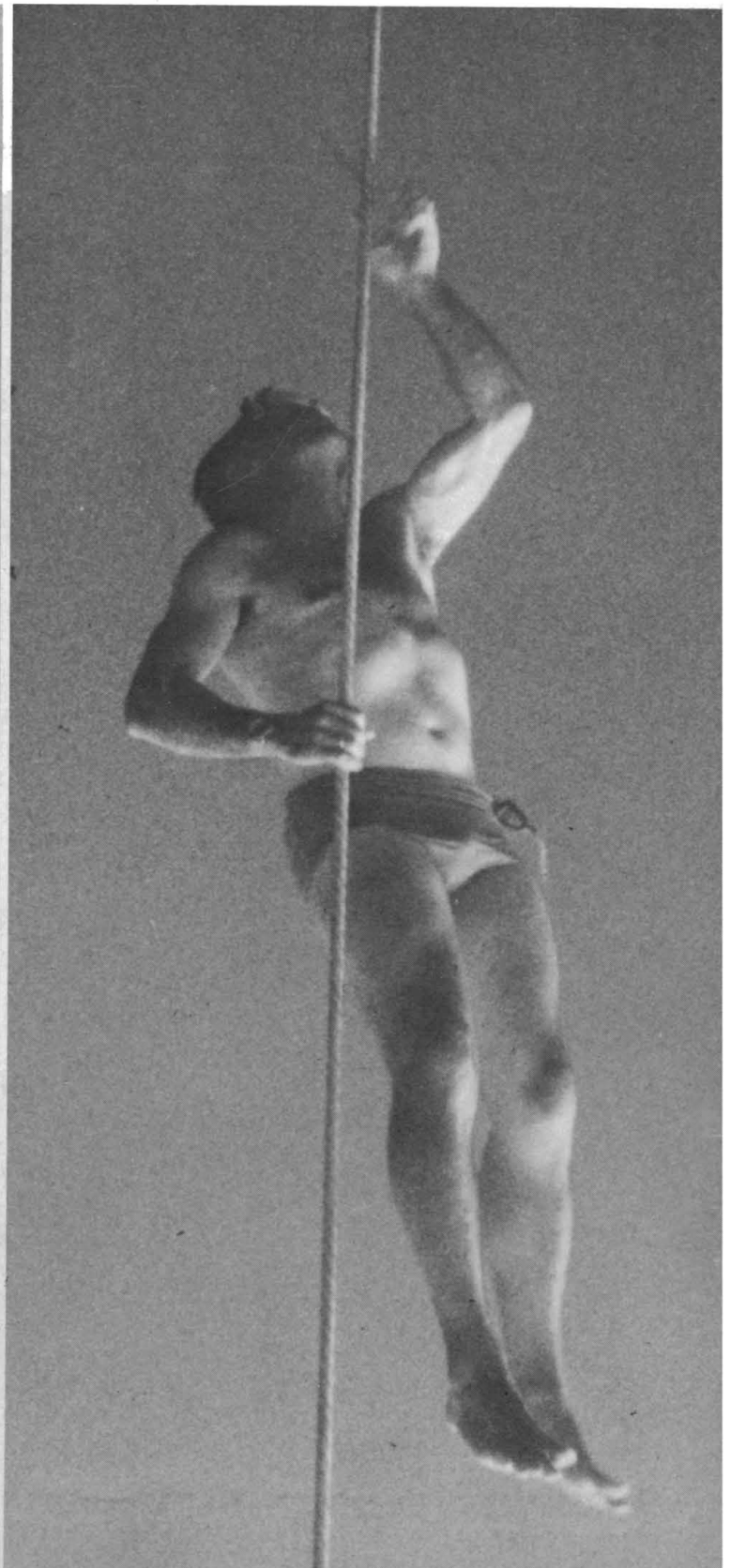
