Bacteriology, Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

6-10. Electrochemical Soc., annual, Los Angeles, Calif. (R. K. Shannon, 1860 Broadway, New York 23)

6-10. French Soc. of Ophthalmology, Paris. (M. A. Dollfus, FSO, 27, rue du Faubourg-Saint-Jacques, Paris 16°)

6-12. World Congr. of Gastroenterology, Munich, Germany. (G. A. Martini,

Martinstr. 52, Hamburg 20, Germany) 7-8. American Inst. of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers, Soc. of Petroleum Engineers' Secondary Recovery Symp., Wichita Falls, Tex. (E. O. Kirkendall, AIME, 29 W. 39 St., New York 18)

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7-9. Implications of Organic Peroxides in Radiobiology, intern. symp., Argonne, Ill. (R. N. Feinstein, Div. of Biological and Medical Research, Argonne Natl. Laboratory, Argonne)

7–9. National Watershed Congr., annual, Columbus, Ohio. (C. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Inst., Washington, D.C.)

7-11. American Psychiatric Assoc., Toronto, Canada. (C. H. H. Branch, 156 Westminster Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah)

7-11. American Soc. of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers, annual convention and tool exposition, Cleveland, Ohio. (A. Cervenka, Vanderbilt Blvd., Oakdale, N.Y.)

7-11. Radiation Damage in Solids and Reactor Materials, symp., Intern. Atomic Energy Agency, Venice, Italy. (IAEA, 11 Kärntner Ring, Vienna 1, Austria) 7-11. Society of Photographic Scientists

7-11. Society of Photographic Scientists and Engineers, annual, Boston, Mass. (E. S. Cobb, Box 1609, Main Post Office, Washington, D.C.)

7-12. International Conf. of Marine Engineers, London, England. (Inst. of Marine Engineers, Memorial Bldg., 76 Mark Lane, London, E.C.3)

7-12. International Seed Testing Assoc., annual congr., Lisbon, Portugal. (A. F. Schoorel, ISTA, Binnenhaven 1, Wageningen, Netherlands)

8. American Soc. of Safety Engineers, Chicago, Ill. (A. C. Blackman, ASSE, 5 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago 2)

8-10. American Soc. of Lubrication Engineers, annual, St. Louis, Mo. (A. E. Cichelli, Bethlehem Steel Co., 701 E. Third St., Bethlehem, Pa.)

8-10. World Commission on Vocational Rehabilitation, annual, Washington, D.C. (D. Warms, Intern. Soc. for Rehabilitation of the Disabled, 701 First Ave., New York 17)

8-19. Latin American Meeting on Higher Agricultural Education, Medellín, Colombia. (Intern. Agency Liaison Branch, Office of Director General, U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, Rome, Italy)

 $\delta$ -26. World Health Assembly, annual, Geneva, Switzerland. (World Health Organization, Palais des Nations, Geneva)

9-11. Conference on Mucous Secretions, New York, N.Y. (S. Jakowska, Natl. Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation, 521 Fifth Ave., New York 17)

9-11. Operations Research Soc. of America, Washington, D.C. (G. D. Shellard, New York Life Insurance Co., 51 Madison Ave., New York 10)

9-12. Science Writers Seminar, intern., Seattle, Wash. (Intern. Press Inst., Münstergasse 9, Zurich 1, Switzerland)

9-12. Virginia Acad. of Science, Norfolk. (P. M. Patterson, Hollins College Branch, Roanoke)

10-12. Meetings on Diabetes, University of Paris, Paris, France. (M. Rathery, Hotel-Dieu, Paris)

10. Glass Container Technology, seminar, New York, N.Y. (Packaging Inst., 342 Madison Ave., New York 17)

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10-12. Food Protection, intern. symp., Ames, Iowa. (J. C. Ayres, Dept. of Dairy and Food Industry, Iowa State Univ., Ames)

12. International College of Surgeons, clinical meeting, London, England. (Secretary, ICS, 1516 Lake Shore Dr., Chicago 10, Ill.)

13-16. American Acad. of Dental Medicine, annual, Baltimore, Md. (P. Block, 36 N. Luzerne Ave., Baltimore)
13-16. Transfer of Calcium and Stron-

tium across Biological Membranes, conf., Ithaca, N.Y. (R. H. Wasserman, Dept. of Physical Biology, New York State Veterinary College, Cornell Univ., Ithaca)

13-17. American Industrial Hygiene Assoc., conf., Washington, D.C. (W. S. Johnson, Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.)

14-16. National Aerospace Electronics Conf., Dayton, Ohio. (Inst. of the Aerospace Sciences, 2 E. 64 St., New York 21)

14-16. Technical Assoc. of the Pulp and Paper Industry, coating conf., annual, Cincinnati, Ohio. (TAPPI, 155 E. 44 St., New York 16) 14-18. American Soc. of Civil Engi-

neers, convention, Omaha, Neb. (W. H.

