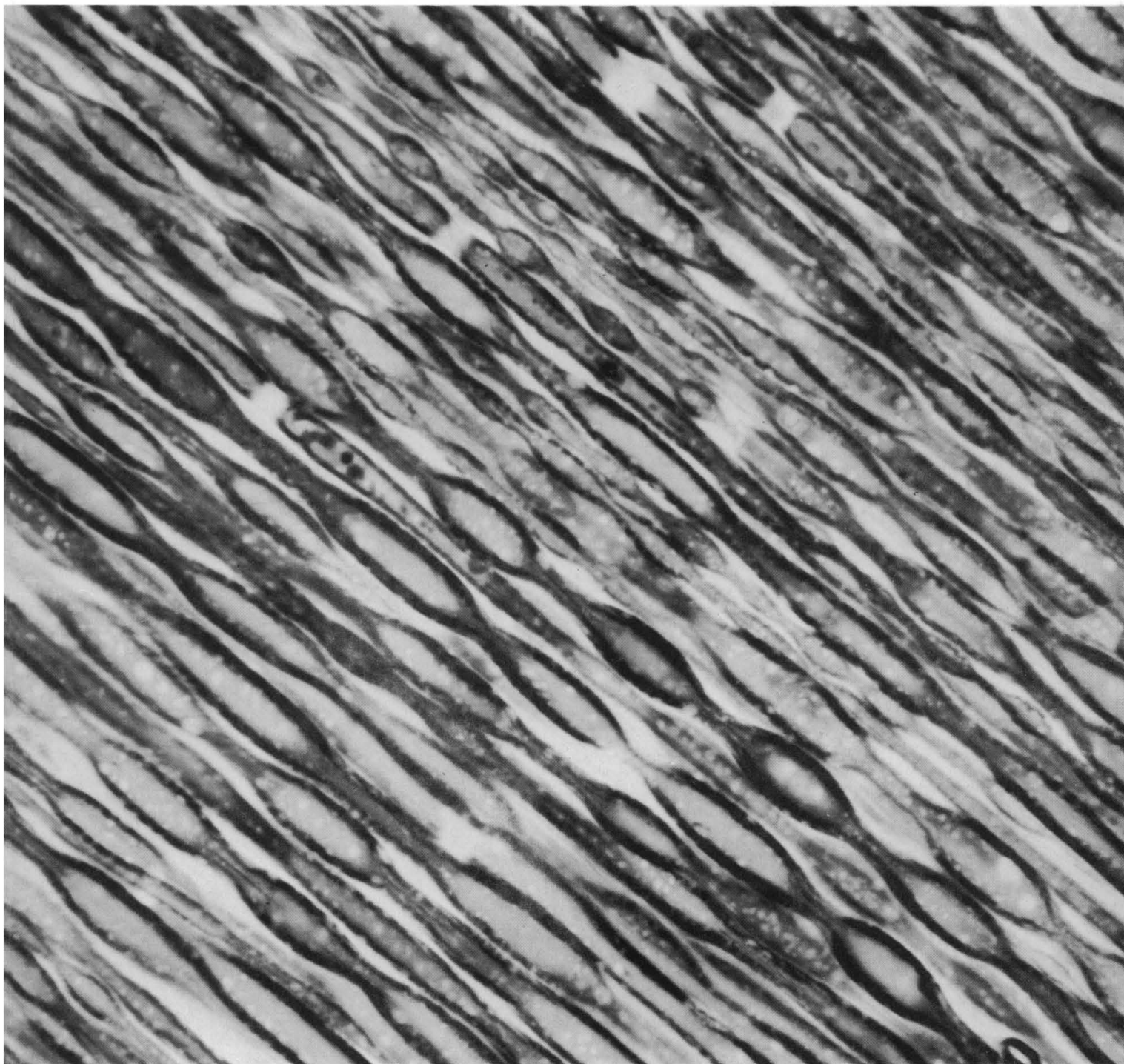


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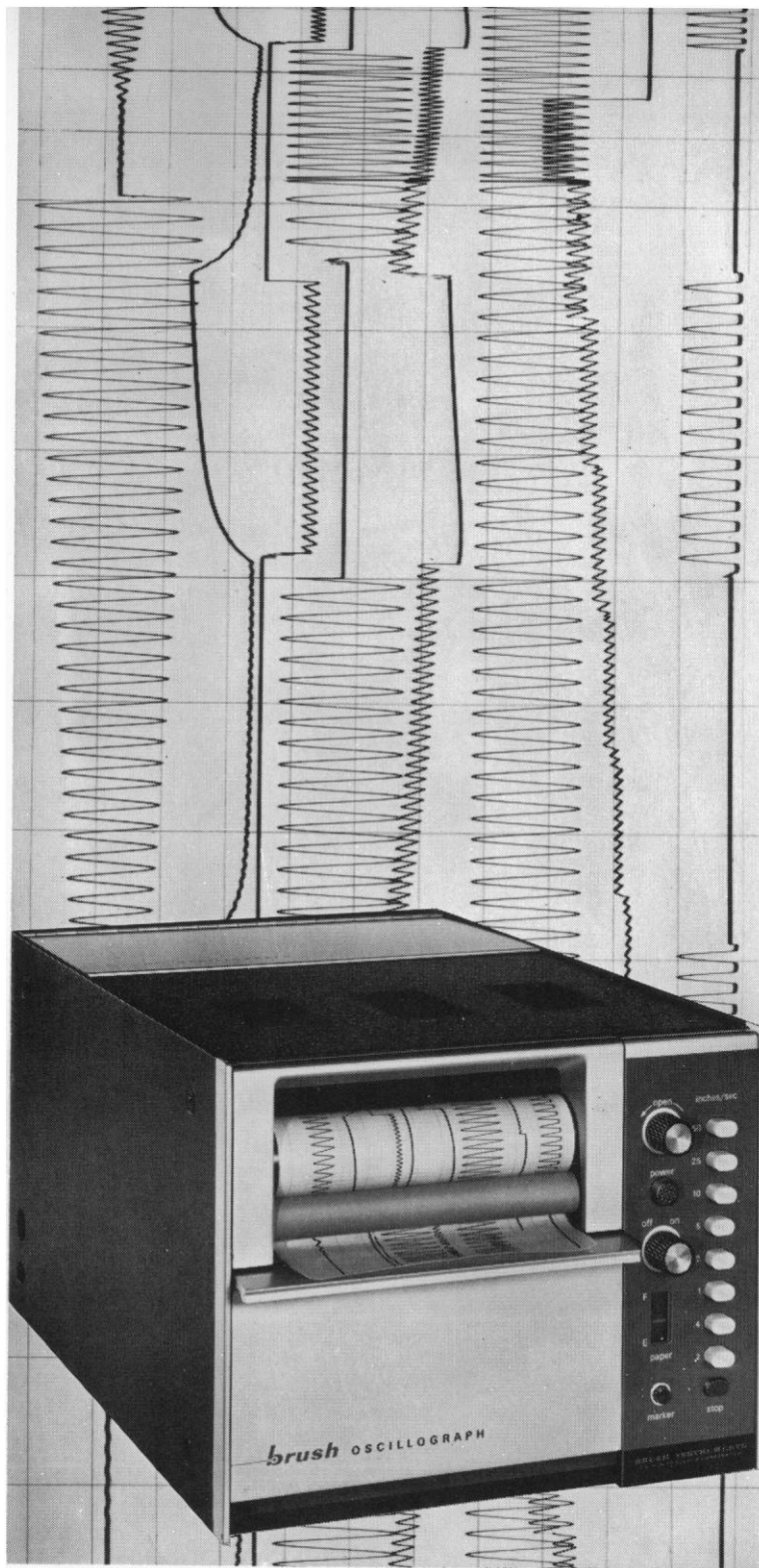


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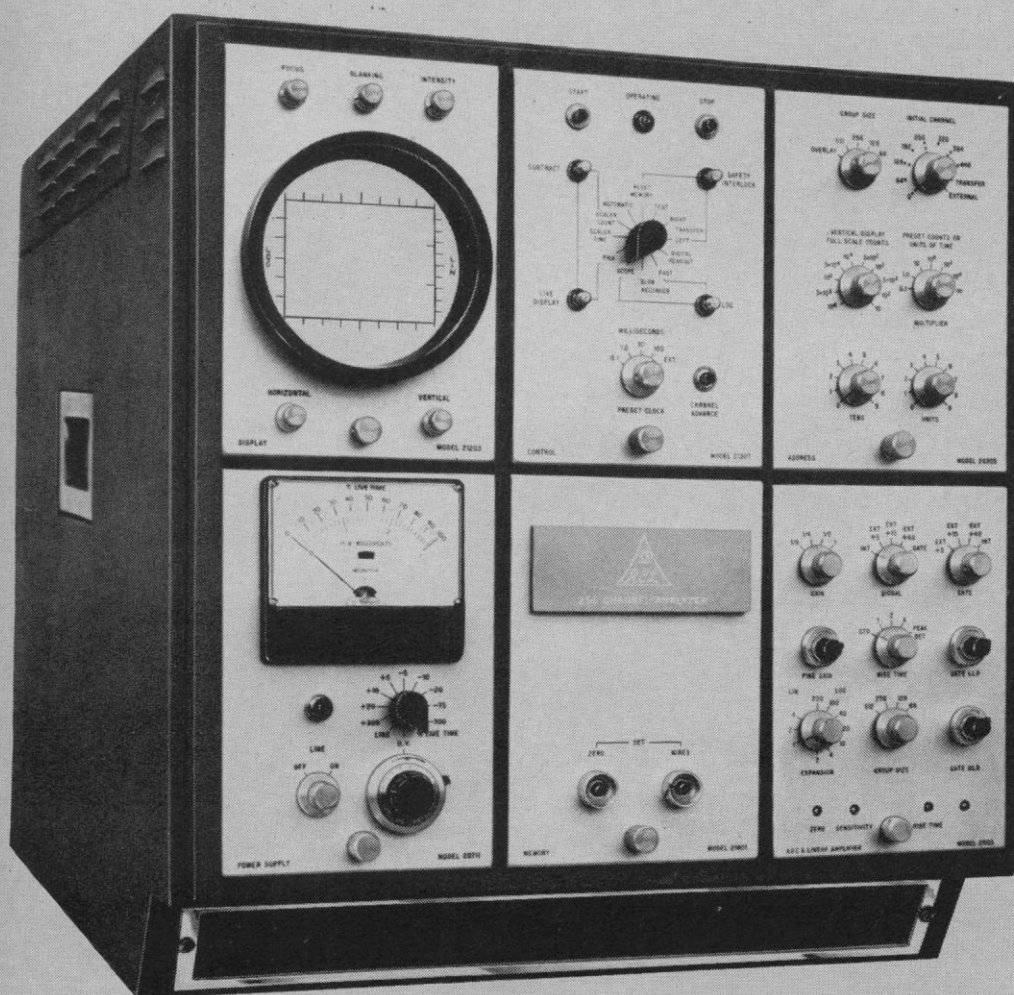
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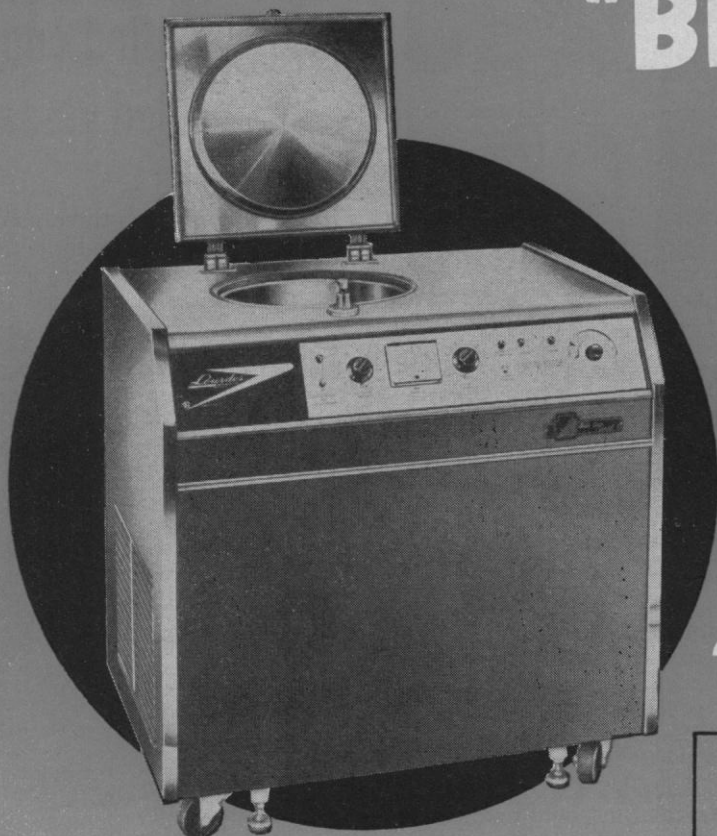
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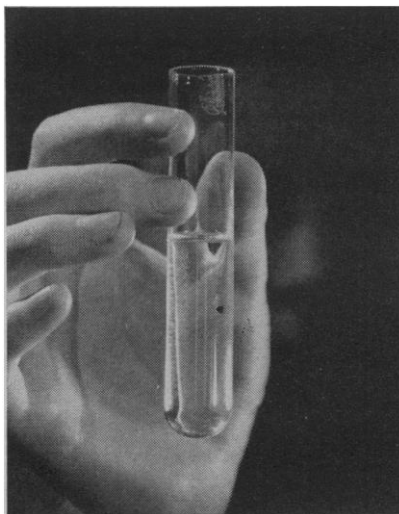


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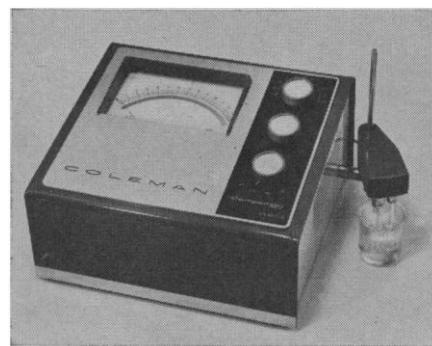
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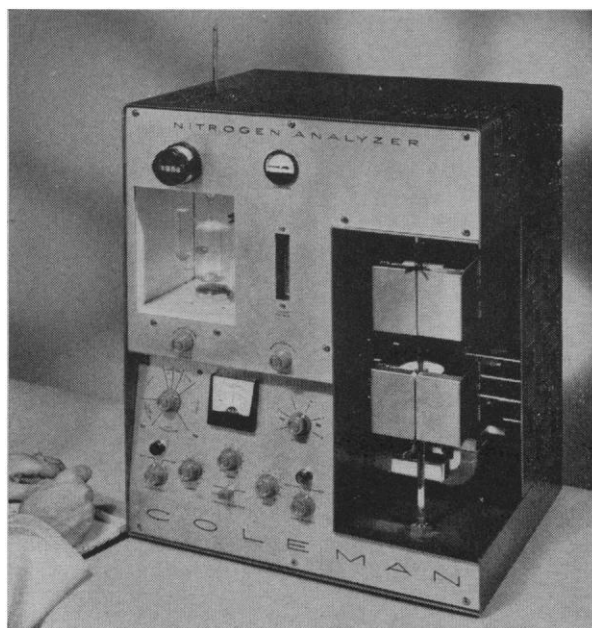
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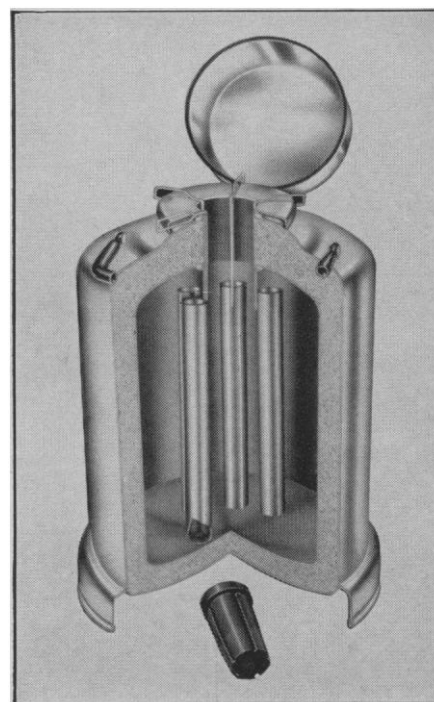
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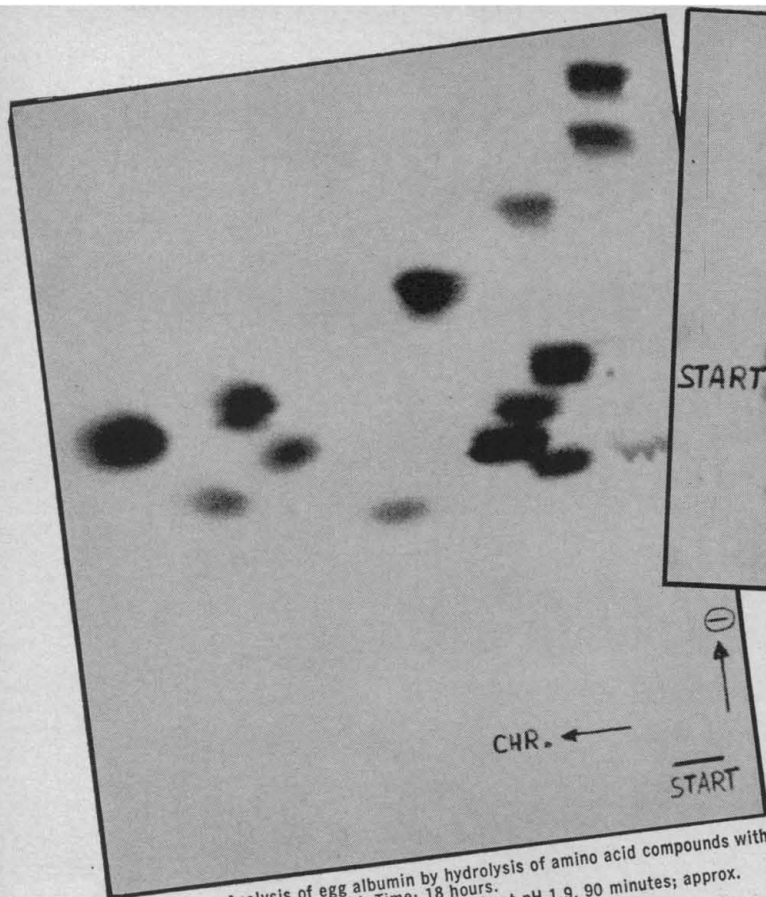
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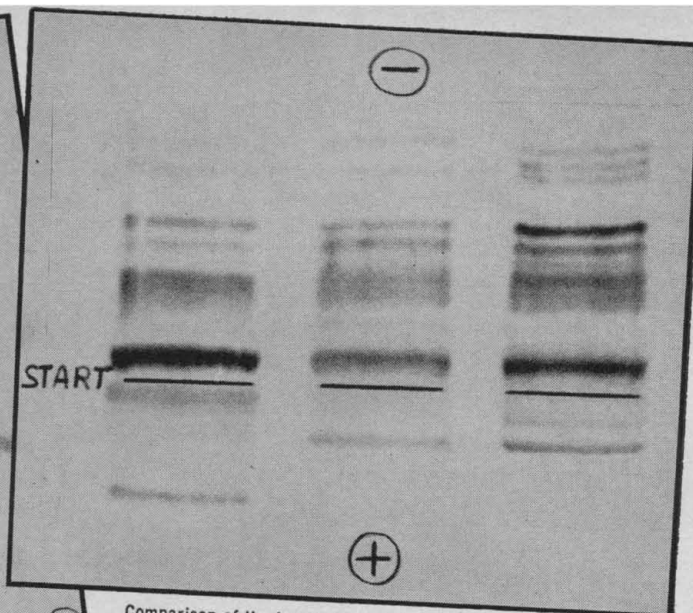
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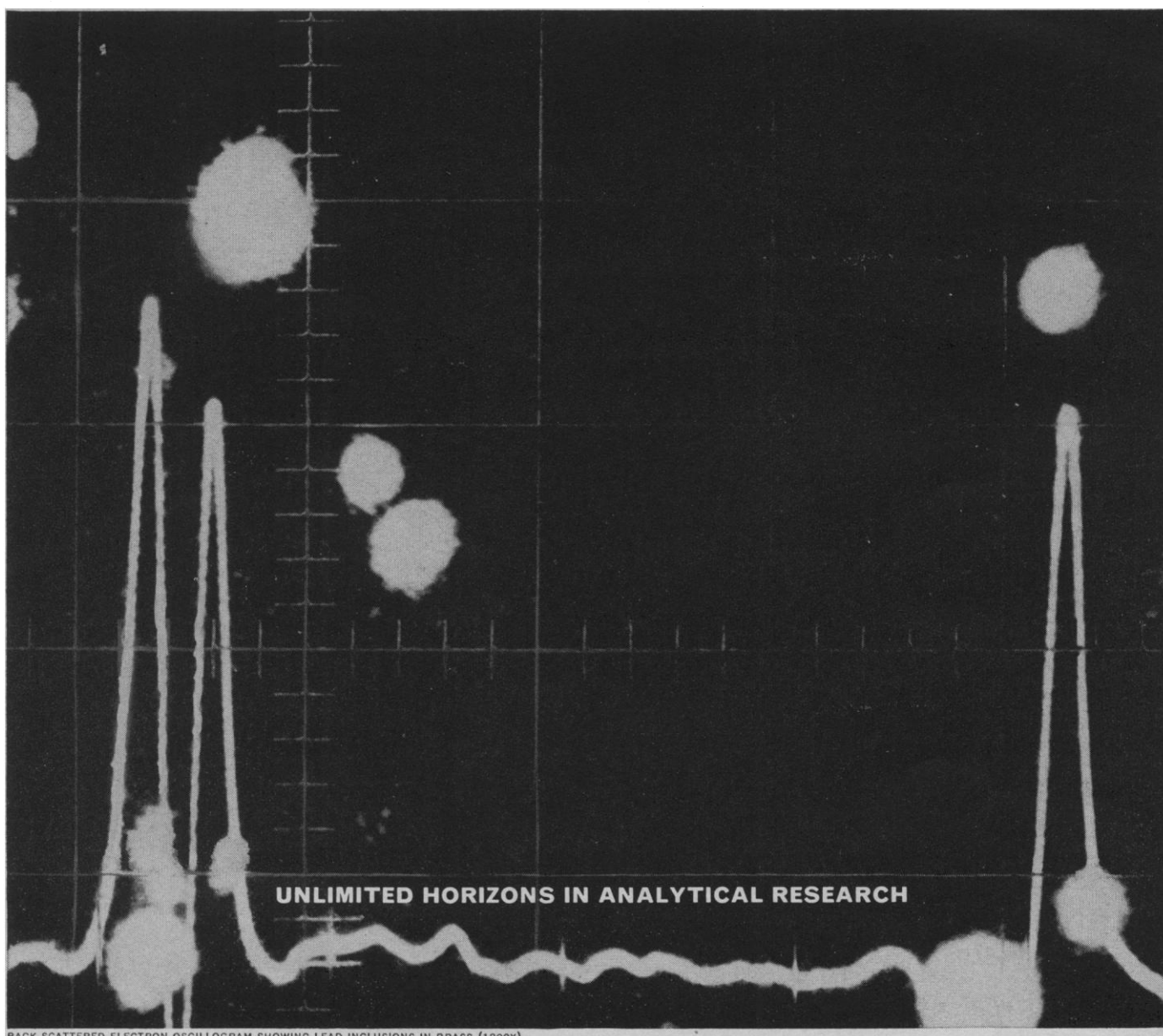


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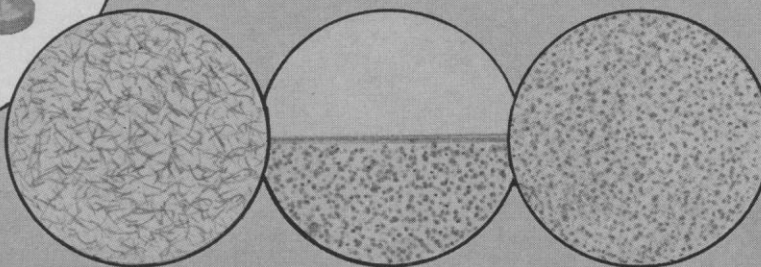
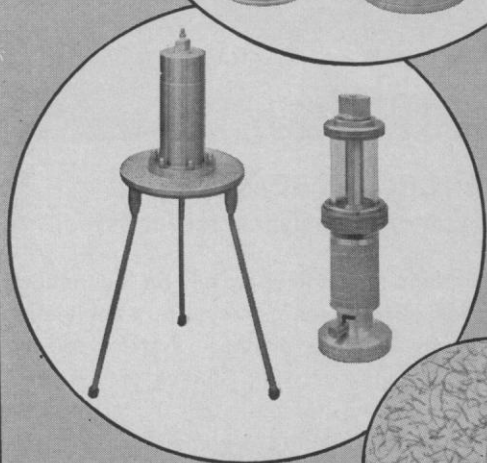
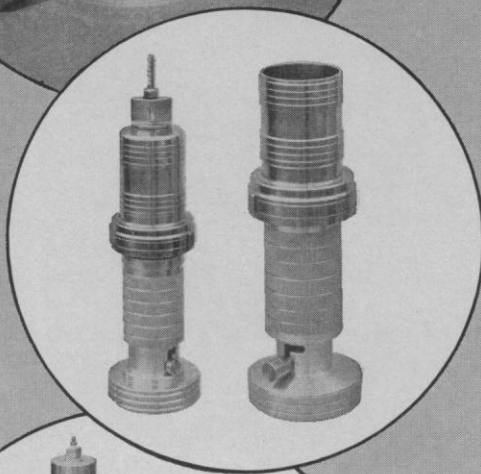
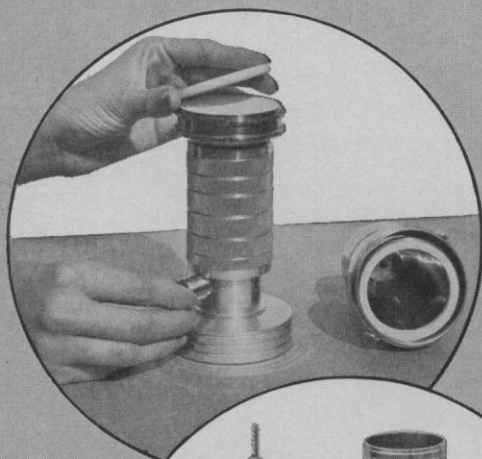
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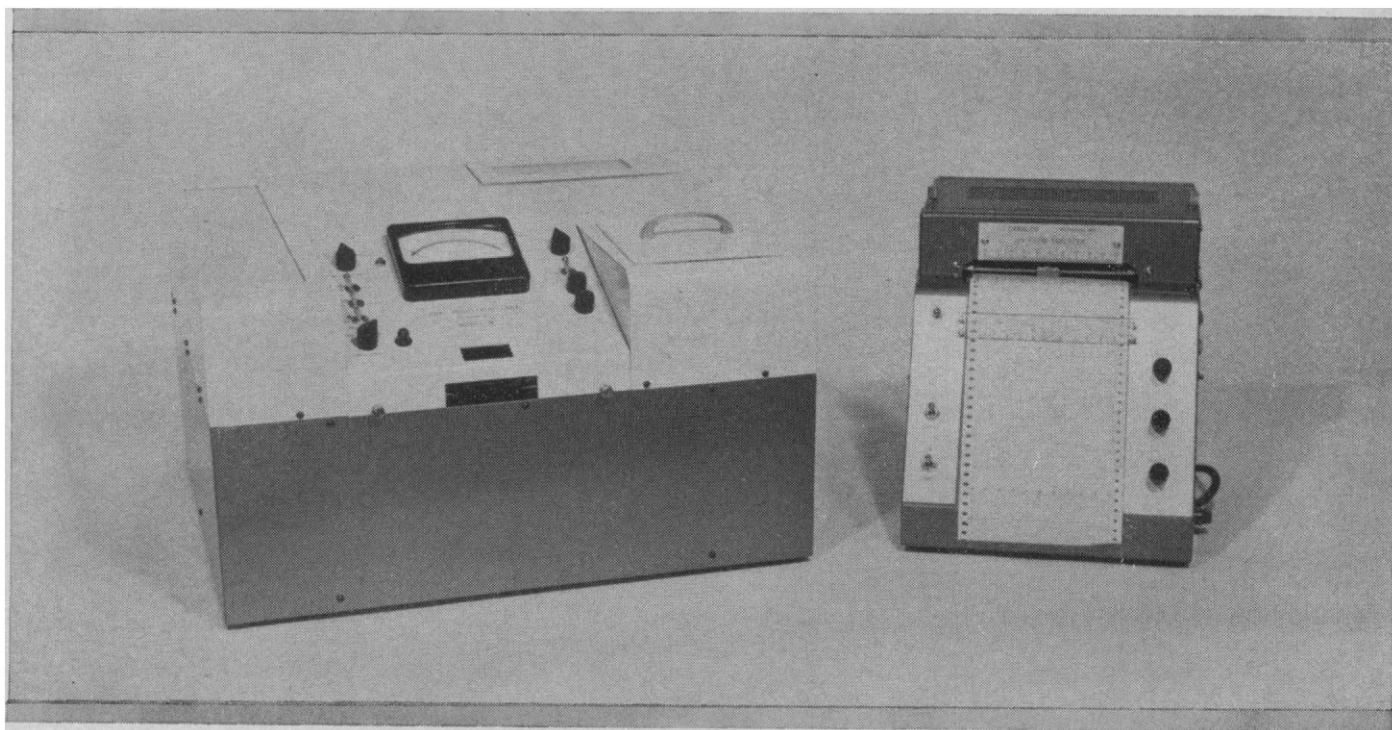


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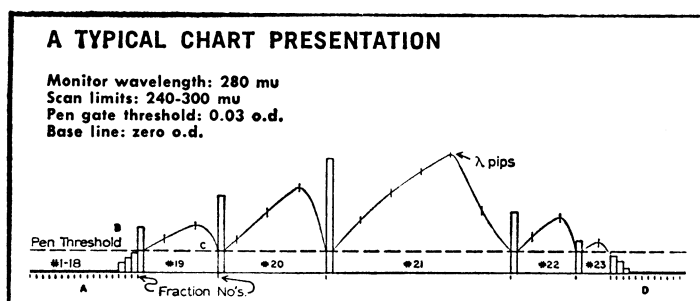
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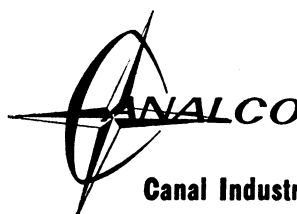
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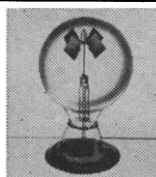
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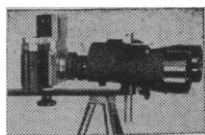


