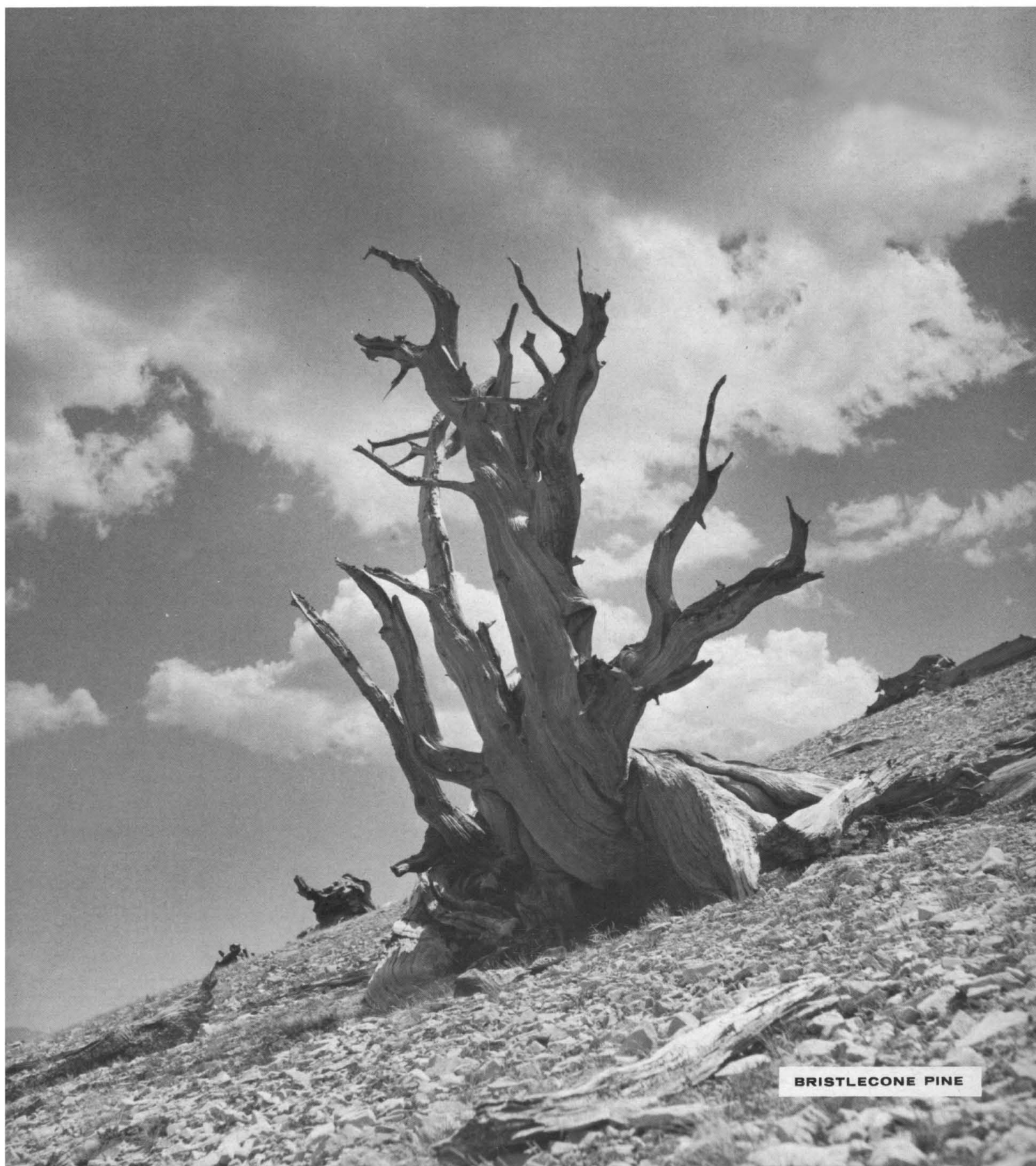


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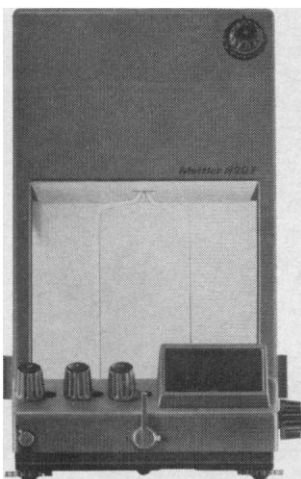
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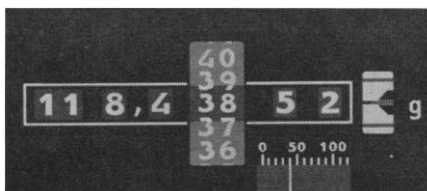