Wisely, 345 E. 47 St., New York 17) 14-18. Hormonal Steroids, intern. congr., Milan, Italy. (L. Martini, Instituto de Farmacologia e Terapia, 21 Via A. del Sarto, Milan) 14-18. Reactor Safety and Hazards

Evaluation Techniques, symp., Vienna, Austria. (IAEA, 11 Kärntner Ring, Vienna)

15-16. Council on Medical Television, annual, Bethesda, Md. (J. F. Huber, CMT, Inst. for Advancement of Medical Communication, 33 E. 68 St., New York 21)

15-17. World Food Forum, Washing-ton, D.C. (J. K. McClarren, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, 409 Administration Bldg., Washington 25)

15-19. International College of Surgeons, European federation, surgical Amsterdam, Netherlands. (J. congr., Blazenburg, ICS Netherlands Section, A. Perkstraat 57, Hilversum, Netherlands)

16-17. Navy Medical-Dental TV Workshop, Bethesda, Md. (Inst. for Advance-ment of Medical Communication, 33 E. 68 St., New York 21)

16-26. Large Electric Systems, intern. conf., Paris, France. (ICLES, 112 Boulevard Haussmann, Paris 8°)

17-19. American Inst. of Industrial Engineers, annual, Atlantic City, N.J. (W. J. Jaffe, Newark College of Engineering,

Newark, N.J.) 17–19. Eccrine, Apocrine, and Holocrine Glands, symp., Madison, Wis. (Div. of Postgraduate Medical Education, University of Wisconsin Medical School, Madison 6)

17-19. Nepiology, intern. conf., Catania, Sicily. (S. Rapisardi, Via Mavilla 37, Catania)

17-19. Paralanguage and Kinesics, conf., Bloomington, Ind. (T. A. Sebeok, Research Center in Anthropology, Rayl House, Indiana Univ., Bloomington)

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18-19. Indiana Acad. of Science, Mitchell. (W. W. Bloom, Valparaiso Univ., Valparaiso, Ind.)

18-29. European Plastics and Rubber Conf., Paris, France. (Du Mont Publicity Co., 18 Queensberry Place, London, S.W.7, England)

19-20. International Assoc. for the Study of the Liver, Munich, Germany. (G. A. Martini, c/o Universitäts Krankenhaus, Eppendorf, Hamburg, Germany) 20-23. American Inst. of Chemical

Engineers, natl., Baltimore, Md. (F. J. Van Antwerpen, AICE, 345 E. 47 St., New York 17)



20-24. Air Pollution Control Assoc., annual, Chicago, Ill. (D. A. Sullivan, APCA, 4400 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.)

20-24. American Assoc. of Cereal Chemists, Saint Louis Park, Minn. (B. S. Miller, Dept. of Flour and Feed Milling, Kansas State Univ., Manhattan)

Kansas State Univ., Manhattan) 21–22. Society of American Military Engineers, annual, Washington, D.C. (SAME, 808 Mills Bldg., Washington 6)

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21-25. Max Planck Inst. for the Advancement of Science, general assembly, Düsseldorf, Germany. (MPIAS, Kaiserswerther Str. 164, Düsseldorf)

21-25. Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery of the Eye and Adnexa, intern. symp., New York, N.Y. (R. Troutman, Manhattan Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital, 210 E. 64 St., New York 21)

21-25. Thermodynamics of Nuclear Materials, symp., Vienna, Austria. (Intern. Atomic Energy Agency, 11 Kärntner Ring, Vienna 1)

21-26. Ceramic Congr., intern., Copenhagen, Denmark. (Arbejdsgivere, Indenfor de Keramiske Industrier, Nørre Volgade 34, Copenhagen K)

21-26. Rubber Technology Congr., annual, London, England. (Secretary, Institution of the Rubber Industry, 4, Kensington Palace Gardens, London, W.8)

21-1. Prediction of Volcanic Eruptions and the Relationship between Magmas and the Nature of Volcanic Eruptions, symp., Tokyo, Japan. (Secretary, Organizing Committee, c/o Science Council of Japan, Ueno Park, Tokyo)

22-24. National Microwave Theory and Techniques, symp., Inst. of Radio Engineers, Boulder, Colo. (L. G. Cumming, IRE, 1 E. 79 St., New York 21)

22-24. Self-Organizing Systems, conf., Chicago, Ill. (G. T. Jacobi, Armour Research Foundation, 10 W. 35 St., Chicago 16)

22-25. Rationalizing Consumption of Electric Power, intern. symp., Warsaw, Poland. (Ministry of Mines and Power, Krucza 36, Warsaw)

22-25. Rubber Technology Conf., Scarborough, England. (Institution of the Rubber Industry, 4 Kensington Palace Gardens, London, W.8)

22-26. Disposal and Utilization of Solid Domestic and Industrial Wastes, intern. congr., Essen, Germany. (Haus der Technik, Schliessfach 668, Essen)

23-24. Forming and Testing of Sheet Metal, intern. colloquium, Düsseldorf, Germany. (J. Hooper, Intern. Deep Drawing Research Group, John Adam St., Adelphi, London, W.C.2, England)

23–25. American Soc. for Quality Control, annual, Cincinnati, Ohio. (A. W. Wortham, Texas Instruments, Inc., P.O. Box 5474, Dallas 22)

24–25. Diseases in Nature Transmissible to Man, conf., annual, Dallas, Tex. (M. B. Starnes, Univ. of Texas Southwestern Medical School, 5323 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas 35)

24-26. Institute of Radio Engineers, conf. on space communications, Seattle, Wash. (IRE, 1 E. 79 St., New York 21) 24-26. International Medico-Athletic

Federation, congr., Santiago, Chile. (G. La Cava, Via A. Serra, 104, Rome, Italy) 26-30. International Federation for Hygiene and Preventive Medicine, intern. congr., Vienna, Austria. (E. Musil, IFHPM, Mariahilfer Strasse 177, Vienna XV)

27-30. Chemical Inst. of Canada, annual conf. and exhibition, Edmonton. (CIC, 48 Rideau St., Ottawa 2, Ont.)