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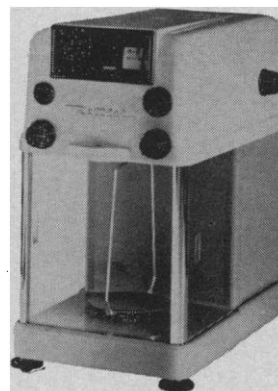
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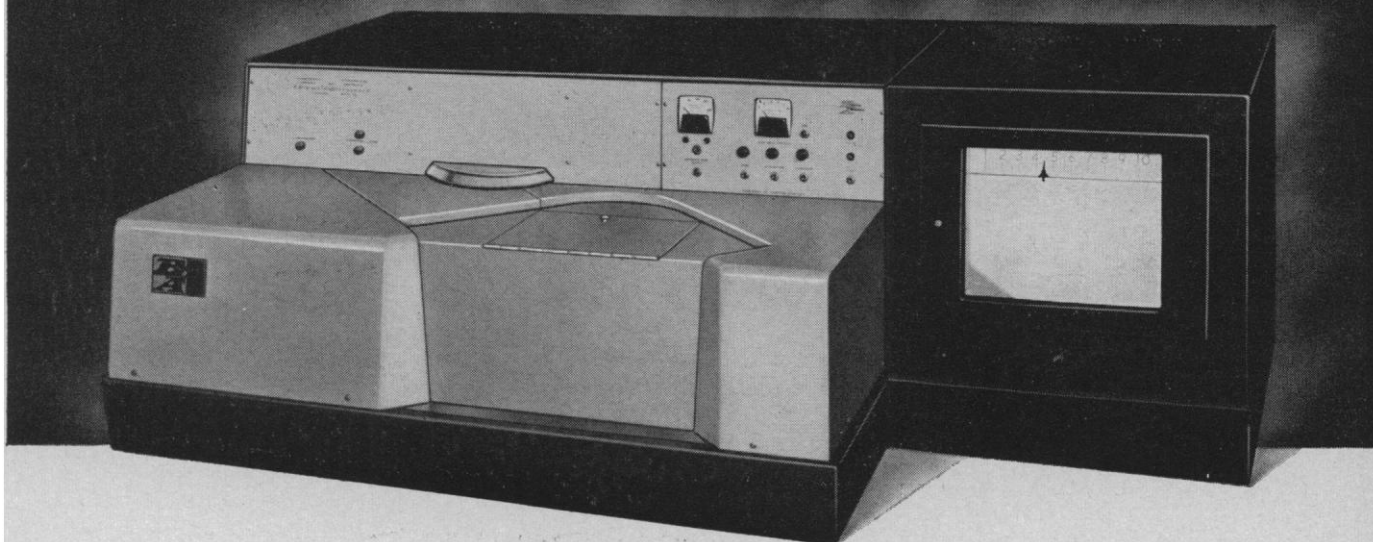
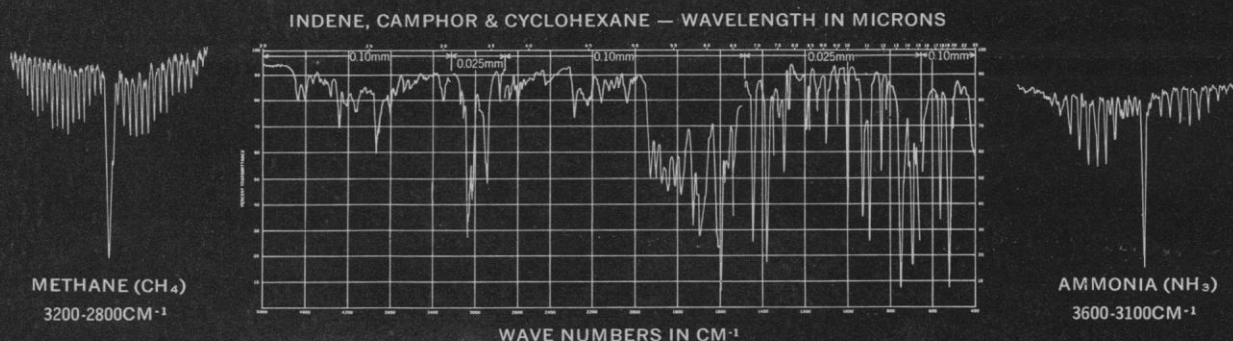
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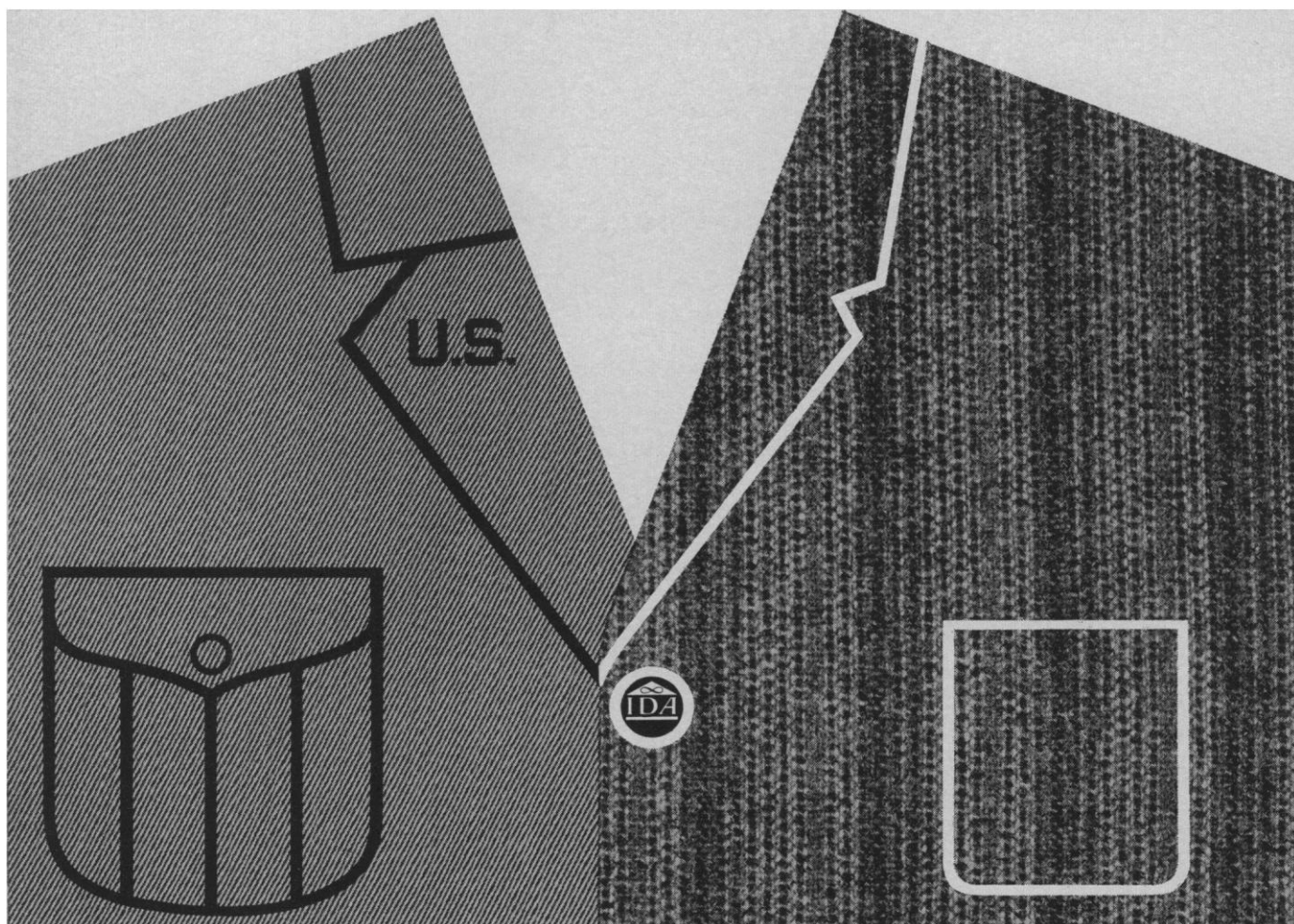
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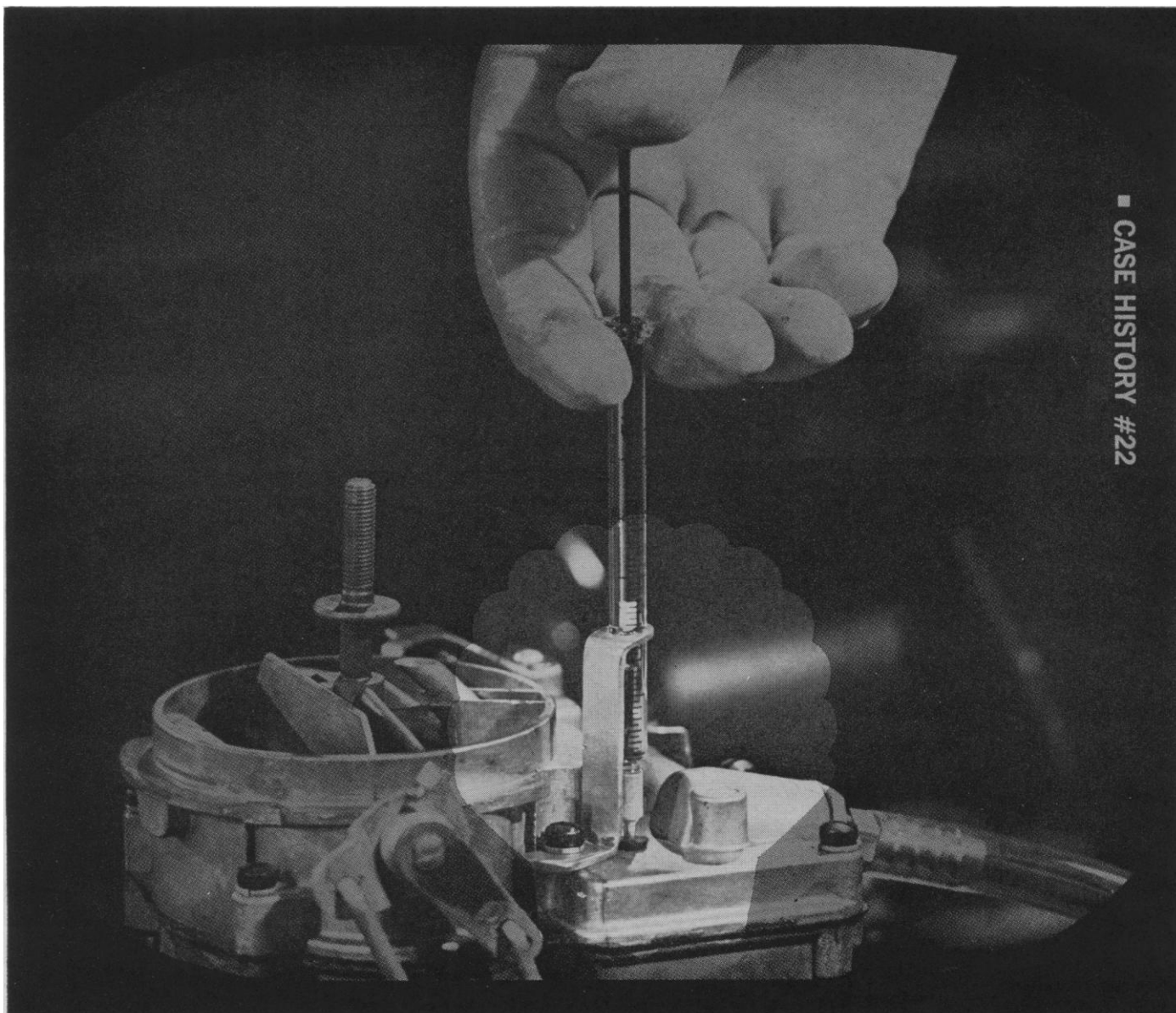
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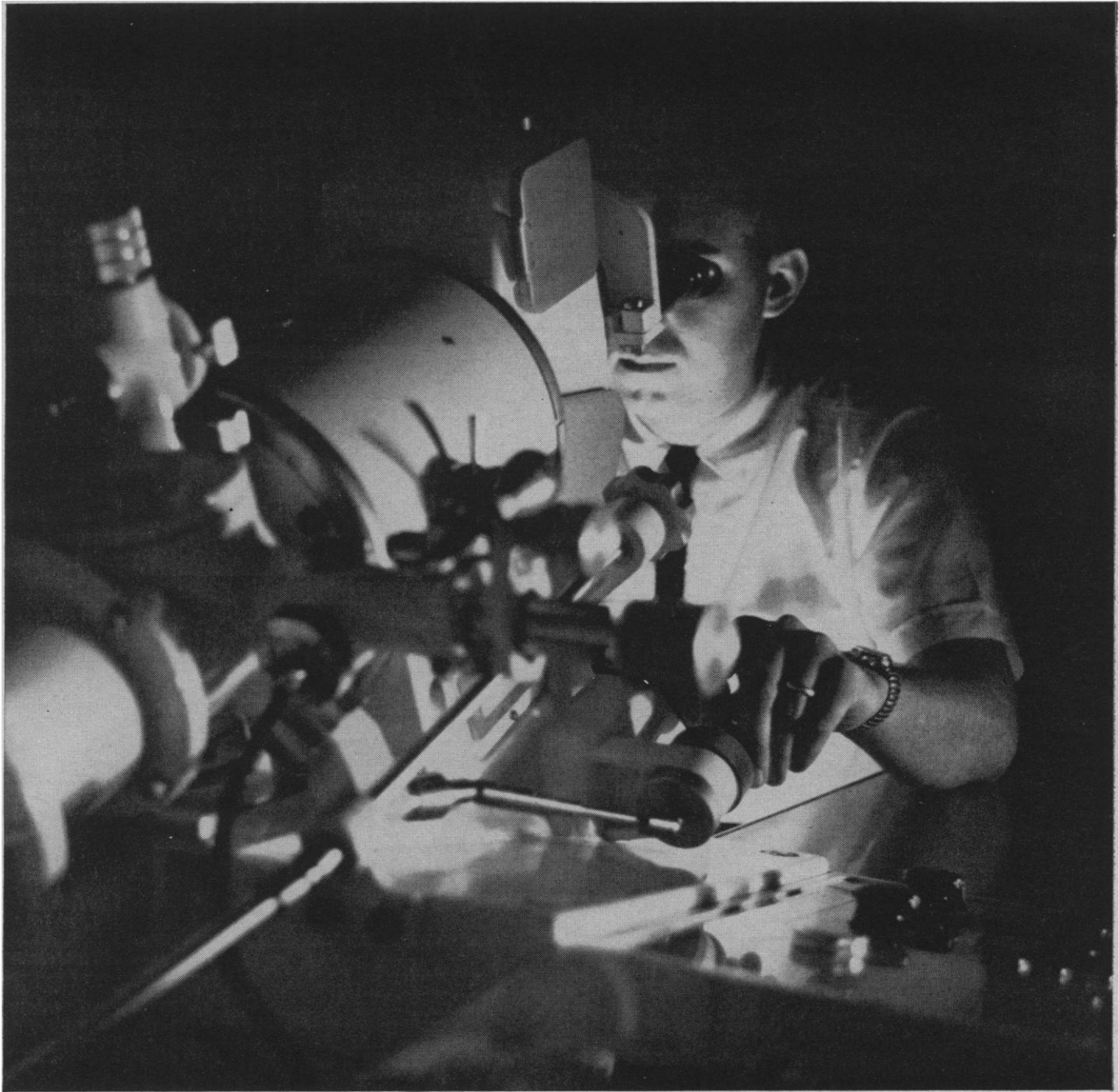
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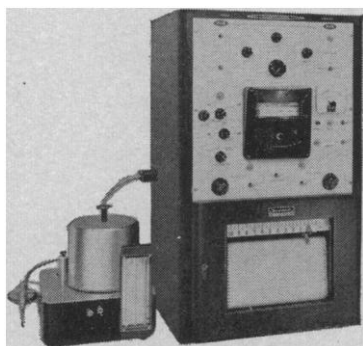


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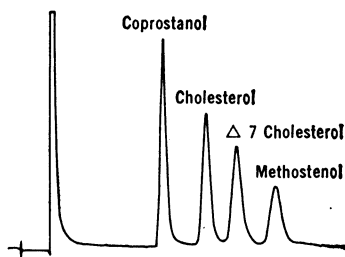


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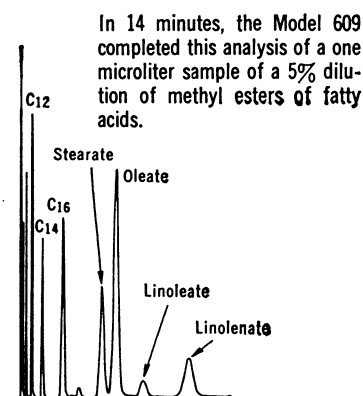
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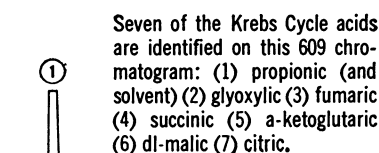
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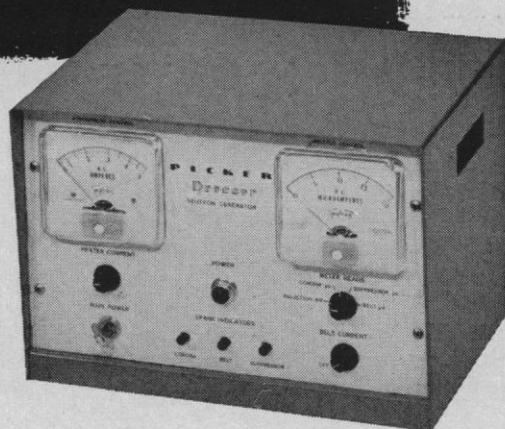
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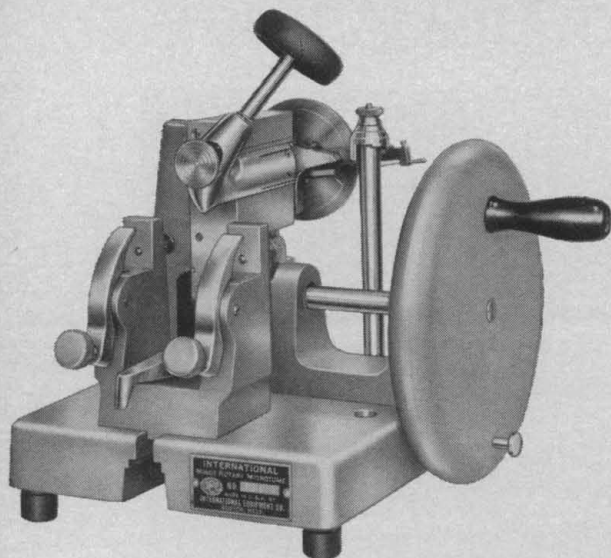
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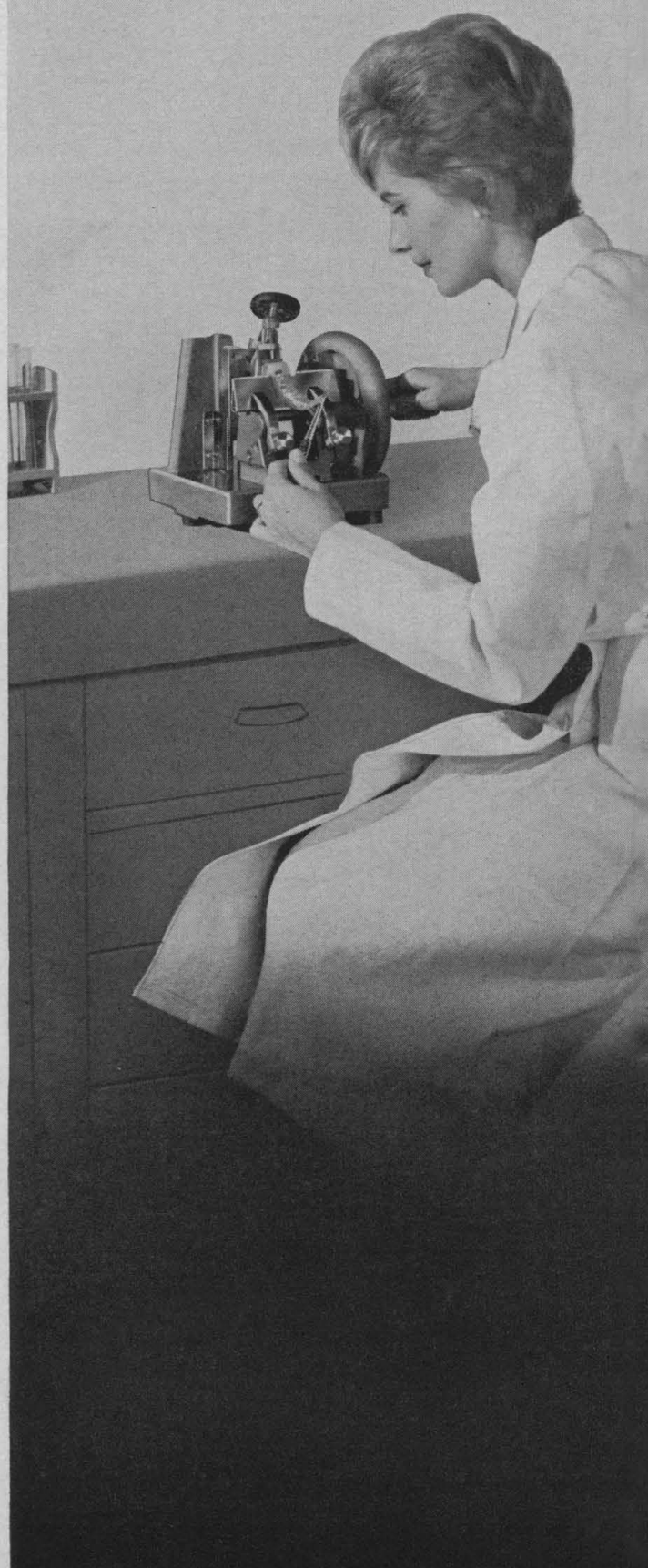
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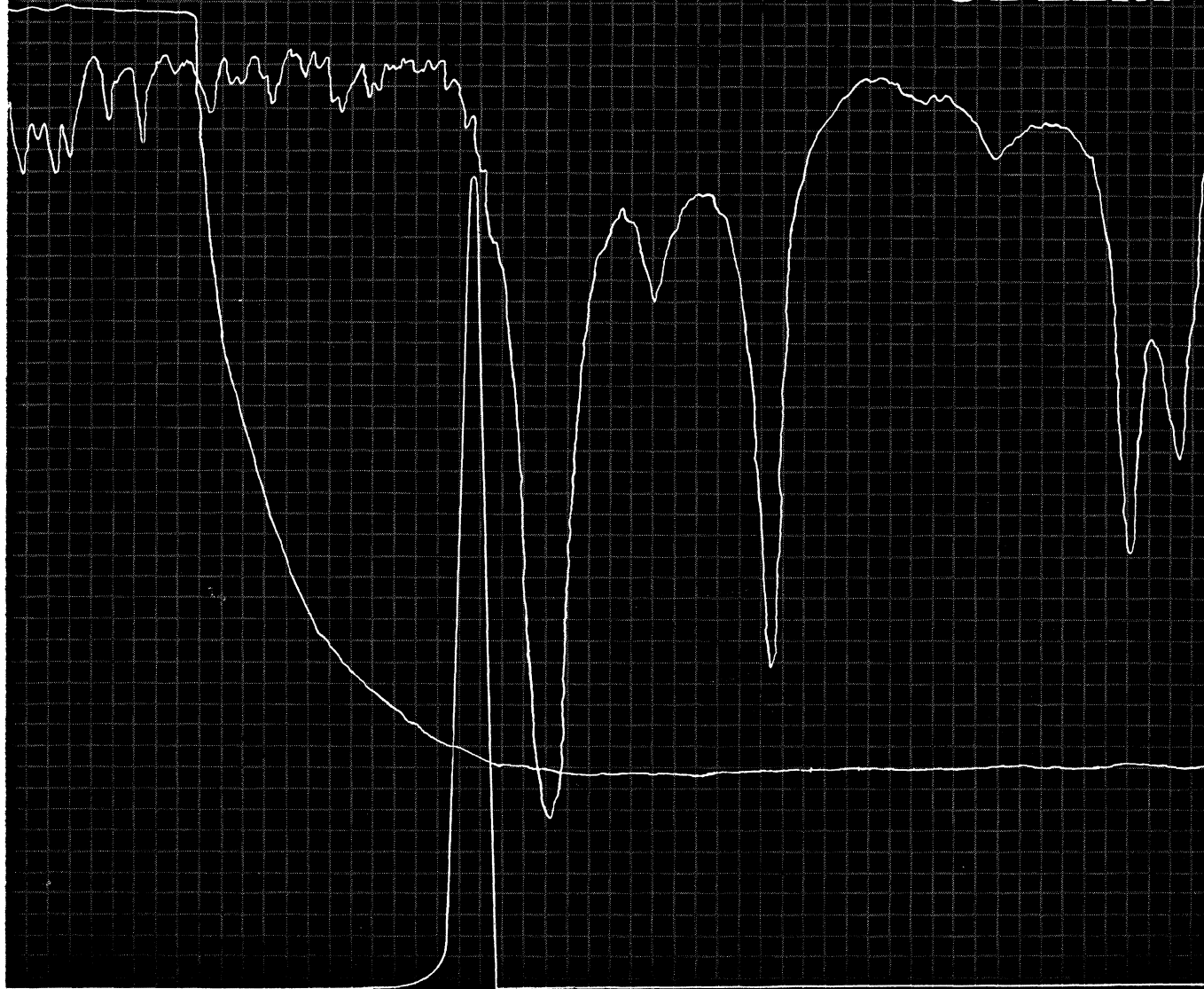
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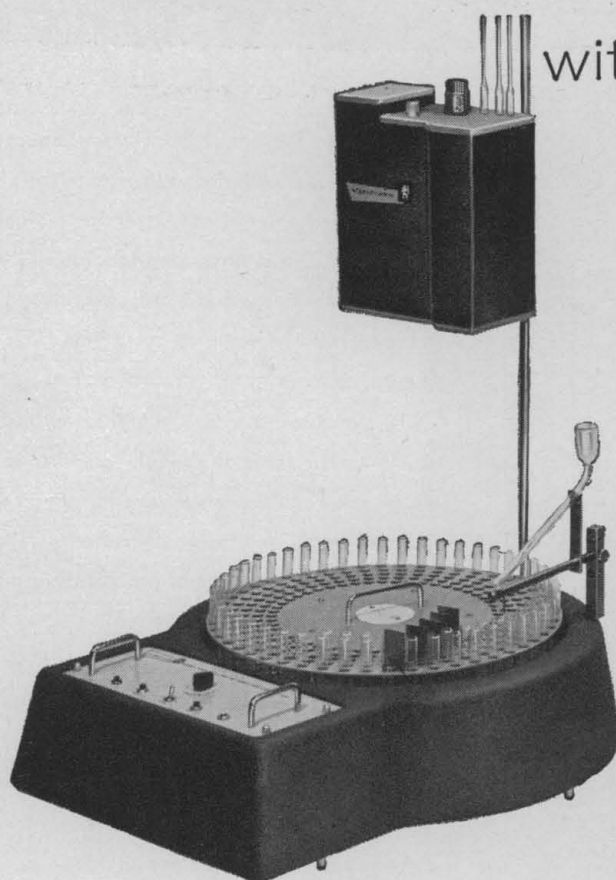
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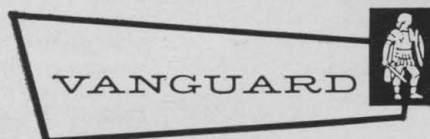


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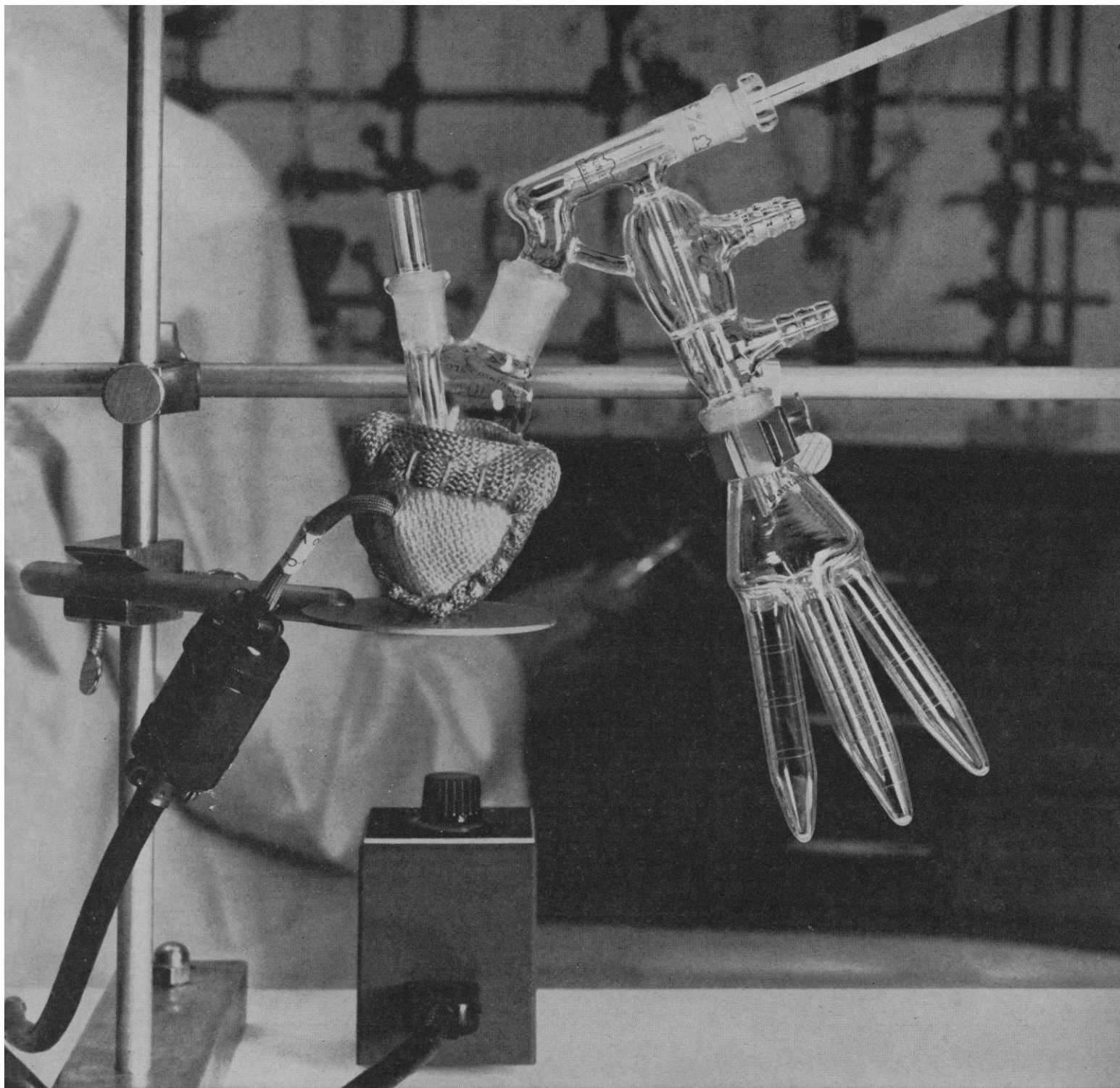