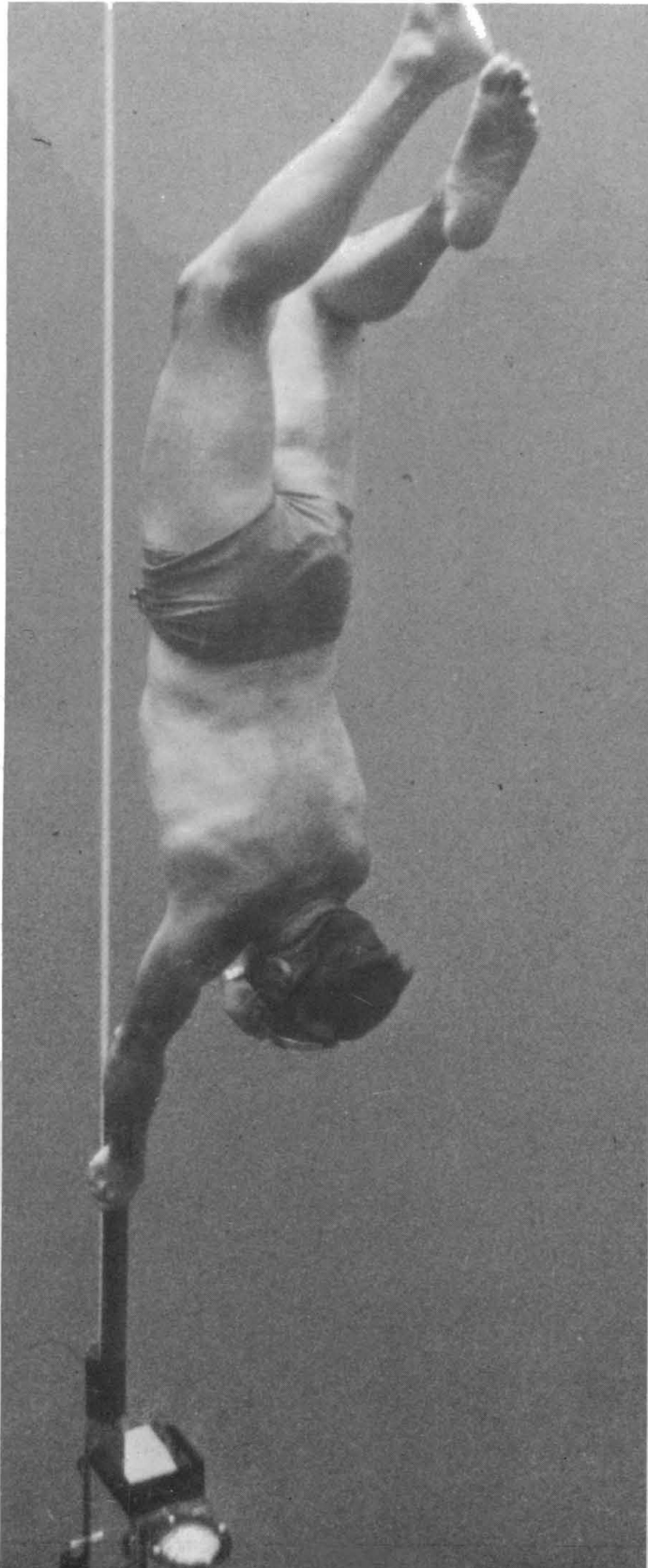


