ing social data might provide an equal degree of explanatory consistency. This analysis merely emphasizes the need to utilize such approaches outside the confines of laboratory groups and the more convenient and established domains of social science.

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## **Bomb Craters**

I would be interested in being referred to any literature on the ecological impact of bomb craters.

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## "Before" and "After" Photos

I object to use of the photographs (4 Dec., p. 1119) that purport to illustrate the before and after of land reclamation practices on coal spoil banks. The area shown probably does represent progress in stabilizing the man-made barrens of stripping operations, but why the gilding of the lily by using a dormant season photograph as "before" and a midgrowing season photograph as "after?" Also, why the shift in perspective that eliminates the low waters edge vegetation in the foreground in the "before" scene?

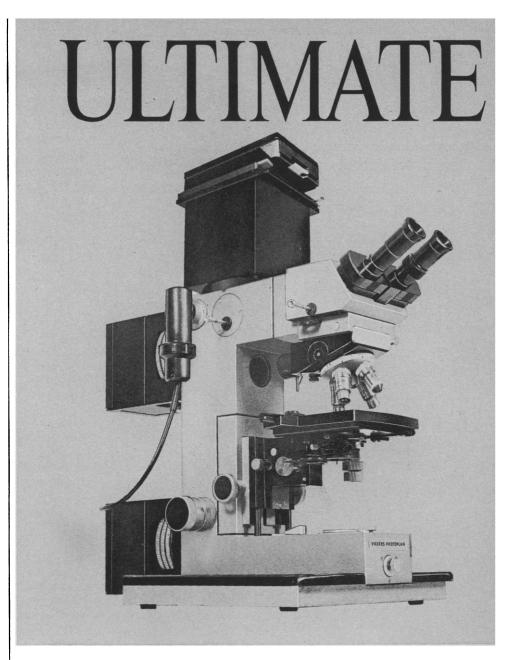
This trick photography business is shabby. There are many examples of excellent coal spoil reclamation projects that are honestly photographed by many federal, state, and private agencies in the soil coal regions that are available should an illustration of this type be needed again.

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The picture on the left was taken in February 1963, and that on the right, in July 1965, of an area in Claiborne County, Tennessee. It was inadvertent that pictures were used which were taken at different seasons.--Ed.

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