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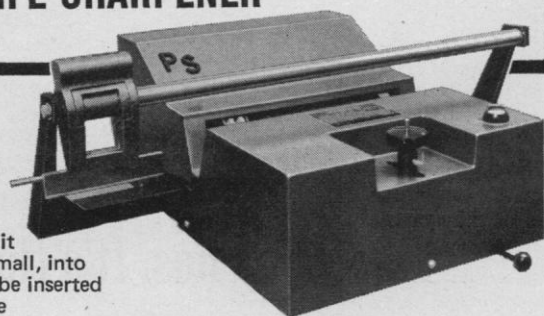
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of earth history. Recent finds of organisms of Pennsylvanian age near Chicago are particularly noteworthy and were featured in a special museum exhibition. Coincidentally, the finding of soft parts of conodonts was reported; small phosphatic toothlike structures have been known since 1856, but their biologic position is enigmatic.

Paleontology is not a science given to spectacular scientific breakthroughs. However, it is a steadily maturing and growing field of inquiry. The North American Paleontological Convention shows the profession to be in a busy, healthy state. Because the meetings provided both a survey of the kind of work pursued and the current state of the numerous activities, plans are under way to publish a number of the symposia in the near future.

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Courses

Correction: The date for **Electron Microscopy in the Biological Sciences** (see p. 212, 9 Jan.) should have been 9-27 February. The other information remains unchanged.

Fermentation Technology, Cambridge, Mass., 22-26 June. This summer program will emphasize the application of biological and engineering principles to problems involving microbial and biochemical systems, review fundamentals, and provide an up-to-date account of current knowledge in fermentation technology. *Deadline for applications:* 15 May. (Director of Summer Sessions, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge 02139)

Training in Nuclear Materials Safeguards, Argonne, Ill., 30 March-22 May. The program for assuming responsibilities in safeguards and nuclear materials management is being offered in four segments, although designed as a unit. Individuals may enroll for one or more segments, but all should attend the final workshop week. Introduction to Nuclear Technology, 30 March-10 April; Measurements in Nuclear Materials Safeguards, 13 April-1 May; Fundamentals of Nuclear Materials Control, 4-15 May; and Workshop in Safeguards, 18-22 May. The fees are \$150 per week. (Dr. Manuel A. Kanter, Safeguards Training Program, Argonne Center for Educational Affairs, Argonne, Ill. 60439)

Organic Mass Spectrometry, St. Louis, Mo., 2-5 March. The main subject areas are basic aspects of mass spectrometry instrumentation, interpretation of the mass spectrum, high-resolution techniques, combined gas chromatography mass spectrometry, and computer processing of mass spectral data. (Dr. Ram L. Levy, Division of Continuing Professional Education, Washington University, Box 1048, St. Louis, Mo. 63130)

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