British Diary

Monday, February 9

- A Volunteer at Masada (5.30 p.m.) Miss Katherine Blair, Royal Institution, at 21 Albemarle Street, London W1.
 Colour Television Receiver Design and Maintenance (6 p.m.) Mr G. D. Barnes, Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers; and the Institution of Electrical Engineers, at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow.
- Polymers in the Year 2000 (7.30 p.m.) Professor C. E. H. Bawn, CBE, FRS, Institution of the Rubber Industry, at the Donnan Laboratories, The University, Liverpool.
- Techniques of Mask-Making (2.30 p.m. colloquium) Institution of Electrical Engineers, at Savoy Place, London WC2.

Tuesday, February 10

- Dynamic Information Displays (6.30 p.m.) Mr D. W. G. Byatt, Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers, at the University of Colchester, Essex.
- Future Trends in Analytical Chemistry (6.30 p.m.) Dr J. B. Headridge, Society for Analytical Chemistry; and the Royal Institute of Chemistry, in the School of Chemistry, Newcastle University.
- Making the Best of a Bad Job—What Engineering Is (5.30 p.m.) Professor
 E. R. Laithwaite, Royal Institution, at 21 Albemarle Street, London W1. (Lecture for Sixth Form Pupils from Schools in London and Home Counties. To be repeated on February 11, 17 and 18.)
- Mathematician's Utopia (1.20 p.m.) Mr M. J. Brown, University of London, in the Botany Theatre, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1.
- Primers for Metal (forum) Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds 1.
- Recent Work on Dithizone and Its Selenium Analogue (5.15 p.m.) Professor H. M. N. H. Irving, Society for Analytical Chemistry; and Leeds University Union Chemical Society, in the Chemistry Department, University of Leeds.
- Scientific Knowledge and the Press (7.30 for 8 p.m.) John Davy and Pro-fessor J. M. Ziman, British Society for Social Responsibility in Science, at the Blackhorse, Rathbone Place, W1.
- The Ageing Process in the Human Brain (5.30 p.m.) Dr J. A. N. Corsellis, University of London, at the Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1.
- The Tunnelling of Shipworms, Mr P. A. Board; Cell Specialization and Chemosensitivity in Fish Skin, Dr Mary Whitear; After the Torrey Canyon (film) (5 p.m.) Zoological Society of London, at the Zoological Gardens, Regent's Park, London NW1.

Wednesday, February 11

- Analytical Cosmochemistry (or Migrants from Outer Space Enter the Chemical Laboratory) (6.30 p.m.) Dr A. A. Smales, Society for Ana-lytical Chemistry, in the Mechanical Engineering Department, Imperial College, London SW7.
- Imperial College, London SW7.
 Annual General Meeting; The Modern Manual Instrument; and Exhibition (2 p.m.) Photoelectric Spectrometry Group, at the School of Pharmacy, Brunswick Square, London WC1.
 Computer Applications in Shipping (5.30 p.m.) Mr H. Phillips, Institution of Electrical Engineers; the Institute of Measurement and Control; and the Automatic Control Group of the I.Mech.E., at Savoy Place, London WC2.
- Gnotobiotic Animals (Germ and Pathogen-Free Animals) (6.15 p.m.) Professor A. O. Betts, Society of Chemical Industry, Food Group, at 14 Belgrave Square, London SW1.
- Nuclear Power Up-Dated (7 p.m.) Dr H. Kronberger, FRS, Institution of Electrical Engineers, at Culham Laboratory, Harwell.
 Plasticizers—Compatibility and Performance (7.30 p.m.) Mr J. L. Fowler, Institution of the Rubber Industry, at the Polygon Hotel, Southamp-ton.
- Problems Arising from the Water-Cooling of Engine Components (6 p.m. discussion) Institution of Mechanical Engineers, at 1 Birdcage Walk, London SW1.
- Telecommunication Switching—a Review of Technological Progress (5.30 p.m.) Mr J. R. Pollard, Institution of Electrical Engineers, at Savoy Place, London WC2.
- The Communication of Scientific Information through Experimental Demonstrations (1 p.m.) Mr F. C. Brown, Royal Institution, History of Science Discussion Group, at 21 Albemarle Street, London W1.

HOW TO BUY NATURE

Volumes start in January, April, July and October, but subscriptions may begin with any issue.

The direct postal price per subscription for one copy of NATURE each week is:

12 MONTHS (52 issues and 4 indexes)

Great Britain and Eire£14.0.	0 each
United States of America (by air freight) \$4	8 each
Canada	2 each
Elsewhere overseas by surface mail£14.0.	0 each
(Charge for delivery by air mail on application)	
*Shorter periods pro rata. (Minimum three months.)	

The Functions of the Ministry of Technology in the Field of Industry (7.15 p.m.) Mr K. W. Doble, Plastics Institute, at The University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology, Cathays Park, Cardiff.