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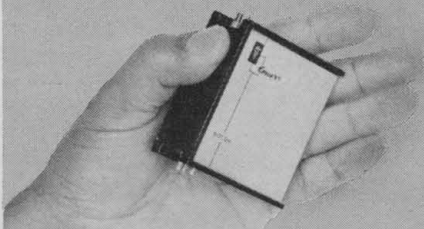
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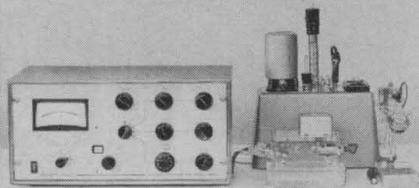


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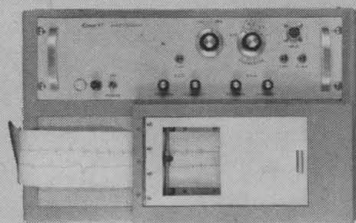
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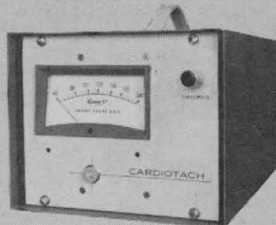
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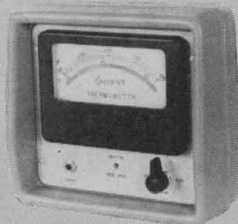
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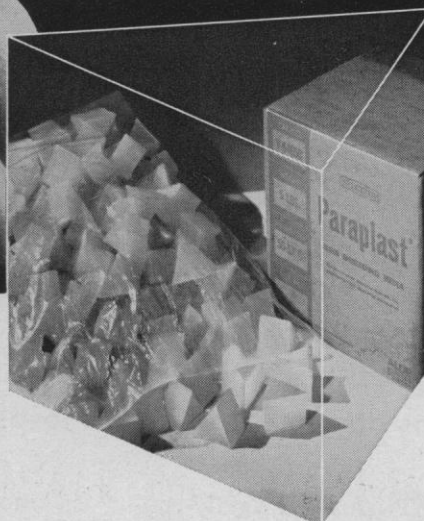
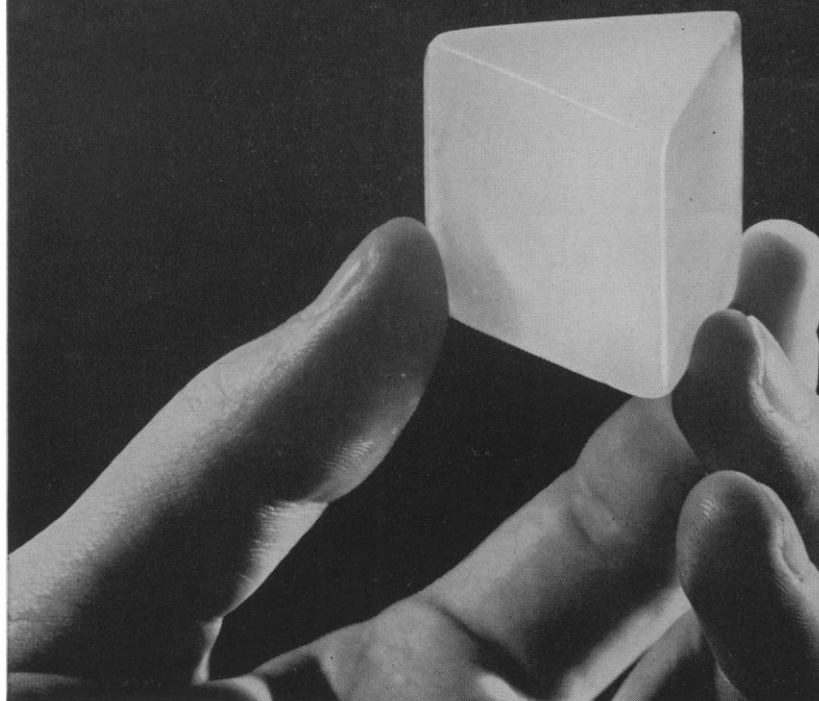
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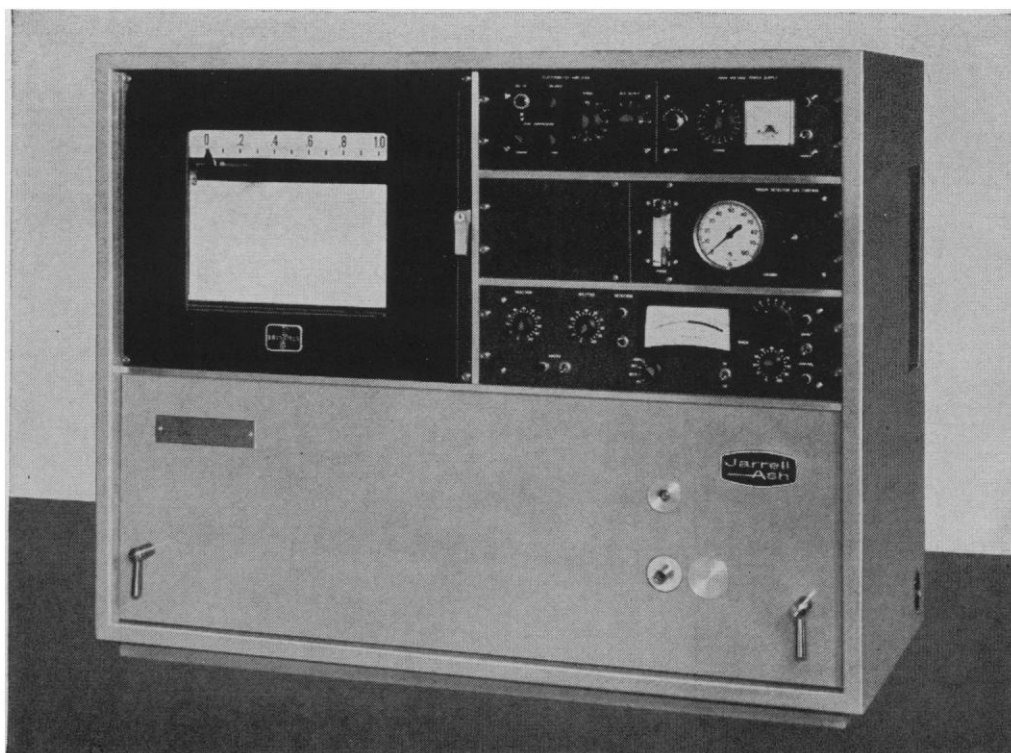
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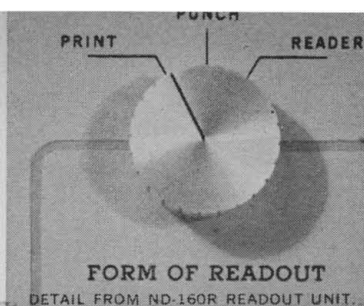
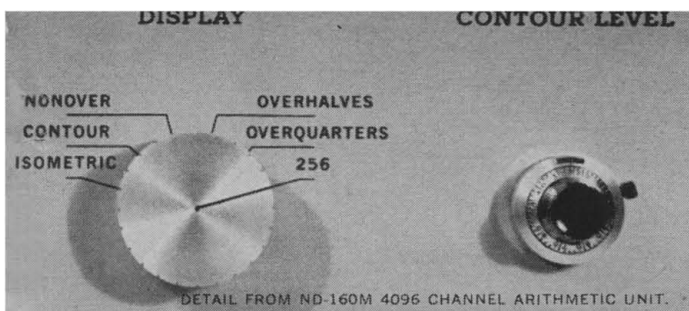
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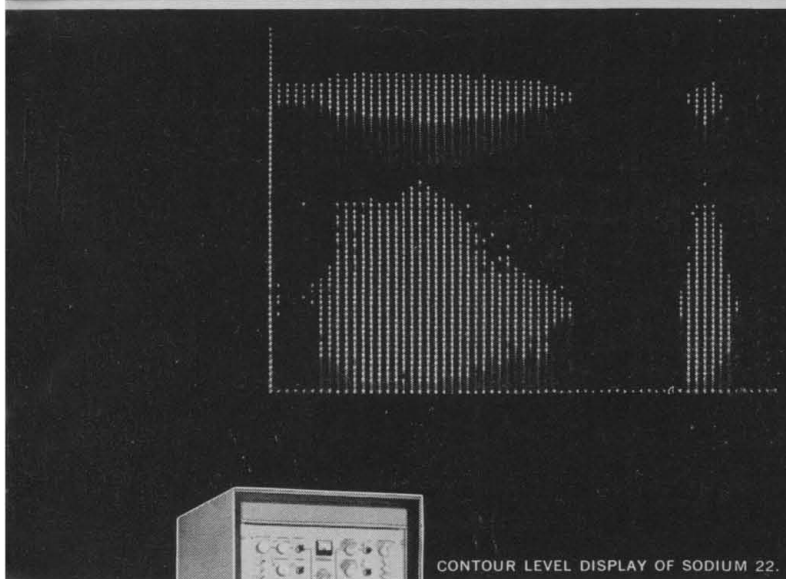
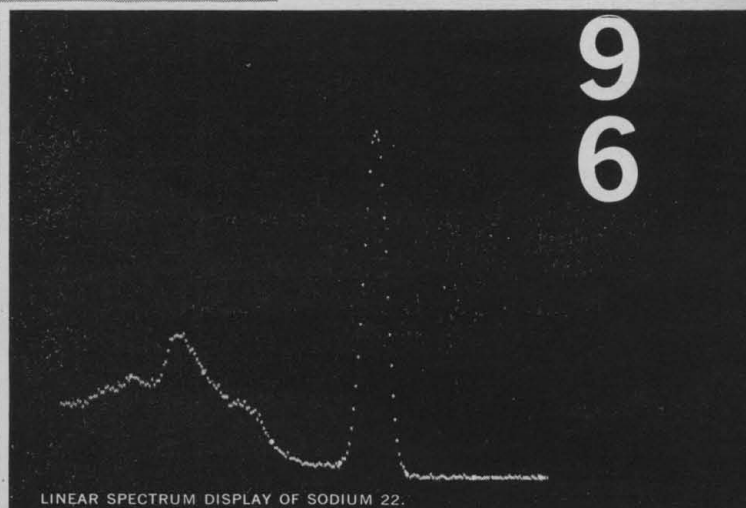
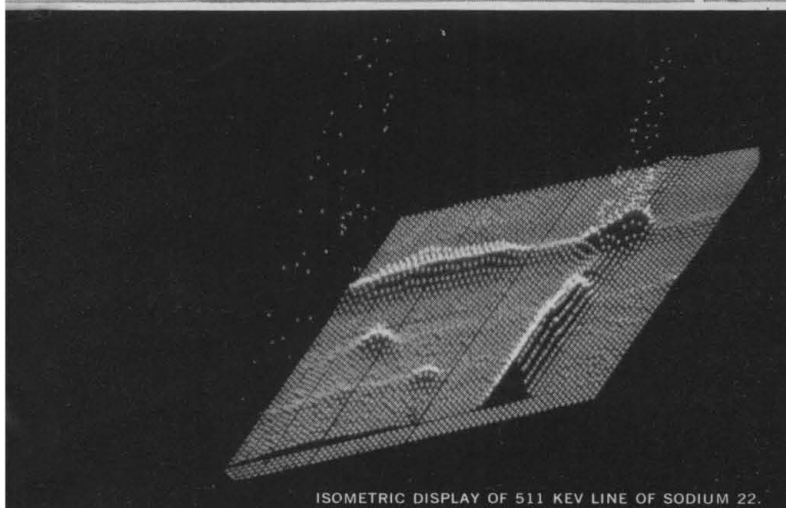
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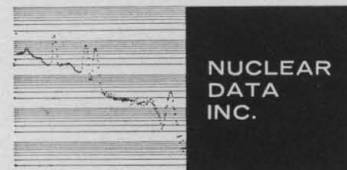
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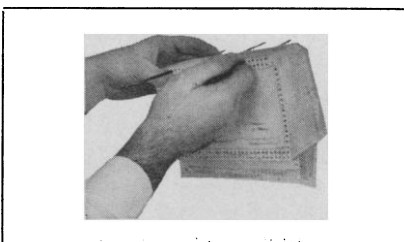
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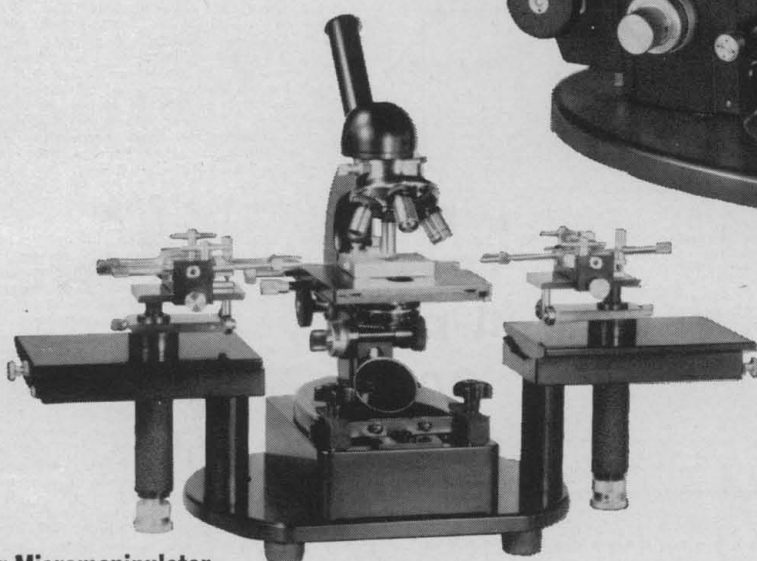
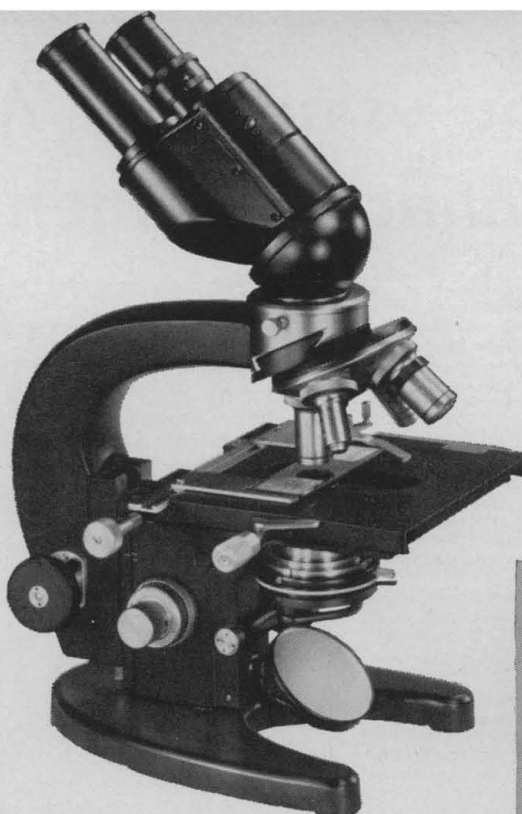
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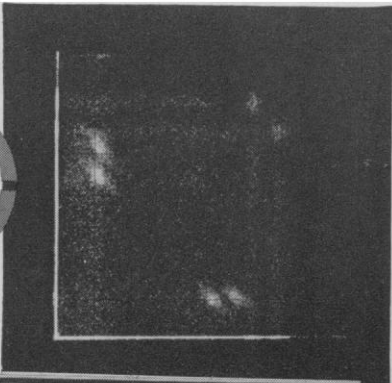
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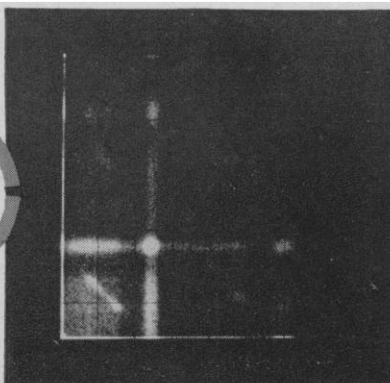
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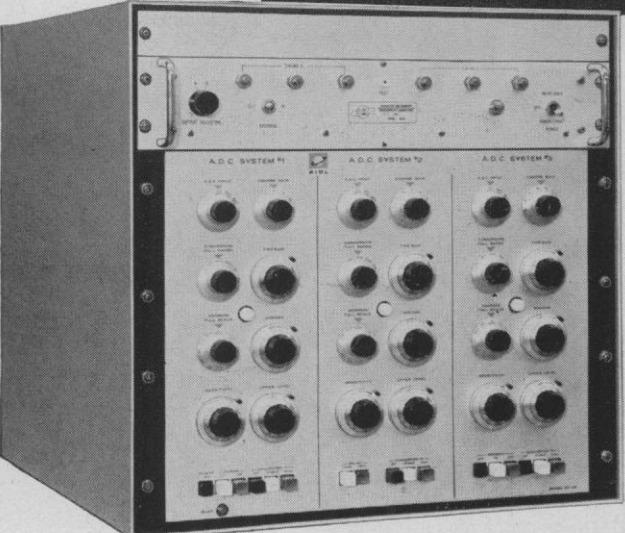
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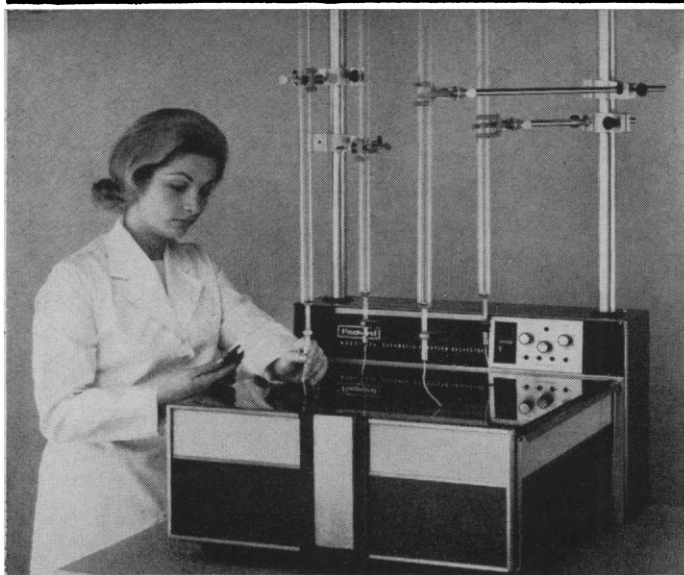
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symposium Plant Biology Today: Advances and Challenges. Three papers delivered in the morning and three in the afternoon brought an audience of about 150 up to date in its thinking on phytochrome and the red-far red system in plants (Bruce Bonner, Harvard), modern concepts of cell behavior (Herbert Stern, Illinois), root development in vitro (John G. Torrey, Harvard), concepts of shoot growth (Ralph O. Erickson, Pennsylvania), long distance transport in large intact plants (Martin H. Zimmermann, Harvard), and modern research in evolution in the ferns (Warren H. Wagner, Michigan). The annual luncheon for all botanists attracted over 100 persons to hear the address of the retiring chairman of the Section, John N. Couch, (Kenan professor of botany, University of North Carolina). His research on a group of organisms were presented in his talk "Are bacteria and fungi related?" All present were pleased when the director of the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Robert Hatt, awarded the Mary Soper Pope medal to Edmund Fulling, editor of *The Botanical Review*; the citation was read by Pierre Dansereau (New York Botanical Garden). The day ended with an open house in the botanical laboratories of the Academy of Natural Sciences, followed by the very successful Biologists' Smoker among the excellent exhibits of the Academy.

HARRIET B. CREIGHTON, *Secretary*

Anthropology (H)

Both Stanley Garn's talk on "Culture and the direction of human evolution" and William S. Laughlin's vice-presidential address on "Recurrent human origins and apparent extinctions" illustrated a major focus of contemporary physical anthropology, namely, the rendering of data from living populations on the problems of human evolution.

Laughlin stated that differences among fossil men are maximized because such finds are generally isolated and individual rather than parts of known populations. He stated that measurements on living populations reveal ranges of variations within groups known to be closely related that are as great as those which have been thought sufficient to identify fossil finds as different species of men. This maximization of differences has con-

tributed to the fallacious notion of human evolution as large-scale changes in successive groups of fossil men who succeeded each other through extermination, rather than as a combination of adaptive changes of a type generally not revealed in the bony structure and absorption of earlier populations.

In the introduction to his lecture, Garn further documented this approach by pointing out that with regard to three morphological criteria considered highly significant for the grouping of fossil finds (skull thickness, tooth size, and massivity of the area of the jaw known as the mandibular symphysis), measurements of all but the earliest human fossils fall within the range of modern man.

In summing up Garn's symposium, Theodosius Dobzhansky stressed the ongoing nature of human evolution, and pointed out the weight such data place against the argument recently raised by Carleton Coon in his *Origin of Races* that modern man evolved five times. Dobzhansky expressed agreement with the symposium participant, J. Crenshaw, that even without the benefit of evidence to the contrary, the hypothesis suggested a phenomenon of extraordinary improbability, and pointed out that elsewhere in his own work, Coon contradicted this theory. Dobzhansky closed by referring to the adverse use of Coon's theory by racist propagandists. He remarked that this demonstrates that scientists can no longer remain in ivory towers, unconcerned with the impact of their pronouncements, and that, indeed, it is naive and irresponsible for them to pretend they can.

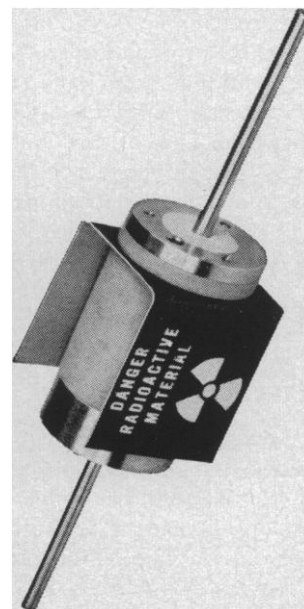
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A joint meeting of Sections E and H centered on recent advances in the dating of anthropological material and included five papers on methodology and three on applications. It is the first time such a joint meeting was held anywhere. In retrospect, three main points stand out.

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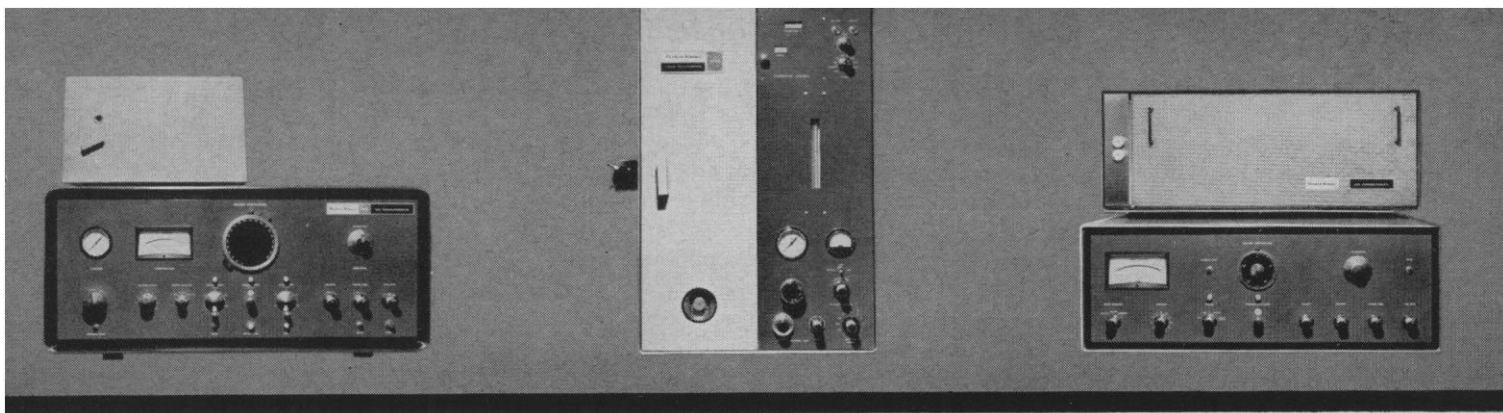
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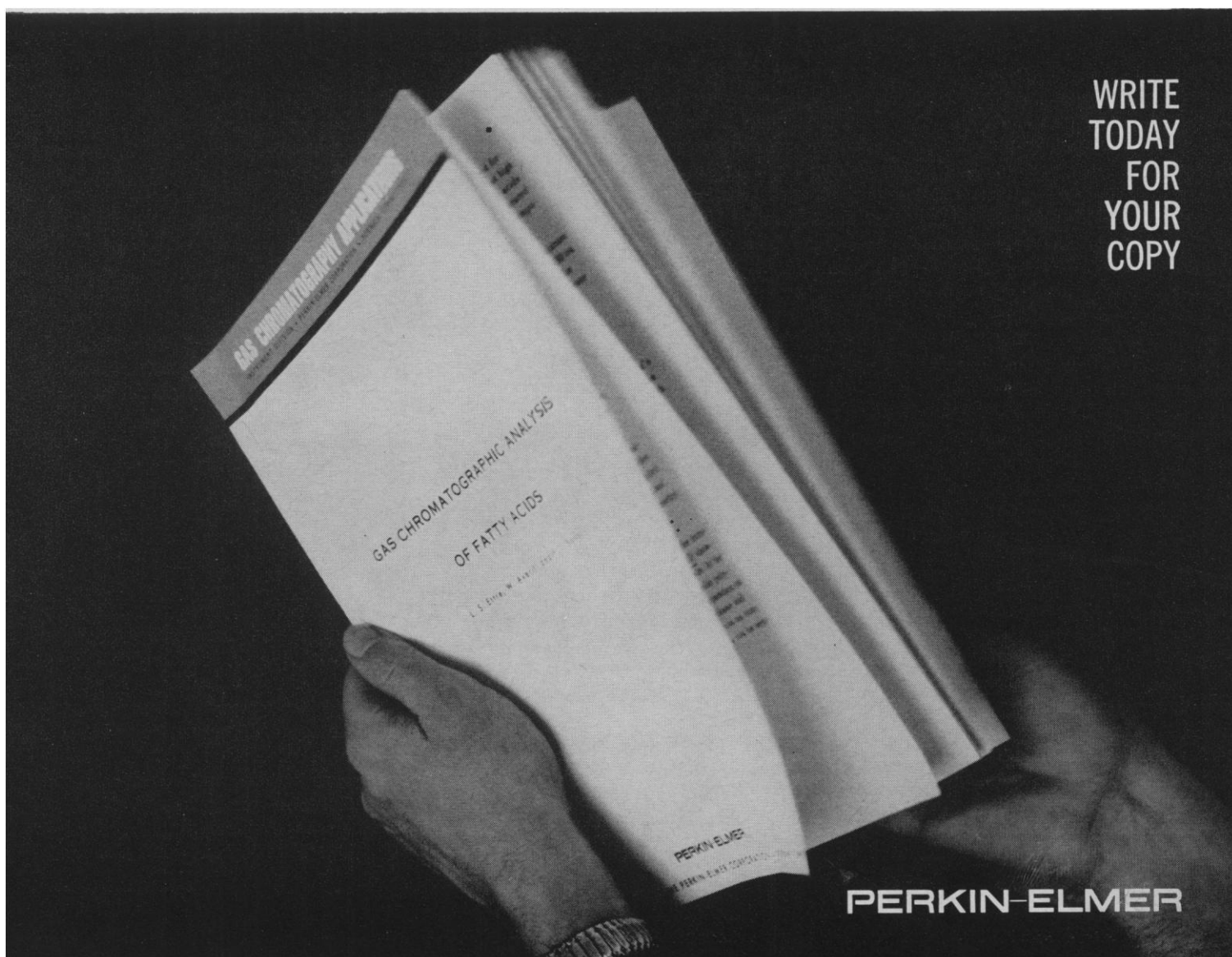
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Aaron Kaufman (Columbia University) presented a progress report on the use of the thorium-230 and uranium-234 ratio to date fresh-water carbonates.

Cesare Emiliani (University of Miami) is extending the "absolute" dates of his deep-sea-core temperature curves

on the presence of protactinium and thorium adsorbed on sediments.

2) Many factors and variables in radioactive dating are receiving increasing attention as techniques are refined.

Terah L. Smiley (University of Arizona) is of the opinion that geochronology will ultimately become "a study of ecology through time" as field observations, recording of data, and so forth are improved.

Elizabeth K. Ralph (University of Pennsylvania) reported on refinements in the C^{14} method. Certain discrepancies have been found in dating Egyptian dynastic age wood materials. Measurements of samples of known

positive age, as determined by dendrochronology, are providing a means of elucidating these uncertainties.

3) It was heartening to see workers in several different disciplines approach a common problem. The session demonstrated once and for all that paleontologist, zoologist, physicist, anthropologist, chemist, geologist, and archeologist can live happily together and all can benefit from valuable data in the disciplines of the others.

Dating of man in the Pleistocene in connection with his environment in the Old World was demonstrated in the papers of G. H. R. von Koenigswald (Rijks-Universiteit te Utrecht) and D.A. Hooijer (Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie, Leiden). Frederick Johnson (R. S. Peabody Foundation) showed how in recent years radioactive dating methods have compelled revisions in respect to the age of the peopling of the New World to double the once accepted time (about 12,000 to 15,000 years ago).

