

International Meetings

June 30–July 11, **Summer School in Radiation Protection**, London (Registrar, Imperial College, South Kensington, London SW7).

August 6–8, **Applications of X-Ray Analysis**, Denver (Professor B. L. Henke, Department of Physics, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822, or Dr J. B. Newkirk, Department of Metallurgy, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado 80210, USA).

September 7–12, **Atomic Collision Phenomena in Solids**, Brighton (Meetings Officer, The Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 47 Belgrave Square, London SW1).

September 7–13, **Congenital Malformations**, The Hague (Adviesbureau, Hollander, and van der Mey NV, Raamweg 43, The Hague, The Netherlands).

September 8–9, **Turbulence Measurements in Liquids**, Missouri (Dr G. K. Patterson, University of Missouri, Department of Chemical Engineering, 101A Chemical Engineering Building, Rolla, Missouri 65401, USA).

September 17–20, **Use of Computers in Radiology**, Brussels (International Meeting of Radiology, c/o Belgian Organizing Centre, 15 Boulevard de l'Empereur, Brussels 1, Belgium).

September 21–25, **Plant Protection**, Paris (Société Française de Phytologie et de Phytopharmacie, 57 Boulevard Lannes, 75 Paris XVI, France).

September 22–23, **Use of Cyclotrons in Chemistry, Metallurgy and Biology**, Oxford (Dr C. B. Amphlett, Chemistry Division, AERE, Harwell, Didcot, Berkshire, UK).

Sabbatical Itinerants

In the hope of providing some practical assistance in the good cause of mobility between laboratories, *Nature* advertises the needs for housing of families about to take up periods of sabbatical leave. To begin with, no charge will be made for advertisements like this. It is hoped that a period of experiment will show what form these advertisements could most usefully take and whether they are effective.

Vacant: Semi-detached modern furnished house, from September 4 for 21 months minimum. Three bedrooms (one presently a study), garage. Peaceful area, St Albans, with shops nearby. Excellent road links London and M1; frequent fast main-line trains London (St Pancras). Please contact A. R. Michell, Department of Medicine, Royal Veterinary College, Hawkshead Lane, North Mimms, Hatfield, Herts.

Vacant: Fully furnished and equipped three-bedroom house in South London from August 1969. Suit family with up to two children (none young, please). Contact Dr D. S. McLaren, School of Medicine, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon.

Vacant: Fully furnished house for summer vacation, June 25–September 25, 1969. Three bedrooms (two double, two reception, two bathrooms, kitchen, garden, electric central heating. Situated NW London, on Bakerloo Line, 15 minutes from Piccadilly. Phone 01-452 0748, or contact Dr Alice Maroudas, Mechanical Engineering Department, Imperial College, London SW7.

Wanted: Furnished house or flat, three bedrooms, modern conveniences, near West End of London or tube, June 8 to July 23. Three children. Contact Professor B. A. Bolt, Department of Geophysics, University of California, Berkeley, California, USA.

BRITISH DIARY

Monday, May 5

INSTITUTE OF PHYSICS and the PHYSICAL SOCIETY (at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, London, WC2)—Conference on "Organization and Management of Research and Development".

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Mr S. S. D. Jones: "VLF Navigation".

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON (at Queen Mary College, Mile End Road, London, E1), at 5.30 p.m.—Professor R. Kippenhahn (University of Göttingen): "Problems of Stellar Pulsation".

SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY, FINE CHEMICALS GROUP (at 14 Belgrave Square, London, SW1), at 6.30 p.m.—Dr R. E. Bowman: "Profadol—a New Potent Analgesic".

Tuesday, May 6

SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE GROUP (at 14 Belgrave Square, London, SW1), at 10.30 a.m.—Annual General Meeting and Chairman's Address.

INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGY (with the support of the Eugenics Society, in the Lecture Hall, Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, London, SW7), at 5.15 p.m.—Professor H. Harris, FRSS: "The Population Genetics of Enzymes and Protein" (Ninth Darwin Lecture in Human Biology).

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Mr H. J. C. Spencer: "The Optimum Design of Local Twin Telephone Cables".

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (joint meeting with the Automatic Control Group of the I.Mech.E., at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Mr P. A. J. Ham and Mr A. A. L. Bental: "Electronic Turbine Governing".

ROYAL INSTITUTION (at 21 Albemarle Street, London, W1), at 5.30 p.m.—Professor Ronald King: "Faraday and the Beginning of Useful Electricity". (Lecture for Fourth Form Pupils from Schools in London and the Home Counties. To be repeated on May 7, 13 and 14.)

Tuesday, May 6–Thursday, May 8

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (at Savoy Place, London, WC2)—Conference on "Power Thyristors and their Applications".

Wednesday, May 7

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (joint meeting with the Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 2.30 p.m.—Colloquium on "Electrostatic Charge Generation—From Planes to Plastics".

SOCIETY FOR ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY, PARTICLE SIZE ANALYSIS GROUP (at the School of Pharmacy, 29/39 Brunswick Square, London, WC1), at 2.30 p.m.—Meeting on "Why Particle Analysis?".

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRONIC AND RADIO ENGINEERS, AEROSPACE, MARITIME AND MILITARY SYSTEMS GROUP (at 9 Bedford Square, London, WC1), at 6 p.m.—Mr S. C. Dunn: "The Rapier Ground to Air Missile System".

PLASTICS INSTITUTE, LONDON SECTION (at the Wellcome Building, Euston Road, London, NW1), at 6.30 p.m.—Annual General Meeting, followed by Mr M. Kaufman: "Training, Industry and the Industrial Training Board".

Thursday, May 8

CHEMICAL SOCIETY (at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, London, W1), at 2 p.m.—Symposium on "Reaction Mechanisms: Some Recent Aspects".

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Discussion meeting on "Assessing Responsible Experience" opened by Mr P. L. Taylor and Dr F. C. Widdis.

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (joint meeting with the Automatic Control Group of the I.Mech.E., at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Dr D. H. Glaister: "Physiological Problems in Aero-Space Travel".

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRONIC AND RADIO ENGINEERS, EAST ANGLIAN SECTION (at Havering Technical College, 42 Ardleigh Green Road, Hornchurch, Essex), at 6.30 p.m.—Mr R. Kitchen: "Automatic Production Testing of Electronic Equipment".

IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (at Exhibition Road, London, SW7), from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.—Open Day. The work of the Royal College of Science, the Royal School of Mines, the City and Guilds College, and the Centre for Computing and Automation will be on view.

Friday, May 9

ROYAL INSTITUTION, PHOTOCHEMISTRY DISCUSSION GROUP (at 21 Albemarle Street, London, W1), at 1 p.m.—Professor J. N. Murrell: "Rydberg States".

ROYAL INSTITUTION (at 21 Albemarle Street, London, W1), at 9 p.m.—Dr David Stafford-Clark: "Current Theories on Conscience and Consciousness".

Monday, May 12

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Dr R. H. Golde: "Protection of Structures against Lightning".

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (at Savoy Place, London, WC2), at 5.30 p.m.—Dr W. Saraga: "Filters with Periodically Time-Varying Parameters".