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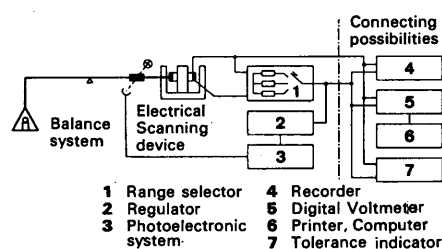
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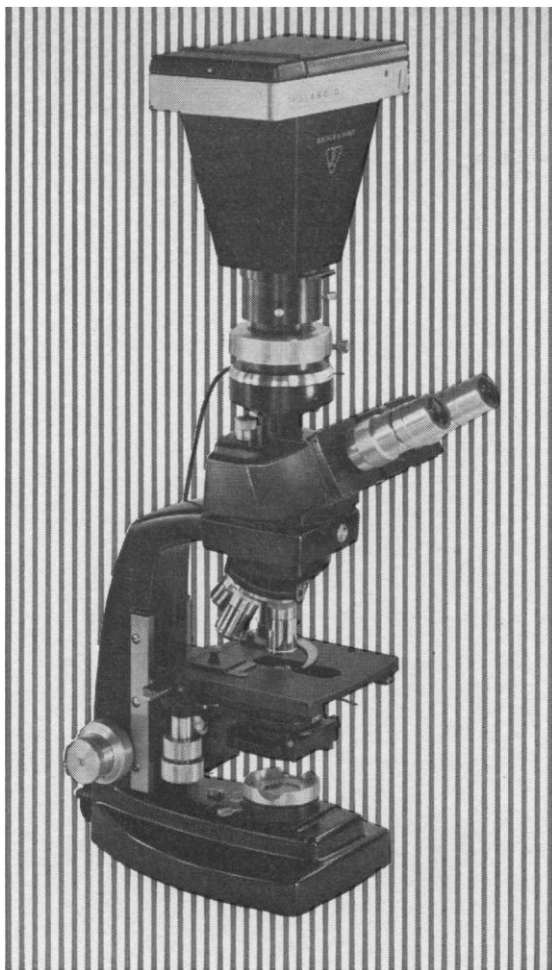
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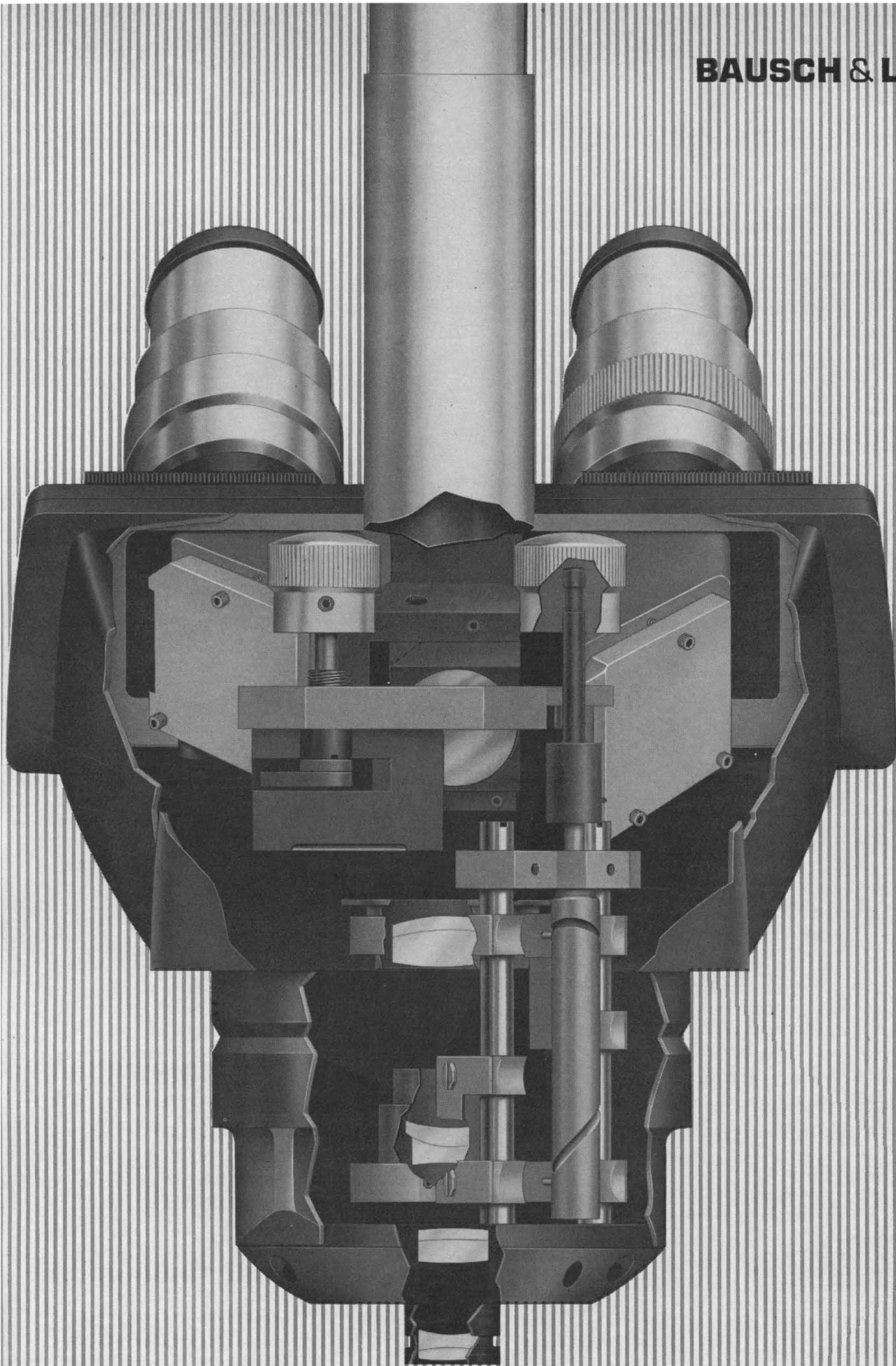
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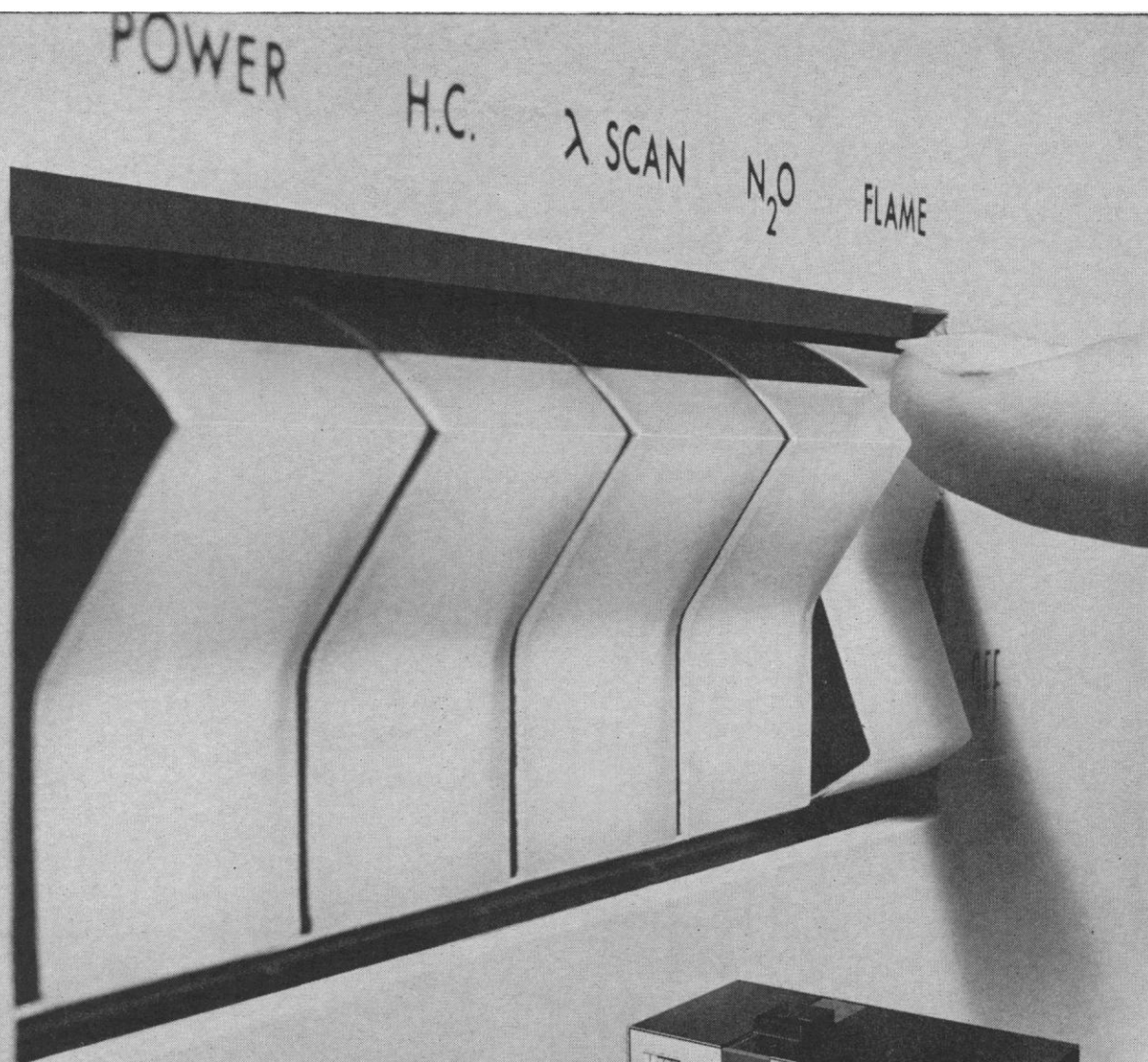
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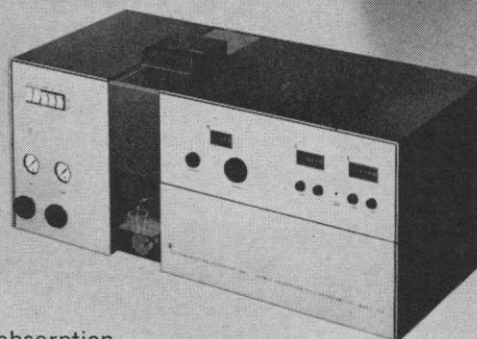
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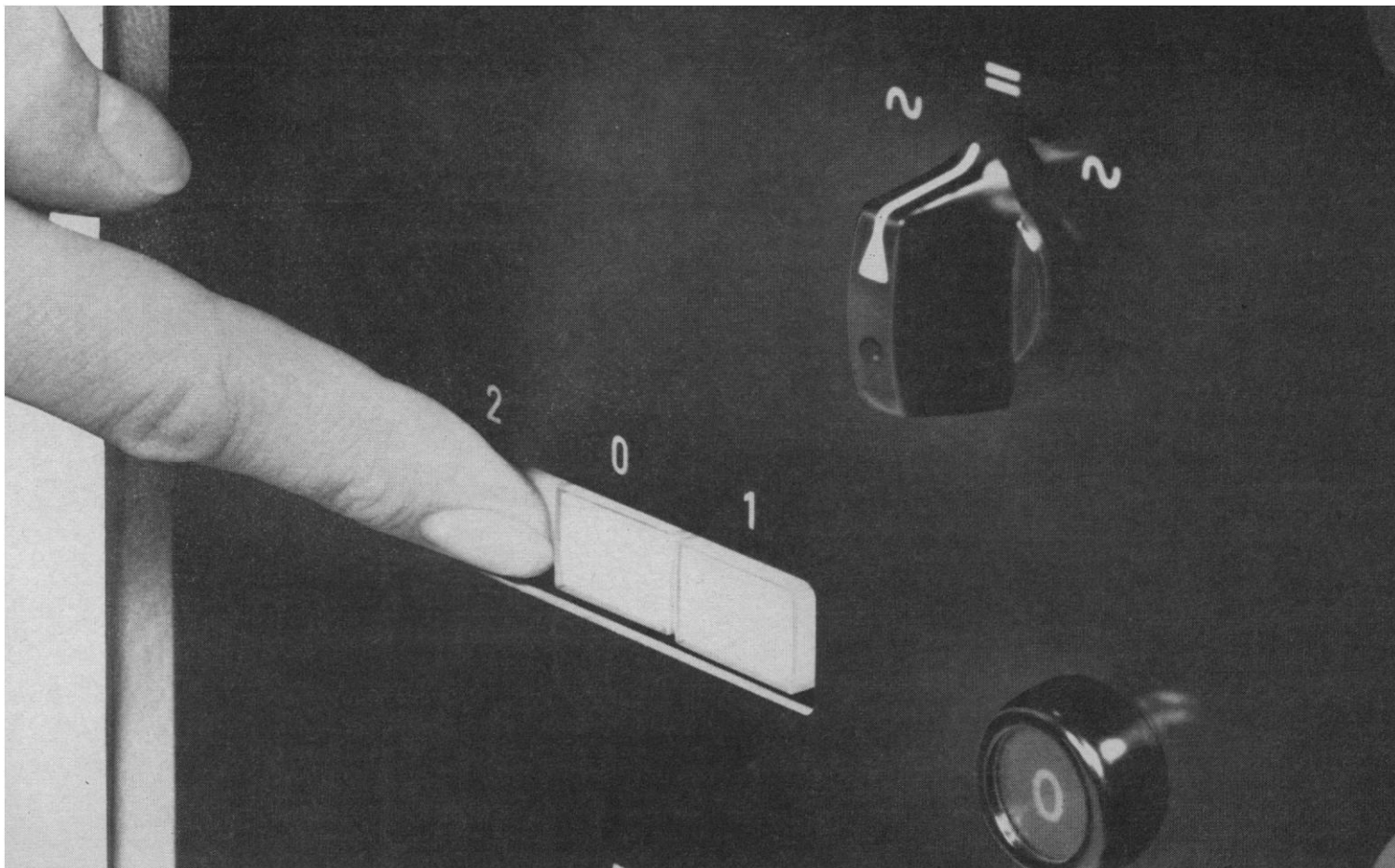
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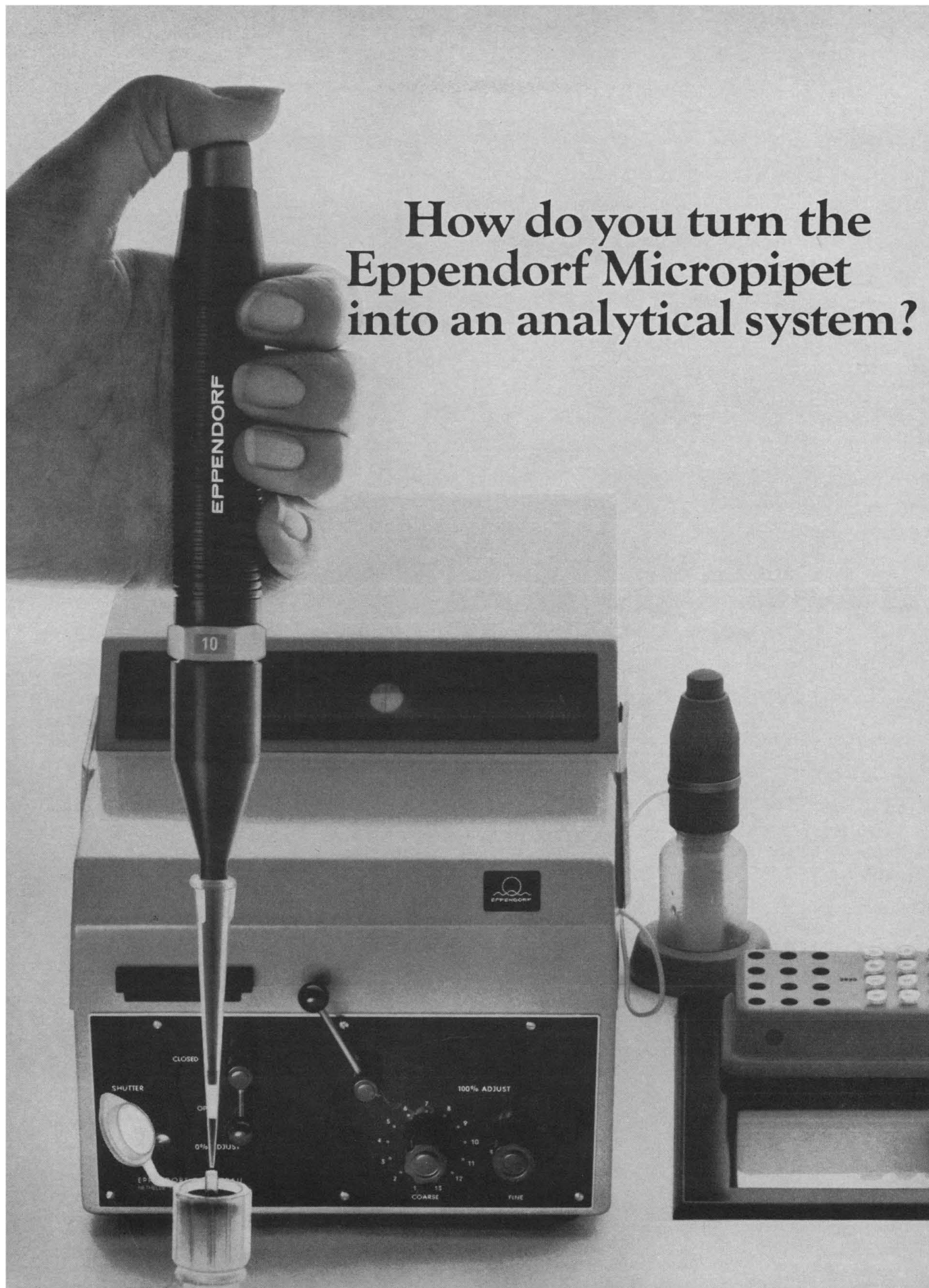
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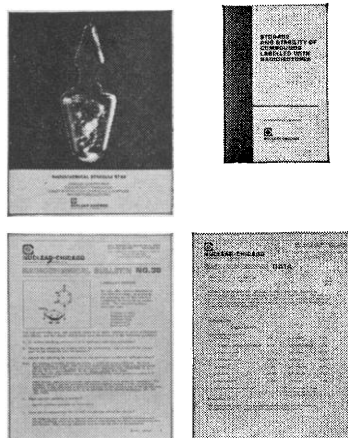
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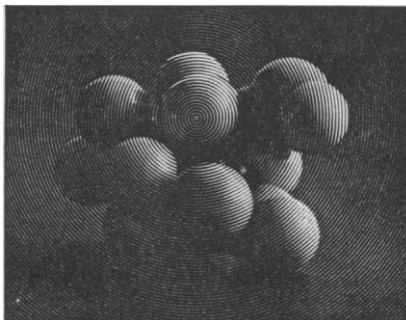