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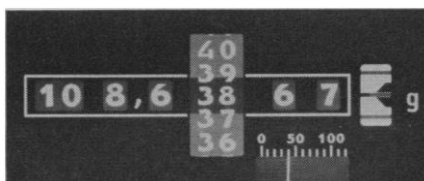
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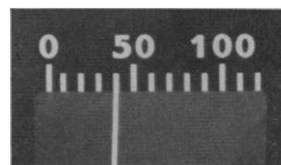
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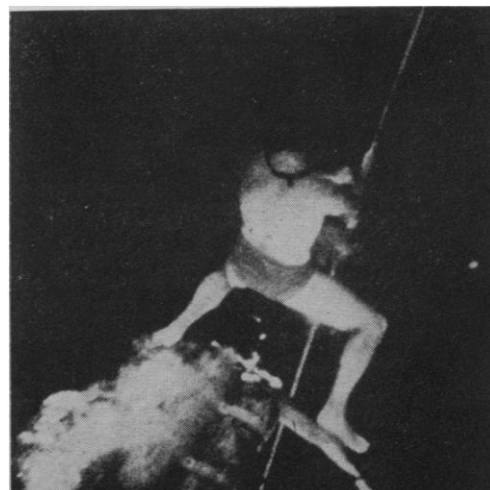
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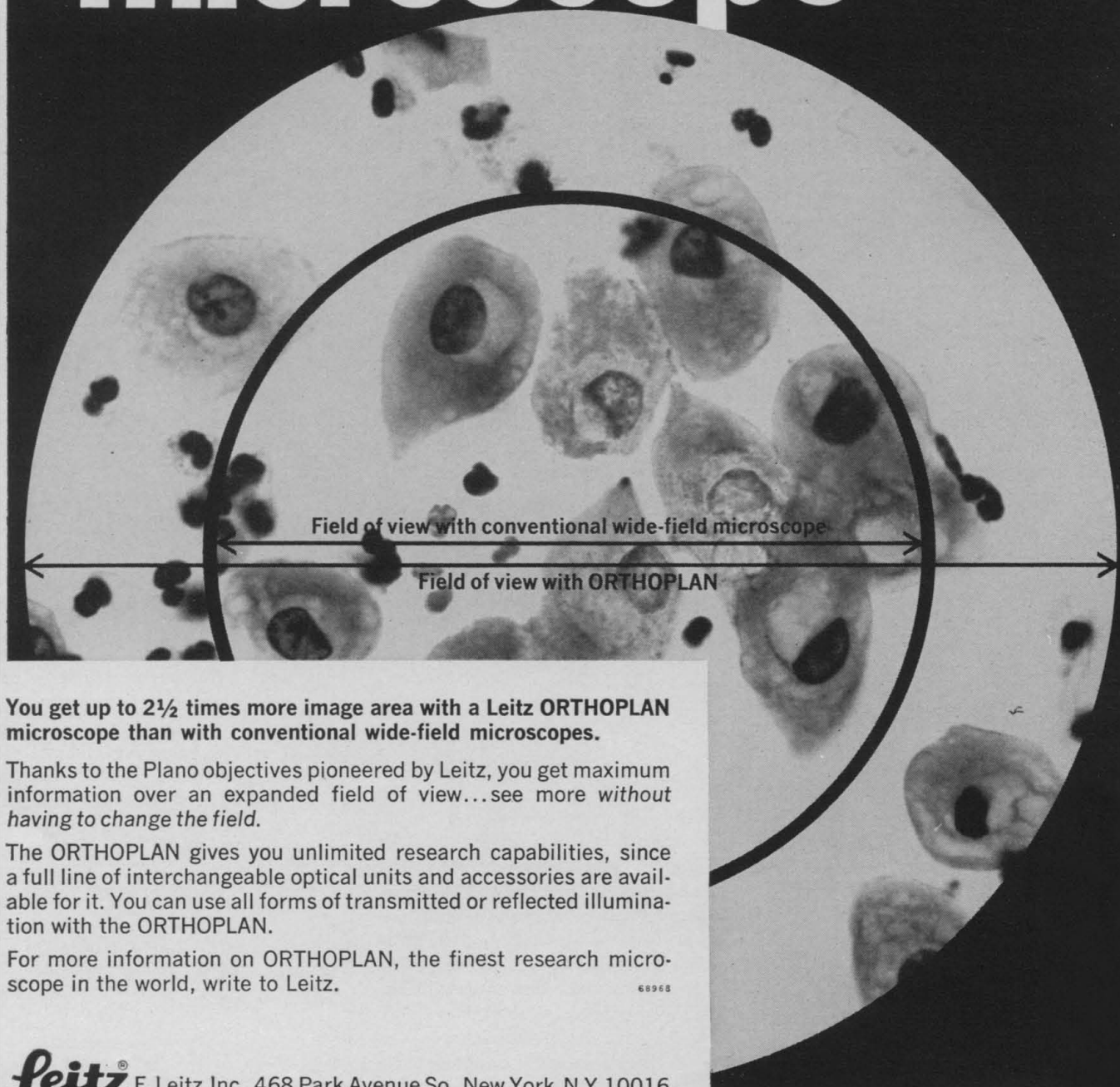
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The University President

