

Announcements

West Virginia University Medical Center has established a division of academic communications, designed to "promote the newest and best methods of getting across **scientific information** to students, faculty members and practitioners in all of the health sciences fields." The new division will be headed by James E. Dyson, Jr., who has returned to the school as associate professor of microbiology, after spending last year at the University of Kansas Medical Center.

The University of Miami, Florida, medical school plans to offer a post-graduate course in **medicine for Latin American physicians**, beginning in July. The project developed from a similar one for Cuban refugee physicians which the university has conducted the past 3 years under assistant professor of medicine Emil P. Taxay. The activity aims to "offer all interested Latin American physicians an opportunity to continue their medical training" in the U.S.

Meeting Notes

Papers are being accepted now for a symposium on **quasi-optics**, 8-10 June in New York. The meeting will feature electromagnetic phenomena and techniques, at wavelengths which have small scales compared to guiding or perturbing structure. Emphasis will be on theoretical and experimental procedures. Deadline for submission of complete papers: *31 December*. (J. Fox, Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, 55 Johnson St., Brooklyn 1, N.Y.)

The second international symposium on **arms control and disarmament** will take place in Ann Arbor, Michigan, 21-24 January. The sponsors are the University of Michigan and the Bendix Corporation. Contributed papers on any aspect of arms control are invited; presentation should be 20-25 minutes long. Deadline for receipt of 500-word abstracts: *15 November*. (J. Teeple, Bendix Systems Division, 3300 Plymouth Rd., Ann Arbor, Mich.)

Papers are solicited for an international symposium on the assessment of **radioactive burdens in man**, 11-16 May in Heidelberg, Germany. Abstracts of 250-300 words are required, and the

papers should be no more than 5000 words. Papers from the U.S. must be submitted through the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. Deadline for abstracts: *1 December*. (J. H. Kane, Conferences Branch, Division of Special Projects, AEC, Washington, D.C. 20025)

The eighth annual meeting of the **Biophysical Society** is scheduled for 26-28 February, in Chicago. Symposia will be held on macromolecular aspects of radiation action on cells, organization and development of decision processes in the central nervous system, and new approaches to electron-microscopic resolution at the atomic level. In addition, contributed papers on any area of biophysics are invited. Deadline for receipt of abstracts: *1 December*. (R. B. Uretz, Committee on Biophysics, University of Chicago, 5640 Ellis Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60637)

The American Institute of **Chemical Engineers** plans to hold its annual meeting 17-20 May, in Pittsburgh, Pa. Topics to be discussed include fundamentals, design and operations, aerospace technology, management and commercial areas, and educational opportunities. Deadline for papers: *17 December*. Further information is available from R. S. Rhodes, 6015 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Eastern Psychological Association plans to hold its 35th annual meeting 16-18 April, in Philadelphia. Papers on **general psychology** are invited. Four copies of a 50-word abstract, suitable for use in the meeting's printed program, are required. For research papers, abstracts of 300-1000 words are also required and tables and figures may be accepted. Deadline for receipt of abstracts: *2 December*. (M. A. Iverson, Queens College, Flushing, N.Y.)

A symposium on the physiological basis for **form discrimination** is scheduled 23-24 January in Providence, R.I. Sessions will be held on visual receptors, physiological optics, electrophysiological evidence, and visual movement. Attendance is open, but advance registration is required. (D. Burkhardt, Hunter Laboratory of Psychology, Brown University, Providence, R.I.)

A call for papers has been issued for the 1964 **heat transfer and fluid mechanics** institute, scheduled 10-12

June, at the University of California, Berkeley. Papers are invited on the established areas of heat transfer, as well as on the newer fields of radiation-modified flow and geophysical fluid mechanics. Abstracts of 300 to 500 words are required: Deadline: *20 December*. (S. Levy, General Electric Company, 150 Curtner Ave., San Jose, Calif.)

Courses

The graduate school of the U.S. Department of Agriculture plans a seminar on **science information and communication** 2-6 December in Washington. It is open to government scientists in grades GS13 and above; attendance is limited to 25. Sessions will include lectures and field trips to the major information activities in the Washington area. There will be no tuition fee.

The seminar is a pilot project in information services, offered under a grant from the National Science Foundation. Immediate application is necessary. (Course No. D-6-80, E. M. Sinauer, U.S.D.A. Graduate School, Washington 25, D.C.)

A workshop in **nuclear magnetic resonance** will be held 19-21 December at the chemistry department in the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy. It will include work on high resolution proton resonance spectra, with emphasis on interpretation of the more complex spectra. A \$35 registration fee is required. (C. L. Bell, University of Illinois, 833 S. Wood St., Chicago)

A course in theoretical foundations for **information systems** is scheduled 2-6 December in Atlanta, at Georgia Institute of Technology. The course aims to consolidate the relevant mathematical tools, describe proposed mathematical models, and to develop areas where further work in information activities seems feasible. Deadline for applications: *26 November*. (Director, Dept. of Short Courses and Conferences, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta)

Erratum: In the report "Reductive dechlorination of DDT to DDD by yeast," by B. J. Kallman and A. K. Andrews [*Science* 141, 1050 (13 Sept. 1963)] there are two errors in Fig. 1. Structure II requires a *para* chlorine on the second benzene ring, and in structure III the group bound to the carbon atom between the rings should have been Cl-C-H instead of Cl-C-Cl.