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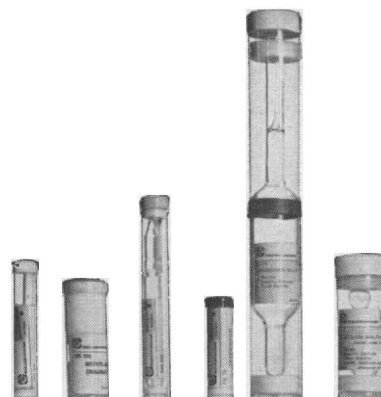


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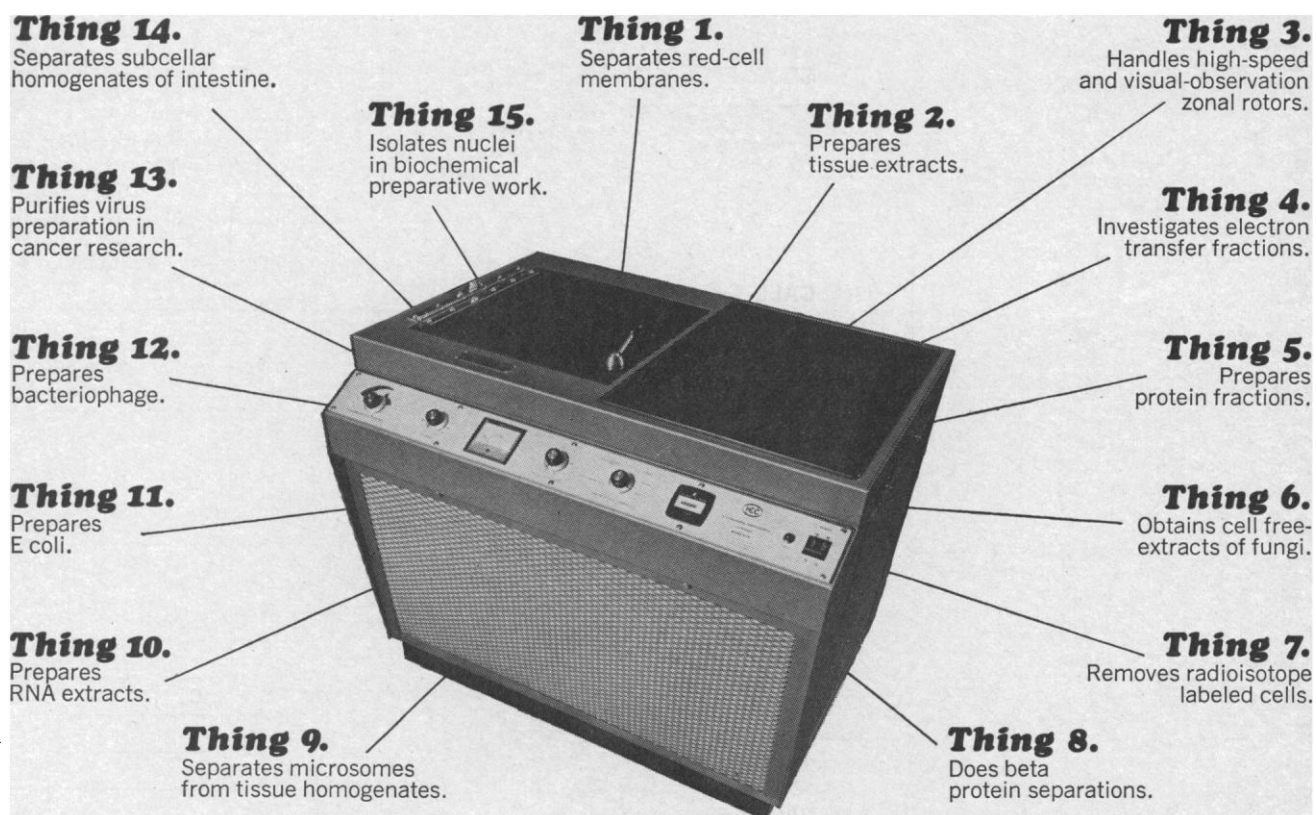
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L-Phenylalanine-C14(U)	495
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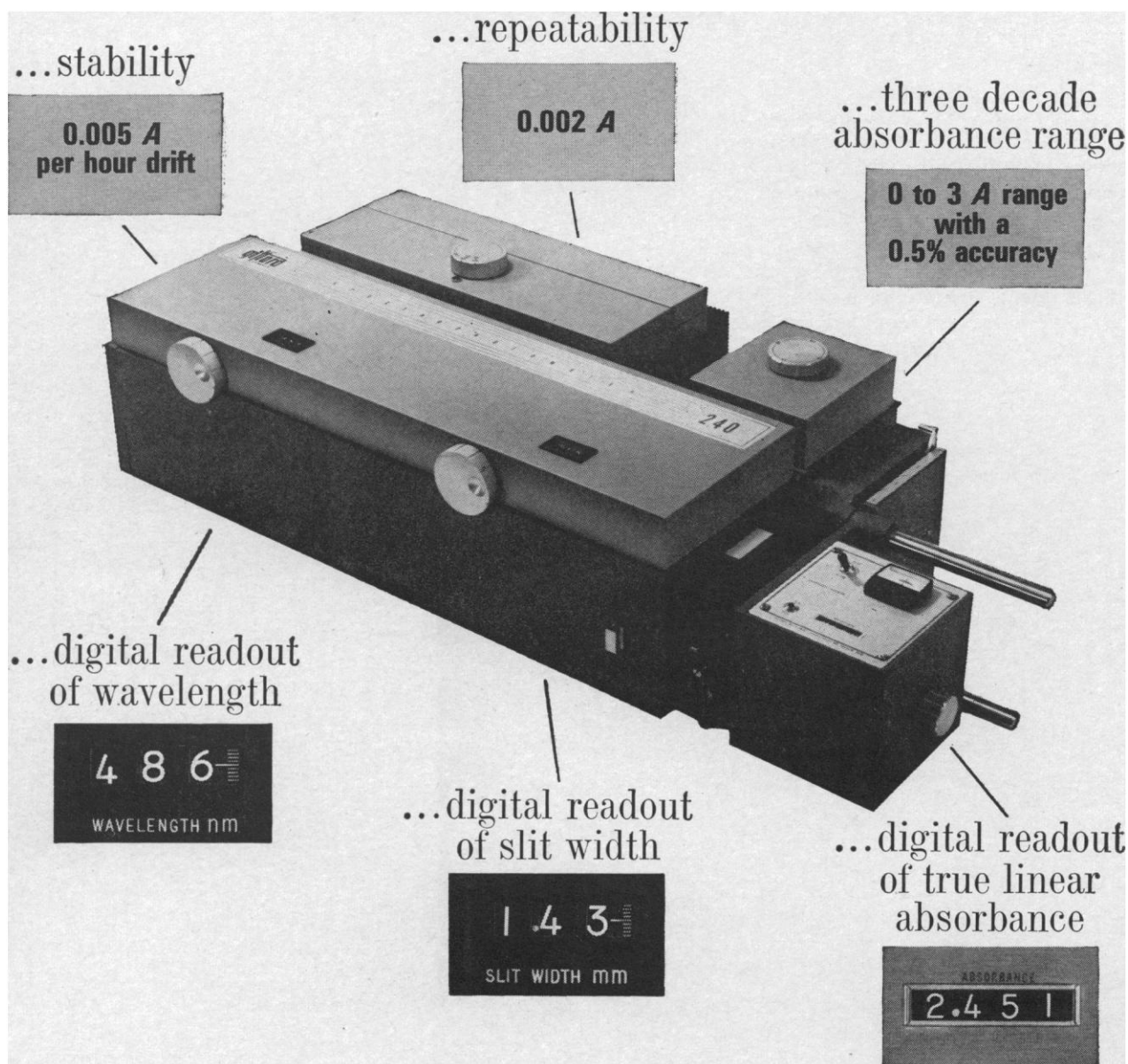
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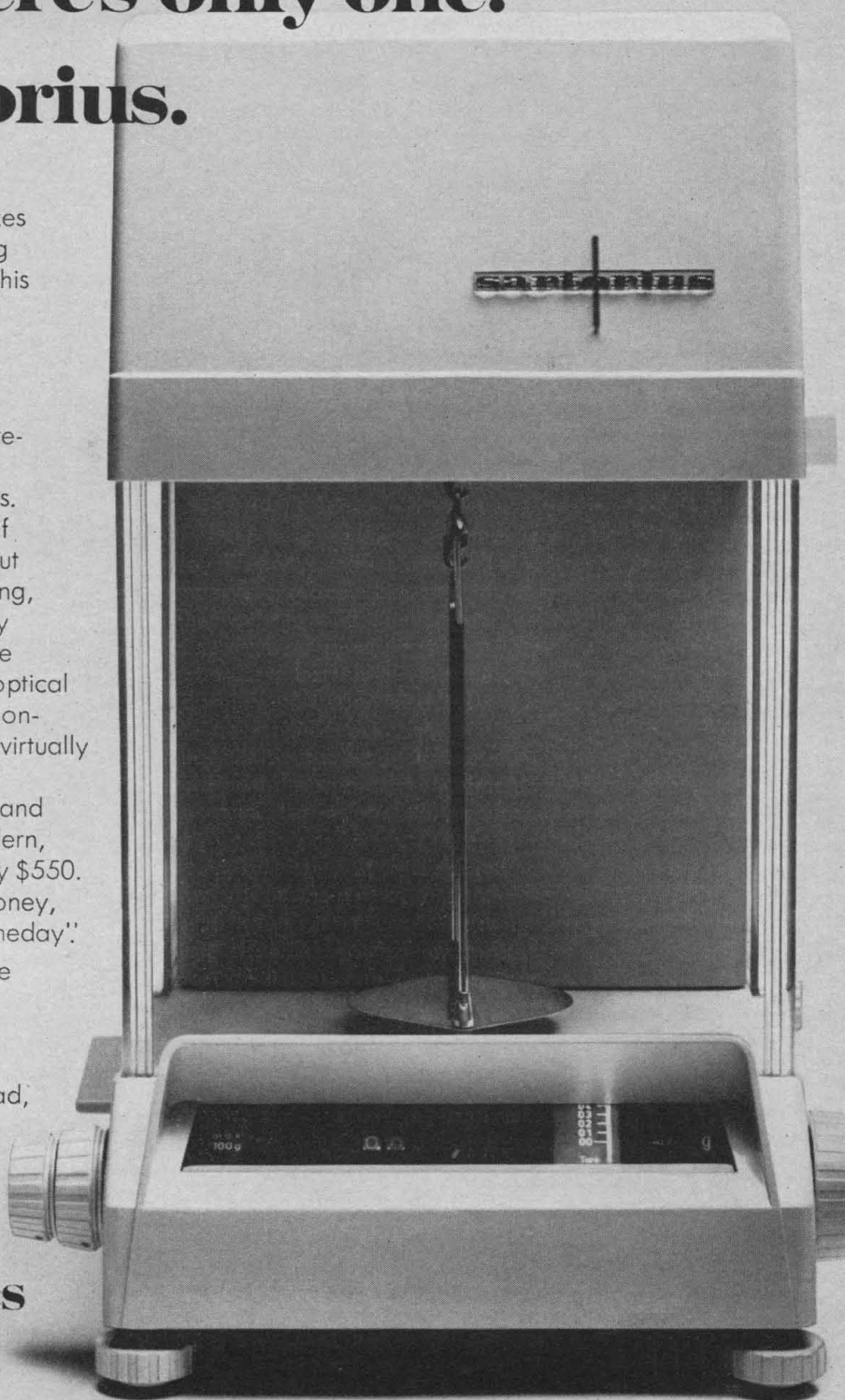
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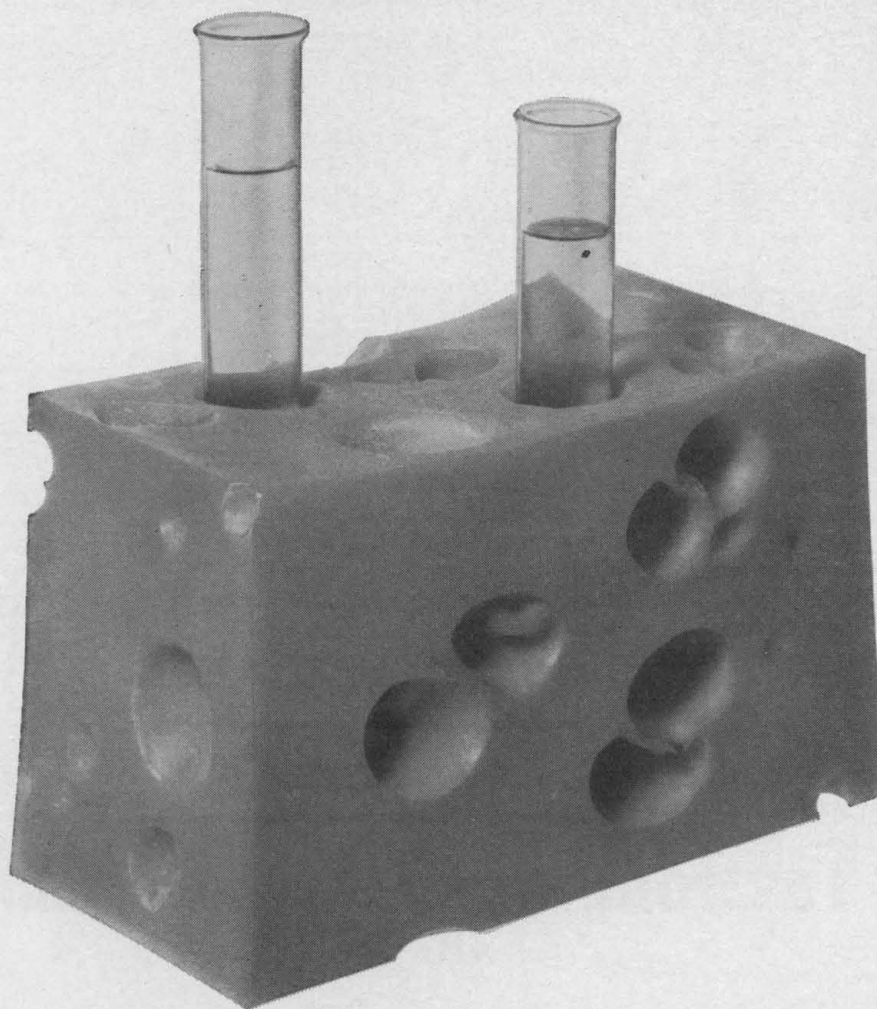
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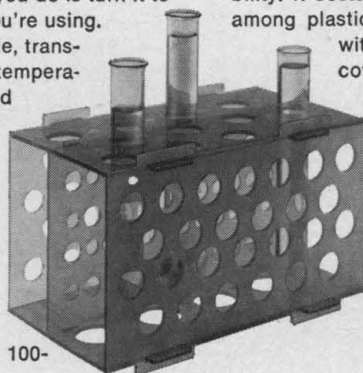