The typical president of an American university or liberal arts college is a 55-year-old man with an earned doctoral degree and substantial experience as a professor. He has held office for 6 years and has another 5 years to go to equal the tenure of his immediate predecessor. He serves as the institution's principal representative to the public, as its internal educational leader, as an officer burdened with too much routine and trivia, and as the member of the academic community most often called on for a variety of kinds of public service. He is the most overworked man on the campus and occupies the most exposed position. Students, faculty, trustees, alumni, friends, and critics are all plural. But he stands alone. For his services he is paid 82 percent more than the average full professor on the same campus, is given an expense account for official entertainment which he must supplement from his own pocket, and he and his family share with official visitors and a variety of supplicants a goldfish bowl known as the President's House.

This description is drawn from a nationwide study of the compensation and working conditions of the presidents and other administrative officers of American colleges and universities* conducted by Mark H. Ingraham, who has not been a president himself but who has observed many from the viewpoints of a professor, a dean, and a long-time pillar and one-time president of the American Association of University Professors.

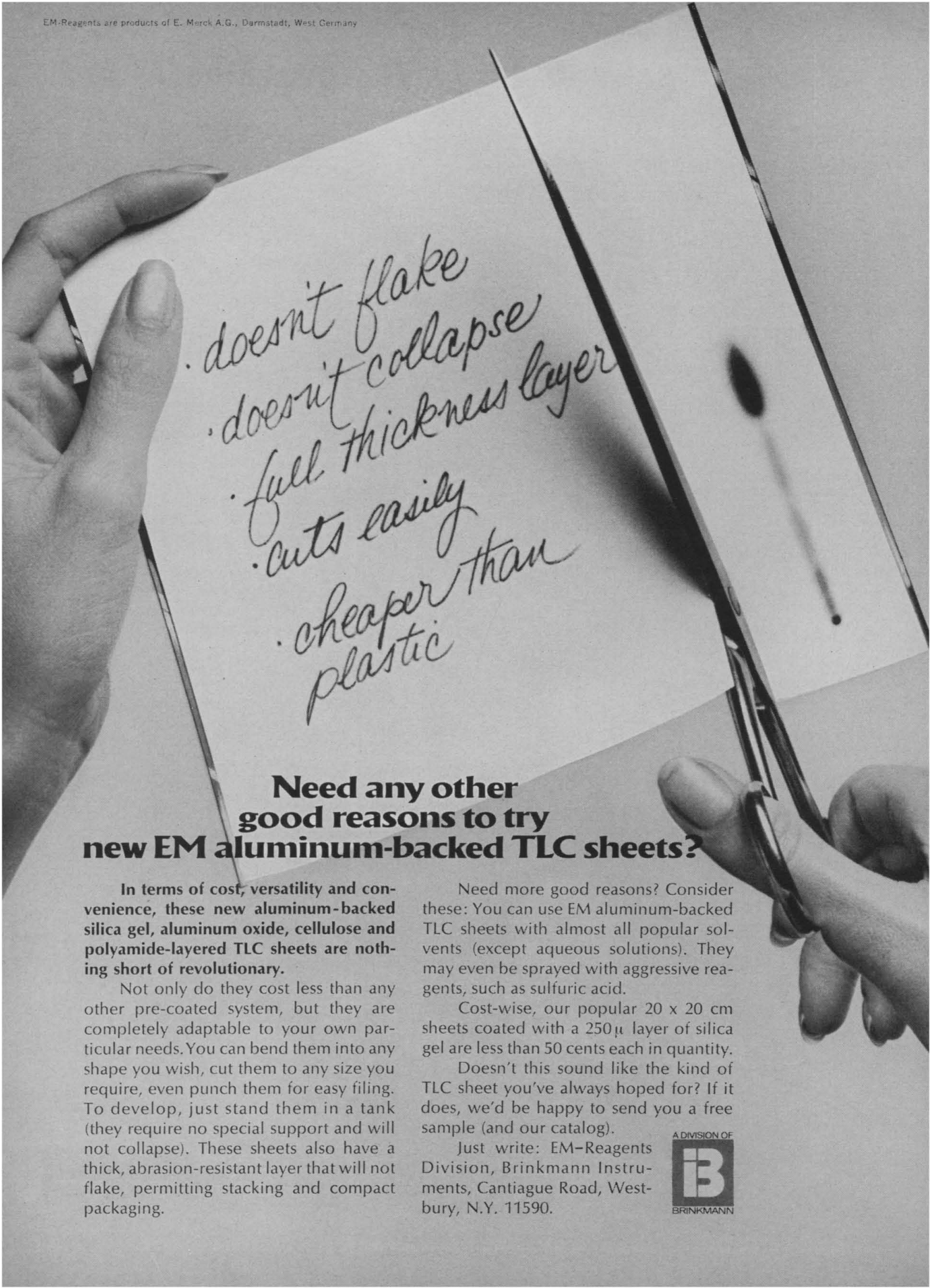
How should the current description be changed? Professor Ingraham makes several financial recommendations. Most presidents are not paid enough, but neither are the top professors; the whole salary scale has become so compressed as to decrease "the emphasis on quality which is greatly needed." Some improvement is needed in retirement funding provisions. And many presidents need better working conditions and more and better assistants, and should be encouraged to get them, for too often they have stinted themselves to use available funds elsewhere on the campus.

