formulate the memorandum of agreement for cultural exchange visits between scientists of the Soviet Union and the United States. At most of the conferences, Professor Nesmeyanov was accompanied by the late A. V. Topchiev.

In intervals between the business meetings, I had an opportunity to talk with Nesmeyanov about his work, which included a considerable amount of absorption spectra of organic compounds with chromophoric centers (ferrocenes). I had published work in the same general area, and each of us was well aware of the other's work. I had an opportunity to visit his laboratory at the Lomonosov University (Moscow) and was particularly impressed by the fact that, although he carried a heavy administrative load as President of the Soviet Academy of Sciences (an operating organization with a large budget and many employees), he still held to a schedule which permitted a reasonable amount of time for visiting the laboratory and working with his research students and associates.

This continued interest and the productivity of directed work has resulted in a production rate of research papers which is matched only by such other scientific leaders as Roger Adams, Willstater, Hanzsch, Pope, Robinson, and Bancroft. The collection and translation into English of a selection of his papers on the occasion of Nesmeyanov's 60th birthday (in 1959) provides the chemist with a well-printed and easily read compilation of considerable size (1100 pages) and importance. The work is essentially organized into three major areas of his interest.

The first section deals with organometallic compounds, their synthesis, structure, stereoisomeric effects, and the ferrocene derivatives. The second deals with elemento-organic compounds, including onium compounds and organo derivatives of silicon, titanium, and fluorine. The third deals with papers in synthetic organic research or chlorovinyl ketones, polychlorohydrocarbons, and related compounds.

Owing to the change that is inevitable in a political assignment, Nesmeyanov was replaced as President of the Soviet Academy in 1961-1962, only a short time after the Russian edition of this book was published. However, he was not relegated to oblivion or left without a reasonable assignment as is often the case with those scientists who accept politically sensitive assignments. He was given a choice assignment, the directorship of the Institute of Organo-Element Compounds, an institute that he had earlier organized. That relief from his political assignment has made it possible for him to publish and direct work is well indicated by the fact that during a 1-year period (June 1963 to June 1964), after 2 years of freedom from heavy administrative responsibilities, he was co-author of more than 60 papers published in Soviet journals.

It may well be that a supplementary volume of equivalent size, covering the work of the intervening years, will be issued on Nesmeyanov's 80th birthday. Although many may feel that a number of co-workers were assigned to Nesmeyanov, there can be no doubt that many of these workers sought the privilege of working with him, and many of the papers show evidence of the distinct personal interest and work of the preceptor or guiding professor. Most of his papers are published jointly with one or more of his associates, but his name does not appear as the first author on about a fourth of the papers, a reasonable recognition of the major contributions of his associates.

This collection of research papers also presents us with an interesting moral—if the spark of research can be kept alive by opportunity and assistance even though time may be limited by other duties and the rate of production may be quite low during an administrative assignment, it may be possible to fan the embers of interest into a steady flame when the opportunity is provided to revert to a research program.

Nesmeyanov has been recognized by many honors and awards in his own country and in the countries of the Soviet bloc. He is also a foreign Fellow of the Royal Society of London and of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and an honorary member of the Chemical Society (London), of the New York Academy of Sciences, and of many of the satellite academies.

