sentatives of various scientific disciplines. Another interesting topical symposium dealt with the effects of radiation on humans and animals.

The Lister lecture was delivered by T. P. Morris on "Science and morals in the treatment of deviant behaviour." J. N. Murrell gave the Kelvin lecture on color and chemical constitution, while the Darwin lecture was presented by L. Wolpert on "Growing in a definite shape."

A special program was arranged for young people. This included the York lecture by Sir Raymond Priestly on "Antarctic exploration yesterday and today," public forums, and a science fair. A feature of the meeting was a series of special scientific films and various visual presentations of scientific developments.

Representatives from the American Association for the Advancement of Science, who extended greetings to the British Association on its 125th birthday, were President and Mrs. Alan T. Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Sherburne, Jr., and the undersigned. Sherburne is AAAS Director of Studies on the Public Understanding of Science. I extended belated thanks to the British Association for having given the first grant-in-aid, of which I can find record, in 1840 to James Blake (1851-93) who later became California's first great scientist. The grant, amounting to about \$300 a year for 5 years, was offered to help Blake in his studies on biological action of inorganic compounds. From his research he was able to induce what we call the Periodic Table.

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Forthcoming Events

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18-20. Engineering in Medicine and Biology, 16th annual conf. and exhibit, Baltimore, Md. (H. Gilmer, 933 Ridge Ave., Pittsburgh 12, Pa.)

18-21. Atomic Industrial Forum and American Nuclear Soc., winter meeting, New York, N.Y. (O. J. Du Temple, ANS, 86 E. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.)

18. Industrial Pharmacy Section, American Pharmaceutical Assoc., 3rd annual eastern regional meeting, New York, N.Y. (H. Lieberman, Warner-Lambert Pharmaceutical Co., 170 Tabor Rd., Morris Plains, N.J.)

18-22. **Plastics**, 10th natl. exposition, Chicago, Ill. (J. Paluszek, G. M. Basford Co., 60 E. 42 St., New York 17)

19-21 American Physical Soc., Norman Okla. (K. K. Darrow, 538 W. 120th St., New York 27)



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