Ingraham also makes some recommendations that are not primarily financial. Presidents need to get away from their responsibilities more frequently and for longer periods. Vacation and leave provisions are much less generous for presidents than for faculty members, and are far from fully utilized. In the year reported, 18 percent took no vacation and 52 percent took 3 weeks or less. Leave of absence—the equivalent of a professor's sabbatical or leave for research or professional purposes—averaged only 3 days a year. The president's year does not include the breaks and the changes of pace and activity of the teaching and research faculty. His need is therefore perhaps greater than that of the professor for vacations and for occasional leave for study, travel, and intellectual refreshment.

In an institution in which authority and responsibility are as widely shared as they are in a university or college, each participant is likely to overestimate the advantages and underestimate the difficulties faced by other participants in the enterprise. Better understanding and communication of the facts has therefore been one of Ingraham's objectives. In 1965 he supplied the academic community with the definitive account of faculty benefits, other than salary.† The new volume gives faculty members an opportunity to understand better some of the working conditions, the frustrations, and the compensations of their presidents and other administrative officers.—DAEL WOLFLE

* M. H. Ingraham, *The Mirror of Brass* (University of Wisconsin Press, Madison, 1968).

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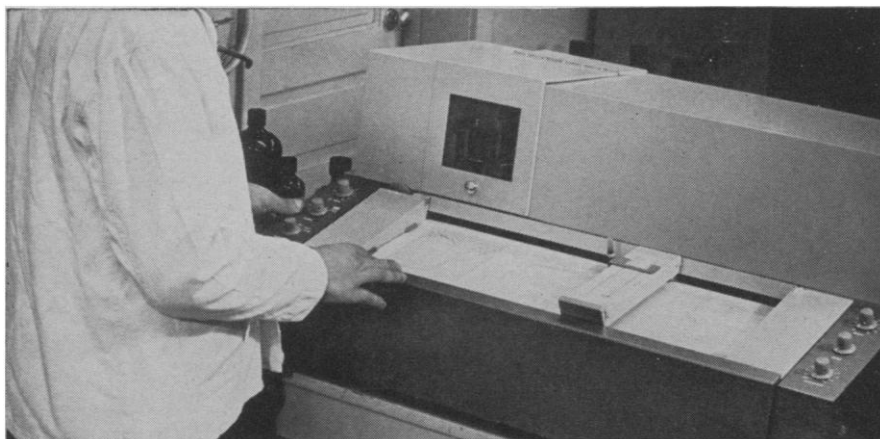
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aggregated into complicated networks. Cervical mucus contains an iron-binding protein "lactoferrin" which is present in many external secretions and seminal plasma, but absent in blood serum, concentrated follicular fluid, amniotic fluid, and the placenta. Lactoferrin seems to protect the mucosa against damage by heavy metals and bacterial infections and perhaps plays a role in sperm capacitation.

The diagnosis of zygosity of offspring is based on sex, structure of placental membranes, and the enzyme systems of the blood and placenta. A monochorial placenta may be considered certain proof of monozygosity. Of particular interest are the relatively great number of cardiac malformations and the hemodynamic aspects of different types of placental anastomosis.

The intrauterine device may cause distention of the uterine lumen and impair the tonicity of the myometrium; this interferes with implantation of the blastocyst. The incorporation of a progestin, melengestrol acetate, in silastic intrauterine devices causes prolonged retention of the devices in the uteri of rats and rabbits, which usually expel identical devices without added progestin. The development of a hormone-releasing device which acts mainly on the uterus, can be retained longer, and suppresses bleeding might broaden the usefulness of this contraceptive method in man.

The condom and the spermicidal vaginal contraceptive methods still used in several countries lessen sexual pleasure and may leak or rupture during intercourse. In Japan a soluble condom containing the spermicidal compound is kept in aluminum foil to prevent drying and is applied to the glans penis before intercourse.

An effort must be made to define the impact of contraceptives on general health and metabolic and endocrine functions. Current methods of data collection have failed to provide an adequate basis for statistical evaluation. Epidemiological surveillance is important, but to be valid the reporting of adverse reactions must be complete and unbiased. Collection and correlation of data is a task for national and international health agencies. Information on fertility and the health of children born to mothers previously treated with oral contraceptives should be collected systematically on an international scale.