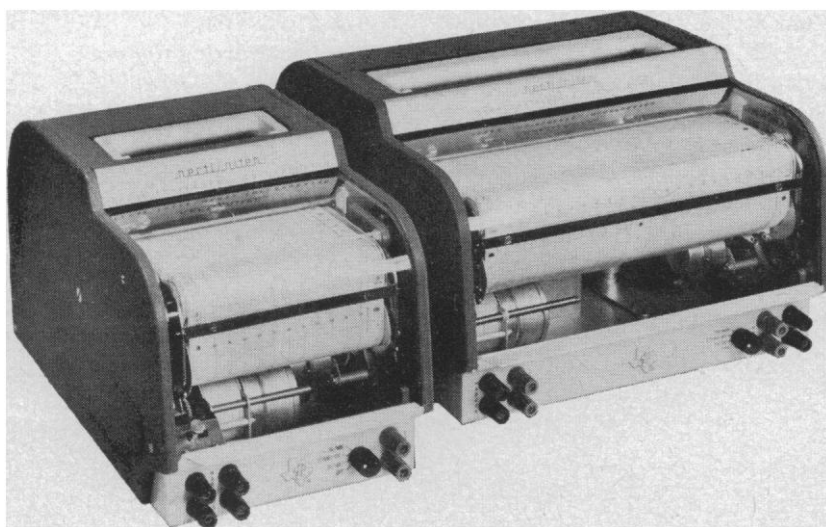
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Psychology (I)

Diversity of approach to the two major topics was the feature of the 1962 Section I program. The concept of maturity was discussed from the vantage points of biology, physiology, psychiatry, psychology, and philosophy. Memory was considered in terms of neurological mechanism, computer simulation, and various psychological formulations, with Arthur Melton's vice-presidential address an overview of the current empirical and theoretical state of affairs. A third symposium presented certain psychological implications of the problem of increasing population, and programs were co-sponsored on developments in mathematical psychology, linguistic analysis and cultural problems, the structure of meaning systems, and the evolution of behavior.

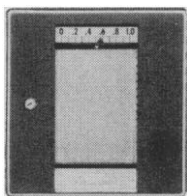
For 1963 the vice president for Section I is Lloyd Humphreys (University of Illinois), and Richard L. Solomon (University of Pennsylvania) begins a 4-year term as member-at-large of the Section Committee. The Committee expects to concern itself during the year with the place of psychology in the primary and secondary school curriculum.

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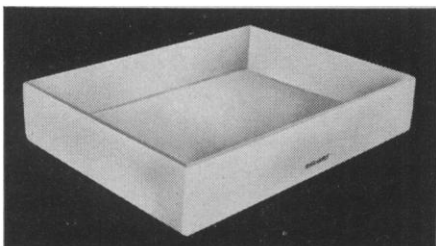
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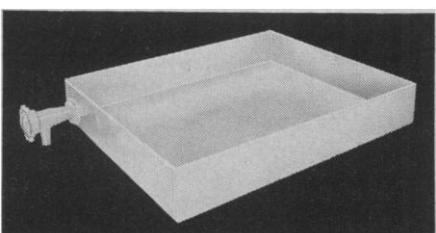
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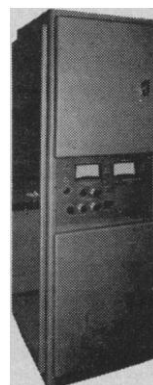
Social and Economic Sciences (K)

Some theories and concepts of economic growth were discussed at the vice-presidential address session of Section K. Simon S. Kuznets (Harvard University) was concerned with problems of measuring economic growth and discussed the several structural forms which social and economic development included; he cautioned against emphasizing growth-rate statistics which were not in a proper historical perspective and which omitted the major needs to which growth should apply. The major problems of measurement center around the meaning of: commodities and services produced, the adjective "net" in net output, the weights used to combine diverse goods and services into a total with comparably measured parts, and the long-term aspect of the increase in growth rates. The session, in an interdisciplinary context, also dealt with the relationship of economic growth to changing social institutions and values. Factors of sociocultural adaptability, for example, influence rates of growth beyond mere savings-investment functions, and these problems relate importantly to balanced economic development.

The American Economic Association held a session on the economic impacts of disarmament. The shift of productive resources at a time when less of these resources are needed for armaments requires programs for investment in peacetime goods and services. Some re-investment into expanded peaceful space activities can be anticipated as well as into new products and services whose fuller potential has been deferred from weapons expenditures. The session treated in detail the strategy of such adjustments to disarmament in a qualitative and quantitative approach, and also related the subject to its impact on trends in research and development.

The American Political Science Association discussed the general subject of scientists in politics by reviewing the establishment of NASA, the national policy, and the President's science advisors. These papers pointed in general to the frequent confusions which nonetheless have led to the successful creation through legislation of scientific establishments within the Federal government. While conflicts in this area remain, it was inferred that the gulf between scientist and legislator and scientist and administrator is diminishing in favor of greater mutual understand-

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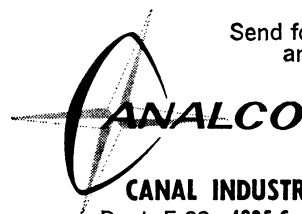


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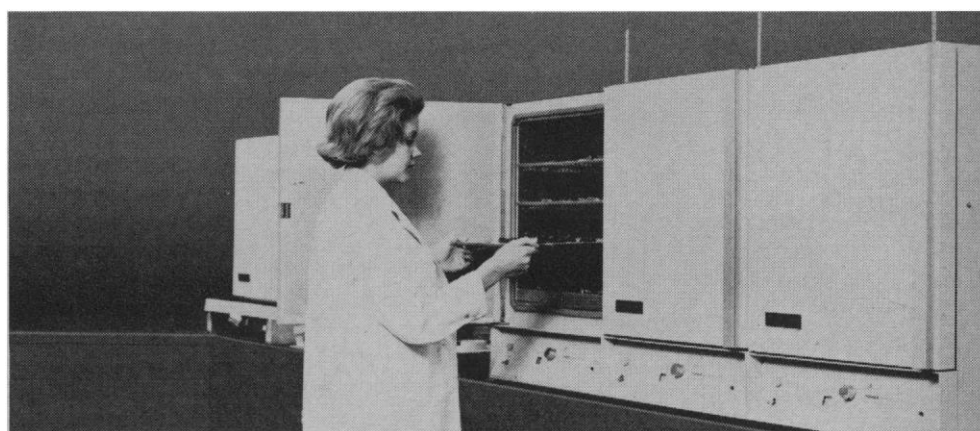
The American Sociological Association discussed in one session matters relating science and education to the national interest. The subject matter included the conflict between science and humanism, the problems of choosing science as a career in American colleges, federal support of research, and projections to 1970 of the role of science in higher education. In a second session, cosponsored by the Population Association of America, problems of population research were reviewed to include demographic trends in Hong Kong and Africa, statistical treatment of annual birthrates in the United States back to 1855, and questions concerning the training of demographers. On the latter subject, recommendations were offered for the establishment of separate departments of demography at a few leading universities where faculty resources might be able to handle such studies.

The contributed papers session of Section K reviewed selected subjects in social science research. Political literacy in less-developed countries was noted as being commensurate with economic and social development, but maturing at a slow rate. The most politically literate paradoxically tend to display a low-level correlation with the requirements of stable personality orientation. Considerable research in this area is needed and implementation should stress "the political development of less-developed countries."

A review of problems attached to private developmental capital indicated a conflict between the equity capital principle in less-developed areas and the essential demand for new capital from external sources. In several countries a relaxation of the equity requirement is being instituted to provide for growth. A discussion of corporate decision making pointed toward urging sociologists to research corporate structures instead of concentrating on labor orientated research, and to develop the study of managerial sociology. In a treatment of the subject of the urban adjustment of immigrant workers, largely Mexican and negro, the sample study for a northern community indicated employment opportunity as the principal reason for immigration, and that the majority of the sample demonstrated satisfaction with new surroundings. A final contribution offered suggestions for a theory of social dynamics and in part was concerned with the elements of a theory of success or failure.



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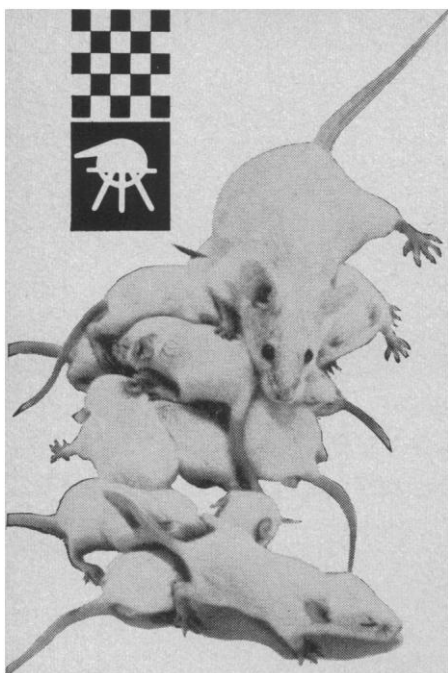
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The Metric Association held two sessions dealing with business matters and with papers on the promotion of the metric system. Section K cosponsored the very useful symposium of Section E on coal in the United States, the session of Section H on analytic sociological methods, the program of Section U on statistics in social and economic research, and the interdisciplinary symposium on technical knowledge diffusion and economic development. A reception in honor of the vice president and chairman of the Section was thoughtfully tendered by the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce of the University of Pennsylvania and cosponsored by Sections U and K.

Kingsley Davis (University of California), a sociologist and demographer, is vice president and chairman of Section K for 1963. Henry W. Riecken (National Science Foundation), whose fields are sociology and social psychology, was elected to the new term as a member of the Section committee. Section K is fortunate to have the able services of political scientist Ithiel de Sola Pool (M.I.T.), its new secretary. The retiring secretary thanks all those who have generously assisted in the development of Section activities during the past 8 years.

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American Political Science Association (K2)

The three papers at this session all described the experiences of scientists and politicians in dealing with each other. Harry S. Hall (Temple University), in his paper on scientists and conservative legislators, reported on a study of the way in which right-wing members of Congress reacted to atomic scientists in the period before Sputnik. The data were hearings and personal interviews. There was some discussion as to whether the distrust of their patriotism and security-mindedness continues into the present period. Robert Gilpin (Princeton University) spoke about the successes of PSAC, particularly in its formative years and particularly in reference to modifying administrative and decision-making processes in the executive branch so as to allow fuller account to be taken of scientific considerations. Enid Curtis Bok and Robert C. Wood (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) discussed the establishment of NASA and the political role of advisory scientists.

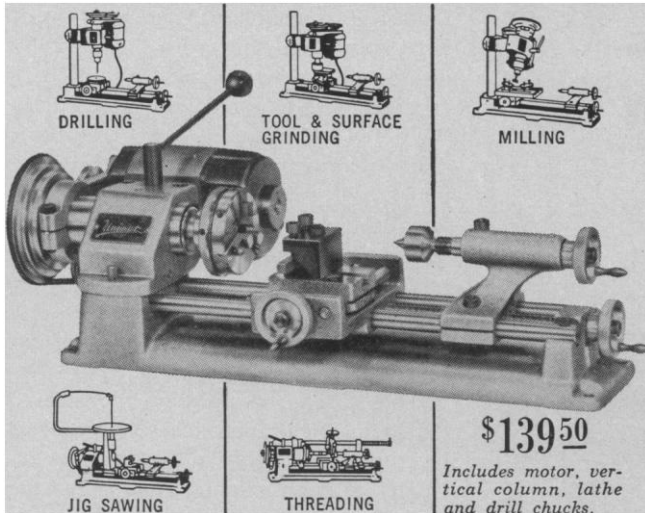
They noted that scientists won from Congress a number of points about which they felt strongly. But the paper showed that this was in each case the result of a coincidence of interest between the scientists and certain other groups strongly represented in Congress. The civil character of NASA and other points incorporated in the bill reflect not the political power of scientists or their reasons for advocating these measures but rather these coincidences of interest.

American Society of Criminology (K3)

Criminology includes the study of offenders, the reasons for crime, penal treatment, and the prevention of crime. All these topics were covered in the four symposia presented by the American Society of Criminology.

The first session dealt with psychiatry, psychology, and criminology. During the past decade a shift in the modal personality of offenders has occurred and has resulted in the evolution of the "new criminal." The typical prototype has changed from the "ethical professional," highly skilled offender to the reckless, unskilled, selfish, reputation-acquiring offender of today (Lewis Yablonsky, University of California, Los Angeles). An origin of delinquency was outlined by Sanford J. Fox (Boston College Law School) in his talk on delinquency and biology. Developing the science of criminology involves the utilization of the many facts of human biological individuality. Glueck's study of delinquency is evidence of the association between body type and proneness to delinquency. One important responsibility of the criminologist, who is trained in the social sciences, is to recognize the possibility that physical characteristics may relate to criminality. In a discussion on why some crimes occur, Michael Fooner (Association for Applied Psychoanalysis) cited "The Careless American." The loss of cash by theft may be induced by the victim's offering excessive temptation to the thief. Such a complementarity of roles requires assessment of the victim's responsibility. One should be alerted to and aware of the risky position into which he places himself as a potential victim of theft. One aspect in the prevention of crime was discussed by Hector Ritey (psychiatrist, New York City). We learn about the psychodynamics of criminality not so much by observing

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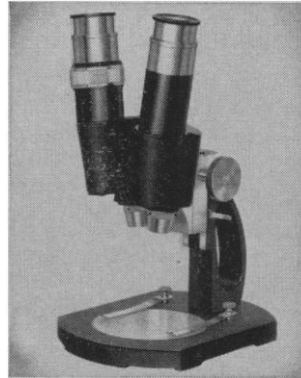


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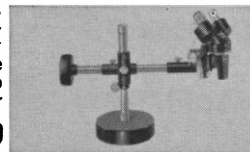
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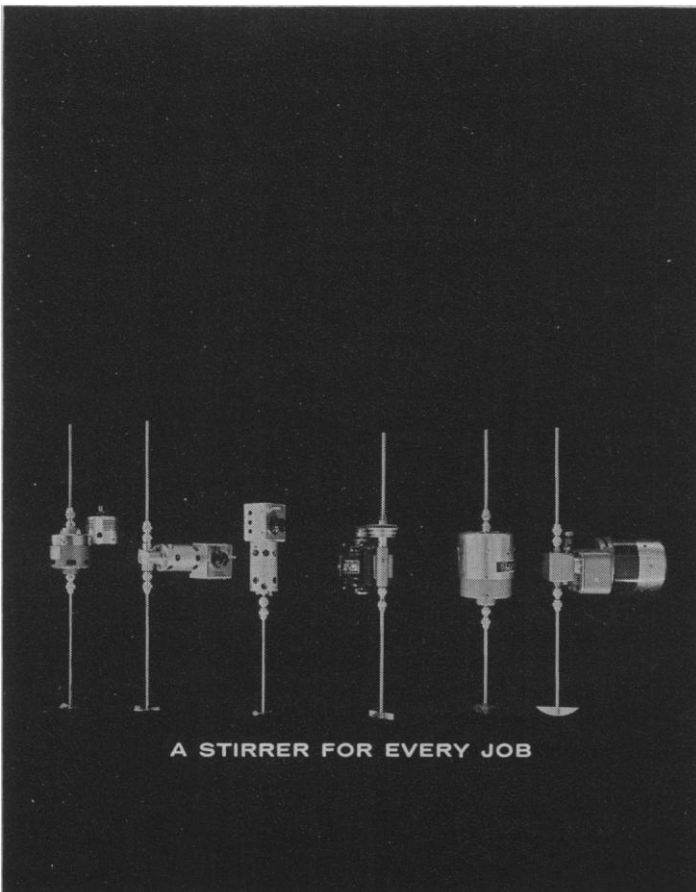
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BARBARA A. KAY, *Rapporteur*

The second symposium considered the sociological approaches to problems in criminology. Marvin Wolfgang (University of Pennsylvania) emphasized the contributions of sociology to the study of crime. Peter Lejins (University of Maryland; president of the American Correctional Association) traced the development of criminological studies, and found that in the United States, in contrast to Europe, criminology is still largely treated as a branch of sociology. However, he predicted its future establishment as an independent science. In the ensuing discussion, a somewhat different opinion was expressed by Thorsten Sellin (University of Pennsylvania) who indicated that while the study of criminology might be isolated, it was still inextricably dependent on many other disciplines, and the criminologist would have to depend on other scientific experts for many of his conclusions. In a paper entitled "Criminal statistics a century ago," Sellin traced the development of statistical approaches and problems in the study of crime in the last century, and suggested that the statisticians a century ago were not only struggling with the same problems that face us today, but also managed to express the same criticisms but in a clearer and more forceful manner. Thomas G. Eynon and Walter C. Reckless (Ohio State University), in a paper read by Eynon, developed the results of research since 1948 on the delinquent population of a large state detention facility. They concluded that such institutions were not training schools for crime; the inmates themselves feel significant changes in their own points of view. The most effective contacts developed by the boys are with staff members such as the cottage parent or counselor, rather than with the social



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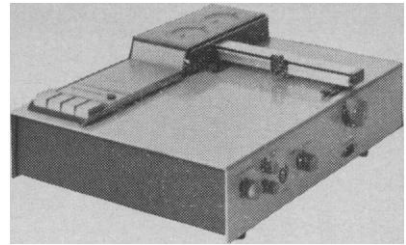
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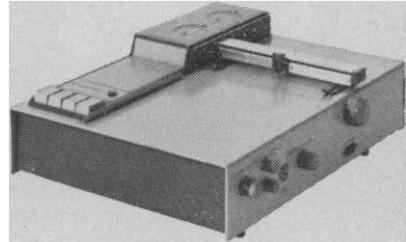
worker, psychologist, doctor, or the teacher. Charles Newman (Kent School of Social Work, University of Louisville) appraised the corrective value of the treatment of delinquents in foster homes, rather than in punitive institutions, and considered some of the difficulties of placement and adaptation, particularly of adolescents and delinquent girls. He contended that as a form of treatment foster home care deserved much greater attention than it was presently receiving. Finally, Theodore N. Ferdinand (Northeastern University) presented statistics concerning the offense patterns and family structures of delinquents from urban and rural communities. He analyzed the records of male and female juvenile offenders in rural, village, and urban communities in relation to the marital status of parents, whether mother or father was dead, and type of offenses.

CANIO L. ZARRILLI, *Rapporteur*

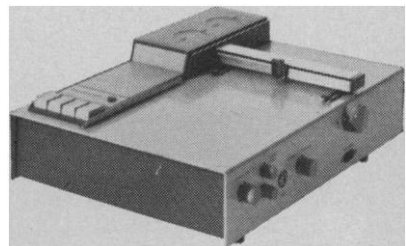
Problems in the administration of criminal justice were the subject of the third symposium. Bail problems of indigent defendants were discussed by Herbert Sturz (Vera Foundation). The Manhattan Bail Project is an experimental philanthropic project designed to assist indigent defendants who are unable to post even nominal bail and who are deemed unacceptable risks by the professional bail bondsmen. Certain high-risk categories of offenders are not aided (narcotic addicts and distributors, sex offenders, assaulters of police officers, and those charged with homicide). The experimental hypothesis is that selected offenders may be released without risk to the community even though they are unable to post bail. Long-term incarceration prior to trial is contraindicated by the high percentage of arrested persons found "not guilty." In some cases, individuals have spent more than a year in jail prior to trial because of their inability to post bail. In his talk on the chronic petty offender, T. Grygier (University of Toronto) described this type of offender as dependent and passive, as compared to the indictable felon. They are often immature, irresponsible, and afraid of life. Unable to compete in society, they frequently welcome confinement, which is often to them emotionally satisfying, and solves their basic needs for security, response, and recognition. One of the problems in the study of criminology, the absence of a criminal research and information center, was pointed up by John Scanlon (National Council on



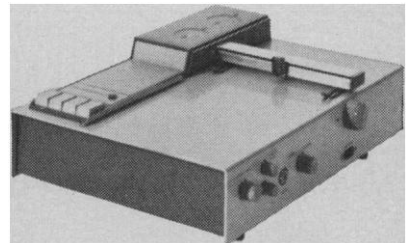
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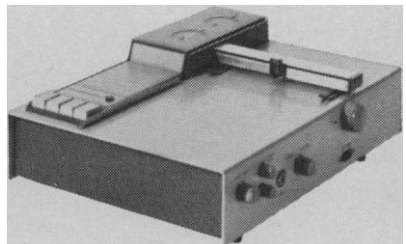
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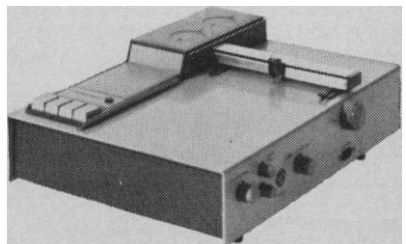
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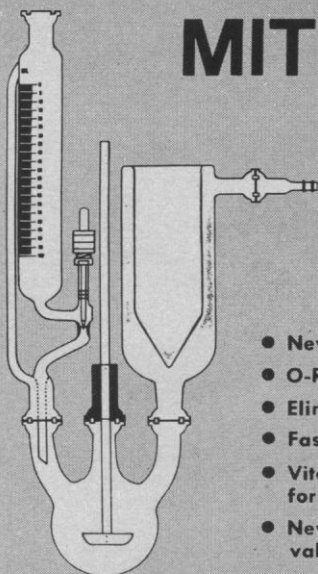
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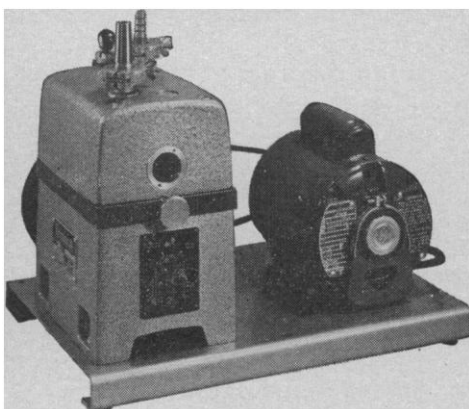


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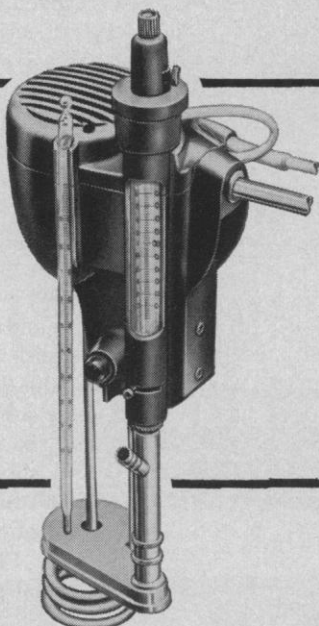
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Crime and Delinquency). While the necessity for intensified research into all phases of crime and delinquency is widely acknowledged, the absence of such a center has in the past frustrated scholars and inhibited the most economical and efficient utilization of available data, personnel, and funds. The National Council on Crime and Delinquency, working with the United Nations, U.S. government agencies, 35 foreign countries, and several state and private units has compiled (and will maintain as a current inventory) a tremendous bibliography of crime-delinquency research in progress or projected and is in the process of building a central criminal research and information center which will service the profession. Some observations on the penal system of Israel were noted by Joseph Eaton (University of Pittsburgh). The Israeli system, although much modified in the 14 years of freedom, was inherited from the English mandate authorities and bears the English stamp. Although more than 50,000 offenses are recorded annually, there are fewer than 2000 inmates in the six institutions. Probation, fines, and short sentences are stressed; the "Irish" reformatory system is preferred although it is adjusted to local conditions. Flogging has been abandoned and capital punishment has been abolished.

CLYDE VEDDER, *Rapporteur*

Problem areas in contemporary law enforcement was the theme of the fourth symposium. How industrial security programs are effective in the prevention of crime was discussed by Timothy J. Walsh (American Society for Industrial Security). Measures employed by such programs include a combination of physical security devices, loss control systems, and personnel screening. Industry does not close the gates to ex-convicts, but rather attempts to place them in positions which will neither constitute an unnecessary hazard to corporate property nor contribute to the possible recidivism of the employee. Donal E. J. MacNamara (New York Institute of Criminology) spoke about the problem of police brutality throughout the United States. One solution proposed is review boards composed of distinguished private citizens to hear complaints against police officers and units. While such boards may prove helpful, the basic answer to police brutality is a police administrator who will not tolerate it, and a systematized, objective

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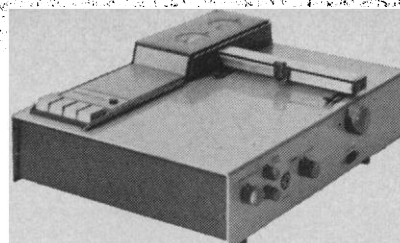
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complaint system within the law enforcement agency dedicated to the eradication of objectionable police practices. Jacob Chwast (New York University) feels that a redefinition and reevaluation of the proper role of the police in a twentieth century democracy are vitally needed. No small part of this need is a new self-concept (or self-image), individual and group, to be developed and accepted by the police themselves. A solution to one of the major problems in law enforcement was suggested by Alvin J. T. Zumbrun (Maryland Crime Commission). The legalization of the most popular forms of gambling would reduce the multi-million dollar annual tribute to the organized crime syndicates; would eliminate much corruption of public officials; and would provide needed revenues for expanding public services. John P. Kenney (University of Southern California) expounded on the role of August Vollmer as the father of modern professional policing, specifically in California, but indirectly throughout the United States. An emphasis on research and evaluation studies of police procedures have combined to win California leadership in the march toward police professionalism.

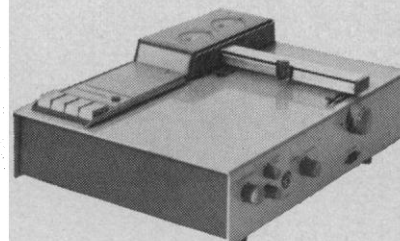
JACOB CHWAST, *Rapporteur*

The awards and memorial session of this program was concerned with the roles played by workers in the field of criminology. Rev. Andrew Marinak (Federal Correctional Institute, Lewisburg, Penna.) noted that the role of the prison chaplain as an integral member of the rehabilitation team has neither been clearly defined nor scientifically evaluated. The problems of the practical penologist were discussed by James V. Bennett (U.S. Bureau of Prisons); in developing practical rehabilitative facilities and techniques, the penologist frequently incurs both the wrath of theoretical criminologists and the opposition of legislators.

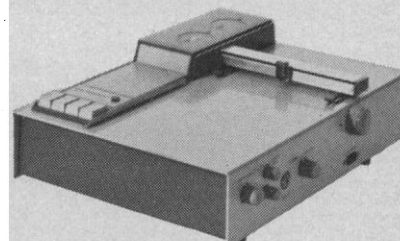
Negley K. Teeters (Temple University) noted in his paper that the academic criminologist has all too often shirked his responsibility to inform and lead social action in correcting abuses in criminal justice administration and in righting miscarriages of justice. Also cited for being lax in its responsibility was the legal profession (Justice Haim Cohn, Supreme Court of Israel). Too frequently lawyers and jurists have neither recognized the necessity of nor taken leadership in the



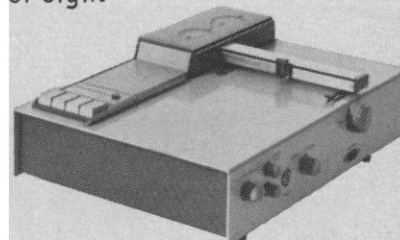
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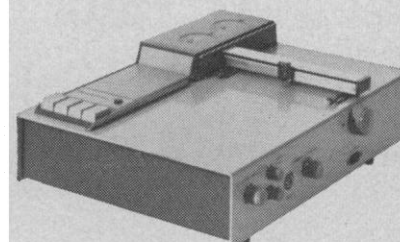
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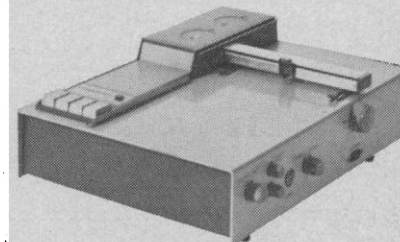
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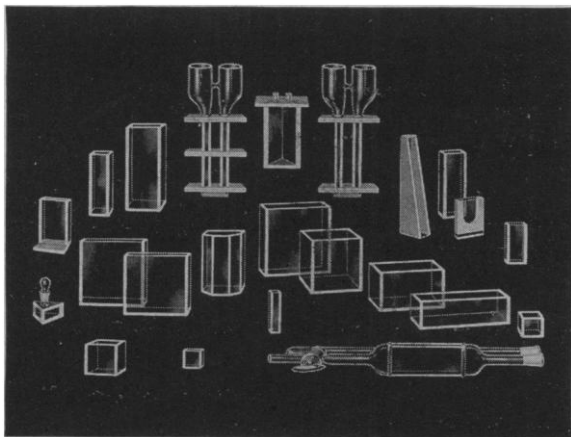
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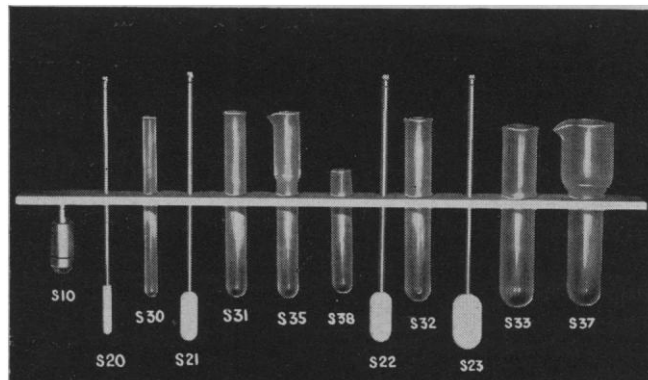
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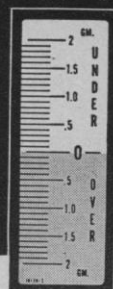
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CHARLES NEWMAN, *Rapporteur*

History and Philosophy of Science (L)

Historical testimony by actual participants in recent technological developments was the highlight of the fifth annual meeting of the Society for the History of Technology. In a symposium on the history of rocket technology, chaired by Eugene M. Emme, G. Edward Pendray spoke on Robert H. Goddard and early A.R.S. rockets; Walter E. Dornberger on the V-2 rocket; John P. Hagen on Viking and Vanguard; and Simon Ramo on Atlas, Titan, and Thor. Speaking for the historical record, these men provided valuable material on some of the most significant episodes in the recent history of rocketry.

The session on the history of the technology of atomic energy was chaired by Ralph Sanders (Industrial College of the Armed Forces). Gerald W. Johnson (Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, Atomic Energy), Richard G. Hewlett (U.S. Atomic Energy Commission), and Rear Admiral Lewis L. Strauss (USNR, Ret.; former chairman, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission) served as panelists.

Johnston talked on the historical role of military research and development in atomic energy and emphasized the development of atomic weaponry and nuclear propulsion. He expounded upon the military's role in managing the fantastic engineering feat of fashioning the first atomic bomb. He paid special attention to the fear among U.S. scientists and military personnel that Germany had been making considerable headway in building an atomic bomb of its own, a fear which later proved unfounded. Johnson then recounted the Navy's development of the atomic submarine as the pioneer vehicle in nuclear propulsion.