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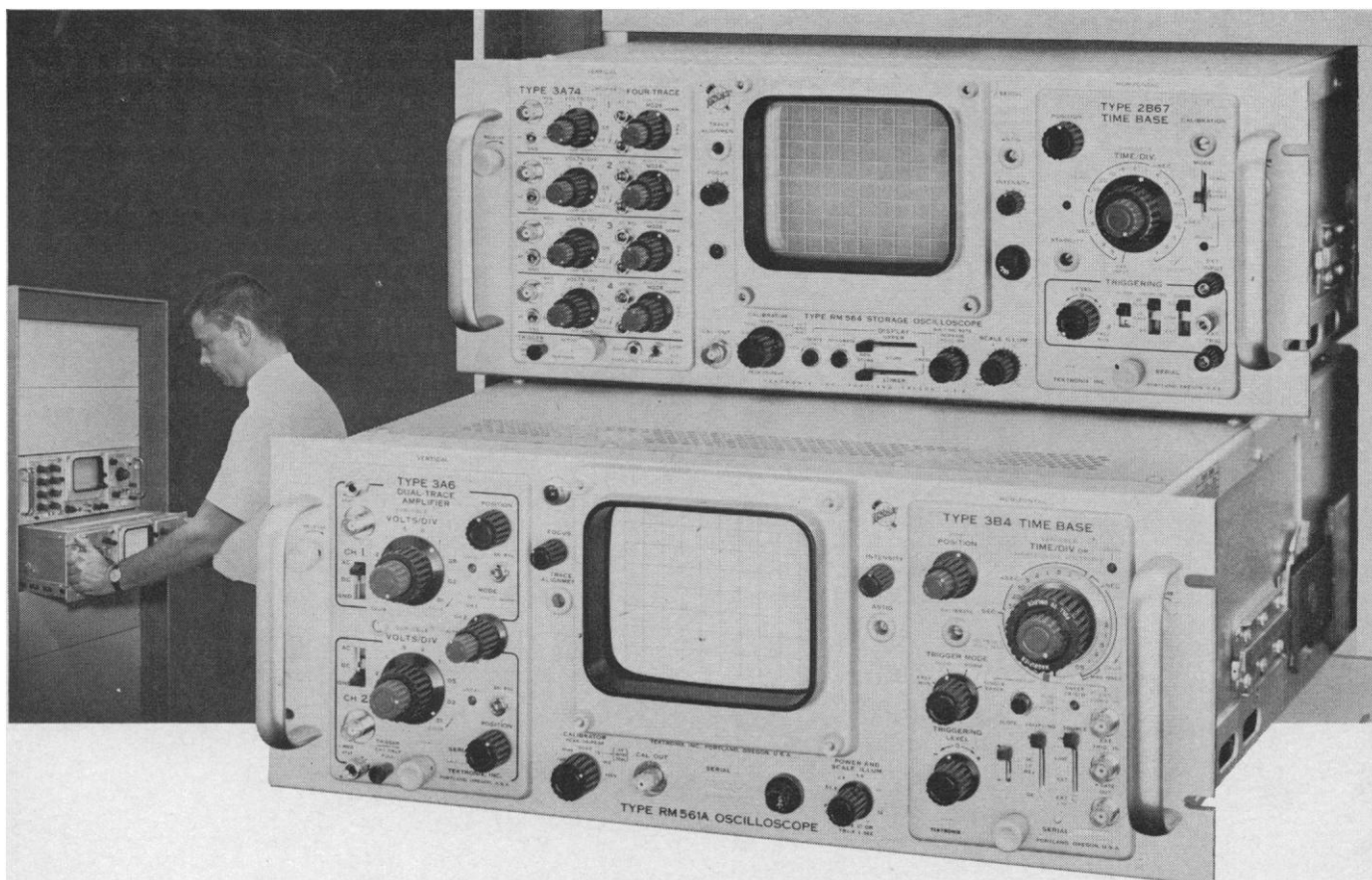
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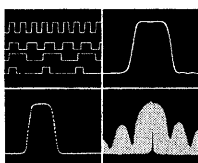
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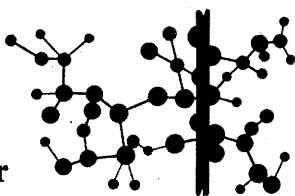
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### In Pursuit of the Polymer



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it isn't really an "explosion", it certainly is an expensive pursuit because so much scientific time is involved . . . hence a growing demand for instruments to replace the tedious and time-consuming classical methods heretofore used by the polymer chemist.

