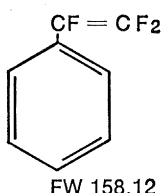


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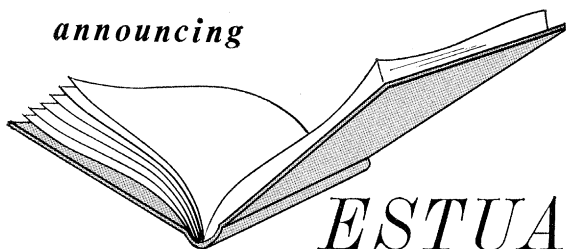
to help in the decision on the value of bombing North Vietnam; operations research is a subject in which many can participate. We should be able to help in the decision as to the kind of area to be held if we are to hold an area. If we had briefings on the situation, we might be able to make wider suggestions as to techniques in the warfare in the Mekong Delta.

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. . . The good citizens of Washington State may be starting a trend with their desire to protect the salmon industry by simply adjusting nomenclature. What if a lobby of the persons named Bruce were to ask for a revision of the term brucellosis? What if the fruit industry were to initiate the removal of beriberi (the name only, not the disease)? I see no end to such a trend when I come across words like mongolism, cypridopathy or water moccasin. . . .

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