Hewlett's paper, "Pioneering on nuclear frontiers: two early landmarks in reactor technology," provided some

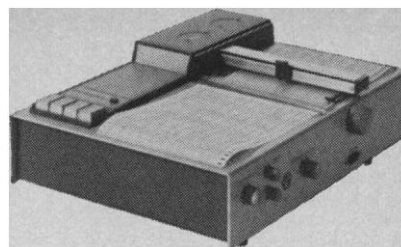
historical insights. He analyzed the historical significance of the first self-sustained chain reaction produced by Enrico Fermi on 2 December 1942 in Chicago and the first generation of electric power from atomic energy by Walter H. Zinn on 20 December 1951 from the experimental breeder reactor No. 1 at Idaho Falls, Idaho. Although these events are often called landmarks, Hewlett contended that they more appropriately could be called convenient reference points. He also pointed out that subsequent history of atomic energy suggests that a depersonalizing process inevitably accompanies the rise of big science.

Strauss presented a chronology of events which led to President Eisenhower's announcement of the Atoms for Peace Program before the United Nations on 8 December 1953. He credits President Eisenhower with originating the idea during a plane flight from Denver to Washington to attend the funeral of Chief Justice Vinson.

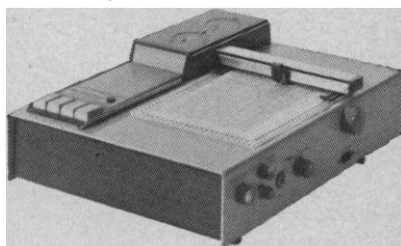
The history of the industrial laboratory was the subject of a session chaired by Cyril S. Smith. John Beer told of European precedents of the industrial laboratory; Kendall Birr related the history of the General Electric Laboratories; and Matthew Josephson spoke on Edison and industrial research. Simon Marcson and Nathan Reingold commented on their papers.

Among the participants in a work-in-progress session was Peter F. Drucker, who spoke on the need for engineers to consider the work habits of people in the underdeveloped nations and to design for their actual needs instead of for a too-advanced technology. Carl W. Condit told of the construction features revealed by the demolition of the Garrick Theater in Chicago which illustrated advances in construction engineering pioneered by Dankmar Adler. Eugene S. Ferguson reviewed the writings and the scholarly problems involved in the study of American technology from 1788 to 1853. Other papers of this session, chaired by Thomas P. Hughes, were by W. David Lewis, Frank D. Prager, Robert M. Vogel, and Lynn White, Jr.

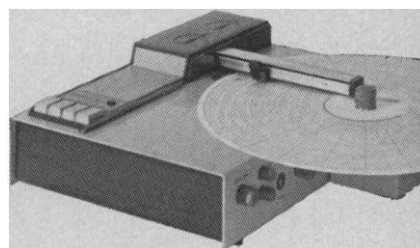
The annual meeting of the society was marked by the presentation for the first time of the Leonardo da Vinci medal. This was awarded to R. J. Forbes of the Netherlands "for his distinguished contributions, both monographic and bibliographical, to the history of technology." The Abbot Payson Usher prize was awarded to Silvio



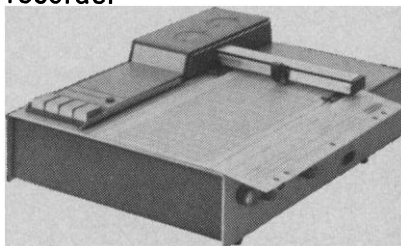
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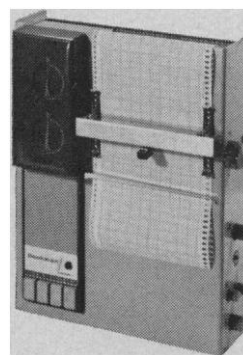
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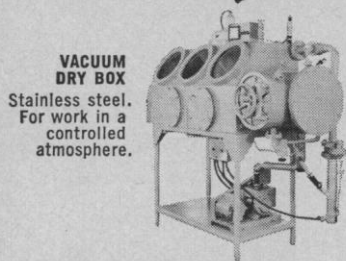
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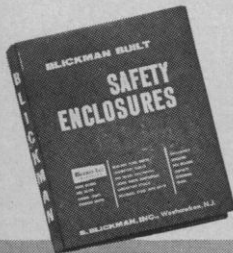
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Engineering (M)

Four speakers representing universities, industry, and government presented points of view on the very important problem of continuing education for technological personnel. Although it was agreed that the individual engineer is ultimately responsible for the furtherance of his own education, nevertheless many institutions of our society should recognize an obligation to encourage further development of each individual and to employ him at his highest skill and capability in view of the pressing demands for qualified technical personnel. Engineering societies, according to H. K. Work and C. E. Davies, can provide educational opportunities by national, state, and local technical meetings; providing teachers and arranging for courses on an in-plant or inter-industry basis; workshops; seminars; and similar activities. A plea was made for professional recognition of continuing education efforts. M. W. Kriegel outlined present company policies to encourage employees and listed programs, such as tuition refund plans, time off for course attendance, industrial leaves, professors visiting the company to teach, time and expense to attend university short courses, graduate and post-doctoral study industrial fellowships on full- or part-time, teaching machines, and others. J. W. Macy pointed out that the Bell report stressed the need for continuing education of government personnel and the government's plans for allowing attendance at courses, graduate study, visiting professors, and in-laboratory training programs. He mentioned that government employees may devote one year out of every ten years of work to further education. Discretionary funds are available in many areas for advanced study. T. P. Torda stressed the need for

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A thorough study of the needs of each company, governmental establishment, and university should be conducted and some means of informing educational institutions and engineering societies of these needs should be worked out. A plea was made for a realistic appraisal of degrees as a measure of gauging needs and abilities. Continual study of the problem is mandatory and there is an urgent need for innovation.

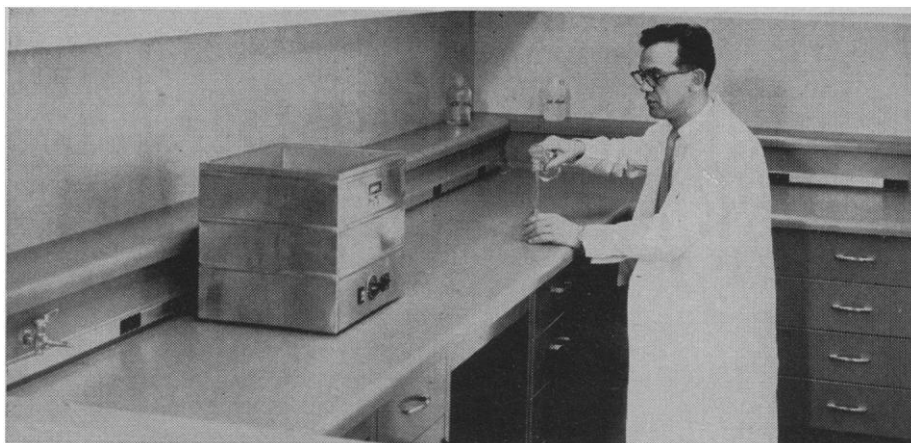
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Medical Sciences (N)


Section N's annual symposium was organized along interdisciplinary lines, and was entitled New Concepts Regarding Biological Control Mechanisms. Cosponsored by Section F (Zoological Sciences) and the American Society of Zoologists, the symposium was arranged by DeWitt Stetten, Jr. (National Institutes of Health), and Oscar Touster (Vanderbilt University) in collaboration with the chairmen of each of the four half-day sessions. A generous grant from the National Institutes of Health permitted the inclusion of three European scientists among the speakers. Each session was followed by a roundtable discussion among the participants.

The symposium covered biological phenomena in species ranging from bacteria to mammals. Part I, on repression mechanisms, was chaired by B. Magasanik (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) and included L. Gorini (Harvard), B. Ames (National Institutes of Health), and H. L. Kornberg (University of Leicester, England) as speakers. Part II, on the feedback control of enzyme action, was chaired by H. E. Umbarger (Long Island Biological Association) and had as speakers G. N. Cohen (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Gif-sur-Yvette, France), A. B. Pardee (Princeton), and H. S. Moyed (Harvard). The remaining sessions emphasized animal studies. Part III, on hormonal phenomena, was chaired by E. W. Sutherland (Western Reserve), and offered talks

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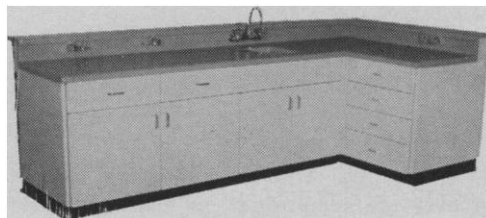
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by T. W. Rall (Western Reserve), O. H. Lowry (Washington University), and G. M. Tomkins (National Institute of Health). The final session, on transport across cell membranes and chaired by C. R. Park (Vanderbilt), offered talks by D. O. Rudin (Eastern Pennsylvania Psychiatric Institute), J. Skou (University of Aarhus, Denmark), and A. Leaf (Harvard).

Many thought-provoking remarks on medical education were made by DeWitt Stetten, Jr. in his vice-presidential address to the members of the section. Problems related to the supply and financial support of medical students were discussed from the standpoint of long-range needs for physicians.

Section N cosponsored several other programs, including the interdisciplinary general session on the transfer of genetic information. Francis D. Moore (Harvard) is the new vice president and chairman of Section N for 1963, and DeWitt Stetten was elected a committeeman-at-large to succeed J. Murray Steele, who has completed his 4-year term of office.

With the greatly increasing number of physicians who are joining the AAAS, it is likely that the activities of Section N can be expanded in future years.

OSCAR TOUSTER, *Secretary*

Pharmaceutical Sciences (Np)

The Pharmaceutical Sciences Section held nine sessions 26 December through 29 December. A total of 33 contributed papers on various scientific studies was reported, and two symposia were held. Over 360 persons registered as having attended one or more of the meetings.

Of major interest to the group in attendance was a most interesting and stimulating vice-presidential address entitled "Pharmacy and space," presented by John A. Autian. Two symposia—one entitled Some Aspects in the Developing, Handling, and Control of Investigational Drugs, and the other entitled Rational Use of Computers in Pharmacy and Medicine—also attracted considerable interest, not only from the pharmaceutical scientists in attendance, but also from many individuals from other scientific disciplines. Over 150 persons attended each of the two sessions.

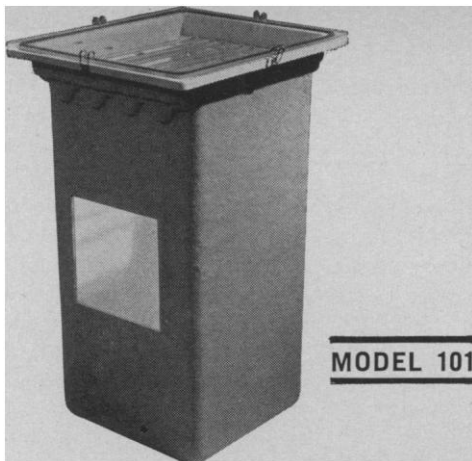
Don Francke gave introductory remarks and served as presiding officer over the symposium on investigational

drugs. Ralph G. Smith (U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare), George Schneller (Wyeth Laboratories), Robert I. Wise (Jefferson Medical College), and Milton W. Skolant (American Society of Hospital Pharmacists) discussed the problem from the viewpoint of government, industry, clinical investigation, and the pharmacist, respectively.

John A. Autian presented introductory information on the rational use of computers and presided over the computer symposium session. Eric W. Weiss (Sun Oil Company) discussed the advantages and limitations of computers and defined many of the terms used in computer work as a basis for a clearer understanding of the subsequent papers presented. The application of computers to the storage and retrieval of information was presented by Eric W. Martin (Lederle Laboratories). John F. Pauls (Smith, Kline, and French Laboratories) presented some experiences with a small computer in pharmaceutical research and development. The applications of analog computers to problems of pharmacokinetics and drug dosage were set forth by Edward R. Garrett (University of Florida). The final paper presented before the symposium was on computer applications to neural and behavioral problems by William Ross Adey (University of California).

In addition to the above-mentioned program, the hospital pharmacy group had a most informative, well attended, full-day session of discussion and contributed papers on the scientific aspects of hospital pharmacy under the guidance of Archambault, Francke and Joseph A. Oddis. The following groups were represented: American Society of Hospital Pharmacists, American Pharmaceutical Association, American Hospital Association, and the Delaware Valley Hospital Pharmacists Association. Luncheon, entertainment, and dinner were sponsored by E. R. Squibb and Sons, Wyeth Laboratories, and McKesson and Robbins, Inc., respectively.

Wayne V. Kessler (Purdue University) and Lee H. MacDonald (Upjohn Co.), presided over the two contributed paper sessions which consisted of the presentation of the results of original investigations. The papers presented were of unusual merit. John Autian and co-workers at the University of Texas and the National Institutes of Health presented two papers describing work recently completed on



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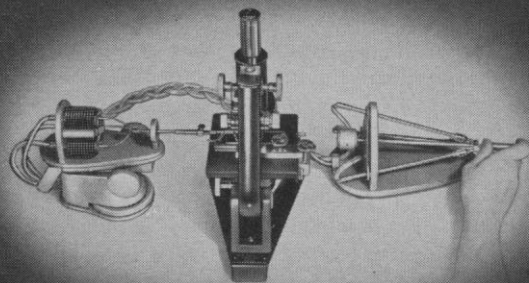
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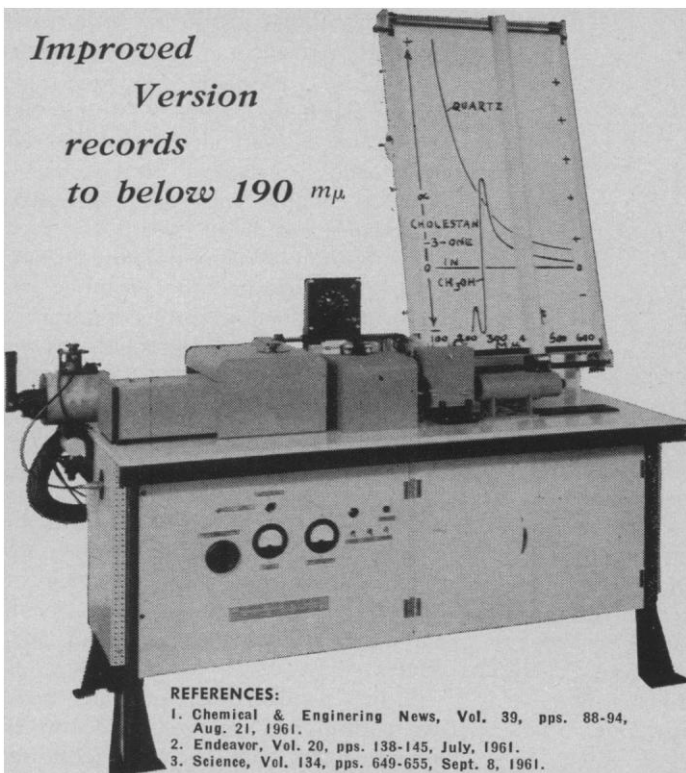
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the interaction of drugs with plastics and the tissue responses noted in rabbits with plastic tubings. A series of three papers on in vivo tracer techniques in drug screening studies, the determination of the body fat of human obese subjects by whole body measurements of potassium-40 radioactivity, and the determination of potassium in solids and liquids by measurement of potassium-40 were presented by W. F. Bousquet, John E. Christian and W. V. Kessler, respectively (Purdue University). Bousquet also presented a paper

on studies of the excretion and metabolism of carbon-14 labeled 2-acetamide-5-nitro thiozole in turkeys. The effect of certain drugs on perfused human placentas was discussed by H. P. Cinchta and R. F. Gautieri (Temple University). R. G. Miller and H. C. Shirkey (University of Cincinnati) presented the effects of pooled rabbit serum in alkaloidal poisoning. The synthesis and pharmacology of some basic esters of trimethoxy-benzoic acid were discussed by A. J. Vazkas and J. T. Doluisio (Temple University). Work

on the identification of complex salt species of triamterene and the dynamic measurement of stress carried out at the Smith, Kline and French Laboratories, were presented by L. W. Dittert and C. Chong, respectively. A. C. Huitric (University of Washington) discussed proton magnetic resonance and the stereochemistry of cyclohexanols. Computer simulation of problems in pharmaceutical stability was presented by N. G. Lordi (Rutgers University).

The AAAS Council, the governing body of the Association, elected Don E. Francke (American Society of Hospital Pharmacists) as a vice president of the Association and elected Curtis H. Waldon (University of Colorado) to serve for a 4-year term on the committee-at-large of the Section. Francke will serve as chairman of the Section for the coming year and will preside at the Cleveland meeting in December, 1963.

The meeting was exceedingly well attended and proved to be one of the most successful in recent years.

JOHN E. CHRISTIAN, *Secretary*

Agriculture (O)

The entire program of Section O was a symposium devoted to the topic Food Quality As Affected By Production Practices and Processing. This program was arranged by George W. Irving, Jr. (U.S. Dept. of Agriculture) and covered fruits and vegetables, cereals, dairy products, poultry and eggs, and meats. Attendance was about 200.

Symposium speakers organized, analyzed, and illustrated the profound effects of production, protection, processing, and distribution practices on the quality of our major foods and predicted some predominant trends.

Among the significant conclusions reached were the following:

1) Research is steadily substituting objective for subjective measures of quality factors and is using them to refine knowledge concerning effects of genetic, environmental, management, and processing changes on product quality.

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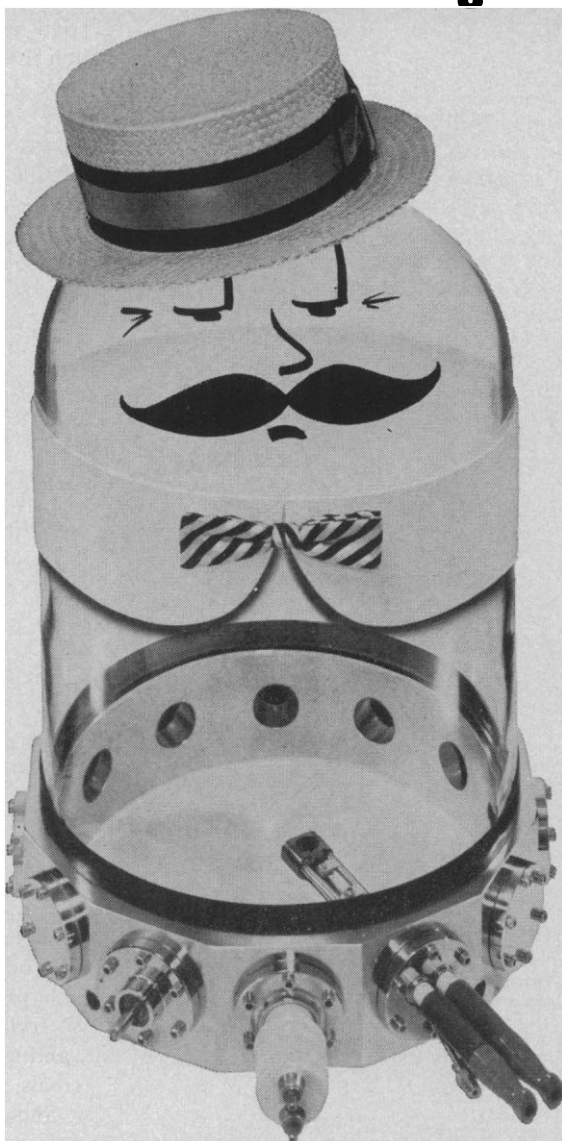


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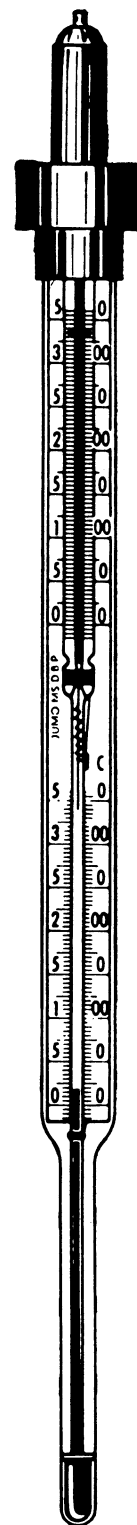
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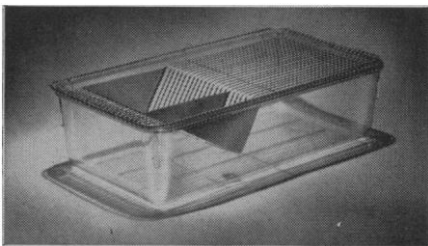
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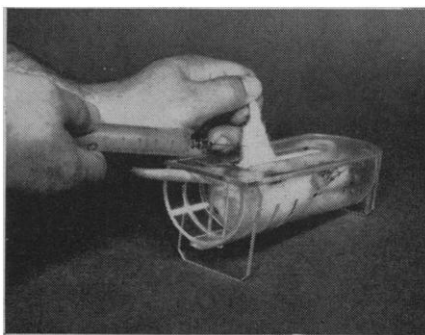
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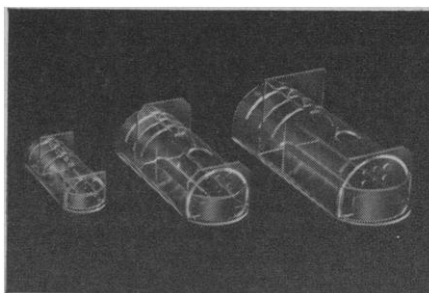
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In conjunction with the session on 27 December, the 1962 AAAS Campbell award was made to Robert N. Campbell and Raymond G. Grogan (University of California, Davis). These scientists were honored for their published research entitled "The big-vein virus of lettuce and its transmission by *Olpidium brassicae*."

The retiring vice president, chairman of Section O, George W. Irving, was appointed to a 4-year term as committeeman-at-large, beginning 1 January 1963. The newly designated vice president and chairman of Section O for 1963 is A. H. Moseman (director, Agricultural Sciences, Rockefeller Foundation). Moseman will develop a symposium program on agricultural sciences for new developing nations for presentation at the 1963 AAAS meetings.

GEORGE W. IRVING, JR., *Chairman*
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Industrial Science (P)

The session on research and development management was held on 26 December 1962. All speakers were present, and the program was conducted as shown in the official program. There were about 65 persons in the audience, and a discussion period was held at the end of each paper. It was interesting to note that there were only five members of the Institute of Management Sciences in the audience, so that there was a broad appeal in the subject among AAAS attendees. The discussion centered on various main points made by the speakers: the changing nature of research and development with its large projects, the importance of doing re-

search on research and development management, the need to evaluate the gains and costs of research and development, the need to make more precise and quantitative decision-making on research and development, and the experience with analyzing actual data derived from research and development projects. There were also some sober thoughts expressed by members of the audience on the need to minimize the stress on special or unique characteristics of scientists and engineers as against other human beings, since this emphasis creates more problems than it solves.

M. A. GEISLER, *Program Chairman*

Education (Q)

One of the featured Section Q programs was the symposium on the preparation of elementary and secondary school teachers, which was cosponsored by the AAAS Cooperative Committee and Section Q. The basis of the program was a report on teacher preparation prepared by a joint study group of the AAAS and the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification.

Cosponsored programs were scheduled with the Council for Exceptional Children and with the American Educational Research Association. The program arranged by CEC involved aspects of educational problems associated with both retarded and accelerated children. The AERA programs included one session on the scientific study of classroom behavior and another on research in the problems of education in large cities.

The teaching societies scheduled their programs independently, but had their usual diversified schedule of offerings. Section Q scheduled its vice-presidential address and four sessions for contributed papers. The papers covered a variety of subjects ranging from philosophy to research on the selection and training of graduate students.

The business session was well attended. Problems related to this section's programs were considered. A meeting of the Section committee was scheduled and preliminary program plans for the Cleveland meeting were made.

In summary, the meetings at Philadelphia were disappointing in terms of attendance. Many excellent papers were presented and deserved a better attendance. There was some indication that the programs were not sufficiently advertised in the immediate area.

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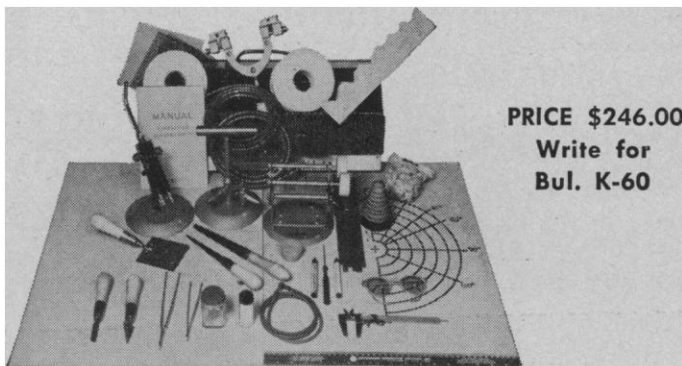
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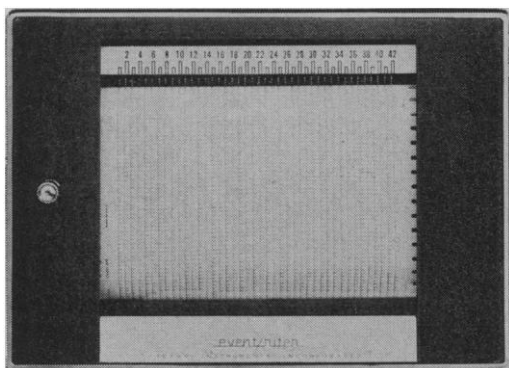
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Council for Exceptional Children (Q3)

In a full day of meetings on 26 December, three significant topics were considered. An advance in the education of the deaf was reported by E. Ross Stuckless (University of Pittsburgh). He described a well-designed and carefully controlled study which concluded that programmed self-instruction in written language for deaf children could produce impressive gains over the typical classroom approach. Under the supervision of teachers of the deaf, programmed instruction resulted in the acquisition of certain elements of written language in half the time taken by typical classroom teaching. Stuckless described further research on the correction of language errors in adolescent deaf children through similar kinds of programmed self-instruction. That research is still in process.

John H. Hollis (Parsons Research Project, Kansas) reported on his work in eliciting differential responses from mentally retarded children in social and non-social stimulation situations. His findings may have considerable meaning for the education of retarded children. In particular, his carefully devised methods for isolating specific kinds of behavior, and measuring changes in them in response to stimulation, could have tremendous implications for the systematizing of teaching for severely retarded children.

William David Barney (University of Auckland, New Zealand) summarized work that he has done this year as visiting research professor at the University of Pittsburgh's School of Education, on formal education for mentally advanced children. Reporting on a project being conducted in the Warren, Penna., public schools, Barney indicated that the identification of highly able children at pre-kindergarten age appears to be quite feasible. An analysis of the progress of children admitted a year early to kindergarten is now underway.

National Science Teachers Association (Q5)

Experimentation and measurement was the theme for the NSTA session on 28 December at the 1962 AAAS meetings in Philadelphia. The program, whose audience consisted mainly of science teachers, was chaired by John H.

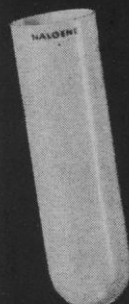
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Marean (president, National Science Teachers Association, and a high school teacher in Reno, Nev.). The speaker for the session was W. J. Youden (National Bureau of Standards). Youden's address, "The parable of the fisherman," used experimental programs such as the testing of the Salk vaccine, the testing of new highway materials, and an "elegant" fish story to make his points on the characteristics of carefully designed experiments.

Following Youden's presentation, three panelists, Herbert A. Smith (Pennsylvania State University), Helen Hale (science supervisor, Baltimore County Schools, Towson, Md.), and James V. DeRose (head of the Science Department and chemistry teacher at the Marple-Newtown Senior High School, Newtown Square, Pa.) each responded to Youden's presentation with their own suggestions for improving experimentation and measurement in the science courses offered in the public school. Albert Piltz (U.S. Office of Education) initiated questions from the audience and the subsequent discussion that completed the program.

The National Science Teachers Association also participated in the joint meetings of the teaching societies.

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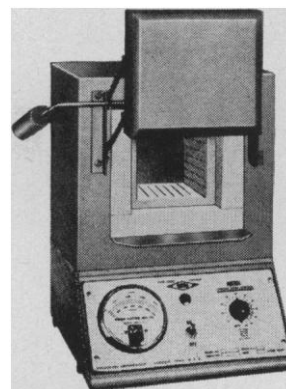
At the annual business meeting members proposed and elected Chauncey D. Leake (past president of AAAS) and Joseph Kaplan (University of California) honorary members of the National Association of Science Writers. Also, recognition was noted in the minutes that as of the Christmas week of 1962, Sidney Negus (director of the public information committee for AAAS meetings) "has served the AAAS faithfully and well during the past quarter century and has extended kind and skillful help to an entire generation of science writers."

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Statistics (U)

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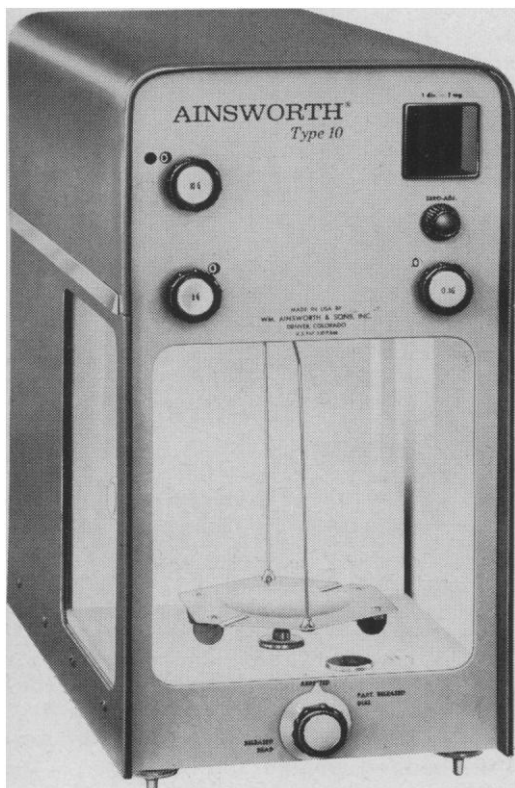
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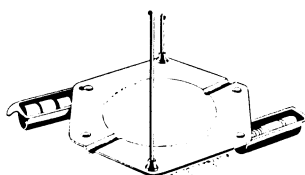
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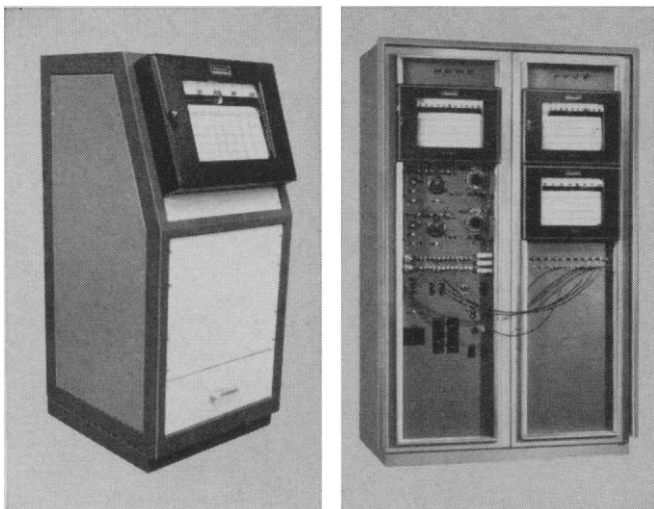
A highlight of the meeting was the dinner at which Jerzy Neyman, AAAS vice president and first chairman of Section U, spoke on statistics as a servant of all sciences and as an independent discipline. The essential points of this talk, and of the contributions of the discussants, involved the future pattern of the Section activity. Briefly, a consensus developed that Section U should concentrate on interdisciplinary meetings of two types. One type of session should be planned for the mutual exchange of information with scientists in other disciplines. A second type would have as its purpose the summarizing and clarifying of the results of research, particularly research involving the application of statistical techniques to various subject matter areas. A third type of meeting, designed primarily for statisticians, is also needed for those interested primarily in theory.