For some, it may seem curious that these demands come from analytical and micro-chemical sources as well as from the polymer chemist . . . but polymer chemistry is a complex field that involves all these chemical disciplines. It will be more curious to others that Hewlett-Packard, a company generally known for its achievements in electronics, is also deeply involved with things chemical, including polymer research.

Molecular weight determination, a chief factor in polymer characterization, provides examples. Hewlett-Packard offers no fewer than four types of molecular weight instruments now considered by many as standard laboratory apparatus because of their proven efficiency: the Model 302 Vapor Pressure Osmometer for determining number average molecular weight in the range of 100 to 20,000; the Series 500 Membrane Osmometer for the same type of measurement up to 1 million; the Model 701 Light Scattering Photometer for determining weight average molecular weight from 500 to 5,000,000; and the Model 5901B Auto-Viscometer for determining viscosity average molecular weight.

When reminded that polymer characterization is a case of establishing molecular weight by *all* rather than just *one* of these methods, and that molecular weight determination via classical routes is expensive, complex, and time-consuming, the efficiency of one or all of these Hewlett-Packard instruments is considerably more beneficial than might otherwise be apparent. For a full description of these instruments, write for Data Sheets 3020, 5000, and 7010.

Granted that molecular weight counts heavily in polymer chemistry, there are several polymers (and many more co-polymers) whose characterization would be incomplete without CHN analysis (determination of carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen proportions). Unfortunately classical CHN analysis tends to defy efficiency, requiring lengthy procedure, costly equipment, and an environment-controlled balance room, all resulting in a somewhat classic laboratory fee.

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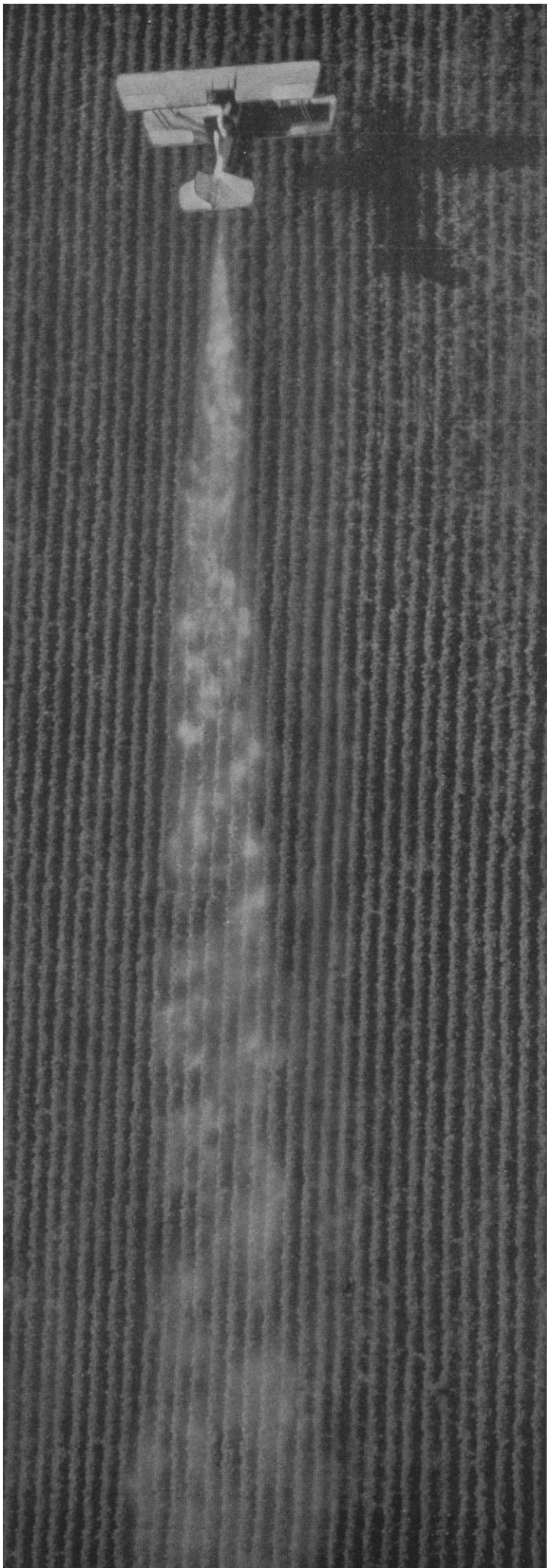
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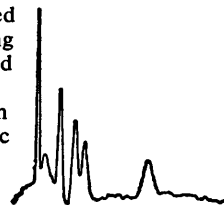
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The determination of precisely how much contact human beings do have with synthetic pesticides is currently a very active scientific pursuit, and a bit more difficult than Miss Carson's statement might reveal. In fact, never before in the field of chemical analysis has it been necessary to detect such minute amounts of such unstable compounds, whose presence is so greatly clouded by the natural samples in which they exist.

While the men engaged in pesticide detection are many and far flung, instrumentation for this sensitive work falls almost solely on the gas chromatograph. On this basis much research effort at Hewlett-Packard's F & M Scientific Division is directed at pesticide analysis with the aim of perfecting both instrumentation and technique. In regard to the former, it is interesting to note that although pesticide detection is still most often recorded in the nanogram range, an F & M gc—more than two years ago—separated a laboratory pesticide sample at the picogram level ( $1 \times 10^{-12}$ , or .000,000,000,001 gram).



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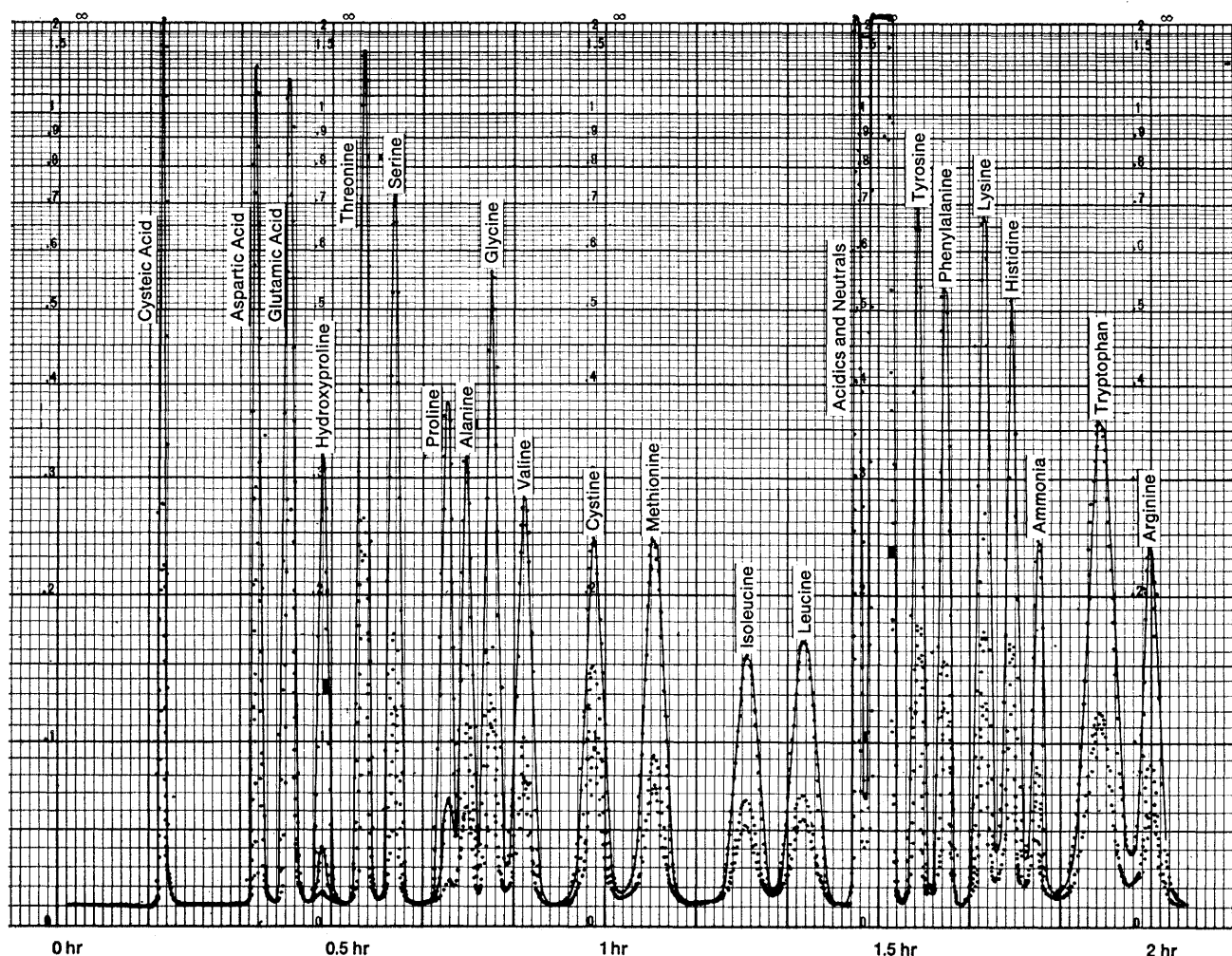
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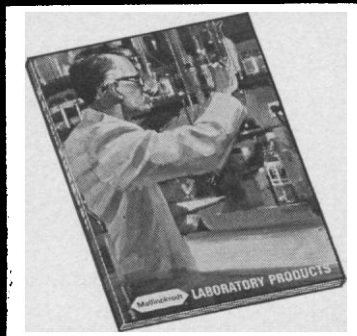
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For clear thinking about population policy, the question of effectiveness must be separated from that of acceptability. Analysis of the effectiveness of policies (actual and potential) is the scientific part of the task. Its contribution, independent of acceptability, is precisely that it allows minds to break out of the tyranny of what is and think effectively of what can be. Even if it were true (as is not the case) that no people wants zero population growth, it would still be important, for population policy, that the goal be discussed and debated, and that the measures necessary to reach it be fully analyzed.

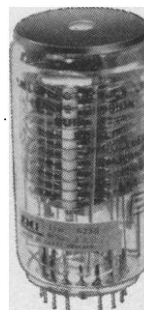
Given the difficulty of determining acceptance in advance, and the tendency to assume that absence is proof of disapproval, a preoccupation with acceptability encourages proposals that are *behind* public opinion. (No one predicted the popularity of sterilization in Puerto Rico or mass abortion in Japan.) It causes the range and power of potential policies to be underestimated, because they are dismissed rather than analyzed. It thus precludes the possibility of moving an effective measure from the unacceptable to the acceptable column. Reforms do not suddenly jump from being tabooed to being welcomed. They have to be advocated, exposed to view, debated, tried out, improved. Early advocates of contraception did not wait until contraception was "within the framework of existing values"; they had more courage than that, and more sense. "Existing values" are not the means for solving the problem; they are the problem itself. Since they give the motivation for sizable families, policies that "operate within" them will necessarily prove ineffective.

