

## Call for Nominations

Upon completion of the 1975 AAAS elections, the Committee on Nominations will meet to select candidates for the 1976 general election. For consideration at that meeting, the committee invites members of the Association to submit nominations, including self-nominations, for the positions of president-elect and members of the Board of Directors. Two members of the Board are elected each year.

Nominations should include the full names and addresses of proposed candidates. They should be sent to the Executive Officer, AAAS, 1776 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, for receipt no later than 15 October.

state certification officials. The secondary guidelines are available from the OSE at no cost; the elementary guidelines are available at a cost of 75 cents.

During the past year the OSE, in cooperation with the American School Counselor Association, has held two conferences to consider the roles of secondary school counselors and natural and social science teachers in career guidance. Particularly stressed was the need to provide good counseling services for women and minority group students who may, because of stereotyping, be counseled out of science careers. Participants in the conferences included secondary school counselors, teachers, administrators, and students. At the first conference, held at the University of Maryland in January 1974, participants prepared a set of recommendations for promoting constructive communication and mutual awareness among counselors, science teachers, and others, and for facilitating participation in science by women and by ethnic and racial minorities. A report of the conference may be obtained from the OSE.

The second conference was held in Madison, Wisconsin, in January 1975. Participants included teams of counselors, teachers, and students from schools in Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. The teams developed "action plans" to improve career counseling and cooperation between counselors and teachers, and several of them have reported successful implementation of those plans. The OSE expects to continue its efforts in improving career guidance with particular concern for women and minorities.

—ARTHUR H. LIVERMORE

## Communications Department Holds Alabama Seminar

As part of its Public Understanding of Science program, the Communications Department joined with the Alabama Environmental Quality Association (AEQA) to cosponsor a regional seminar on "Resource Recovery and Reclamation" in Montgomery on 10 June. The seminar aimed at providing information to a group of 75 local leaders from business, industry, government, and education.

Dave Sussman from the Office of Solid Waste Management Programs, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), opened the day's program with a slide presentation on the currently available technology and discussed the extent to which some of these approaches are under operation in several EPA demonstration projects. Stephen Lewis, director of the Resource Recovery Systems for the MITRE Corporation, which is in Bedford, Massachusetts, then spoke on the complex economic and institutional barriers to implementing such resource recovery systems and stressed the need for extensive planning.

Expressing a measure of skepticism concerning his state's need for such multimillion-dollar plants, Alfred Chipley, director of the Division of Solid Waste and Vector Control, Alabama Department of Health,

pointed out that source separation and source reduction might be more practical and economical approaches. Richard Simmons, chairman of the Florida Resource Recovery Council, and Arloe W. Paul, chairman of the Wisconsin Solid Waste Recycling Authority, presented case studies in setting up extensive resource recovery systems. Both men expressed a belief in the potential of such systems. Closing the day's discussions, David Gillespie, director of Intergovernmental Affairs for the Southern Growth Policies Board, stressed the need for cautious assessment and discussed the possibility of cooperative action in the Southeast.

This theme of "cautious assessment" was picked up at the dinner meeting attended by the day's participants and 20 invited state legislators. Following a summary of the day's proceedings presented by Ed Hudspeth, staff director of the Alabama Energy Management Board, both John Bloomer, editor of the *Birmingham News* and chairman of the Board of AEQA, and Martha McInnis, executive director of AEQA, urged the establishment of a governmental task force to study the variety of options available to Alabama in dealing with solid waste management.—ANDREA M. GOLDMAN

## Notes from Other Offices

*International Science:* American scientists and engineers interested in participating in the United States-India Exchange of Scientists may write to the above-named program at: Office of International Programs, National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C. 20550.

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*Communications:* A firm schedule for the first half of the third NOVA season has been received from WGBH in Boston, along with an outline of the second half. This schedule has been copied and sent to a mailing list of people and institutions interested in science programming on television, compiled by the Communications Office. As with the first tentative list of topics for the third season, the list is being sent out for suggestions for informed people and organizations on the various topics to be covered in the NOVA shows. It is also being sent out to all full and associate members of the Association of Science-Technology Centers, at the request of the executive director of that association.

The present reruns of the second NOVA season will continue until the end of September. At that time, NOVA will go off the air temporarily until the third season starts. There is still some question as to when it will begin, although early January 1976 is the most likely date. Regardless of the date, the weekly time-slot on PBS will be at 8 p.m. on Sundays.

### NOVA Program Schedule

5 August. *The Tuaregs.* Life in a Bedouin family eking out a precarious existence on the edge of the Sahara (Granada).

12 August. *Bird Brain—The Mystery of Bird Navigation.* The story of bird migration and how birds find their way (BBC).

19 August. *The Plutonium Connection.* Is the spread of nuclear power increasing unacceptably the risk of fissionable material being stolen or diverted for bomb-making? (WGBH).

26 August. *The Search for Life.* A look at the origin of life on earth and its likelihood of existing elsewhere in the galaxy. (WGBH).