The sessions at this meeting, arranged largely by Neyman, indicated in practical form the ideas outlined above. Joint and cosponsored sessions covered statistical problems in probability, genetics, astronomy, psychology, social and economic research, and ecology. Attendance at these meetings varied from 25 to 150. The quality of the papers was high and the reactions of the listeners indicated intense interest.

A special session was held in appreciation of the work of the late Sir Ronald A. Fisher, the eminent British statistician who died last June in Australia. The chairman, Chester I. Bliss, gave the general background on Fisher's life. Fisher's contributions to the theory of statistics, to experimentation, and to mathematical and statistical genetics were discussed by Harold Hotelling, W. J. Youden, and Oscar Kempthorne, respectively.

The final session, Statistical Problems in Novel Domains of Science, drew a large group on the last afternoon of the meetings. In addition to the three papers listed in the program, a fourth paper entitled "Molecular-size channels and flows against the gradient," was given by George B. Dantzig (University of California, at Richmond). The application of statistics to novel problems was quite exciting in that they opened up possible new areas of development; it is likely that a similar session may be a regular feature in the future.

The quality of the first participation of Section U was due to the cooperation of the 48 persons who participated in



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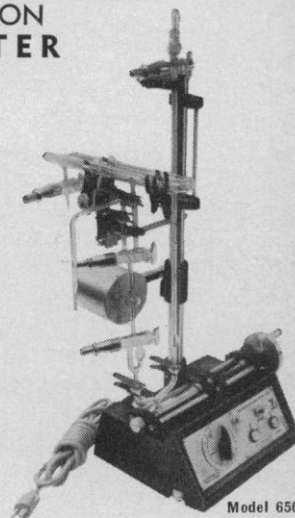
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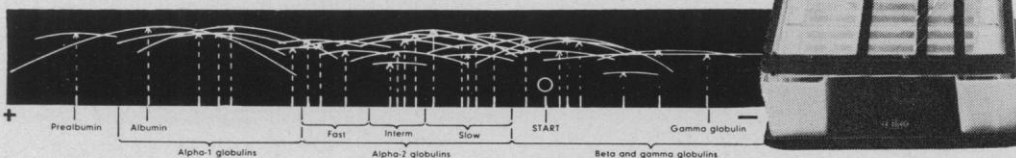
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the sessions. In addition, Section U cosponsored a number of other sessions.

Harold Hotelling (University of North Carolina) is chairman of Section U for 1963.

MORRIS B. ULLMAN, *Secretary*

Biometric Society (U2)

At the AAAS meetings in Philadelphia, 26–30 December, the Biometric Society (ENAR) arranged five significant sessions, two jointly with the new Statistics Section (U) which met for the first time. The other three sessions were cosponsored by Section U and by the Zoology and Botany sections (F and G).

The important general contribution of statistics to science and industry is to provide an efficient methodology for acquiring new knowledge in other disciplines. It is a part of scientific methodology. However, there is another face of statistics; it is a discipline in its own right.

The first session, considered some uses of high speed computers in statistics. H. O. Hartley (Iowa State University) spoke on solutions of statistical distribution problems by Monte Carlo

methods. His paper was concerned with the use of computers in Monte Carlo computations and simulations. In these procedures statistical chance variables are generated inside the computer and the physical and biological laws into which they enter are then also compounded and summarized by the computer to give the solution to the various problems. Max A. Woodbury (New York University) and Martin Lipkin (Cornell) discussed the possibility of using the computer for a high-speed evaluation of a large number of clinical symptoms of a patient to obtain a suggested diagnosis.

A second session was concerned with problems of mathematical biology, and a third considered statistical problems of genetics.

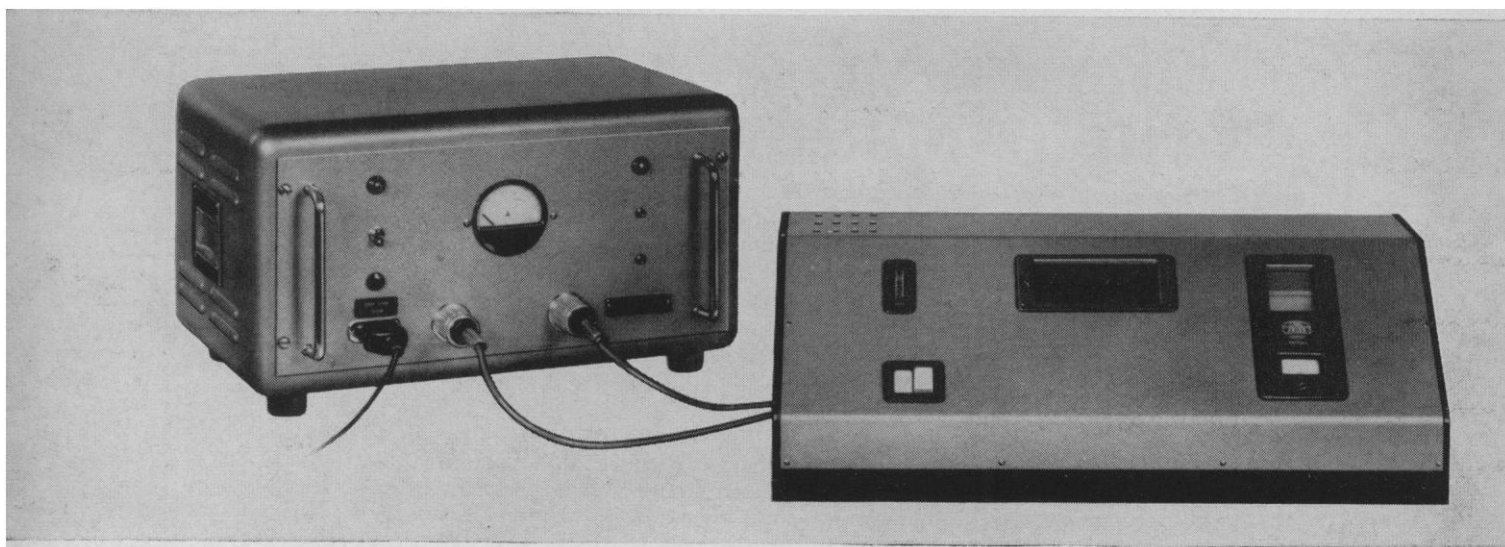
The fourth session was devoted to sampling for zoologists, and a fifth honored Sir Ronald Fisher, who has been described as the greatest statistician who ever lived. Sir Ronald died in Adelaide, Australia, on 29 July 1962. Harold Hotelling of the University of North Carolina spoke on Fisher's contributions to mathematical statistics, a subject in which investigations had barely begun when Fisher started his

work. There are now many recognized national and international journals in this area, and a considerable portion of their papers still deal with the development of Fisher's ideas. W. J. Youden (National Bureau of Standards) discussed Fisher's contributions to scientific method, particularly efficient plans for obtaining and methods of interpreting data for purposes of inference. The area of knowledge and research known as the design of experiments was founded almost single-handedly by Fisher. Oscar Kempthorne (Iowa University) described Fisher's contributions to mathematical genetics.

T. A. BANCROFT, *Program Chairman*

Science in General (X)

The theme of the 1962 American Nature Study Society meetings was "Nature Study—the grassroots of Science." Papers were given on the history of the nature study movement, nature study in various parts of the world, and means by which a feeling of kinship with nature may be established in the minds of persons today. Various projects for the acquiring and use of natural



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areas for schools and nature centers were described in an important session chaired by John W. Brainerd. Howard Zahniser of the Wilderness Society spoke at the annual banquet of the society on the wilderness bill pending in Congress. The joint field trip with the National Association of Biology Teachers was held on 30 December; the visit to the Brigantine National Wildlife Refuge was honored by the presence of the noted ornithologist, Roger Tory Peterson.

John W. Brainerd is the new president-elect, and thus program chairman for the 1963 meeting. S. Glidden Baldwin, retiring president, presided at all business meetings. The Society voted to affiliate with the International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

JOHN A. GUSTAFSON,
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Conference on Scientific Manpower (X4)

The theme of the 1962 Scientific Manpower Conference, which met in morning and afternoon sessions on 28 December, was "Community Programs

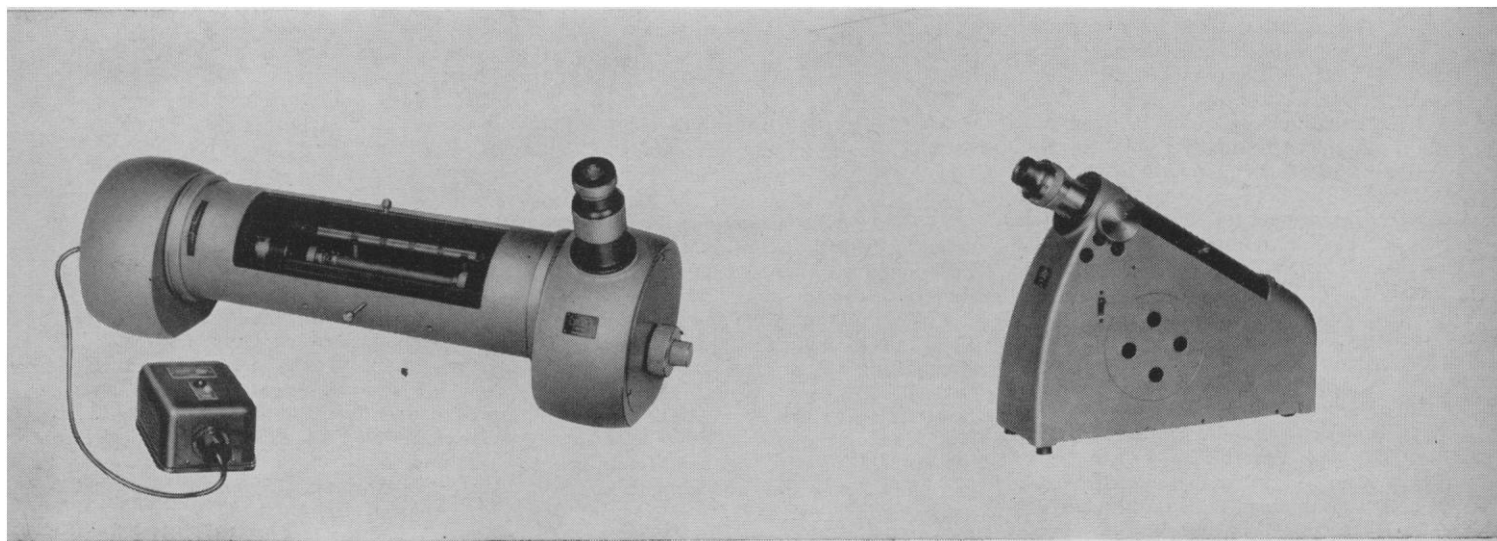
for Motivation to Science and Engineering Training." The morning program was chaired by James Creese (Drexel Institute). Glenn W. Giddings (General Electric Company) discussed local industry-school cooperation in science instruction and noted that the concern of industry with education below the collegiate level is a relatively new development. However, cooperation is fast growing, and the establishment of a national clearinghouse to gather and disseminate information on such programs may now be appropriate. James G. Harlow described the statewide program sponsored by the Frontiers of Science Foundation of Oklahoma. Robert W. Neathery (The Franklin Institute) reported on the Museum's activities as examples of local motivational programs. Kenneth E. Karmel discussed the program of the Engineering and Technical Societies Council of the Delaware Valley, which includes newsletters, a speakers' bureau, student engineering clubs, and career guidance talks as exemplary of professional society activities.

The afternoon session, under the chairmanship of Samuel Schenberg, director of science of the New York City

public schools, featured a panel discussion on counseling and guidance activities. Ralph Bedell (U.S. Office of Education) discussed the National Defense Education Act support for training of school counselors. Richard B. Scheetz (New Jersey Department of Education) provided specific examples of industry-local school cooperation in such areas as career conferences, laboratory visits, laboratory work experience, and summer science programs. W. Donald Vaughan, a counseling supervisor, discussed public school counseling from the standpoint of the counselor's problems and frustrations. Stewart Wood, a high school senior from Bladensburg, Md., described activities of the Washington Junior Academy of Sciences, which he felt were important in attracting and maintaining youth's interest in science. A related paper delivered by John D. Hopperton (New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology) reported on the activities of the 37 state junior academies of science.

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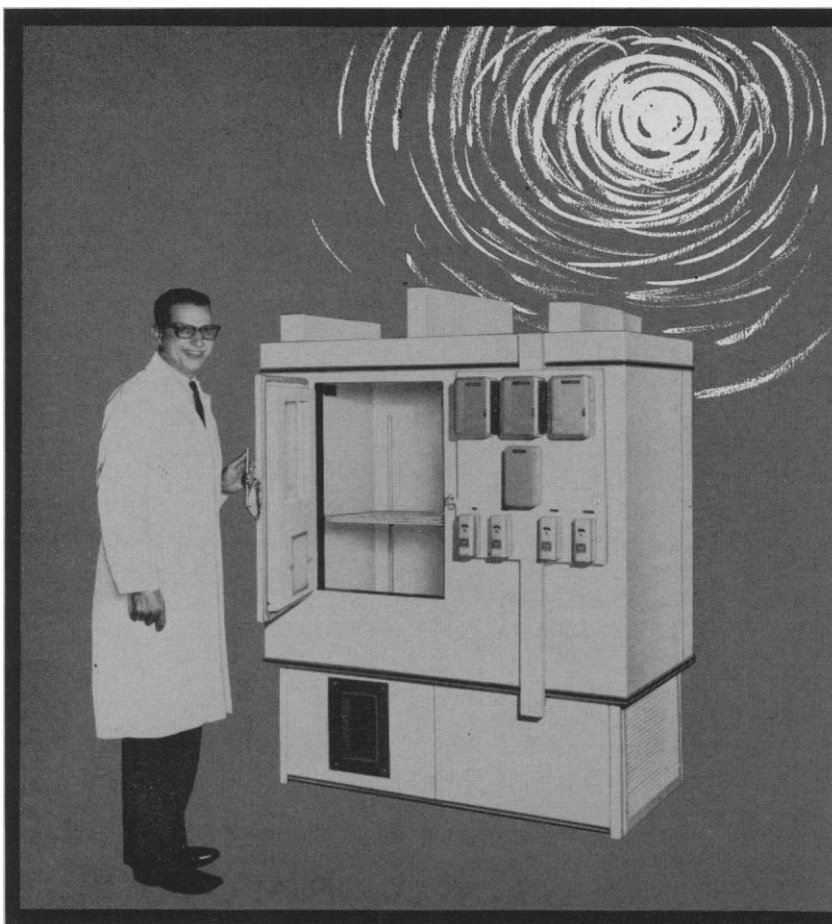
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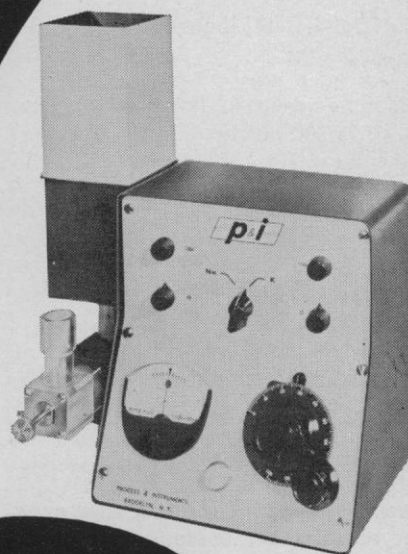
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2-6. **Psychology**, 8th Inter-American Congr., Mar La Plata, Argentina. (G. M. Gilbert, Psychology Dept., Long Island Univ., Brooklyn 1, N.Y.)

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4-5. **Agricultural Meteorology**, 5th natl. conf., Lakeland, Fla. (American Meteorological Soc., 45 Beacon St., Boston 8, Mass.)

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8-10. American Assoc. for **Thoracic Surgery**, 43rd, Houston, Tex. (AATS, 7730 Carondelet Ave., St. Louis, Mo.)

8-10. **Feedback Mechanisms in the Nervous System**, Villahermosa, Mexico. (E. Eidelberg, Div. of Neurobiology, St. Joseph's Hospital, 350 W. Thomas Rd., Phoenix, Ariz.)

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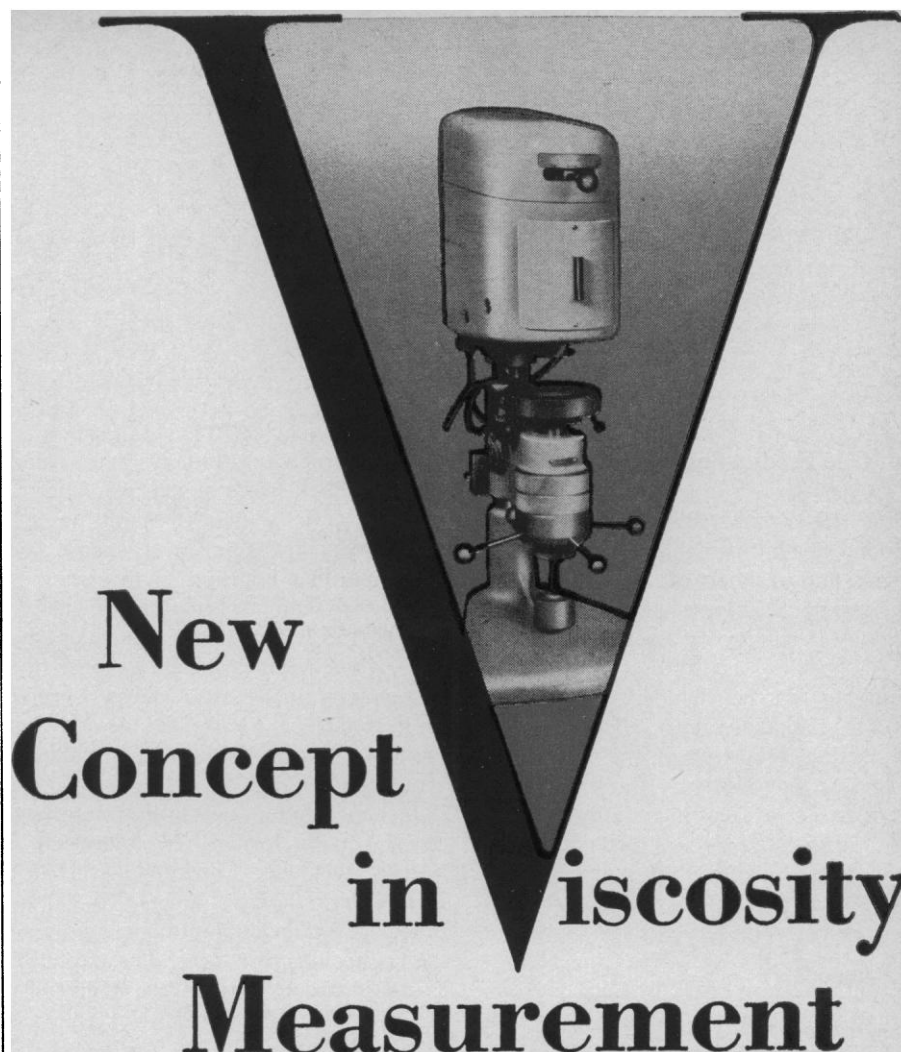
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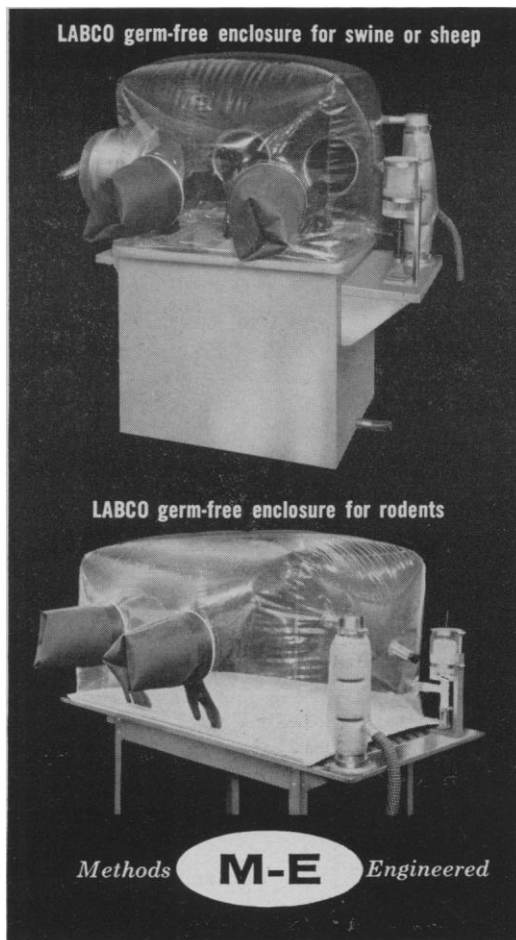
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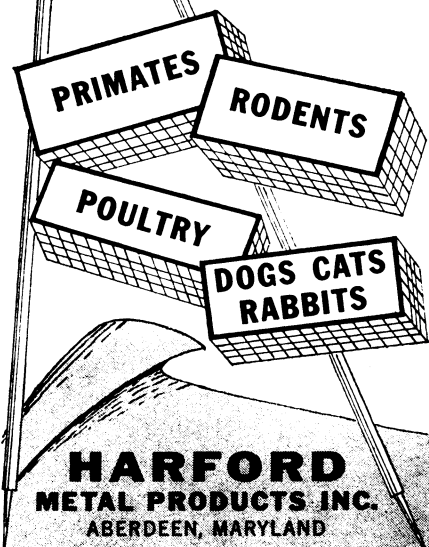
Obviously Shaver has predicted (i) solar particle emission, (ii) the aging and mutagenic effects of ionizing radiation, and (iii) recent findings as to the effect of direct electrical stimulation of various brain centers. In view of these prognostications, his other conclusions must be objectively re-examined—unless, that is, one simply feels, as I do, that while one bad apple spoils the rest, the accidental presence of one or two good apples does not redeem a spoiled barrelful.

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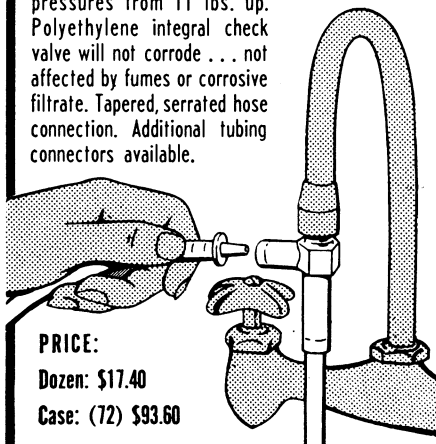
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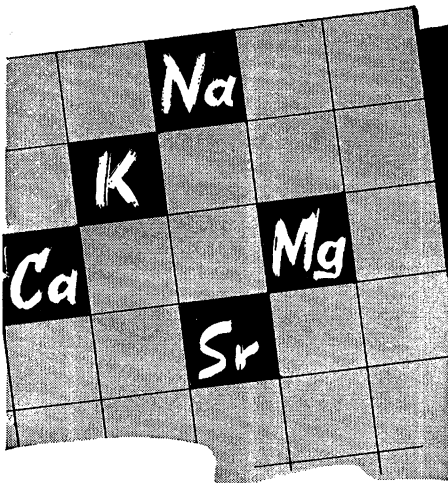
The Possibility of Compound Formation by Helium

The recent letter "On the chemistry of inert gases" by George Wald (1) contains many points which deserve discussion. We wish to comment only on Wald's proposition that "it should be exceedingly difficult to prepare compounds of helium, in which the . . . 1s orbital is filled and no others are available. . . ." The statement is undoubtedly correct if one considers only ionic bonding, as in the first reported xenon compound, $\text{Xe}^+\text{PtF}_6^-$ (2), or covalent bonding with heavy atoms, such as appears to be present in XeF_4 (3).

However, helium has long been known to form covalent bonds in the species HeH^+ and He_2^+ , first observed in mass spectrometric studies of ionized gases. Recent mass spectrometric studies of the beta-decay of HT and T_2 gases have shown that the predominant products are $^3\text{HeH}^+$ and $^3\text{HeT}^+$, respectively (4). About 90 percent of the helium-3 product of the decay reactions is found as helium hydride molecule ions which survive the 10^{-4} sec transit time of the mass spectrometer (5).

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ions. Bonding in HeH^+ results from overlap of the $1s$ atomic orbitals of the two atoms. Only two electrons are present, and both lie in a bonding molecular orbital (the σs orbital). No inner electron shells are present to shield the nuclei, and the nuclei can therefore approach each other closely; this results in large overlap of the $1s$ wave functions and so in large covalent exchange energy. The same factors lead to strong bonding in the isoelectronic hydrogen molecule (heat of dissociation = 103 kcal/mole).

The same considerations apply to He_2^+ , with the exception that an antibonding electron is also present, reducing the effect of the two bonding electrons. However, the equivalence of the nuclei is favorable, and the most recent quantum mechanical calculations suggest that dissociation energies for both species are in the range 40 to 50 kcal/mole (6). These estimates offer some hope that compounds of HeH^+ or He_2^+ with anions may be isolable, although they will probably be endothermic. The availability of $^3\text{HeT}^+$ from tritium gas may make it possible to detect very small quantities of helium hydride compounds radiochemically.

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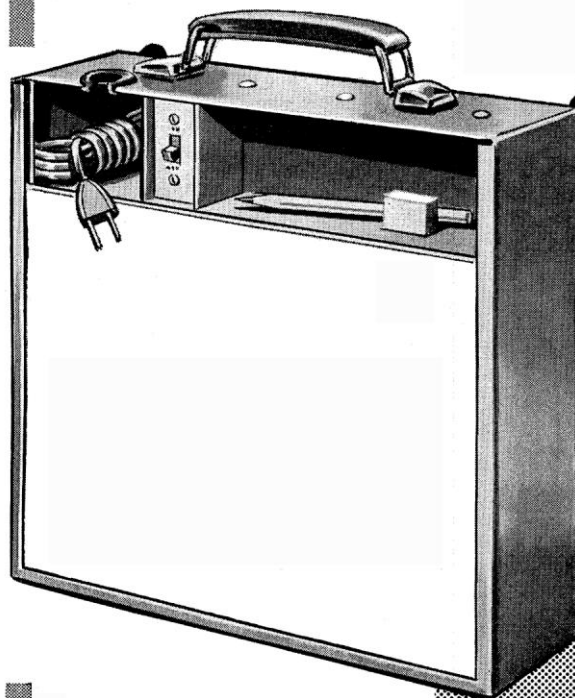
Physical Contact between Mother and Young

In the article "Critical periods in behavioral development" [*Science* **138**, 949 (1962)] J. P. Scott suggests that there must be negative mechanisms, including perhaps fear responses and rejection of strange young, which prevent or bring to an end the social relationship between mother and young.

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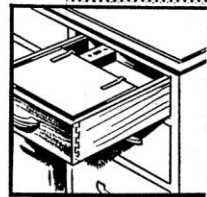
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contact between mother and young. Experiments with maternal (broody) hens (R. A. Majer, *J. Comp. Physiol. Psychol.*, in press) indicate that, if a broody hen is prevented from having physical contact with chicks while other cues are left intact, the hen's broody response quickly dissipates.

It is possible that the fear response hypothesized by Scott and the physical-contact variable interact to bring about a normal termination of the mother-young relationship in chickens. For example, as the chicks become relatively large the hen may show a fear response and avoid them as she does other large (adult) birds, thus terminating the period of physical contact. Lack of contact could reduce the maternal hormone level, bringing about a break-up of the maternal response.

The biological significance of such negative mechanisms is clear: without termination of one maternal relationship, other relationships, notably sexual relationships, may not commence.

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Civil Defense

A potential enemy will surely perceive civil defense moves of the type advocated by A. W. Bellamy [*Science* 138, 958 (1962)] in their strategic context. Regardless of our intent, the principal strategic effect of civil defense will be not to increase the chance of preventing all-out war but to perpetuate the "policy-backing" role of our offensive forces as a mechanism for threatening the enemy. For without civil defense our threats of massive retaliation, or of similar reaction incommensurate with provocation, acquire the nature of an embarrassingly transparent bluff.

The latest form of threat, known as the "no-cities" policy, makes obsolete Bellamy's statement that "there is general agreement that such an attack would result in heavy damage to the nation's industrial plants. . . ." According to the no-cities mythology, we can safely threaten to strike first ("pre-emptively") by planning an antiseptic attack on the enemy's offensive military forces alone, leaving his cities untouched. Being rational and a good loser, our opponent will retaliate in an equally antiseptic manner. Our superior force will then "prevail," thus justifying our pre-emptive action and the posture and

policy of threats that lay behind it. This fairy tale would be amusing were it not the crucial substance of Defense Secretary McNamara's Michigan speech and the unspoken rationale behind the United States' current strategic stance and the composition of its armed forces for all-out war. On 22 October President Kennedy's Cuban-crisis threat of "full retaliatory response" to lesser provocation made explicit the pre-emptive-threat basis of U.S. strategy, in keeping with his advocacy the previous year of U.S. civil defense as the answer to the Berlin problem.

What advocates of the "defended posture" habitually forget is the technological versatility of the offense in reshaping its policy. Preparedness is met by counterpreparedness. If the U.S. seriously prepares itself for the Office of Civil Defense Mobilization's 2 weeks of shelter occupancy, apparently endorsed by Bellamy, the obvious enemy response is to prepare for a long war (for example, by insuring relative invulnerability of his striking forces through designing them for mobility and concealment). If food and petroleum are to be stockpiled above ground, they become targets for high-yield thermal weapons. If crops are, as Bellamy believes, not seriously threatened by fallout, they can be attacked by specific anticrop agents. If neutral nations are to be called on for assistance in post-attack recovery, they can be subjected to nuclear blackmail. And so on; offense readjusts to meet defense. It remains true that there is no place to hide.

In view of the possible penalties to a policy of deterrence—the forcing of the arms race that would result from our opponent's inevitable search for measures with which to counter our disaster "insurance"—it seems unprofitable to make even the first moves in this game, unless possibly it can be demonstrated that those moves would exert strong economic leverage such that a small investment in defense on our part would necessitate a large compensatory outlay on the part of the opponent. Bellamy has attempted no such demonstration. Nor has he attempted an analysis of the relative time scales for developing defensive measures and offensive counter-measures. He has failed to recognize the strategic implications of his recommendations, which are based, apparently, on behavioral considerations.