Habitual abortion may be due to cervical incompetence, or an underdeveloped or overdeveloped uterus.

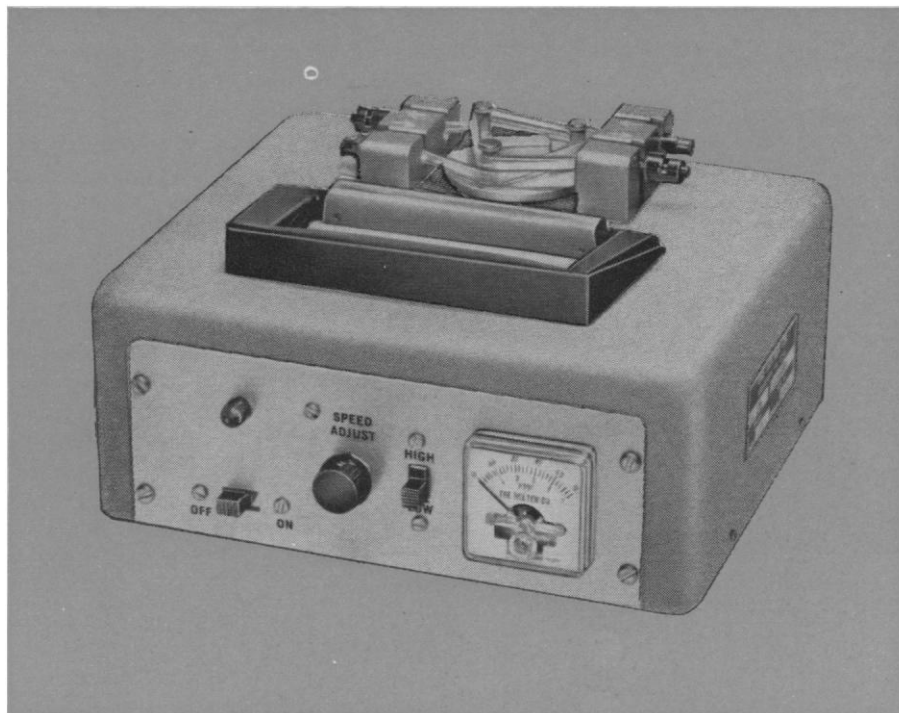
Patients treated during pregnancy with long-acting progestins show menstrual disorders which may vary from amenorrhea to menometrorrhagias after delivery. Aging of the ova, which results in embryonic death, may include chronologic aging of ovarian eggs, or intrafollicular or intraoviductal overripeness of eggs. Infants of young fathers suffer high stillbirth rates, but not high rates of childhood mortality.

Several methods are used to make pregnancy possible in cases of oviductal occlusions: implantation of the ovary into uterine cornua, formation of an oviduct from neighboring tissues, implantation of an intact oviduct from another woman, transfer of fertilized ova into the uterine lumen, and insertion of an artificial oviduct.

Several chemical criteria are used to evaluate the condition of human semen: sperm nucleic acid is related to male fertility; acid and alkaline phosphatases are related to prostatic function; fructose is related to the function of the seminal vesicles; and the electrophoretic pattern of normal and pathological seminal proteins is diagnostic. There are other analytical methods for diagnosing ejaculatory disturbances and certain anatomical defects such as absence of vasa deferentia or occlusion of ejaculatory ducts.

Congenital malformations account for a high percentage of child morbidity and mortality. Repair of congenital malformations is spectacular, desirable, and necessary. Planned prevention of malformations is still in its beginning stages, and eugenic prophylactic measures are very limited. Many apparently viable and normal embryos and fetuses die because of adverse maternal or environmental factors and are eliminated by spontaneous abortion. Certain malformations of the cardiovascular system are incompatible with prenatal life, but are well tolerated in postnatal life. On the other hand, many malformations of the brain, eye, and extremities are well tolerated in prenatal life, but become pathogenic after birth. Metabolic disturbances like phenylketonuria and galactosemia are tolerated *in utero*, but become disastrous after birth.

The amniotic fluid is obtained (amniocentesis) for antenatal diagnosis of fetal disorders, such as *Rh* incompatibility. After delivery of congenitally malformed babies, further pregnancies can be examined by amniocentesis and chromosomal analysis of fetal cells. Amniocentesis may play an important role in genetic counseling.