The conservative tenor of the committee's letter, like that of its two pamphlets, suggests again that the emphasis on family planning in current population policies provides an escape



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from consideration of the painful social and economic changes necessary to achieve fertility control. The common but mystical notion that family planning "provides its own dynamic" does nothing to lessen this impression.

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### How Many Smokes per Flight?

I concur with Abelson's editorial (22 Dec., p. 1527), in which he expressed concern over the effects of smoking on air pollution and the infringement of the rights of nonsmokers. As a frequent airline passenger, I have experienced the initial stages of acute asphyxia resulting from too many people smoking in a poorly ventilated aircraft. I wonder whether the automatic devices to provide oxygen used in airplanes are sensitive to these environmental conditions as well as problems of altitude.

It may be necessary to provide special smoking sections, or smoking flights similar to the railroads' use of smoking cars. Certainly if individuals are unable to regulate their own activities, it may one day be necessary for the industry or government to regulate the number of smokes per flight.

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... The situation that most irks me, I think, is the airplane at meal time. Pressurized aircraft cabin ventilating systems are good. No matter how good they are, however, I have yet to experience one that can stay ahead of the smokers. When I am finishing a good airline meal and enjoying it, I frequently have to hold my breath for the last several bites because some nervous smoker close by has lighted a cigarette before finishing his or her meal, and spews smoke out into the restricted confines of the cabin. Ugh! ...

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... Would someone explain to me the validity of my government using my tax money to support tobacco farmers whose product is detrimental to my health?

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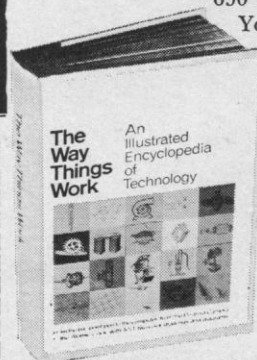
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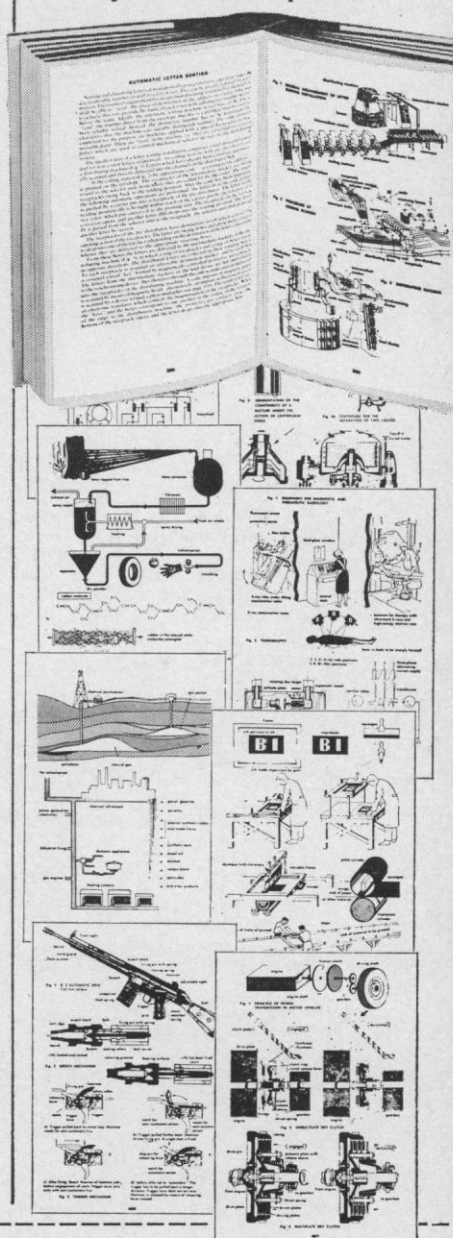
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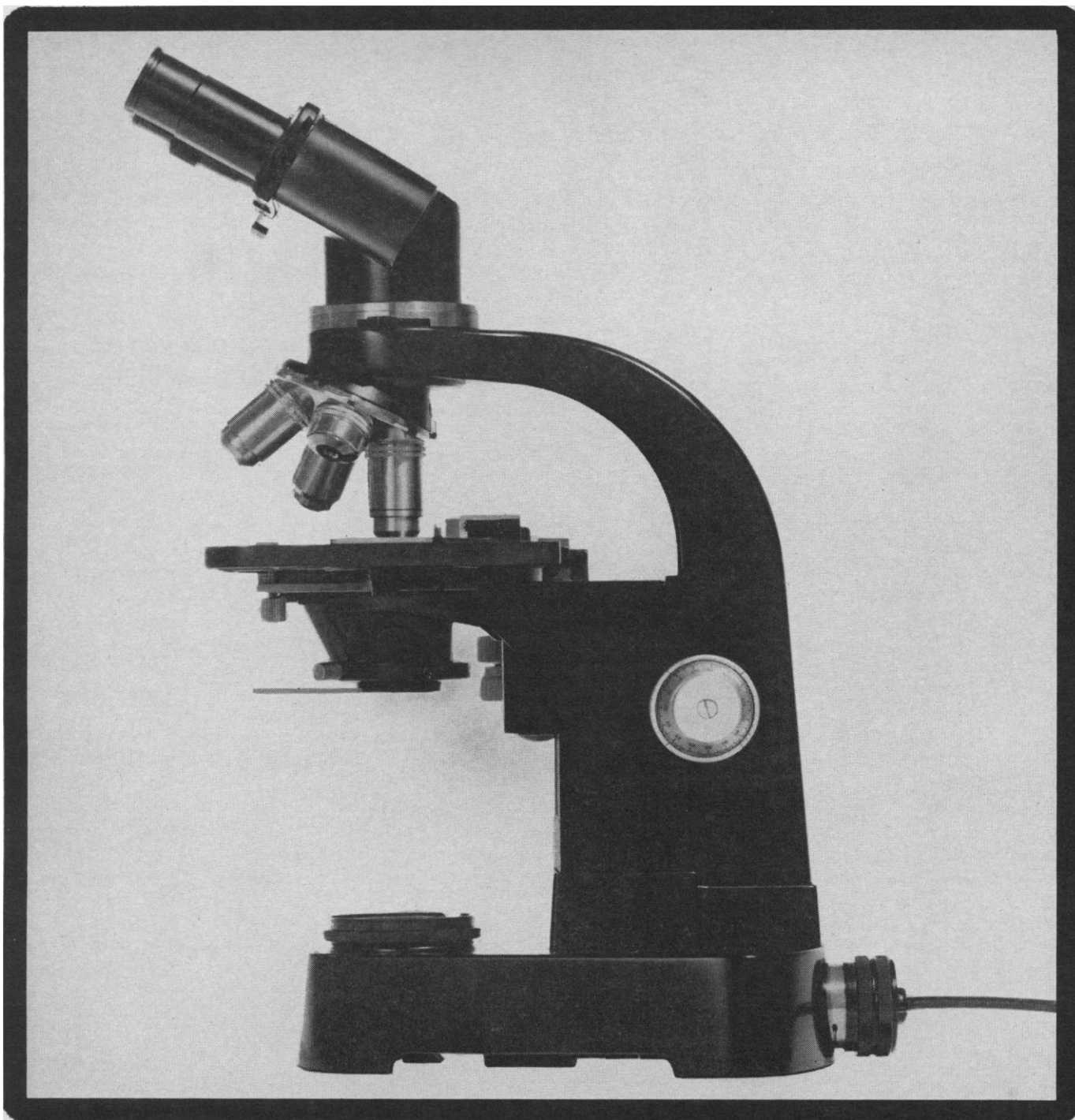
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## The Use of Human Subjects

The conflict between the individual's right of privacy and the requirements of research involving human subjects was the theme of an address\* at the recent AAAS meeting by Oscar M. Ruebhausen, a member of the New York Bar who has devoted special attention to the relations between science and law. He advised scientists to get busy and establish standards to govern the use of human subjects, and promised that if their standards are adequate they "will rank high in relevance for a court of law." But he also warned that if they "are not thought to measure up to the values of the community . . . it is probable that the judges will, themselves, seek to devise the necessary standards to give effect to the community's values."

A range of rights must be considered. The individual's right to control the use of his own property and to preserve his own physical integrity have long been recognized. More recently, the courts have been coming to recognize a right of privacy of personality. There is also a range of research activities—in medicine, biology, psychology, sociology, and perhaps also anthropology—that may be thought to invade privacy unless there be proper consent, for the right of privacy is really the right of an individual to decide how he will share his privacy or what intrusions or exposures he will permit.

The several disciplines differ somewhat in their research requirements, but it would be dangerous for them to work alone in establishing standards. The reason is partly that no firm boundary separates man's biological and psychological natures and partly that standards adopted by one discipline are likely to be applied by the law to other disciplines.

Medicine has accumulated much wisdom in the use of private and confidential data concerning patients. If scientists are to develop satisfactory standards, they will take account of medical experience. If scientists fail to develop satisfactory standards, the judges will probably take too much account of it. If the judges find the scientists' standards unsatisfactory, they are likely to turn to medicine for their model, and that model is incomplete.

A recent study† of the attitudes of physicians toward their patients reconfirms the fact that the physician considers his overriding responsibility to be the individual patients with whom he is working at the time. This is exactly what we wish of physicians. But when we are concerned with public health or the advancement of knowledge we want to be assured that experimental methods and controls are adequate.

The relation of doctor to patient need not be challenged by biomedical or behavioral research, but the distinction between this relationship and the relationship of researcher to subject must not be confused. It will be difficult to maintain this distinction clearly, to satisfy research needs, and to assure society that the rights of privacy are fully protected. But if by default, because the job is difficult, the judges are left to decide matters on the basis of their traditions and the experience of medical practice, progress in science and its applications to human welfare will be retarded.—DAEL WOLFLE

\* Oscar M. Ruebhausen, "Experiments with human subjects," *The Record of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York*, vol. 23, No. 2 (Feb. 1968). † Amasa B. Ford et al., *The Doctor's Perspective* (Case Western Reserve University Press, Cleveland, Ohio, 1967).



