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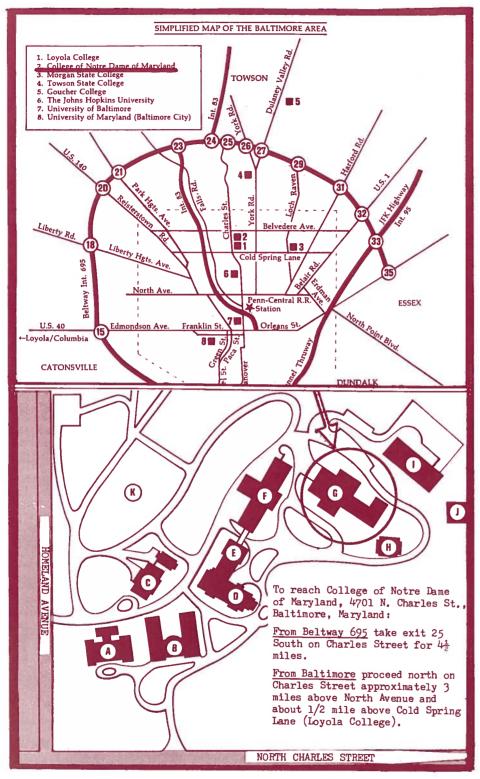
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### **DECEMBER MEETING**

DATE AND TIME:

Wednesday, December 19, 1973 at 8.00 P.M.

PLACE:

Doyle Building Smoker Room College of Notre Dame of Md. 4701 N. Charles Street Baltimore, Md. (See enclosed map on page 4) Building G.

SPEAKER:

Dr. G. Hamilton Mowbray, Montbray Wine Cellers, Westminister, Maryland

TOPIC:

"The Chemistry of Wine Making"

WINE AND DINNER

College of Notre Dame of Md. Doyle Building Dinning Room Price is \$5.00 per person for wine tasting (6:00-7:15) and hot buffet dinner (7:15). Students, retired chemists and their spouses may attend the dinner for \$3.00 each. Reservations needed. Non-ACS members may attend; talks may be attended without attending dinner. Guests are welcome.

SOCIAL HOUR:

There will be a social hour after the meeting. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

DR. G. HAMILTON MOWBRAY

Dr. G. Hamilton Mowbray received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in Psychology from The Johns Hopkins University in 1950 and his Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology from Cambridge University, England in 1953. From 1953 until 1973 he was a member of the Senior Staff and later the Principal Professional Staff of The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory where his research on human sensory processes generated numerous publications in the professional journals.

Dr. Mowbray's hobby of long standing, viticulture and enology, led to his establishing, in 1966, a small commercial winery and to his eventual resignation from the Applied Physics Laboratory in order to devote his full efforts to the extension of his commercial enterprise.

THE CHEMISTRY OF WINEMAKING

A non-chemist reviews the technical aspects of wine-making in relation to the contributions made by chemical science. Through a better understanding of the processes involved in the transformation of grape juice into wine, a higher average quality can be maintained for the product that appears on the table. While chemical analysis all along the way from grape vine to bottled liquid is of extreme value and importance, the final analysis is organoleptic, and it is here that science must give way to art--as of today.

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Professor Jaime Keller, Faculty of Chemistry, University of Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico spent the Spring with our research group here at Hopkins. He mentioned that they have a very large number of chemistry students both graduate and undergraduate and very few funds for library and journal resources. He says that copies of journals are actually worn out if a student is lucky enough to get a hold of one at the library. I would be most appreciative of donations of current or back issues of scientific journals. The University would appreciate journals in any field of science - chemistry, physics, biology, medicine, etc. or any other related material. If you have any such material, please contact me:

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CURBS ON SOVIET SCIENTISTS DEPLORED BY ACADEMY HERE

The New York Academy of Sciences announced yesterday that it had sent a message to the Soviet Academy of Sciences expressing concern about reports of repression of freedom of speech for scientists in the Soviet Union.

The society cited actions against Andrei D. Sakharov, the theoretical physicist, as an example of its concern. The group said it had reservations about the desirability of increasing exchanges of scientists unless the situation was remedied.

