

servatory was the operating institution for the Blake Plateau work, and Scripps Institution of Oceanography is the operator for the present JOIDES project.

One further clarification: the selection of the 55 ocean-drilling sites for the present project is not the work of the operating institution (Scripps) alone, but is the work of the planning committee of JOIDES and, in particular, the Atlantic and Pacific advisory panels, whose members include representatives from JOIDES as well as numerous experts outside that organization.

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#### Editing Changes

This item is not important enough for an erratum, but I felt the urge to write to the Editor about it, as it may be symbolic of a policy that could lead to more serious errors, and that I understand has disturbed some other authors. This is the assumed privilege of making arbitrary editorial changes in manuscripts before publishing. I believe that an author is entitled to his individual style so long as it is clear and grammatically correct.

In my article on the 1968 Nobel Laureate in Physics (8 Nov., p. 645) there are some minor stylistic changes which are not worth commenting on, and one change that led me to write this letter, the reduction of "Bevatron" to lower case. This occurs twice, and can hardly be a typographical error. Among high energy physicists it is well known that "Bevatron" and "Cosmotron" are "personal" names, the generic term being "proton synchrotron." They have as much right to capitalization as "Science," which is only a special example of the general category "magazine."

Further, on page 646, there was inserted "the University of" in the beginning of the sentence describing Alvarez' return to California. This was misleading as he had never before that time been associated with the University.

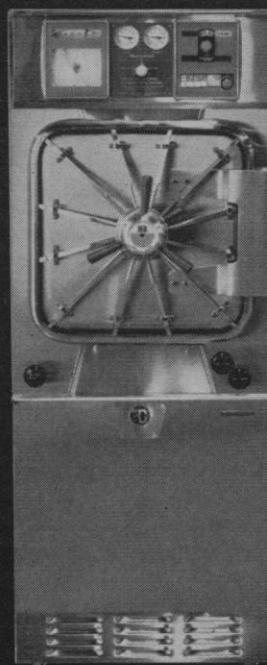
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