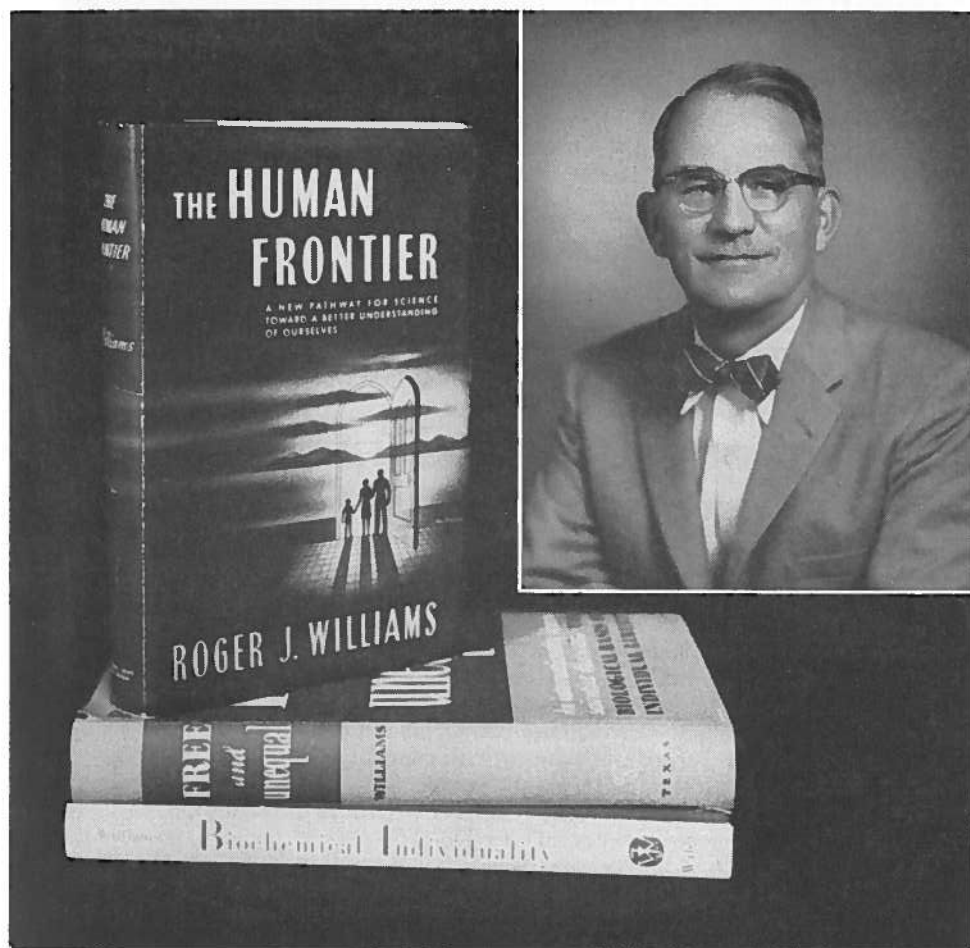




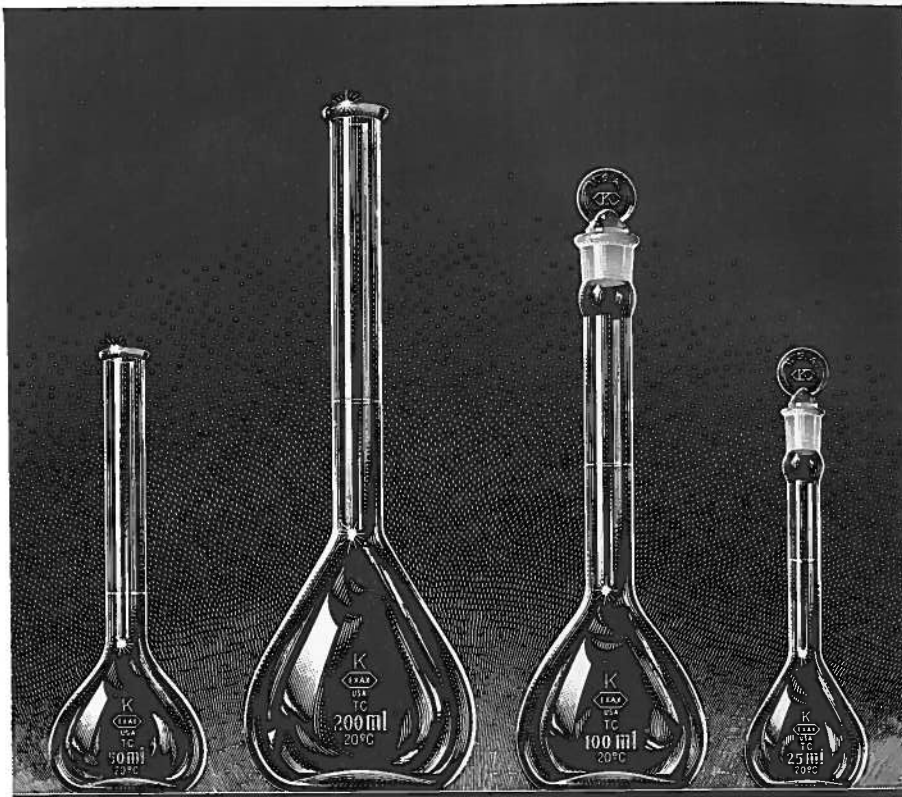
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COVER—Dr. Roger J. Williams, President of the American Chemical Society, and three of his books. Dr. Williams will address the Maryland Section at the March meeting. See program on page 5 for details.

