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gland cells; he further suggested that this activity may be related to hypophyseal function. Ever since that time the Scharers, as a husband and wife team, seriously and with deep commitment pursued their research in this field—Ernst until his untimely death in 1965 and Berta to date, as professor of anatomy and neuroscience at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Therefore, I do not agree with Wade's statement that "Geoffrey Harris . . . first seriously urged the idea that the brain must control the pituitary gland. . . ." (News and Comment, 21 Apr., p. 279). That the Scharers deserve more credit for their pioneering efforts than they have received in *Science* thus far is confirmed by the citation accompanying the honorary degree of Doctor of Science that was given to Berta Scharer this year by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The citation includes the statement that the "neuroendocrinologists who won the 1977 Nobel Prize [in Physiology or] Medicine built upon the foundation that the Scharers had laid."

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Unidentified Abbreviations

In my book review of 4 November 1977 (p. 498), I took the author of the book in question to task for repeatedly using abbreviations which were unlikely to be familiar to many potential readers. I wrote that he, "leave[s] the unfortunate reader to decide what it could possibly mean to 'call an A.G.M.' or 'work for the L.C.C.'"

Within a month after the review appeared I had received 15 letters from colleagues across North America who kindly took the time out of their otherwise pressing duties to provide me with the meaning of those abbreviations. In the process they also provided me with justification for my original criticism. All 15 letter writers informed me that "L.C.C." stands for London County Council. Unfortunately, nine of them thought that "A.G.M." stood for Annual General Meeting, and six thought that it meant Assistant General Manager.

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