Both the aggressively threatening humanitarianism of the no-cities policy and the curatively threatening humani-

tarianism of the "defended posture" should receive short shrift from scientists or laymen oriented toward genuine humanitarianism. To love people and to respect their values is to think in terms of prevention, not of cure. As Bellamy's article and the rest that has been written on civil defense confirm, the belief that one can think both ways is subtly delusive.

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Phipps illustrates well the controversial muddles that have beset nonmilitary defense policy-making and planning from the beginning. In making assumptions about enemy intentions and an enemy's reactions to our several security measures, he seems to miss the main point and purpose of my article.

In accepting the federal intent to create a civil defense system I attempted to outline a neglected and necessary part of that system and noted that "systematic study, by experts, is required to advance these proposals to the implementation stages." A main point of the article is that as long as there is federal determination to create a civilian defense system with survival potential, the system should be complete in both its short- and long-term aspects. I did not attempt to instruct the State or Defense Department on how it should respond to possible Russian reactions.

Phipps notes that "regardless of our intent, the principal strategic effect of civil defense will be not to increase the chance of preventing all-out war but to perpetuate the 'policy-backing' role of our offensive forces as a mechanism for threatening the enemy." Historians may one day record the extent to which an adequate civilian defense or the lack of it does or does not act as a deterrent or as a "mechanism for threatening the enemy." In my opinion the time is past when hypothetical enemy reactions to our postures and actions should be permitted seriously to affect our national interests, security measures, and countermeasures. I have no doubt that an "enemy will surely perceive civil defense moves of the type advocated. . . ." So what?

I am gratified that Phipps has taken time to read the article but disappointed that he neglected the main point and made no constructive criticism.

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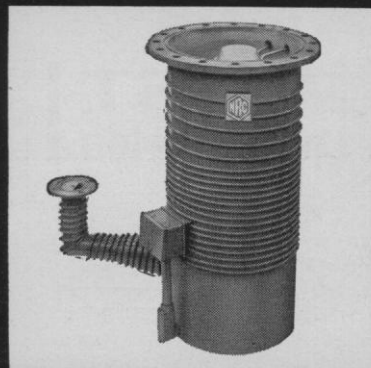
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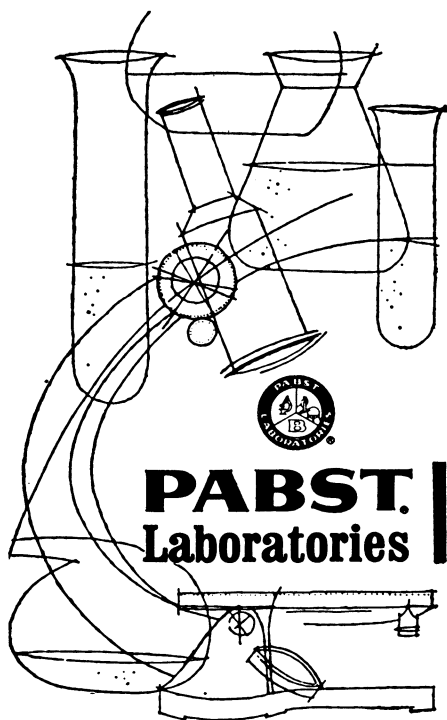
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The editorial "A proper accounting" [*Science* 139, 7 (1963)] caused me to recall that an earlier issue of *Science* [125, 949 (1957)] contained a letter on the same subject.

Is not the fact that, in the past 6 years, nothing has been done to correct this important deficiency in the communication system of U.S. science proof that something far deeper than this symptom is wrong with the organization of the "system"? Could it be that U.S. science really has no organization? Certainly neither the National Academy of Sciences, the National Science Foundation, nor any other agency has the authority to study, much less make decisions about, such matters. Isn't this proof that we lack the needed organizational machinery with which to solve important problems related to science?

In the absence of such machinery, many of the most fundamental decisions affecting the future development of U.S. science and the lives and work of individual scientists are being made by a process which might be called "studied neglect." The status of U.S. scientists in many vital matters can be compared to that of the owner of a new home in an isolated, somewhat unknown neighborhood, who discovers that his house is burning and that the fire is too big for him to handle alone. Not yet having a telephone he has no direct way to call the fire department. And anyway, he can't be sure there is a fire department. And if there is one, he doesn't know for sure if it is responsible for fires in "his" neighborhood. In his alarm he's likely to raise a window and scream "fire." But under those circumstances his scream will, I fear, probably be no more effectual than your editorial, or the 1957 letter, will be.

If this is an apt analogy it points to the need for establishing an official "fire department" of science—and for letting the public know what its functions are, how to communicate with it, how it can be used to solve problems such as the editorial points to, and so on. But that thought leads to the question: How would we do it?

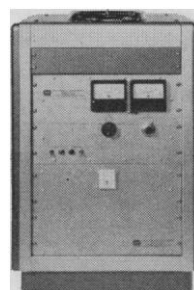
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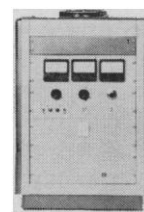
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"The story of the Crab Nebula" [N. U. Mayall, *Science* **137**, 91 (1962)] caused me to examine my old radio maps [G. Reber, *Proc. I.R.E. (Inst. Radio Engrs.)* **1948**, 1215 (1948)]. At 480 megacycles per second the most prominent feature of the winter Milky Way corresponds with the position of M1. Apparently I encountered this object without being aware of its nature. The observations were made during 1946-47.

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Science for the Humanist

The editorial "Science and the humanities" [*Science* **138**, 1367 (1962)], commenting on James H. Mathewson's excellent article on educating the non-scientist in the nature of science [*ibid.* **138**, 1375 (1962)], exhibited a parochialism and arrogance unworthy of the pages of *Science*. The editorial says that science is difficult; therefore our educational process should be geared to the teaching of science. After that, the graduate can pick up the humanities at his leisure because "after the rigors of training in science, the subject content of the humanities seems hardly more difficult than a good novel."

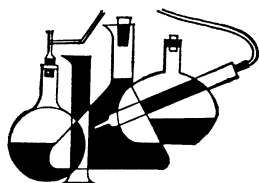
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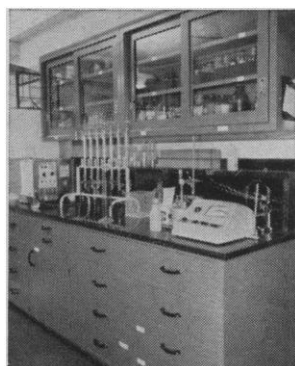
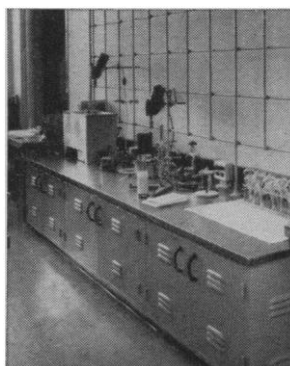
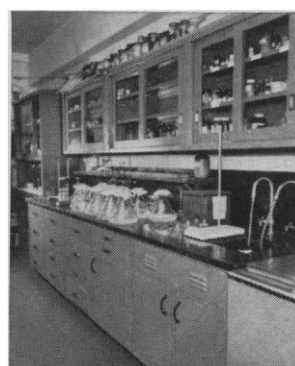
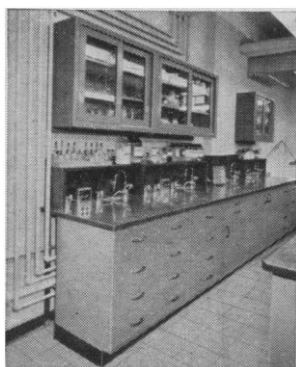
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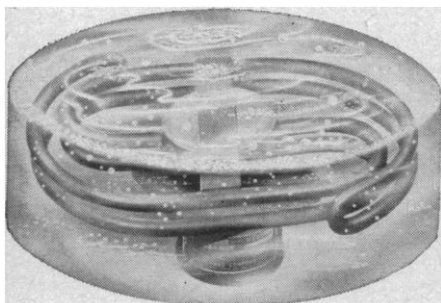
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neth E. Boulding in a review of two works on sociology in the *Scientific American* (issue of January 1963), it is very tempting for the physical scientist to conclude that, because all of us live in a society and inevitably pick up a considerable amount of folklore about it, amateur standing is all that is necessary in that area and that, if we need to solve social problems, a few Pugwash conferences of distinguished physicists will do the trick.

What the rigorously trained scientist needs to realize—especially if he is going to speak publicly as a representative of the scientific community—is that science is not the only body of learning and technique that, in the phrase of the editorial, is standing between our civilization and “chaos and starvation.” A not insignificant problem of education today is how to give the scientist an appreciation of the nature of man and society.

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Mathewson's article on science for the citizen does indeed point up many of the difficulties that beset those of us who are involved in general-education science courses.

What Mathewson does not mention is our most annoying problem: time. In the typical general-education sequence, a nonscience major is required, or urged, to take a 1-year course in the physical sciences and a 1-year course in the biological sciences. In some colleges the requirement is reduced to a semester course in each of these areas. How solid a grasp of the methodologies of science can a student acquire in this amount of academic time?

In the case of the physical sciences (the area in which I teach), what effect does this time limitation have on the criteria for selecting subject matter? Should the academic year be devoted to the study of case histories in physics alone? or in chemistry? or in geology? There is certainly enough material in each of these areas for a full-year cultural course. What effect does the background and bias of the individual teacher have on decisions about what material is “relevant” and what is not? How much mathematics ought to be (or *must* be) involved in a physical science course in order for the student to understand the part played by mathematical thinking in the development of physical ideas? Can the student understand the

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significance of Newtonian mechanics without working problems which involve $F = ma$? What is of more worth to the nonscience major—to know that $s = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ or to understand the second law of thermodynamics? Or is *any* emphasis on mathematical discipline a waste of time in such courses? Would the student be better off if he read C. P. Snow and discussed the impact of science on society? At any conference on general education that I have attended, these questions have always been bounced around in random Brownian motion, but the answers are usually not satisfactory.

A secondary nuisance in a physical science course is the fact that the average student in such a course has managed to forget most of the algebra and geometry of his high school years (there must be a Freudian explanation for this). Therefore, if one attempts to use the most simple mathematical logic as a necessary part of the course, part of the course time usually has to be spent on remedial work in mathematics. In other words, the teacher finds himself spending some weeks of discussion time doing over the work of the high school mathematics teacher, while more pertinent course material has to be bypassed or rushed over. It has also been my experience that a considerable number of students in such a course enter the university ill equipped to read and understand most of the books written for the layman about science.

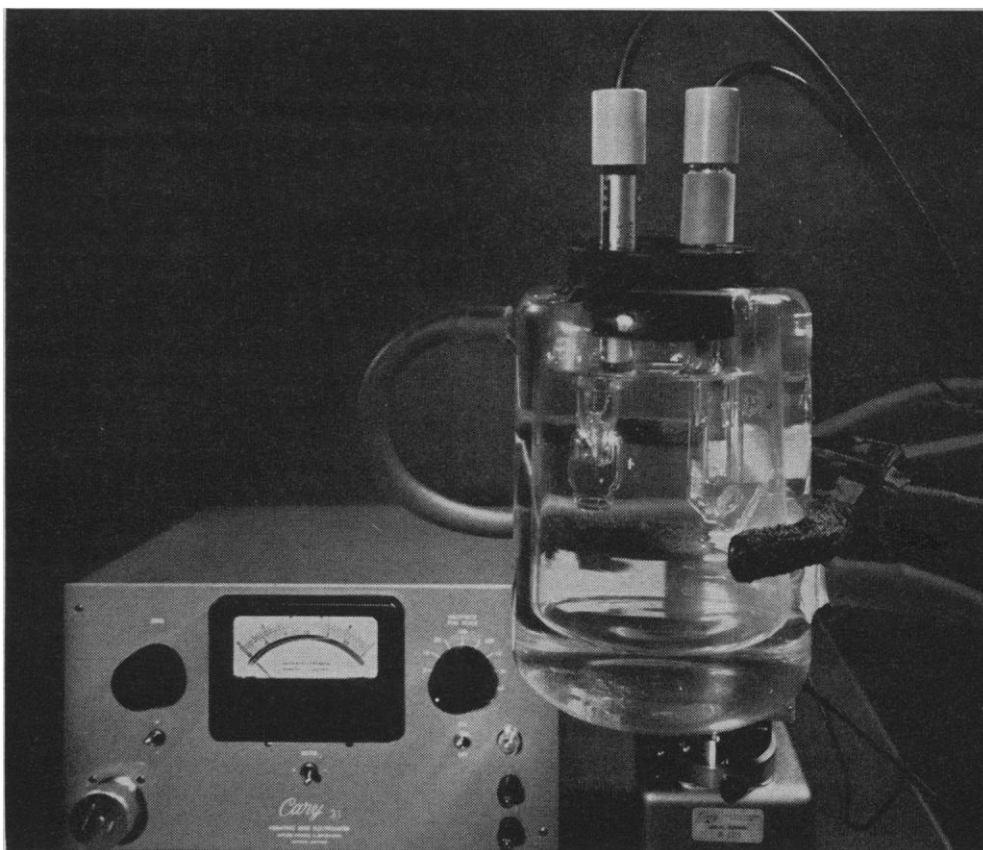
In my opinion, the answer to many of the questions raised by Mathewson does not lie only in the re-evaluation of general-education courses. I am in agreement with the author of the editorial when he states that much of the fault lies in the structure (or lack of it) of science teaching all the way down the educational line to kindergarten. There is now some excellent work going on in the restructuring of science teaching in the elementary and secondary schools. If these new approaches to science teaching seem to provide the kind of exposure to science we think proper for our children, then the next step involves the preparation of teachers to teach such courses. It seems to me that with the admission to the university of students better prepared to understand scientific thinking, solutions to many of the problems in the teaching of general-education science courses will become obvious.

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I take exception to, but do not completely oppose, some remarks in Mathewson's valuable article.

First, Mathewson writes, "The purpose of our schools is the development of free, capable, and responsible individuals aware of something beyond their desks. . . ." Although I do not claim to know, with certainty, the purpose of our schools, it seems to me that an ideal purpose, which subsumes that stated by Mathewson, is the providing of a forum for independent and original inquiry upon any matter still open to investigation that presents itself to the intellect. Such inquiry would be the basis of the awareness about which Mathewson writes.

Second, I, for one, do not believe that we have at present the capacity to outdo the Soviets in matters of technological improvisation; certainly our engineering schools are not training people along such lines. Unless I am mistaken, our superiority rests in the realm of creative pure science, which does not have immediate technological import. Since the technology of tomorrow is determined in no small part by the science of today, our technological marathon with the Russians may well be decided on the basis of the creative scientific endeavors of this decade and past ones.

Third, Mathewson writes, "The scientist can no longer feel that the essential amorality of science absolves him from responsibility for the uses of technological power." But what could be more moral than science (truth), which assumes a commitment of mental behavior (by an agent) to a self-correcting method—namely, the scientific method? In order to engage in scientific inquiry one must be involved in a form of deliberate mental conduct for which the agent is responsible. The logical methodology of science presupposes an ethical norm, and one cannot be scientific except upon an ethical and esthetical basis. In the context of science, amorality appears in the form of amoral activity passing for science.

Finally, it seems to me that if one has been trained thoroughly as a specialist, then, out of habit, one would not endeavor to broaden oneself when one's formal training ends.

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I don't know when I have agreed more heartily with another man's point of view than I did while reading Mathewson's "Science for the citizen: an educational problem."

There was, however, an assumption stated as a truism, with all its implications for educational and political systems, that must not go unchallenged. This is the notion—and that's all it is—that the Russian people "are coerced and apathetic citizens."

Where do we see this coercion and apathy? Do Russian films, ballet, opera, poetry, and art reflect this? Have returning tourists and scholars conveyed this impression? Are such mannerisms exhibited by Russian teachers and politicians? What of Russian athletes—can they be labeled apathetic?

The "facts," as I interpret them, incline me toward the opposite view—one that is not lulling in its simplicity. As we seek to strengthen our own society, let us not measure another's with imperfect yardsticks. To paraphrase one of the Soviet saints, self-deception can be the opiate of the people.

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The problem expounded by Mathewson is one that the journalist has recognized for a longer time, perhaps, than the scientist or even Admiral Rickover. Most of us would agree that "the scientist and the nonscientist must learn to understand each other and to act on . . . common goals and values."

I would like to share an experience that raises doubts that Mathewson's proposed science survey courses or the editorial proposal of "almost continuous exposure to science, beginning in the primary grades," lead to viable solutions. It may be that neither goes far enough; the trouble may be too deep-seated to be correctable through tinkering with the curriculum.

I inquired of a class of senior journalism students why they so strenuously resisted the idea of taking courses in natural science, particularly physics and chemistry. Several years of academic counseling had given evidence of such resistance on the part of students in the social sciences and the humanities. Didn't they realize that, living in the atomic and space age, and being journalists, they had better expose themselves to its key sciences? The replies, from students from half a dozen different secondary-school backgrounds, were all the same, and disconcerting. Remember, these seniors of the class of 1963 were high school sophomores when the first sputnik was launched, and they had encountered the scholastic belt-tightening that followed. Sure,

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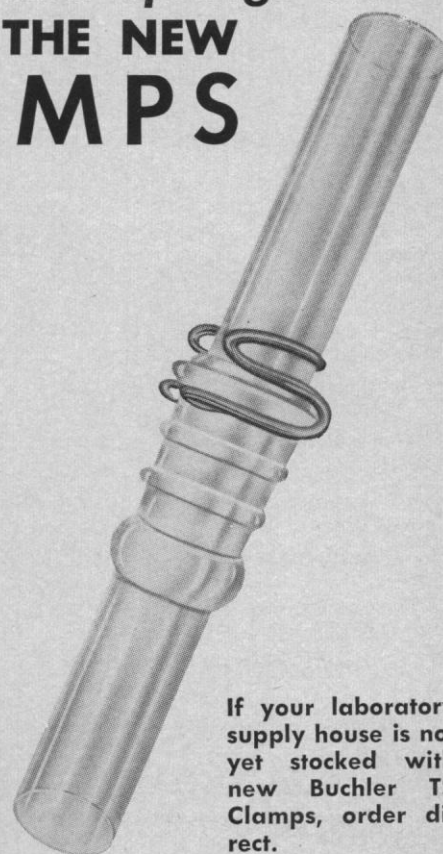
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they'd like to take physics and chemistry, rather than the easier zoology-botany or astronomy-geology sequences they chose to fulfill distribution requirements. But they couldn't. Why not? Because in high school they had had to make the decision to go the science-mathematics route or the humanities-social sciences route. And quite definitely, they testified, they couldn't sample or straddle—not if they expected to make the grades and get the credits needed for admission to college.

Is this division of the flock at the secondary-school level general, and is it contributing to Sir Charles Percy Snow's frightening dichotomy of "the two cultures"?

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I find it distressing that the recent editorial "Science and the humanities" should perpetuate C. P. Snow's gap between the two cultures in a manner so blatant and, indeed, Victorian. With the phrase "After the rigors of training in science, the subject content of the humanities seems hardly more difficult than a good novel," one

wipes away as trivial all the nonscientific scholarship of our civilization in general and our universities in particular.

Any reasonable acquaintance with the recommended study of scientists (rather than of science itself) as a subject for humanists shows that it is not a necessary condition that there exist a type specimen or standard sample from which to proceed. One can proceed to study science from the outside (historically or philosophically), just as one can study political history without being trained as a politician, or economics without becoming a successful businessman. Indeed, one may criticize Mathewson's proposal from the other direction; he seems to be ignorant of the fact that much of what he proposes (and more) is already in being, and in process of rapid and effective extension.

There are at least nine graduate schools now offering doctorates in the history and philosophy of science (including the sociology, economics, and politics of science) and more than 30 colleges offering undergraduate instruction in this field. At Yale, courses in the history of science have become valuable supplementary fare for scientists and humanists, and history of science has a

sizable research program in its own right. At Oak Ridge during June and July 1963 there will be a summer institute designed to give nonscience college teachers an opportunity to discuss these aspects of science, in the expectation that they will introduce such discussion into their own teaching programs. In these ways, it is hoped, we may at one and the same time solve the problem stated by Mathewson and help prevent the rise of another generation of scientists that can hold such an absurdly derogatory view of humanistic scholarship as that expressed in the editorial.

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Effects of Penicillin on Bacteria

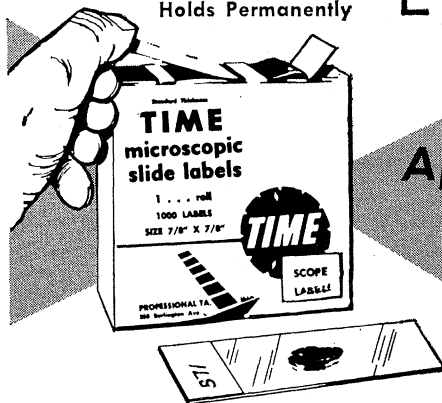
The interesting and constructive paper by J. Ciak and F. E. Hahn dealing with the antimicrobial action of penicillin [*Science* **137**, 982 (1962)] states, "Lysis of *S. aureus* under the influence of penicillin has rarely been mentioned," presumably as a mode of action of penicillin or as a consequence thereof. A reference from 1957 and another from 1959 are cited.

Actually, such effects were reported, and considered a mode of action, early in the penicillin story. Bonét-Maury and Pérault [*Nature* **155**, 701 (1945)] reported that when cultures of *S. aureus* are exposed to appropriate concentrations of penicillin, "proliferation stops almost immediately, followed by slow lysis of the bacteria," and that penicillin exerts a "very powerful lytic action." A year earlier, Nitti *et al.* [*Ann. Inst. Pasteur* **70**, 80 (1944)] made a similar observation. In 1947 Dufrenoy and Pratt referred to "bacteriostatic, bacteriocidal [*sic*], and bacteriolytic concentrations" of penicillin [*J. Bacteriol.* **53**, 657 (1947)], and Pratt and Dufrenoy offered an explanation for the "extensive bacteriolysis" of *S. aureus* exposed to the antibiotic [*ibid.* **54**, 127 (1947)].

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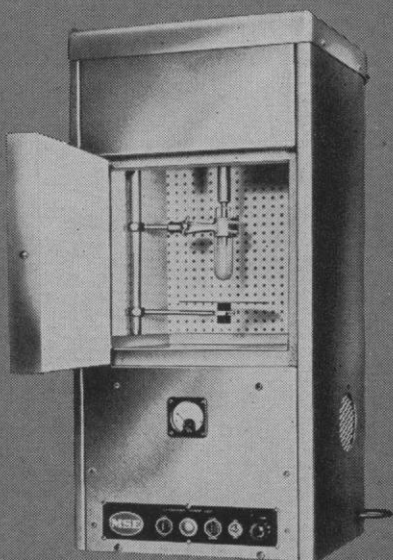
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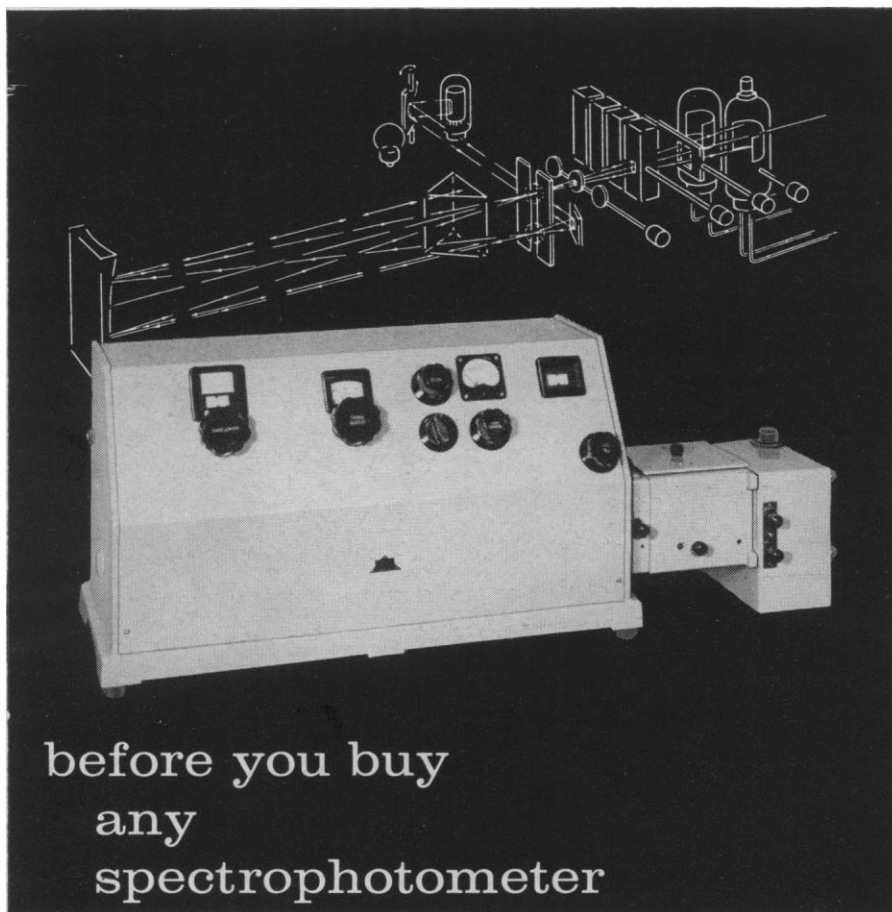
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tion at which its effects become manifest [in the two classes of organisms] is, however, many times greater . . . with Gram-negative organisms than . . . with Gram-positive organisms" [Pratt and Dufrenoy, *Antibiotics* (Lippincott, Philadelphia, 1949), p. 214]. This view is not incompatible with the "unified hypothesis of penicillin action" cited by Ciak and Hahn as proposed by Park and Stromiger [*Science* **125**, 99 (1957)] nearly a decade later. The latter authors did, however, present precise quantitative data to support their view, whereas the earlier proposal was based on less refined data and did not pinpoint the effects on cell-wall formation.

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Therapeutic Dosage in Small and Large Mammals

The research report "Lysergic acid diethylamide: Its effects on a male Asiatic elephant" [*Science* **138**, 1100 (1962)] on the therapy of the Proboscidea contains an elephantine fallacy. In these days when certain highly organized groups are striving earnestly to legislate against animal experimentation, it is unfortunate that quite so gross an error should appear in print. The basic problem seems to be extrapolation from limited data acquired in therapy of small mammals in determining the first therapeutic dose to be used on a larger form. To my knowledge no very precise set of rules exist, but some general principles are of value.

Rule 1. If we wish to determine, from toxicity data based upon findings in the cat, a therapeutic dose safe for an elephant, our first rule is to consult a veterinarian or, if possible, an animal husbandman with experience in handling elephants. Probably the best individual is a veterinarian with experience in dosing animals in a zoological garden. Individuals experienced in human therapeutics are too much limited by their training. Their thinking is confined essentially to one species of animal, and they have no proper experience upon which to draw in trying to transfer data obtained from one species to a second species.

Rule 2. The metabolic rates, including the rates of metabolism of drugs, of two animals are related not as the weights of the animals but as their sur-

face areas. If the two animals are very similar in body proportions, and if their weights are not very different (a ratio of not more than 1:10) one may arrive at a fairly reasonable therapeutic deduction by extracting the cube root of the weights of the two animals, then squaring the two figures and obtaining a therapeutic ratio from the square. This calculation may be simplified by obtaining the ratio of the two weights, extracting the cube of the ratio, and squaring the root. For example, the ratio of the weight of a cat to the weight of a man is approximately 1:30; that of the weight of a man to the weight of an elephant, approximately 1:50. The cube root of 50 is approximately 3.7, and the square of 3.7 is 13.7. Accordingly, the dose of lysergic acid for an elephant, as extrapolated from the oral dose for man, should have been 2½ to 3 milligrams rather than 297 milligrams.

Rule 3. Extrapolation on the basis of a simple comparison of weights is not valid in the case of man and elephant because the two weights are not similar (the ratio is greater than 1:10). It is a useful rule in extrapolating from a relatively small species of mammal to a large species, especially if it is important to be on the safe side because the animal is of great value, to point off one additional decimal place in making the calculation and to use this low dose as a start. A dose of 300 micrograms is all that could be recommended as the initial dosage in experimental administration of lysergic acid to an elephant. Admittedly this dosage is not much above that found necessary in the oral treatment of humans. However, we are by-passing the liver when we administer the drug by injection, and we may expect a somewhat sharper reaction when the method of administration is that employed in the experiment described. I might point out that the effective dose for a cat bears much the same relationship to the effective dose for a man that the effective dose for a man bears to the suggested dose for an elephant.

Rule 4. In extrapolating from one species of animal to a very different species one should be extremely conservative in deciding upon the first dose to be administered because unexpected reactions are likely to occur. Generally, closely related species show similar responses to therapy, but many exceptions to the phylogenetic rule are known. Caution is required.