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On January 25, the Maryland Section held its regular monthly meeting at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Dayton E. Carritt, Assistant Professor of Oceanography, Chesapeake Bay Institute, Johns Hopkins University, gave an enjoyable talk on "Some Old and New Problems in Chemical Oceanography". The subject of oceanography has received great interest recently in connection with the spread of radioactive contamination. Dr. Carritt showed what type of information can be obtained from chemical oceanographic data and discussed some of the new analytical techniques.

A dinner in honor of Dr. Carritt was

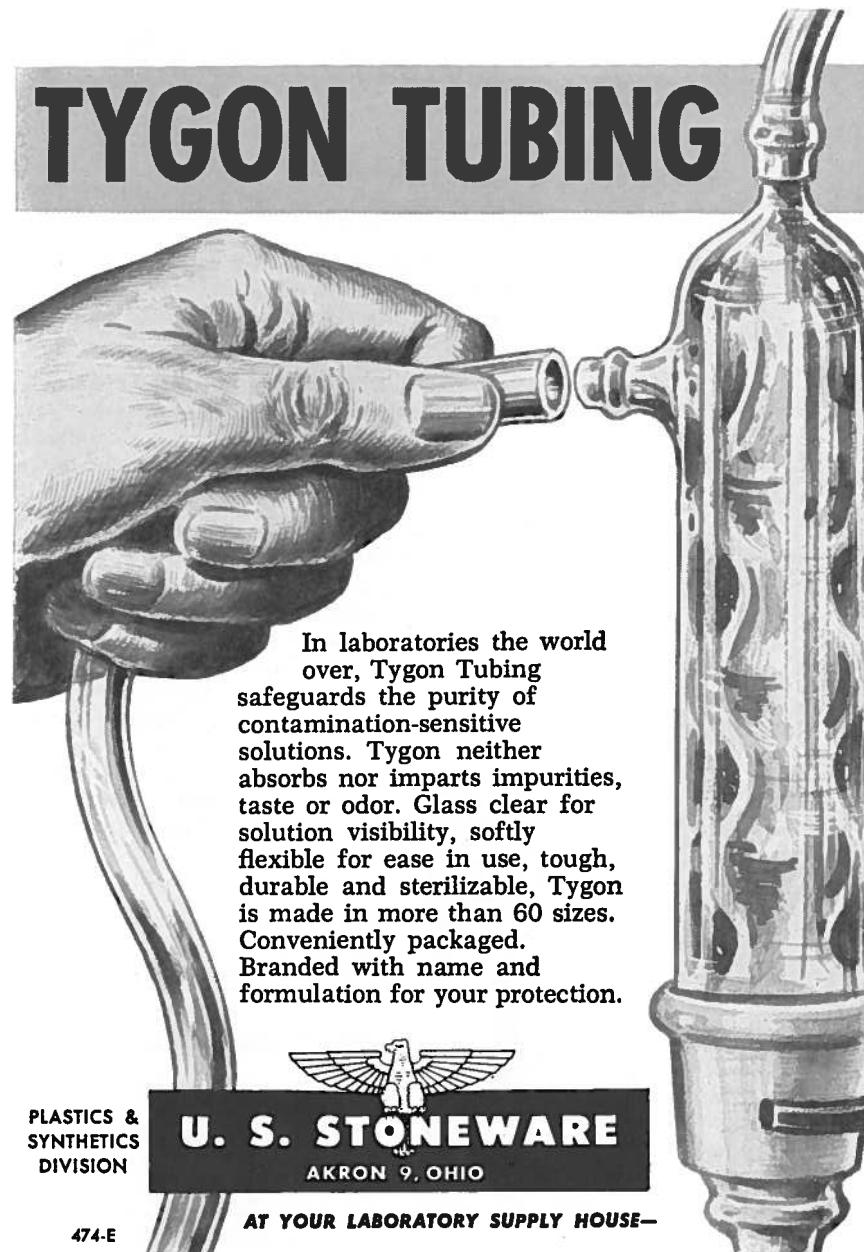
held at the Johns Hopkins Club prior to the meeting.