Thursday, February 12

- Biochemical Aspects of the Control of Energy Production in the Liver of the Normal Rat and After Physical Injury (5 p.m.) Mr C. J. Threlfall, University of London, at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, Mortimer Street, London W1.
- Botany or Molecular Phytobiology ? (8 p.m.) Professor J. Friend, in the University Lecture Theatre, University of Hull.
- Fluorescence Spectroscopy (2 p.m.) Society for Analytical Chemistry, in the Special Lecture Theatre of Liverpool Regional College of Technology, Byrom Street, Liverpool.
- Mechanization of the Assembly Process in Small and Medium Batch Production (4.30 p.m.) Mr J. R. Ashley, Royal Society, at 6 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1.
- New Resin Systems for Use in Coil-Coating Applications (6.30 p.m.) Mr L. A. Tysall, Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, in the New Engineering Block, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1.
- Non-Empirical, Synthetic Truths in Mathematics (5.30 p.m.) Professor Paul Lorenzen, University of London, at the London School of Economics and Political Science, Houghton Street, London WC2.
- Performance Requirements and Test Methods for High-Voltage AC Motor Insulation (5.30 p.m.) Mr K. K. Schwarz, Institution of Electrical Engineers, at Savoy Place, London WC2.
- Electrical Engineers, at Savoy Place, London wC2.
 Photovoltaic and Thermoelectric Conversion—Recent Developments in Materials and Devices (10 a.m. colloquium) Institution of Electrical Engineers, at Savoy Place, London WC2.
 The Corrosion of Metalls in Aqueous Conditions (7 p.m.) Dr P. T. Gilbert, Liverpool Metallurgical Society, in the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science, The University, Liverpool 3.
 The Effects and Control of Vibration in Machinery (all-day discussion) Institution of Mechanical Engineers, at 1 Birdcage Walk, London SW1.
 The Ffection of Mechanical Control of Measurement (6 p.m. discussion)

- The Engineering Implications of Nucleonic Measurement (6 p.m. discus-sion) Institution of Mechanical Engineers, at 1 Birdcage Walk, London SW1.
- The North Sea Continental Shelf Cases (5 p.m.) Mr E. D. Brown, University of London, in the Weldon Theatre, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1.
- Vascular Endothelium and Its Relation to Blood-Flow (5.30 p.m.) Dr Helen Payling Wright, University of London, at the Institute of Child Health, 30 Guilford Street, London WC1. (Eleventh of fifteen lectures on "The Scientific Basis of Medicine".)

Friday, February 13

- Does the Paint Industry Deserve a Research Association? (6.30 p.m.) Dr G. de Winter Anderson, Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, at the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society, 36 George Street, Manchester 1.
- Non-Empirical, Synthetic Truths in Physics (5.30 p.m.) Professor Paul Lorenzen, University of London, at the London School of Economics and Political Science, Houghton Street, London WC2.
- Photochemistry of Paranitrosodimethylaniline (1 p.m.) Dr T. S. Godfrey, Royal Institution, Photochemistry Discussion Group, at 21 Albemarle Street, London W1.
- The Ebb and Flow of Atomic Chaos—The Physicist as King Canute (9 p.m.) Professor E. L. Hahu, Royal Institution, at 21 Albemarle Street, London W1.

Monday, February 16

- Contention or Polling Techniques for Data-Computer Systems (5.30 p.m. discussion) Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers, Joint IEE/IERE Computer Group, at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, London WC2.
- Insect Hormones and Insect Control (5 p.m.) Dr K. C. Highnam, Society of Chemical Industry, at 14 Belgrave Square, London SW1.
- Recent Advances in Medicine, Surgery and Therapy (6 p.m.) Sir Brian Windeyer, Royal Society of Arts, at John Adam Street, London WC2. (First of three Cantor Lectures. Further lectures on February 23 and March 2.)
- The Treatment and Disposal of Industrial Effluent (all-day discussion) Institution of Mechanical Engineers, at 1 Birdcage Walk, London SW1.

Editorial and Publishing Offices of "NATURE" MACMILLAN (JOURNALS) LIMITED 4 LITTLE ESSEX STREET, LONDON WC2 Telephone Number: 01-836 6633. Telegrams: Phusis London WC2 Subscription Department MACMILLAN (JOURNALS) LIMITED BRUNEL ROAD, BASINGSTOKE, HANTS Telephone Number: Basingstoke 5431 Advertisements only should be addressed to T. G. SCOTT & SON, LIMITED I CLEMENT'S INN, LONDON WC2 Telephones 01-242 6264/01-405 4743 Telegrams: Textualist London WC2 Registered as a newspaper at the Post Office Copyright © Macmillan (Journals) Limited, February 7, 1970