

indicate a 1/1 ratio to the faculty. This computation is based on the full-time equivalents for both the faculty and supporting personnel.

The report, *Faculty Scientific Research Activities at Colleges and Universities, 1953-54*, is number 6 in the foundation's series entitled *Reviews of Data on Research and Development*. Copies may be obtained by writing to the National Science Foundation, Washington 25, D.C.

Psychopharmacology Service Center

A clearinghouse of information on psychopharmacology is being established by the Psychopharmacology Service Center of the National Institute of Mental Health. An extensive collection of the literature in this field, including pharmacological, clinical, behavioral, and experimental studies of the ataraxic, psychotomimetic, and other centrally acting drugs, will be classified and coded to enable the staff to answer a wide variety of technical and scientific questions. As soon as enough materials have been assembled, the center plans to offer bibliographic and reference service. It will also prepare critical and analytic reviews of special topics in the field.

In order to accelerate the growth of the literature collection, the center invites people working in this field to provide three copies of any papers that deal with their work—whether reprints, pre-publication manuscripts, progress reports, informal mimeographed reports, papers read at meetings, or abstracts. Letters outlining work in progress would also be welcome.

Any restrictions authors may wish to place on the center's use of their papers will be strictly observed. All materials should be addressed to the Technical Information Unit, Psychopharmacology Service Center, National Institute of Mental Health, 8719 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring, Md.

News Briefs

In Africa each year hundreds of rings used to mark migrant birds find their way into native women's jewelry boxes. A Rhodesian ornithologist recently told the Pan-African Ornithological Congress that, although he had broadcast in four dialects asking Africans to return rings found, not one had been handed to the authorities.

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A \$1.3-million cyclotron is being planned at Michigan State University. Approval to draw up final plans for the 40-Mev machine, which will not be in

operation before late 1960, was granted at a recent meeting of the university's governing board.

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Britain, too, is expecting an Asian influenza epidemic this fall, and has a new vaccine ready. The vaccine will be available to any country that wants it.

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A survey of Canadian university women's careers show that women in science face low salaries, slow promotion, and little or no recognition of their work. These findings were reported in an article on "Wastage of women scientists" in the *Labor Gazette*, monthly publication of the Canadian Labor Department, Ottawa.

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October is National Science Youth Month. For materials available, names and addresses of participating organizations, and so forth, communicate with Science Service, 1719 N St. NW, Washington 6, D.C.

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A new cardiovascular research laboratory at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine has been dedicated to the memory of John C. (Jack) Kriendler, New York restaurateur who died of a heart attack 10 years ago. A grant of \$60,000 for the laboratory was made by the Jack Kriendler Memorial Foundation.

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General Motors has started the first company school to train workers in handling radioactive material. The first six-man class has graduated from the 10-week course at General Motors Technical Center, Warren, Mich. Until now, industry has trained men in handling radioactive equipment by sending them to study briefly under Atomic Energy Commission auspices or at nearby colleges and universities.

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Radical changes in the amount or type of fats consumed by the general public cannot be justified as a means of reducing the incidence of heart attacks or strokes, according to a report of the Nutrition Committee of the American Heart Association. The report, which was prepared in conjunction with the American Society for the Study of Arteriosclerosis, appears in the August issue of the AHA's journal *Circulation*.

Proposed Legislation

Of the many bills introduced in Congress, some have a special relevance to science and education. A list of such bills recently introduced follows:

S 2737. Provide scientific scholarships and fellowships for children of veterans

and other individuals from interest resulting from investment of certain funds obtained under provisions of the Trading with the Enemy Act, and provide for repayment from such funds of certain American war claims against Germany and Japan. Smathers (D Fla.) Senate Judiciary.

HR 9170. Promote welfare of people by authorizing appropriation of funds to assist states and territories in further development of their programs of general university extension education. Elliott (D Ala.) House Educational and Labor.

S 2746. Authorize establishment of three positions for specially qualified scientific and professional personnel in Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Carlson (R Kan.) Senate Post Office and Civil Service.

HR 9216. Provide for research and technical assistance re control of salt-marsh and other pest mosquitoes of public health importance and mosquito vectors of human disease, protect wetland resources. Moulder (D Mo.) House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 9121. Provide for construction of a geophysical institute in the Territory of Hawaii. Burns (D Hawaii). House Interior and Insular Affairs.

Scientists in the News

PAUL D. FOOTE, physicist of Washington, D.C., has been nominated by President Eisenhower to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for research and engineering. Foote's post will combine jobs for which there formerly were two assistant secretaries. CLIFFORD C. FURNAS was the former assistant secretary for research and development and FRANK NEWBERRY was assistant secretary for engineering.

Foote is a retired vice president of Gulf Oil Corporation, where he headed the research and development programs. Before that, he was senior physicist for the U.S. Bureau of Standards in Washington for 16 years.

WILLIAM R. BASCOM, professor of anthropology at Northwestern University, has been appointed professor of anthropology and director of the Museum of Anthropology on the Berkeley campus of the University of California. Bascom is a specialist on Africa and spent 4 years in that country as a special representative of the U.S. Foreign Economic Administration during World War II.

SHERWOOD K. HAYNES, professor of physics at Vanderbilt University, became head of the department of physics