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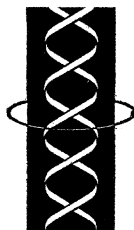
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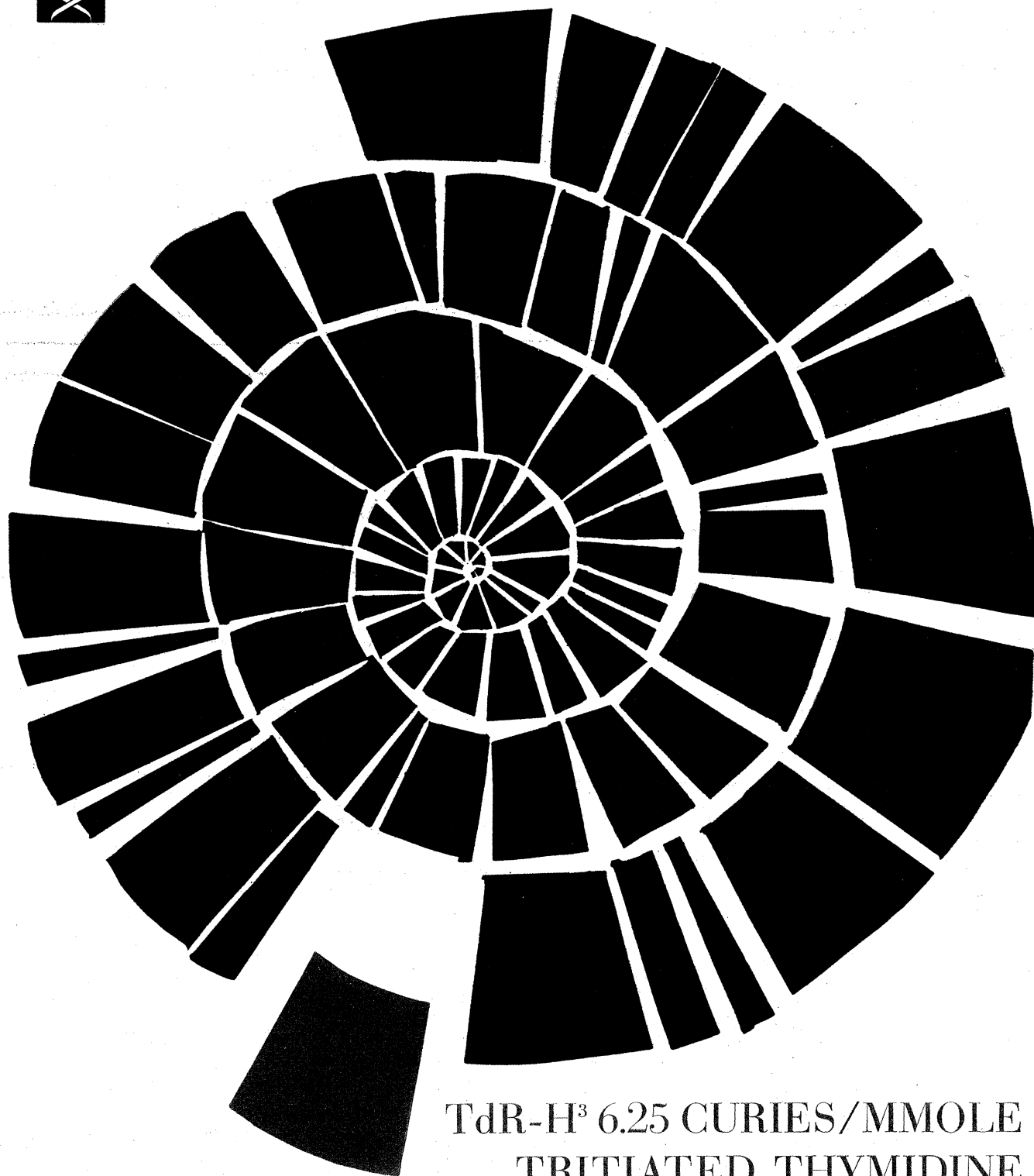
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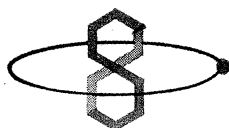
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Electron mirror microscope permits visual observation of electron-deflecting irregularities on a specimen. The specimen serves as an electron-optical mirror element and simultaneously constitutes the specimen. In general the mirror specimen remains untouched by the image-forming electrons because the specimen is biased slightly negative with respect to the electron beam source. Electrons approaching the specimen are slowed to zero axial velocity shortly before reaching it, and then reverse their direction of motion. Irregularities in the potential or magnetic gradients in front of the specimen capable of deflecting the approaching and receding electrons will modify the spacial density distribution of the re-

turning electron beam. The returning beam carries back information about the distribution of irregularities on the mirror specimen and this is presented on a phosphorescent screen as a magnified, visually observable image. Magnification range is approximately 20 to 1500. Resolving power is 0.2μ .—J.S. (General Mills, 1620 Central Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.)

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Flow-through hemophotometer is a companion to the Fisher hemophotometer model 55 direct-reading colorimeter for hemoglobin. After the sample is read, a toggle switch is flipped to the "empty" position and a peristaltic suction pump evacuates the cuvet. The cuvet is emptied in about 2 seconds and it is claimed that crossover contamination is insignificant. This model requires a sample of 0.02 ml of whole blood per determination, and has the same accuracy as the Fisher model 55.—R.L.B. (Fisher Scientific, 415 Fisher Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.)

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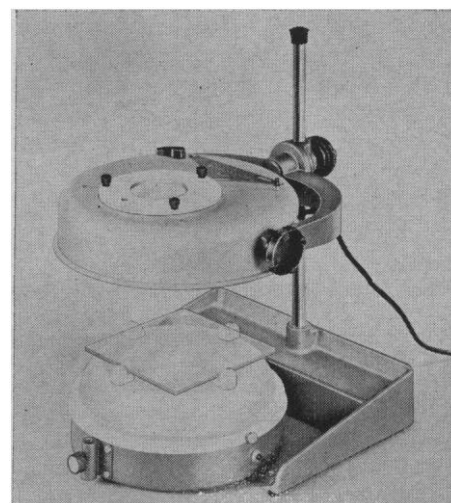
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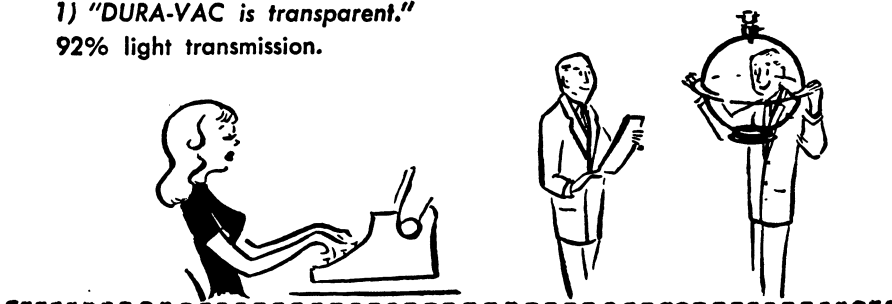
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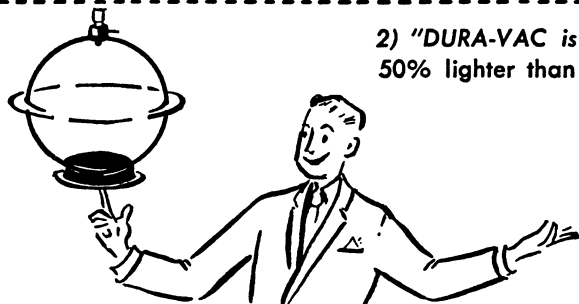
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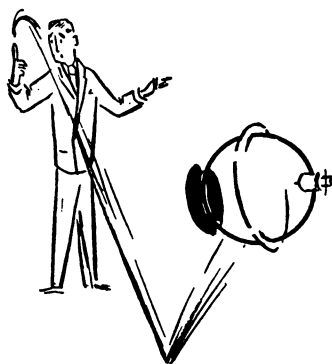
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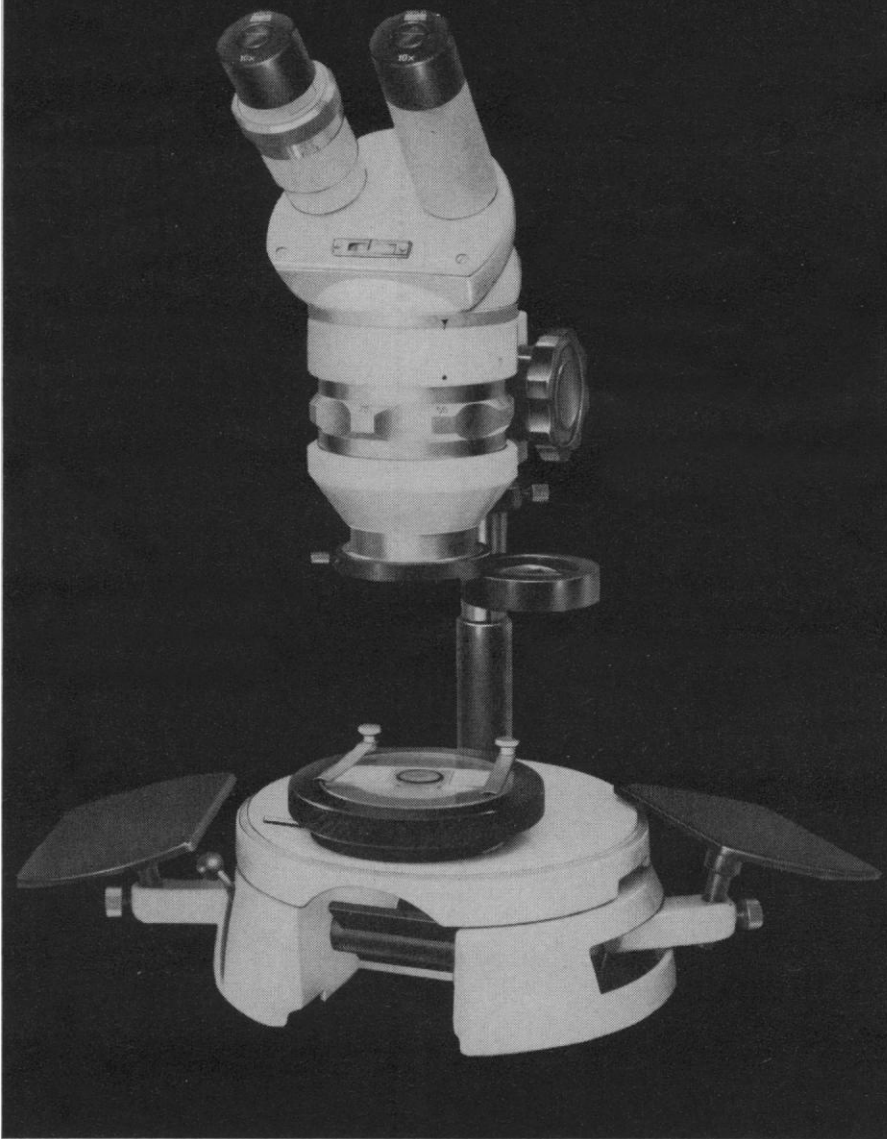
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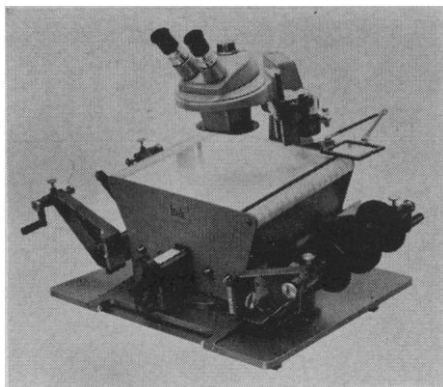
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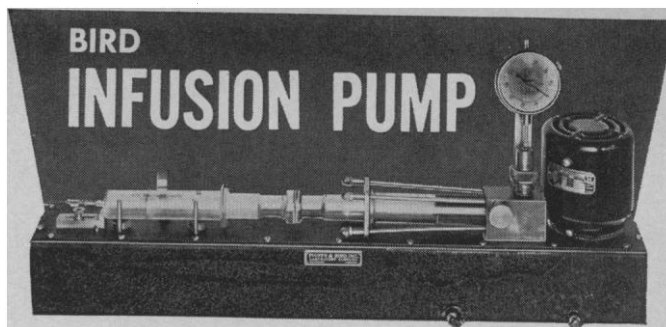
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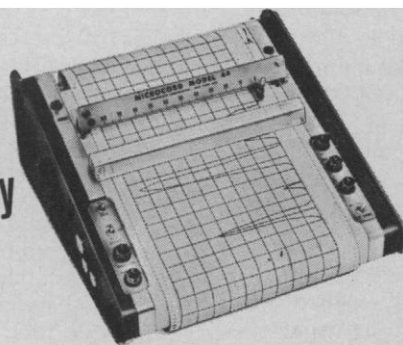
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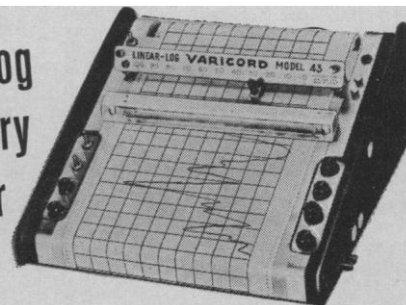


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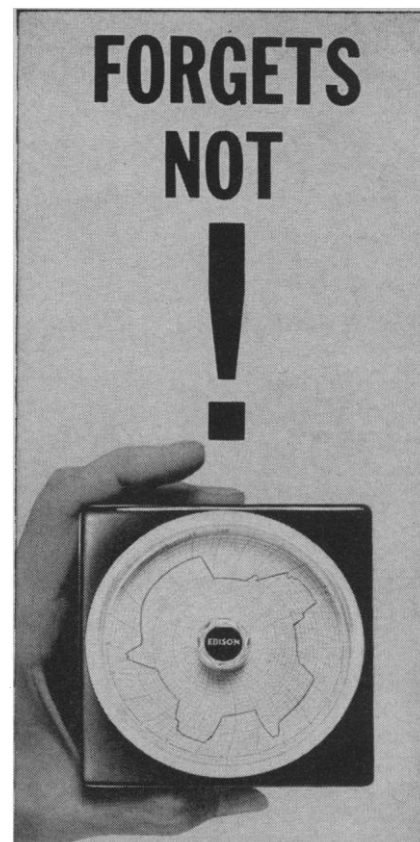
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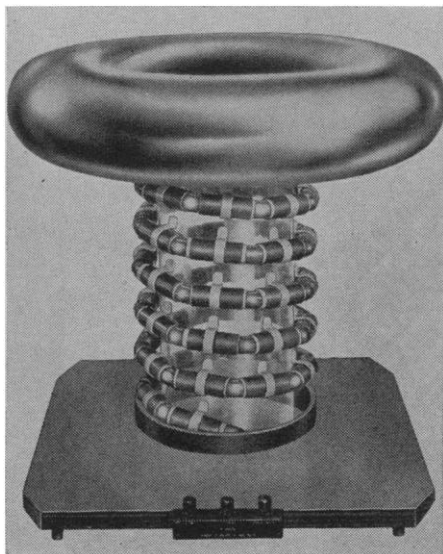
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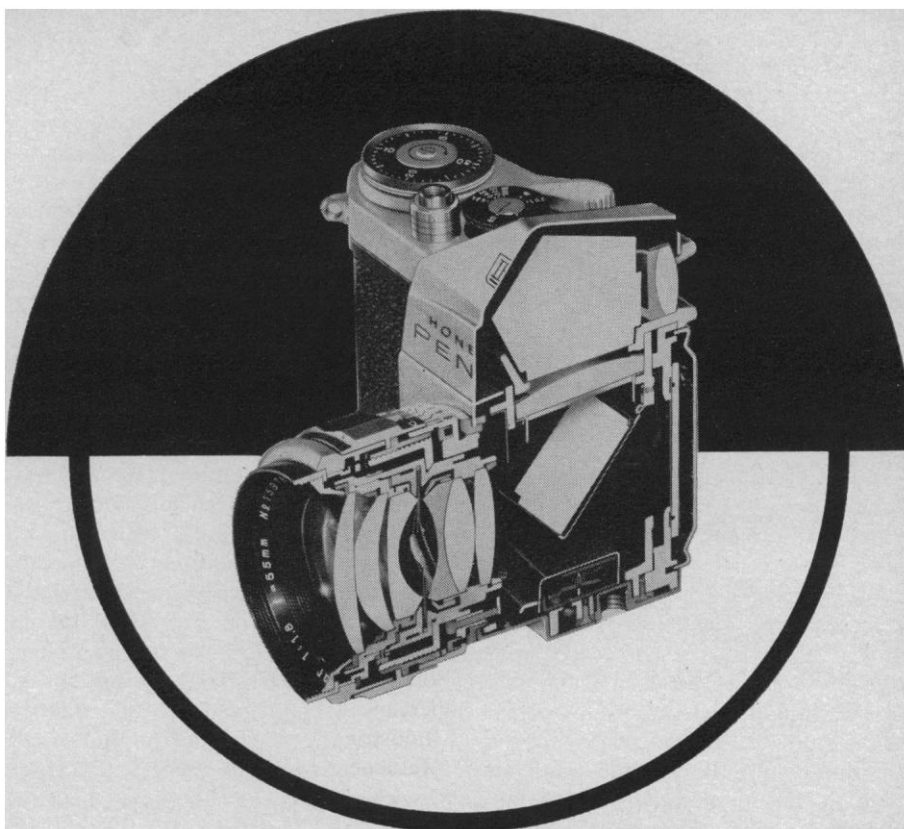
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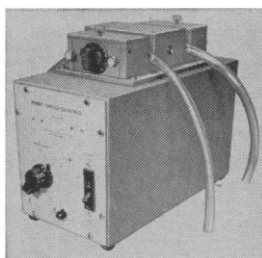
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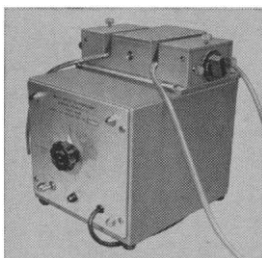
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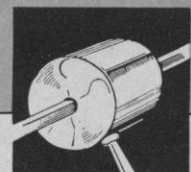
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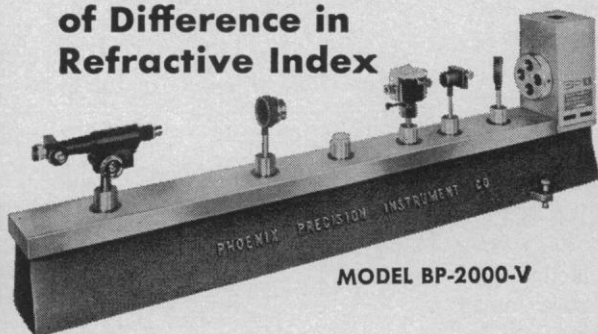
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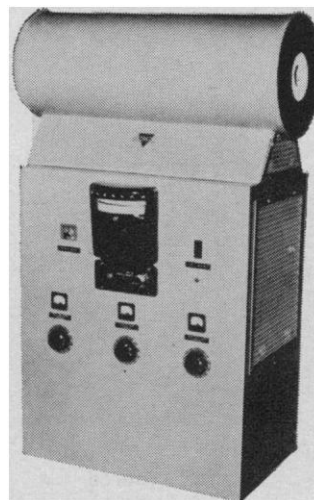
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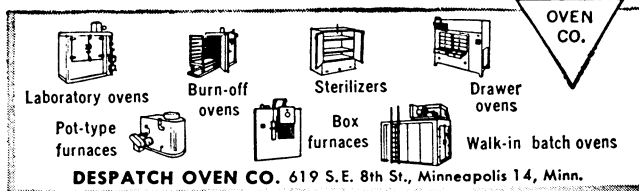
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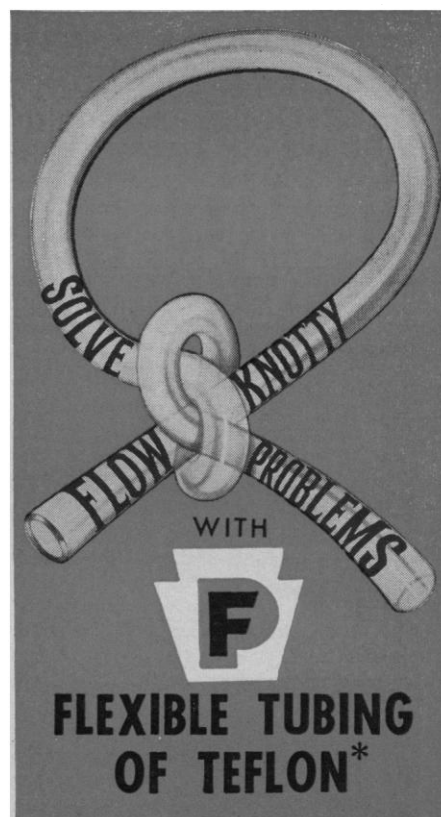
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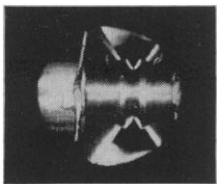
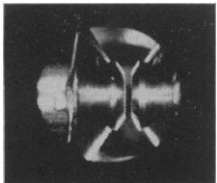
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All active American bases can be supplied by air, and the introduction of the big C-130 "Hercules" cargo plane fitted with skis for landing on snow means that heavier cargoes can be moved to more remote areas during a longer period in the open summer months.

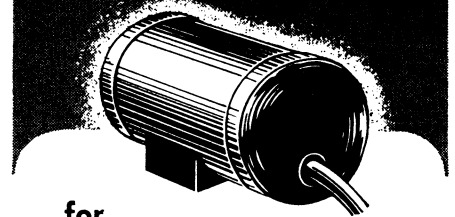
The United States, for example, can fly in supplies to its Pole station, located at an elevation of over 9000 feet near the center of the continent. On the other hand, the Russian Vostok station, hundreds of miles from the coast and at an altitude of 14,000 feet on the great ice plateau which covers most of the eastern part of the continent, is supplied only by tractor train. Since the tractors must start for Vostok at the beginning of the summer season, supplies must be moved into the Russian coastal station nearly a year in advance.

In speed and convenience, therefore, the United States enjoys a logistical edge over other nations in Antarctica. The antarctic airlift is an impressive achievement, though it has been suggested that the service is sometimes put to nonessential use to transport VIP tourists and equipment which could be moved less expensively by other means.

The antarctic summer extends from October to March; quite soon the 1962–63 summer season will end, and the human population in Antarctica will take its seasonal drop. The number of American scientists there will fall from about 170 to fewer than 50, and the number of servicemen, which during the summer may hit 2000, when crews of ships and planes and construction details are on hand, will fall to perhaps a fifth of that number.

The exodus at the end of the summer is in part a result of the change in the character of the antarctic scientific program. Albert P. Crary, chief scientist for the NSF antarctic program, says that post-IGY operations reflect two major influences: (i) broadening of the scientific program beyond the synoptic sciences which were emphasized in the IGY (the synoptic sciences are those which require observation over a large area of the world simultaneously, such as meteorology and upper-atmosphere physics); (ii) the descent on Antarctica of the individual investigator with uni-

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The wintering party runs heavily to those who can carry on observations during the winter in such disciplines as meteorology and upper atmosphere physics. Scientists from government agencies such as the Weather Bureau and Bureau of Standards dominate the winter roster, as they did during the IGY, but well over half the summer scientists now are affiliated with universities and other nongovernmental bodies.

Antarctica, surface and subsurface, remains the least known of continents, and Crary says that descriptive programs in the earth sciences and biology, particularly in geology and ecology, must be continued for some time to provide the framework for the basic research which is now beginning in earnest in Antarctica.

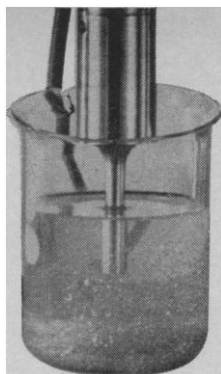
Little mapping was done during the IGY, but since then the United States and other nations have done a great deal to fill in the blanks on the map of Antarctica. In Western Antarctica, extensive mapping of mountains and coastal areas is being done, and new techniques of establishing ground controls to set distances accurately between known points are being used.

Seismologists not only find Antarctica a fine listening post for studying earthquake activity in the Southern Hemisphere but also are equipped to provide answers to questions on the thickness of the antarctic ice cap and what it conceals.

A breakdown of the \$7 million scientific budget for Antarctica shows that the atmospheric sciences continue to claim the largest single portion, some \$2.3 million, with \$965,000 of this earmarked for meteorology, \$700,000 for ionospheric studies, and lesser amounts for studies of the aurora, cosmic rays, and geomagnetism.

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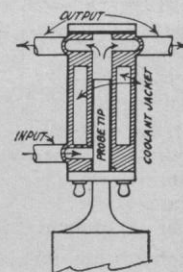
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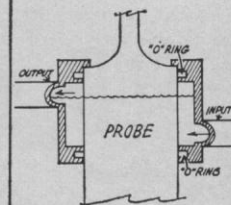


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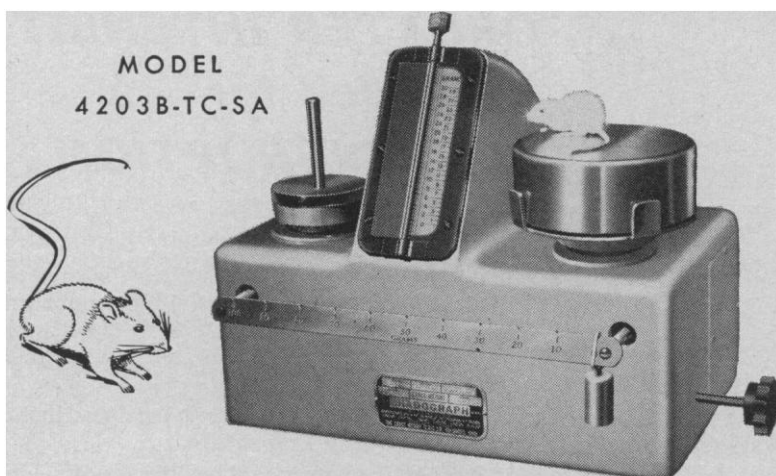


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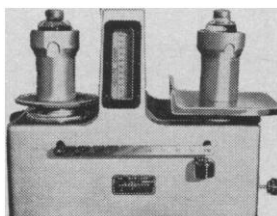
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up the new Eights station, named after James Eights, the first American scientist to visit the Antarctic (in 1830). The Eights station will be used largely for the study of upper-atmosphere physics and will be ready for operation during the International Quiet Sun Year, 1964-65.

Meteorology and upper-atmosphere physics have the longest history of concentrated work in Antarctica, and there is a feeling that efforts in these fields can slacken after the IQSY. The IGY and space programs have produced such a great quantity of data that all of them have by no means been analyzed, and in the Antarctic, too, data gathering has to some extent outrun analysis.

Comparatively little work has been done in Antarctica in the social and behavioral sciences. The effort of the environment on humans, particularly during the winter months, appears to offer broad scope to psychologists and sociologists, and program officials say they would welcome proposals for promising projects from first-class investigators.

The scientific climate in Antarctica appears favorable, in part because of the emphasis put on science in the Antarctic Treaty.

The Antarctic Treaty itself, in its limited, live-and-let-live way, has been working so smoothly that nobody talks about it much. This agreement, signed by the 12 nations which cooperated in the Antarctic IGY program, which include the United States and the Soviet Union, is essentially an extension of IGY agreements.

By signing the treaty the twelve nations indicated it was in their mutual interest that Antarctica should "be used exclusively for peaceful purposes" and that international cooperation in scientific investigation in Antarctica should continue.

Specifically prohibited in Antarctica are military operations and maneuvers of all kinds, establishment of military bases, and weapons testing. The treaty does not, however, bar the use of military personnel and equipment for scientific purposes.

Guarantees for the freedom of scientific investigation established during the IGY and provision for exchanges of information and persons are also written into the treaty.

The treaty also includes some interesting precedents in the field of arms control and disarmament. Article 5 prohibits any nuclear explosions or

disposal of radioactive wastes in Antarctica, and article 7 provides that all areas of Antarctica, including all stations and ships, shall be open to inspection at all times. Each signatory power may appoint its nationals as observers to carry out on-site inspections, and aerial observation is permitted as well.

The treaty is the first example of a limited nuclear arms and test ban and inspection agreement with both the United States and the Soviet Union as signatories. There have so far been no similar agreements for warmer latitudes, but the treaty itself and the history of international good fellowship in Antarctica are regarded as useful, if minor, political precedents.

The treaty tends to be vague on more mundane points of international law. For example, what happens when a national of one country commits a crime against a national of another; or, if someone strikes gold, who can claim it? The treaty says only that nationals remain under the jurisdiction of their own countries while on the continent of Antarctica. On territorial claims in the South Atlantic and Antarctica—where Argentina, Britain, and Chile particularly have been at odds—the treaty, in effect, puts such disputes in cold storage for 30 years by providing that while the treaty is in force no action shall diminish or enhance any claim of sovereignty in Antarctica.

Certainly the matter of territorial claims as well as the possibilities of exploiting the continent's ice-bound natural resources and the open question of the future military value of Antarctica figure in the mixed motives which keep the United States and other treaty powers there.

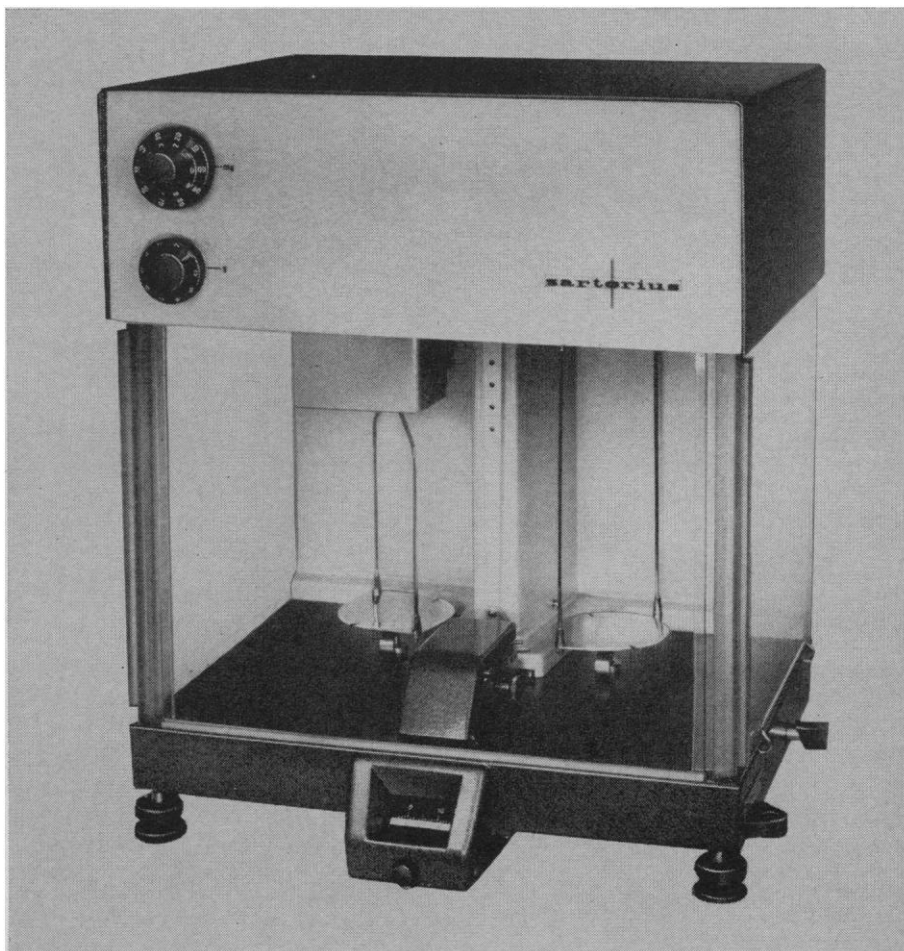
Were it not for these contingencies it is doubtful that Congress, mindful of vast expenditures for science on land, on sea, and in aerospace, would so willingly provide funds for antarctic operations which seem to be leveling off at about \$7 million for the science program and \$20 million for support costs annually.

With Antarctica colonized and somewhat civilized, the pattern of operation there seems set at least for the next decade. As if to mark the passing of an era, one of those Britishers who seem compelled to seek the more inaccessible and perilous parts of the world recently passed through NSF and remarked that the Antarctic no longer interested him and he thought he might have a try at the Blue Nile.

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