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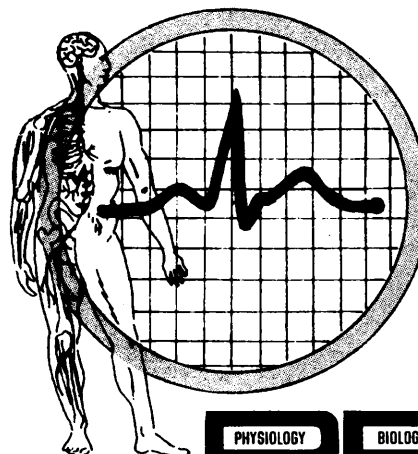
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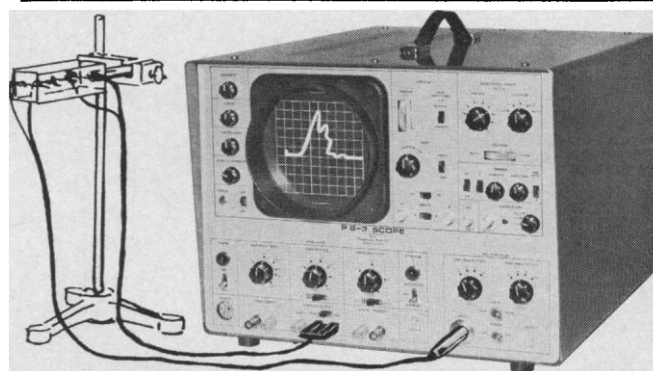
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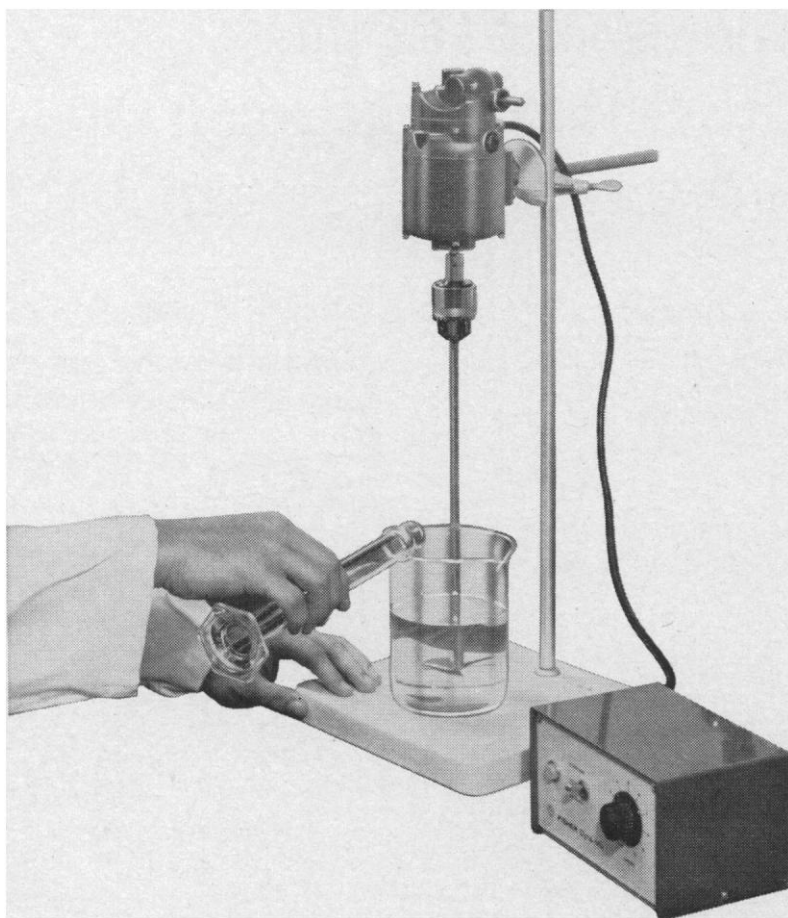
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With respect to protection recommendations, the members concluded that presently there is no justification to modify the recommendations on body burdens on the basis of the contributions of effects resulting from transmutation.

The panel proceedings, including papers, discussions, and workshop summaries, will be published by the International Atomic Energy Agency.

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## Calendar of Events

### National Meetings

#### March

4-6. Society of Toxicology, Washington, D.C. (C. S. Weil, Mellon Inst., 4400 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213)

4-6. Technology for Manned Planetary Missions, New Orleans, La. (Meetings Manager, 1290 Sixth Ave., New York)

4-7. Neutron Cross Section and Technology Conf., Washington, D.C. (D. T. Goldman, Natl. Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C. 20234)

4-8. Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy, Cleveland, Pa. (R. T. Oliver, Alcoa Research Labs., New Kensington, Pa.)

4-8. Diagnosis and Treatment of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Diseases, Miami Beach, Fla. (H. L. Kruse, Executive



Assistant, American College of Chest Physicians, 112 East Chestnut St., Chicago, Ill.)

5-7. **Aviation-Electronics and Its Supporting Sciences**, Fort Monmouth, N.J. (Commanding General, U.S. Army Electronics Command, Attention AMSEL-RD-LN, Fort Monmouth 07703)

6-8. **Fundamental Cancer Research**, 22nd annual symp., Houston, Tex. (F. Goff, Special Projects, M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Inst., Univ. of Texas, Houston 77025)

7-8. **The Doctor and His Hospital**, Inst. of Medicine of Chicago workshop, Chicago, Ill. (R. M. Potter, Secretary, Inst. of Medicine of Chicago, 332 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago 60604)

7-8. **Society of Vacuum Coaters**, 11th annual, Miami Beach, Fla. (The Society, P.O. Box 3095, Cleveland, Ohio)

7-9. **Cerebellum in Health and Disease**, Dallas, Tex. (S. P. Cole, Coordinator, Univ. of Texas Southwestern Medical School at Dallas, 5323 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas 75235)

7-9. **Southern Soc. of Anesthesiologists**, Dallas, Tex. (R. G. Zepernick, Mercy Hospital, New Orleans, La. 70119)

8-10. **Colorado Medical Soc.**, Denver. (D. G. Derry, Colorado Medical Soc., 1809 E. 18 Ave., Denver 80218)

8-10. **National Wildlife Federation**, 32nd annual, Houston, Tex. (The Federation, 1412 16th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036)

9-10. **American Psychiatric Assoc. Colloquium on Postgraduate Teaching of Psychiatry**, New Orleans, La. (M. L. Enelow, 3439 Prytania St., New Orleans 70115)

10-12. **American Soc. for Abrasive Methods**, Philadelphia, Pa. (R. J. Mayer, ASAM, 330 S. Wells St., Chicago, Ill. 60606)

10-14. **Gas Turbine Conf.**, Washington, D.C. (A. B. Conlin, Jr., Meetings Manager, 345 E. 47 St., New York 10017)

10-15. **American Soc. of Photogrammetry/American Congr. on Surveying and Mapping**, annual mtg., Washington, D.C. (W. B. Overstreet, 1819 Franwall Avenue, Silver Spring, Md. 20902)

11-12. **Phonocardiography**, American College of Cardiology, Chicago, Ill. (W. D. Nelligan, 9650 Rockville Pike, Washington, D.C. 20014)

11-13. **American College of Surgeons**, sectional mtg. for **Doctors and Nurses**, Williamsburg, Va. (Communications Department, 55 E. Erie St., Chicago, Ill. 60611)

11-13. **New Tools for Planning and Research Programming**, Commercial Chemical Development Assoc., Inc. annual mtg., New York, N.Y. (R. L. Chilenskas, Manager of Commercial Development, M & T Chemicals Inc., New York, N.Y.)

11-13. **Wildlife Management Inst.**, 33rd natural resources conf., Houston, Tex. (Wildlife Management Inst., 709 Wire Building, Washington, D.C. 20005)

11-14. **Canaveral Council of Technical Societies**, 5th space congr., Cocoa Beach, Fla. (E. P. Wynne, General Electric Co., Apollo Support Dept., P.O. Box 7011, Cape Canaveral, Fla. 32920)

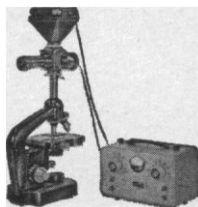
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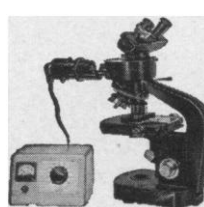
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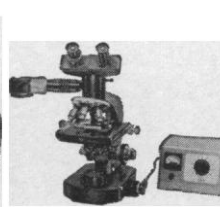
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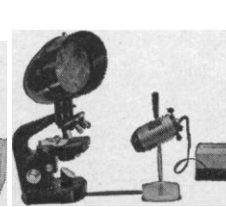
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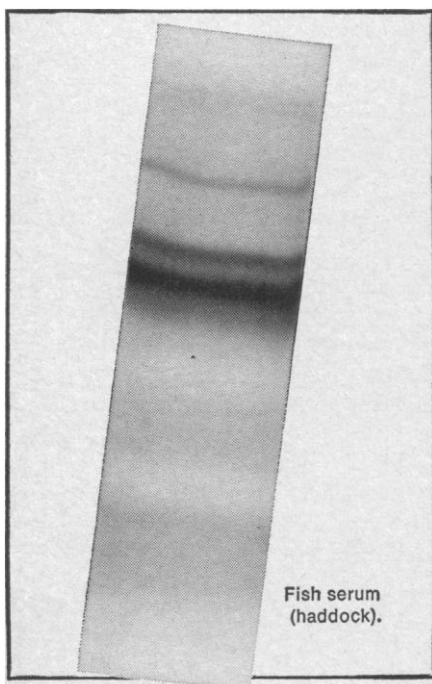
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12-14. Fire Weather Conf., Salt Lake City, Utah. (K. C. Spengler, 45 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. 02108)

13-15. Instrumentation for the Iron and Steel Industry, 18th natl. conf., Pittsburgh, Pa. (T. Schuerger, U.S. Steel Corp., Research Lab., Monroeville, Pa. 15146)

13-16. Optical Soc. of America, spring mtg., Washington, D.C. (M. W. Wurga, Executive Secretary, 1155 16th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036)

14-15. Forum on Geology of Industrial Minerals, 4th annual, Austin, Tex. (W. L. Fisher, Bureau of Economic Geology, Univ. of Texas, Austin 78712)

14-15. Neurohumoral Control of the Circulatory System, 7th natl. symp., Philadelphia, Pa. (F. R. Johnson, Heart Assoc. of Southeastern Pennsylvania, 318 S. 19 St., Philadelphia 19103)

14-16. Arizona Acad. of General Practice, Tucson. (P. R. Boykin, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 441, Scottsdale, Ariz. 85252)

14-16. Biomathematics and Computer Science in the Life Sciences, 6th annual, Houston, Tex. (Office of the Dean, Univ. of Texas Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at Houston, Division of Continuing Education, P.O. Box 20367, Houston 77025)

14-20. Marquette Univ. Medical Alumni Assoc., clinical conf., Palm Springs, Calif. (R. H. Herzog, Executive Secretary, The Association, 561 N. 15 St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53233)

15-16. State Mental Health Representatives, 14th annual, Chicago, Ill. (W. Wolman, Dept. of Mental Health, 535 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 60610)

18-20. Lubrication and Lubricant Rheology, symp., Ann Arbor, Mich. (W. O. Winer, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, 225 West Engineering Bldg., Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor 48104)

18-20. American Acad. of Pediatrics, spring session, Atlanta, Ga. (G. E. Hughes, Secretary for Meetings, 1801 Hinman Ave., Evanston, Ill. 60204)

18-20. Psychedelic Drugs, Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital meeting, Philadelphia, Pa. (B. L. Segal, Program Chairman, Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, 230 N. Broad St., Philadelphia 19102)

18-20. Systems Analysis and Social Change Forum, Washington, D.C. (L. E. Root, American Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics, 1290 Sixth Ave., New York 10019)

18-21. American Physical Soc., Berkeley, Calif. (W. Whaling, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena 91109)

18-21. American Radium Soc., annual mtg., Miami Beach, Fla. (J. L. Pool, Executive Secretary, Memorial Hospital, 444 E. 68 St., New York, N.Y.)