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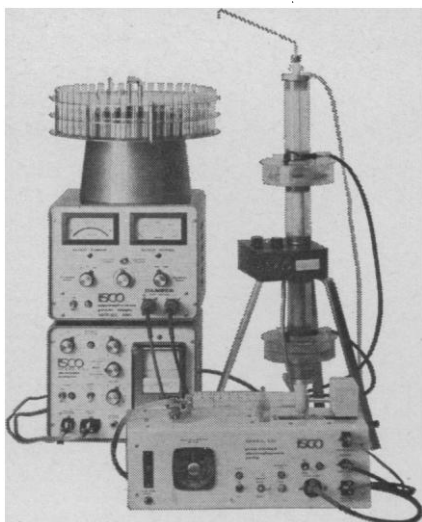
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Recent advances in genetics and developmental biology make it possible to influence specific characteristics of the offspring: control of sex, mastery of genetic disease, propagation of specific genotypes, or establishing the biological basis for specialized skills. Knowledge of deoxyribonucleic acid biochemistry has been applied to specific developmental situations.

The diagnosis of fetal sex chromatin may be useful for antenatal care in cases of sex-linked hereditary disorders. Makamo and de Watteville examined the fetal membrane of 8184 infants to determine the nuclear sex. Sex chromosomal anomalies occurred in 0.13 percent of the cases. The incidence of XXY, XXX, and XO in newborns is estimated to be 1/750 in males, 1/1000 in females, and 1/3000 in females, respectively.

At the congress a new organization was formed, the International Federation on Fertility Associations, an outgrowth of the International Fertility Association. P. H. de Watteville (Switzerland) has been elected to head the new federation.

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Fermentation Industries:

Promising Future Predicted

A promising future for the fermentation industries was forecast by C. G. Heden (Karolinska Institute, Stockholm) and A. F. Langlykke (Rutgers University) at the Third International Fermentation Symposium held at Rutgers University (2-6 September 1968). The meeting was sponsored by the Division of Microbial Chemistry and Technology of the American Chemical Society, and the Fermentation Industries Section of the Applied Chemistry Division of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC).

The theme of the Symposium "Fermentation Advances in the Light of Recent Theoretical Progress in Microbiology, Biochemistry and Engineering" was examined. Two major benefits derived from this symposium by the 800 participants (representing 20 countries) were the opportunity to hear reports of recent advances in fermentation technology and to hear of prospects for the immediate future of the fermentation industries.

New fermentation products and processes which might reach commer-

cial-scale production in the near future were discussed. These included Monensin, an antibiotic with coccidiostatic properties, which is comparable in potency and has lower toxicity than many of the synthetic organic chemicals now used for this purpose; glucose isomerase, a streptomycete enzyme converting glucose to fructose, which is now used to prepare syrups for the confectionary trade; a new rennin-like enzyme from a fungal source found acceptable to replace the calf-stomach-derived enzyme used in cheese making and now in short supply; a new process for obtaining erythorbic acid (iso-ascorbic) by direct mold fermentation of glucose; a microbial conversion of pentaerythritol to tris (hydroxymethyl) acetic acid; a tartaric acid producing fermentation of glucose; and two new microbial products with insecticidal properties.

The microbial conversion of hydrocarbons to edible, useful protein was discussed in more than a dozen papers with emphasis on technology required for economic production of the microbial cells. The biological value of proteins and the varieties of useful hydrocarbons (including methane) were also discussed in detail. With the world sugar shortage on the horizon, *N*-paraffins were proposed as economically feasible substrates for fermentation processes producing the food supplements glutamic acid and ribonucleic acid.

Three discussion panels considered a diversity of problems which may affect the fermentation industries now and in the future. The possibilities of using enzymes to carry out useful transformations of steroids, antibiotics, and terpenes, as well as the utility of enzymes attached to fixed supports, attracted much attention. The panel discussion on patent protection of fermentation processes emphasized the differences in the various countries in the world and the limitations of preventing infringement. A group of tissue-culture experts presented information on tissue culture as a fermentation process for production of cells, enzymes, protein hormones, and steroid hormones.

The Fourth International Fermentation Symposium will be held in Tokyo, Japan, in 1972 under the sponsorship of the IUPAC and several Japanese fermentation societies. Information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Professor G. Terui, Osaka University, Osaka, Japan.

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