N.Y. TIMES - 10/23/73

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Essex Community College is now accepting applications for the position of "Instructor" in Biochemistry and Life Sciences. Applicants must have a minimum of an M.S. in Biochemistry. For further information, contact:

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### MARYLAND SECTION NEWS

### JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

Dr. Robert G. Parr has the following publication: "Three-Dimensional Bond-Charge Models for Potential Curves of Dilatomic Molecules", George A. Henderson and Robert G. Parr, Theoretica Chim. Acta, 31, 103-109 (1973).

Dr. Emil H. White has the following publication: "Chemically Produced Excited States. Energy Transfer, Photochemical Reactions, and Light Emission", Emil H. White, Peter D. Wildes, Jacek Wiecko, Harold Doshan, and C. C. Wei, J. Amer. Chem. Soc., <u>95</u>, 7050 (1973).

Dr. Gary H. Posner presented a lecture entitled "New Organometallic Synthetic Methods" at the Delaware Section of A.C.S. on September 18, 1973.

#### **HOOD COLLEGE**

Dr. Phyllida M. Willis spent 12 weeks working in Dr. Philip La Fleur's Activation Analysis Section at the National Bureau of Standards on the determination of trace elements in sediments from the Chesapeake Bay. She has been asked to continue her studies as a Guest Worker.

Hood College has been awarded \$3,000 from the NSF ISEP program towards the purchase of an NMR spectrometer.

Several "internship courses" have been introduced to enable well qualified, advanced students to participate in ongoing research at nearby institutions.

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### CONGRESSMAN LONGS' VIEWS ON PENSION REFORM

During my ll years in Congress, no problem brought to me by a constituent has been more heartbreaking than the denial of pension benefits by the employee's firm because of employee layoffs, because of firm bankruptcy, or because the plan was obscurely or deviously worded.

The need for pension reform is immediate, obvious and widespread. Last year, nearly 12,000 of my constituents expressed these views as to pension improvement:

- 1. 88 per cent said a worker should be able to take his pension with him when he changes jobs:
- 88 per cent favored a federal guarantee for pension funds like that in effect for nearly 40 years for bank deposits;
- 82 per cent felt that company and union pension funds should be placed under strict federal control.

For the past five years I have introduced legislation to revise private pension plans in the areas of portability, vesting, and disclosure of rights to individual pension plan participants. These three areas are the ones most in need of improvement in a pension reform bill recently passed by the Senate.

Most pension plans fail to provide for vesting of rights soon after the employee joins the firm. The Senate bill provides that workers will have vested rights to a pension early in their working careers. After five years, an employee would be entitled to 25 per cent vesting, or claim, to a pension, with the percentage rising to 100 per cent after 15 years. I have recommended that vesting begin within a year after an employee goes to work for a company.

#### PORTABILITY

Simply defined, portability means that a worker can carry pension benefits with him when he changes employers. The Senate bill provides for a voluntary portability program -- thus adding nothing to the present system which of course also makes portability voluntary on the part of the employer. I believe that portability should be a requirement in any new pension laws. Many workers stay at jobs they hate simply because they are afraid to lose pension benefits.

### FULL EXPLANATION

Another need involves the full disclosure of an individual's rights under his firm's pension plan. Too many Americans are kept in the dark about their pensions. In my own bill I have proposed that each member of a pension plan be provided with a full written explanation of the terms and conditions that apply to him as well as an explanation of the rights and benefits available to him.

These proposals, particularly pension portability, will cost money. But so does the present system, and complaints from many retired Americans clearly show that the present system needs reform. I have urged the House of Representatives to fortify the Senate version of the pension bill with regard to portability, vesting and disclosure. The Speaker of the House, Representative Carl Albert, has placed pension reform high on his list of legislation to pass in the 93rd Congress. Hopefully, we are close to seeing the end of serious injustices suffered by the nation's workers.

FROM THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN CLARENCE D. LONG



A Steam Engine Railroad Trip to the Historic American Home of Joseph Priestley in Northumberland, Pennsylvania, at the Priestley MARM April 23–26, 1974

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