18-22. National Assoc. of Corrosion Engineers, 24th annual conf. and show, Cleveland, Ohio. (T. J. Hull, 980 M & M Building, Houston, Tex. 77002)

19-20. Equipment Manuals Symp., Washington, D.C. (National Security Industrial Assoc., 1030 15th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20005)

19-20. Ocean Sciences and Engineering of the Atlantic Shelf, natl. symp., Philadelphia, Pa. (T. Evans, Conference Management Organization, Inc., Sheraton Park Hotel, 2660 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20008)

19-21. American Railway Engineering Assoc., Chicago, Ill. (E. W. Hodgins, Executive Secretary, 59 E. Van Buren St., Chicago 60605)

20. Suicidology, 1st natl. conf., Chicago, Ill. (E. S. Shneidman, Center for Studies of Suicide Prevention, National Inst. of Mental Health, 5454 Wisconsin Ave., Chevy Chase, Md. 20203)

20-22. American Petroleum Inst., southwestern district meeting, Tyler, Tex. (American Petroleum Inst., 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York 10020)

20-22. Institute of Management Sciences, Atlanta, Ga. (E. T. Alsaker, Lockheed-Georgia Co., Dept. 88-1a, Zone 283, Marietta, Ga. 30060)

20-22. Progress in Operable Heart Disease, American College of Cardiology, New York, N.Y. (W. D. Nelligan, Executive Director, 9650 Rockville Pike, Washington, D.C. 20014)

20-23. American Orthopsychiatric Assoc., 45th annual, Chicago, Ill. (The Association, 1790 Broadway, New York 10019)

21-22. Modulation Transfer Function, Boston, Mass. (Society of Photo-Optical Instrumentation Engineers, P.O. Box 288, Redondo Beach, Calif. 90277)

21-23. Symp. on Microwave Power, 3rd symp., Boston, Mass. (C. Olsen, % Eimac, Division of Varian Assoc., 301 Industrial Way, San Carlos, Calif. 94070)

21-24. Radiographic Diagnosis of Head and Neck, Miami Beach, Fla. (L. R. Kelley, Dept. of Radiology, Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Fla.)

22-23. Montana Medical Assoc., Helena. (L. R. Hegland, The Association, P.O. Box 1692, Billings, Mont. 59103)

22-23. Socio-Economics of Health Care, 2nd natl. congr., Chicago, Ill. (H. W. Doan, Dept. of Health Care Services, American Medical Assoc., 535 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 60610)

22-27. California Medical Assoc., San Francisco. (R. L. Thomas, 693 Sutter St., San Francisco 94102)

23. New Jersey Post Graduate Anesthesia Seminar, 9th annual, Cherry Hill. (P. A. Tucci, 22 The Fairway, Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043)

23-24. Missouri Soc. of Anesthesiologists, Kansas City. (G. W. N. Eggers, Jr., Univ. of Missouri Medical Center, Columbia 65201)

23-25. Postdoctorate Seminar in Professional Development, Philadelphia, Pa. (L. Hymes, Pennsylvania College of Podiatry, Pine at Eighth, Philadelphia 19107)

24-27. American Assoc. of Dental Schools, 45th annual session, San Francisco, Calif. (D. E. Mattson, 211 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611)

24-29. American College of Allergists, 24th annual congr., Denver, Colo. (E. Bauers, 2160 Rand Tower, Minneapolis, Minn. 55402)

24-30. American Soc. of Clinical Pathologists, New Orleans, La. (L. H. Hoyt, Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind.)

25-26. Geochemistry of Subsurface Brines, symp., Lawrence, Kans. (E. E.

Angino, State Geological Survey, Univ. of Kansas, Lawrence 66044)

25-27. **Electrocardiographic Interpretation of Arrhythmias: A Physiological Approach**, American College of Cardiology, Indianapolis, Ind. (W. D. Nelligan, Executive Director, 9650 Rockville Pike, Washington, D.C. 20014)

25-27. **Operations Research Symp.**, 2nd, Pittsburgh, Pa. (H. O. Teeple, TAPPI, 360 Lexington Ave., New York 10017)

25-27. **Simulation and Support Conf.**, AIAA 2nd flight test, Los Angeles, Calif. (Meetings Manager, American Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics, 1290 Sixth Ave., New York 10019)

25-28. **National Plant Engineering and Maintenance Show and Conf.**, Philadelphia, Pa. (K. E. Knowles, 245 Park Ave., New York 10017)

25-28. **Organic Solid State Chemistry Symp.**, Upton, N.Y. (G. Adler, Brookhaven National Lab., Upton, L.I., N.Y. 11973)

25-28. **Southeastern Surgical Congr.**, Washington, D.C. (A. H. Letton, 340 Boulevard NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30312)

27. **Oral Cancer Symp.**, 6th, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. (M. A. Engelman, One East Academy St., Wappingers Falls, N.Y. 12590)

27. **Association for the Advancement of Psychoanalysis**, New York, N.Y. (E. Schattner, Secretary, 147 E. 50 St., New York 10022)

27-28. **Railroad Conf.**, Chicago, Ill. (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., 345 E. 47 St., New York 10017)

27-29. **Linear Free Energy Relationships**, 2nd conf., Irvine, Calif. (J. E. Lefler, Dept. of Chemistry, Florida State Univ., Tallahassee 32306)

28-29. **American Assoc. of Petroleum Geologists**, Pacific Section, Bakersfield, Calif. (E. W. Ellsworth, Convention Manager, 1444 South Boulder, Box 979, Tulsa, Okla. 74101)

28-30. **Etiology, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Thromboembolism**, American College of Chest Physicians, Philadelphia, Pa. (H. L. Kruse, 112 E. Chestnut St., Chicago, Ill.)

28-30. **American Fertility Soc.**, San Francisco, Calif. (H. H. Thomas, 944 S. 18 St., Birmingham, Ala. 35205)

28-31. **Missouri State Medical Assoc.**, Kansas City. (R. McIntyre, The Association, 515 E. High St., Jefferson City, Mo. 65101)

29. **Symbiosis**, symp., Fullerton, Calif. (L. A. Stevens, Div. of Life Sciences, Fullerton Junior College, 321 Chapman Avenue, Fullerton 92634)

29-2. **National Science Teachers Assoc.**, natl. conv., Washington, D.C. (R. H. Carleton, NSTA, 1201 16th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036)

29-30. **Rural Health**, 21st natl., Seattle, Wash. (B. L. Bible, 535 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. 60610)

29-31. **American Nuclear Soc.**, student conf., Tucson, Ariz. (K. D. Kearns, Dept. of Nuclear Engineering, Univ. of Arizona, Tucson 45215)

29-31. **Clinical Pharmacology of Cardiovascular Drugs**, American College of Cardiology, Nutley, N.J. (W. D. Nelligan, Executive Director, 9650 Rockville Pike, Washington, D.C. 20014)

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29-31. American Psychosomatic Soc., Inc., Boston, Mass. (H. Weiner, Secretary-Treasurer, 265 Nassau Road, Roosevelt, N.Y. 11575)

29-31. American Soc. of Group Psychotherapy and Psychodrama, New York, N.Y. (H. B. Weiner, 1323 Avenue N, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11230)

29-31. American Soc. of Internal Medicine, Boston, Mass. (E. E. Daleske, 3410 Geary Blvd., San Francisco, Calif. 94118)

29-31. Arizona Chest Disease Symp., Tucson. (L. D. Hudson, P.O. Box 6067, Tucson 85716)

30-3. American Soc. of Abdominal Surgeons, Chicago, Ill. (B. F. Alfano, 675 Main St., Melrose, Mass. 02176)

30-3. Technical Assoc. of Pulp and Paper Industry, 5th water conf., Portland, Ore. (The Association, 360 Lexington Ave., New York 10017)

31-3. American Mosquito Control Assoc., New Orleans, La. (G. Carmichael, New Orleans Mosquito Control, 6601 Lakeshore Dr., New Orleans 70126)

31-3. Erosion as Related to Air and Water Pollution, Las Vegas, Nev. (R. B. Reams, Desert Research Inst., Univ. of Nevada, Reno 89507)

31-4. American Assoc. of Cereal Chemists, 53rd annual, and American Oil Chemists Soc., 58th annual, joint mtg., Washington, D.C. (R. J. Tarleton, 1955 University Ave., St. Paul, Minn. 55104)

31-4. Materials Engineering and Sciences, conf. and exposition, Philadelphia, Pa. (C. S. Grove, Jr., 5110 Brockway Lane, Fayetteville, N.Y. 13066)

31-5. American Chemical Soc., 155th spring natl. mtg., San Francisco, Calif. (A. T. Winstead, 1155 16th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036)

31-7. North American Clinical Dermatologic Soc., New Orleans, La. (E. F. Finnerty, The Society, 510 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass. 02115)

#### International and Foreign Meetings

##### March

1-7. International Acad. of Pathology, 57th annual, Chicago, Ill. (F. K. Mostofi, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, D.C. 20305)

2-16. International Soc. of Sugar Cane Technologists, 13th congr., Taipei, China. (H. S. Wu, Taiwan Sugar Corp., P.O. Box 35, Taipei)

3-6. Electrical Industry Show, 9th intern., New York, N.Y. (R. Pomerance, Intern. Electrical Shows, Inc., 331 Madison Ave., New York 10017)

4-6. Agricultural Sciences and the World Food Supply Symp., Wageningen, Netherlands. (International Agricultural Centre, P.O. Box 88, Wageningen)

5-7. European Symp. on the Application of Automatic Computation in Chemical Engineering, Munich, Germany. (Dechema, Postfach 7746, 6 Frankfurt am Main 7, Germany)

5-7. Materials for Engineering Conf. and Exhibition, Melton Mowbray, Great Britain. (Production Engineering Research Assoc. of Great Britain, G. E. Clark, Exhibition Organiser, Melton Mowbray, Leics)