

and the way he looks at her that she is an attractive woman." The butcher is "the biblical Esau in modern dress. He is the primordial hunter, the real man. The modern housewife admires him. He is the only one who is allowed to flirt with the female. He can throw the good piece of prey her way or he can cheat her." Because many people apparently have the feeling that all major brands of gasoline are alike, the psychological "extras" may make an important difference; thus, "the gas station must play a more active role in helping to fulfill some of the very real psychological needs of the motorist." And "the job for the gasoline company that wants to conquer the market is one of helping the motorist to achieve a mature relationship with the gas station." Even our instructors in recreation are not immune from responsibility. With skiing representing "a sort of defloration—a raping of the virgin snow," the ski instructor becomes a dangerous threat to home and hearth. His role "involves a parallel to traditional voyeurism. It is almost as if you were taking a public course in sexual intercourse, the skiing instructor giving you lessons and everybody watching." In this, the ski instructor has something in common with the cigarette lighter (as well as with asparagus), because the lighter is "bound up with the idea of sexual potency." Such is the modern version of the oneness of things.—ELINOR LANGER

Announcements

Purdue University has established a new **political science** department that will concentrate on the relationship between public policy and the sciences. The department will offer the same type of undergraduate political science courses that had been presented in the department of history, government, and philosophy. Graduate work, however, will aim to meet the need for persons trained in both science and government. The head of the department is Boyd R. Keenan, a former political science professor at Marshall University, Huntington, West Virginia, and associate director of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation, an independent organization based at Purdue.

The formation of the **National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP)** was announced recently. The organization aims to "col-

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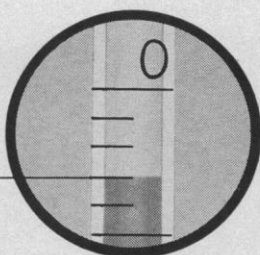
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lect, analyze, develop, and disseminate scientific information and recommendations about protection against radiation and about radiation measurement." NCRP was chartered by Congress through Public Law 88-376, which gives formal status to the former National Committee on Radiation Protection and Measurements, begun in 1929. Lauriston S. Taylor, associate director of the National Bureau of Standards, was elected president of the council.

Scientists in the News

James E. Bennett, formerly director of the plastic surgery division at the Ohio State University college of medicine, has been named professor of surgery and director of the plastic surgery section at Indiana University medical school.

Richard Vanderwarker has become president and chief executive officer of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, succeeding **J. R. Heller**, who has retired. Vanderwarker had been vice president of the center since 1960.

Helene Wallace Toolan, formerly an associate member of the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, New York, has been appointed director of the Putnam Memorial Hospital's institute for medical research, Bennington, Vermont, and associate professor of experimental pathology at the University of Vermont college of medicine.

The Atomic Energy Commission has appointed **Lester R. Rogers** scientific representative in South America. He has been assistant director for materials in the AEC's division of safety standards.

Robert S. Green, associate dean of the engineering college and executive director of the engineering experiment station at Ohio State University has left for a 2-year term in India as head of the Indian Institute of Technology, in Kanpur. The institute is operating under an AID-sponsored program with the help of professors from nine U.S. institutions.

Willard Cochrane, director of agricultural economics at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, has resigned to return to the University of Minnesota as professor of agricultural economics.

He will be replaced at USDA by **John A. Schnittker**, a staff economist at the Department and former associate professor of economics at Kansas State University.

Washington University's new chemistry department head is **David Lipkin**, professor of chemistry at the university.

The National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council has named new chairmen for three of its divisions:

Behavioral sciences: **George P. Murdock**, professor of anthropology at the University of Pittsburgh;

Chemistry and chemical technology: **Franklin A. Long**, chemistry professor, Cornell;

Mathematics: **G. A. Hedlund**, mathematics professor, Yale University.

Edwin M. Vaughan, former chairman of the physics department, St. Ambrose College, Davenport, Iowa, has been appointed physical science administrator in the research office, R&D Directorate, U.S. Army Weapons Command, Rock Island, Ill.

The recently elected president of the American Society for Engineering Education is **Elmer C. Easton**, dean of the college of engineering at Rutgers.

Recent Deaths

Marion K. Fort, Jr., 43; chairman of the mathematics department, University of Georgia; 2 August.

Robert D. Glasgow, 85; former New York State entomologist; 15 July.

Eugene C. Loomis, 50; research biochemist at Parke, Davis & Company; 23 July.

Earl C. Slipher, 81; director of the Lowell Observatory, Flagstaff, Arizona; 7 August.

Vladimir Vinogradov, 82; Soviet physician, teacher at Moscow's Second Medical Institute, consultant to the Ministry of Public Health, and a member of the Soviet Academy of Medicine; 29 July.

Erratum: In the report "Physiological studies on fruit development by means of ovule transplantation in vivo" by V. L. M. Melnick, L. Holm, and B. E. Struckmeyer (7 August, p. 609), reference 4 should read: R. N. Chopra and P. S. Sabharwal, in *Plant Tissue and Organ Culture*, Proc., Symp. held at Univ. of Delhi, India, P. Maheshwari and R. Swami, Eds. (Intern. Soc. Plant Morphol., 1963).

Erratum: In the review of *Marine Bio-Acoustics*, W. N. Travalga, Ed. (24 July, p. 379), the American publisher of the book was erroneously given as John Wiley and Sons. Actually, the book is distributed in the United States by the Macmillan Co.