

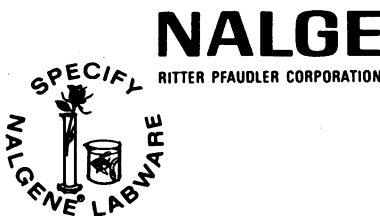


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whether and what he dreamed, for "his dream" means a particular event known only to him. The knotty problem has always been to construct theory which coordinates the subject's observations with those of the other observers. Knowing more about what happens in the "black box" may be expected to shed light on this problem, but not to annihilate it.

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### **Discriminating and Insulting**

In discussing openings for Negro engineers, Oliver's logic is so foggy, I simply cannot understand it (Letters, 1 Dec.). I am reminded that as a male librarian I am often interviewed because of that fact. Whenever this happens, I am seized by an irrational anger. . . . I cannot help but feel for the engineer who is hired because he happens to be a Negro. At best this is stupid; at worst, it is a grievous insult to the particular individual's intelligence and individuality. . . .

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Oliver tells of a recruiting agent who, under government pressure was actively seeking Negroes, qualified or otherwise. Can anyone explain to me just how this differs from discrimination on account of color, a procedure declared illegal by act of Congress?

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### **Government Quickens Its Information Transfer**

Budington (Letters, 20 Oct.) complains that the slow process of obtaining results of Department of Defense-sponsored research discourages the belief that the government is much interested in information transfer. The Clearinghouse for Federal Scientific and Technical Information announces the availability of unclassified or unlimited government-sponsored (DOD, NASA, AEC, Commerce, and others) scientific and technical documents to the techni-