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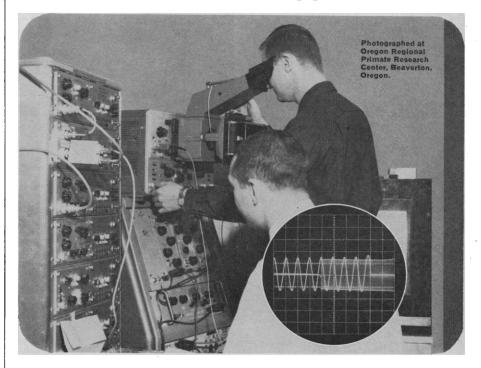
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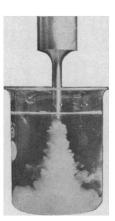
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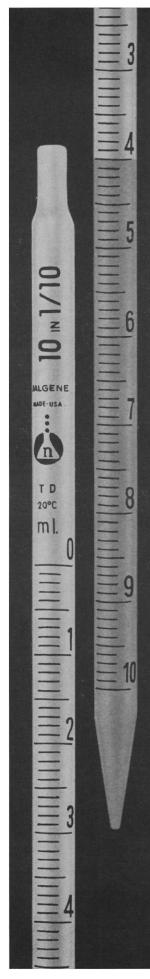
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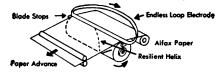
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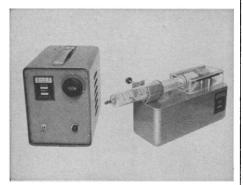
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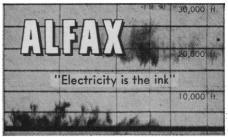
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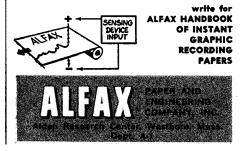
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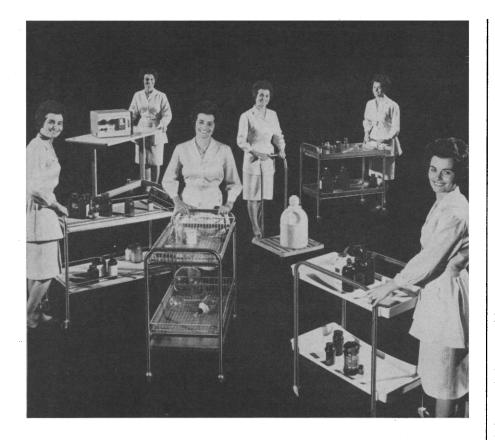
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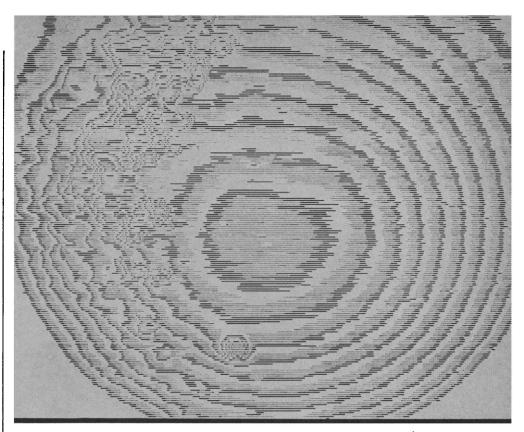
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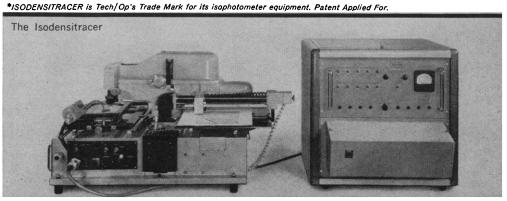
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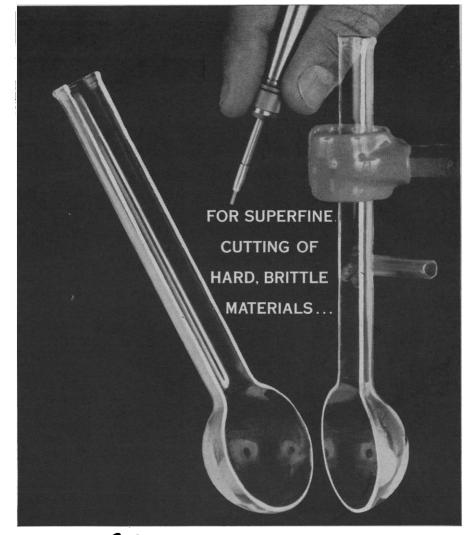
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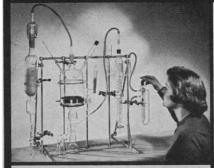
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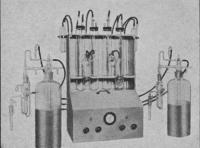


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