Attendance at the dinner numbered 11, and at the meeting numbered 58.

LOCAL SECTION DUES

A statement of local section dues was mailed to every member of the Maryland Section in January. Response has been good but there are quite a number who have not paid at this time. If you are one who has overlooked this important responsibility, please locate your statement and mail with check to Dr. Lloyd Felton, Treasurer, Hynson, Westcott & Dunning, Charles and Chase Streets, Baltimore 1.

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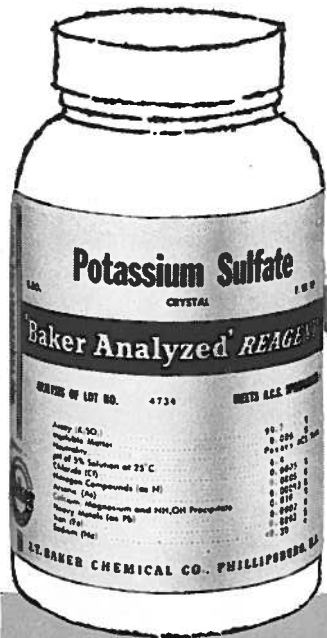
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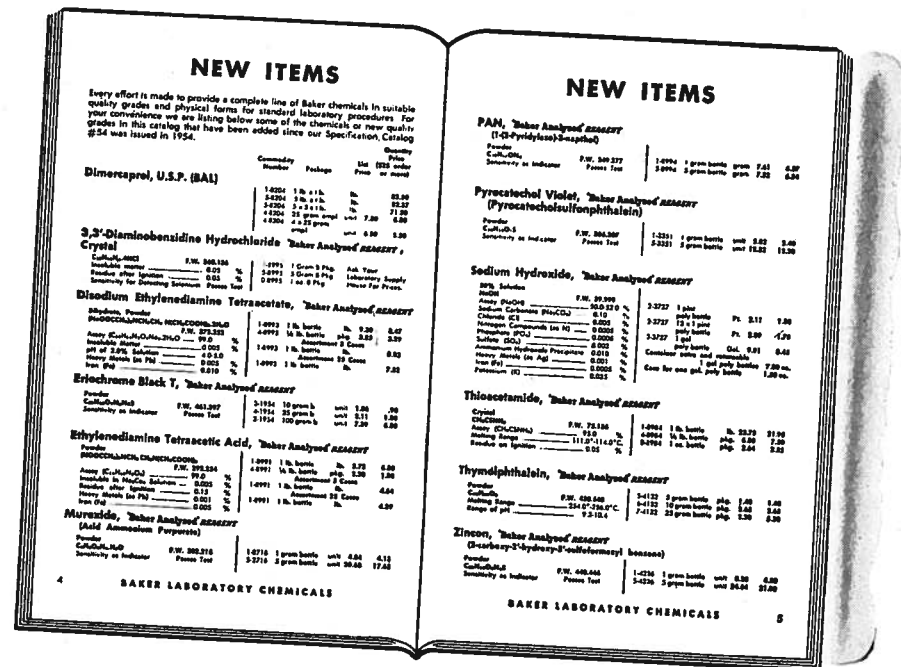
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The colloquium will have as its principal objective the presentation of a series of unclassified educational review papers on the general subject of radiation effects on materials. The program has been arranged to appeal to both the engineer and the research scientist working on radiation effects and the development and application of nuclear reactors for power.

March 27—

Defects in Solids and Current Concepts of Radiation Effects. Experimental Approaches to Radiation Studies, Sources and Dosimetry. Radiation Effects on

Physical and Metallurgical Properties of Metals and Alloys. Influence of Radiation Upon Corrosion Behavior and Surface Properties of Metals and Alloys.

