

Budget Bureau, or the Congress could override them. ICO develops a budget plan each year, but it is not the ICO members, but the heads of their agencies, who finally decide how much money to request for use in oceanography.

Hornig has identified one weakness of ICO and other interagency committees which undoubtedly would be shared by a cabinet-level council. In his view, interagency bodies are constitutionally incapable of developing a sharp critical faculty with respect to the performance of the agencies they represent. Hornig believes, however, that the principal problem in oceanography is not one of organization but of better defining what the substance of the national oceanographic effort should be.

This problem of defining an appropriate program has been under review by a PSAC panel headed by Gordan J. F. MacDonald, deputy director of the Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics at the University of California, Los Angeles. The panel's report, recently completed, is, or soon will be, in the hands of the President. Although to follow the panel study with one by the proposed commission might risk some duplication, it is no less true that the commission could take advantage of the panel's findings and pursue its own studies in greater breadth or depth than the panel was able to.

While the MacDonald panel, to judge from its mandate, probably has not overlooked the question of governmental structure, the commission would be able to consider this matter more thoroughly and from some different perspectives. Such questions as whether or not it would be appropriate to create a new agency consolidating at least some of the oceanography functions now scattered among various existing agencies might be exhaustively explored. The commission could include up to five government members—the MacDonald panel included none—who might participate effectively in such an exploration.

In any event, given the apparent willingness of the oceanography bill's sponsors to accept half a loaf, presumably there will be a commission study, whether or not a council is created. At the moment, the long-range outlook on the makeup and management of the national oceanography program is still hazy, but an effort is being made to reach a vantage point from which the view will be clearer.

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Editorial Board of Science Meets

The Editorial Board of *Science* convened 26 May in the Board Room of AAAS with the following members present: Robert L. Bowman, Joseph W. Chamberlain, Emil W. Haury, Alexander Hollaender, Willard F. Libby, Everett I. Mendelsohn, Neal E. Miller, John R. Pierce, Alexander Rich, and Clarence M. Zener.

The purposes of the meeting were (i) to familiarize board members with crucial features of the editing and production of *Science*, (ii) to discuss means for improving content and procedures, and (iii) to explore new ways in which the Editorial Board can participate.

It is anticipated that annual meetings will be held.

Announcements

Temple University has established a college of allied **health professions**. The college will accept students who have completed 2 years of liberal arts work at Temple or other institutions. It will absorb the school of medical technology, which was established in 1939, and the physical therapy program which is currently being organized. Bachelor's degrees will be offered in these areas and in nursing, occupational therapy, and medical records library science.

The **Stony Brook** campus of the State University of New York this fall will initiate a system of small residential colleges of 200 to 400 students. John S. Toll, Stony Brook's president, said last month in his inaugural address that the new arrangement is designed to allow undergraduates, graduate students, and members of the faculty and staff to live together as a "community of scholars." Commuting students will also be able to participate in the programs.

In announcing the program Toll said: "It has been fashionable to deplore the dangers of size in the great state universities; however, we think the critical question is not one of size but one of organization." The colleges at Stony Brook will be organized with a degree of autonomy to plan and manage their own programs. Each will have its own group of faculty associates who will participate in the intellectual life of the college, and at least one senior fellow or master will

live there after the first year. Each college will also have a student government and extracurricular activities.

The university's first seven colleges will be set in residential quadrangles already built on campus. Plans call for increasing the number of individual colleges as enrollments grow and residence halls are added.

Toll also announced during his address that a departmental honors program will be instituted this fall; and at the same time the first courses in Latin and Greek will be offered at the University Center.

Meeting Notes

Education in the neurological sciences will be discussed at a conference 13–16 November in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. The work sessions will be centered around pre- and postdoctoral neuroscience training, pre- and postdoctoral clinical training, and the highly gifted student. Attendance will be limited. Sponsors: American Academy of Neurology, American Neurological Association. (J. L. O'Leary, Department of Neurology, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri 63110)

Scientists in the News

Edward G. Sherburne, Jr., director of public understanding of science at AAAS, will succeed **Watson Davis** as director of Science Service, Inc., effective 15 June. Davis, who has headed Science Service since 1929, has reached the organization's mandatory retirement age of 70.

Alfred B. Chaet, a visiting research scholar at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, has been appointed professor of biology and associate dean of science, mathematics, and technology at the new University of West Florida, Pensacola, which is scheduled to admit its first class, of juniors, in 1967. Chaet has been at Scripps since 1964, on leave from American University, Washington, where he is a biology professor.

William V. Wright, Jr., has been named director of the Office of Science and Engineering in the Environmental Science Services Administration. He had been vice president of Electro Optical Systems, Pasadena, California.