March 28—

Effects of Radiation on Electronic and Optical Properties of Inorganic Dielectric Materials. Effects of Radiation on Semiconductors. Effects of Radiation on Organic Materials.

March 29—

Effects of Radiation on Reactor Components. Speakers will include Dr. E. S. Billington, Director Solid State Physics Div., Oak Ridge National Labs.; Prof. R. Smoluchowski of Carnegie Tech.; Prof. M. Burton, Univ. of Notre Dame; Dr. A. Charlesby, Tube Investments, Harwell, England; Dr. G. R. Hennig of Argonne National Lab.

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The National Science Foundation and the US Atomic Energy Commission will sponsor a one-month institute for high school science teachers at the Special Training Division of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies July 29 through August 23.

Forty-eight high school science teachers will be accepted for participation in the institute and each participant will be awarded a stipend of \$300. A dependency allowance of \$60 per dependent (up to \$240) and a travel allowance of 4 cents per mile (up to \$80 for the round trip) will be available to all participants.

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CROSSE AND BLACKWELL

Mr. B. W. Clarke, Chief Food Technologist of the Crosse & Blackwell Company, Baltimore, recently attended a conference at the Department of Horticulture, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, as a member of the planning committee to formulate the program for the 1957 annual Food Processors Workshop. The Department of Horticulture of the University of Maryland conducts the Workshop for the benefit of processors of fruit and vegetable products in the tri-state area of Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey.

CRIPPEN & ERLICH LABS

Raymond C. Crippen, of Crippen & Erlich Laboratories, Inc., Subsidiary of Foster D. Snell, Inc., recently attended the meeting of the Chemical Specialties Manufacturing Association in Washington, D.C. for discussions on aerosols and insecticides. Mr. C. Kimball, Vice President of Foster D. Snell, from the New York office was also present.

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In his new post at Crown's Baltimore headquarters, Mr. Taylor will be responsible for developing packaging material and manufacturing specifications for all Crown containers and closures.

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Dr. Richard L. Hall, Director of Research, was one of the speakers on a symposium dealing with flavors in food products at a recent meeting convened by the Arthur D. Little Company of Cambridge, Mass. The subject of Dr. Hall's address was "Some Practical Aspects of Taste Panels for Food Manufacturing Operations".

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Elmer H. Engquist is a recipient of the Secretary of the Army's Research and Study Fellowship Award. This grant permits Mr. Engquist to spend a year in advance study, after which he will resume his duties at the Chemical Warfare Laboratories.

An Army Chemical Center Chapter of RESA (Research Society of America) is being organized. It is expected that the chapter will be officially installed in April. It will be made up of approximately 50 charter members who are presently members of Sigma Xi, RESA, or Tau Beta Pi. Among the officers are Dr. Stephen Krop, vice-president, Dr. J. Henry Wills, treasurer, and Dr. Bernard J. Jandorf, secretary. Dr. William H. Summerson is Chairman of the Program Committee.

FORT DETRICK

Ira M. Abelow has been appointed Chief, Process Design Branch, BW Plants Division, Engineering Command, Chemical Corps, Fort Detrick.

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Dr. Clark has published five research papers in the past year. These are:

"An Inexpensive Mercury Thermoregulator," J. Chem. Ed. 33, 147 (1956).

"The Decomposition of Malonic Acid in Glycerol and in Dimethyl Sulfoxide," J. Phys. Chem. 60, 825 (1956).

"The Decarboxylation of Malonic Acid in Triethyl Phosphate," *ibid.* 60, 1150 (1956).

"The Kinetics of Decomposition of Malonic Acid in Aromatic Amines," *ibid.* 60, 1340 (1956).

"The Effect of Picolines on Malonic Acid," *ibid.* (1956).

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

Dr. Harold G. Hoelscher of the Chemical Engineering Department of Johns Hopkins University and Dr. Kenneth M. Kiser, recently a student in this Department, presented a paper entitled *Chemical Reaction Studies in a Water Tunnel* at the Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, Christmas Symposium at Purdue University.

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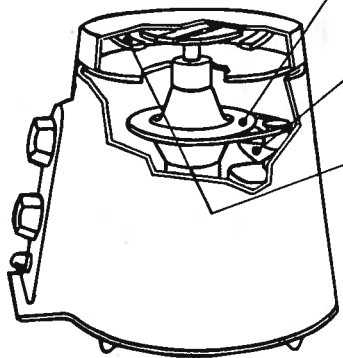
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