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Meeting Notes

3 January 1980

• Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility business meeting, 1:00 p.m., Shasta Room, San Francisco Hilton Hotel. The meeting is open to Annual Meeting registrants. Persons interested in attending the meeting should contact the Committee office at the AAAS address for further details.

4 January 1980

• The AAAS Clearinghouse on Science and Human Rights will hold a business meeting from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m., in the Cypress Room of the San Francisco Hilton Hotel. A reception will follow immediately in the same room. The meeting will feature Professors John Zinman, Owen Chamberlain, Kenneth Boulding,

Mario Otero (former Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at the National University of Uruguay), and a representative from Amnesty International discussing the link between scientific cooperation and human rights. The meeting is open to the public.

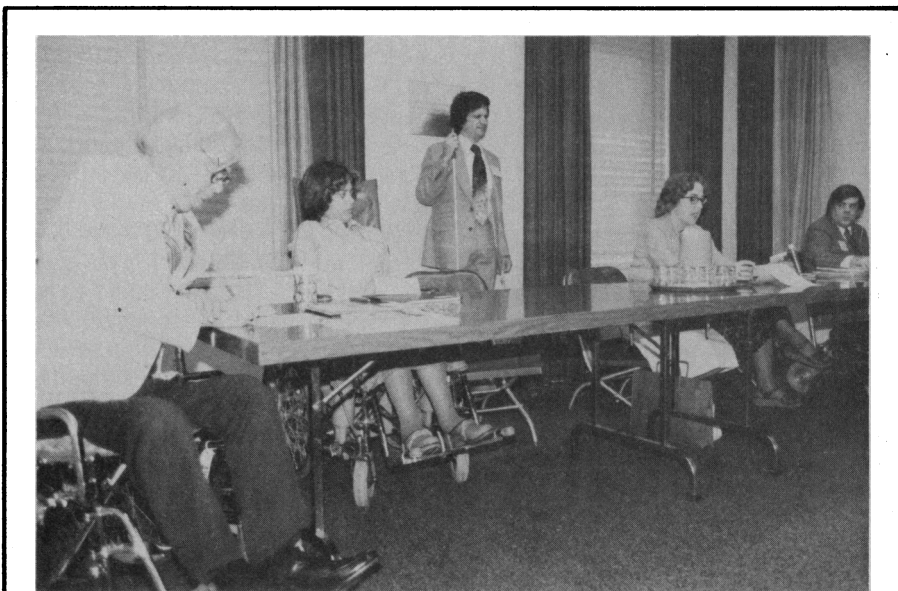
• The Committee on Science, Engineering, and Public Policy (COSEPP) will hold an open meeting from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Embarcadero Room of the San Francisco Hilton Hotel. The meeting will be a "Future Issues Forum" where participants will respond to a request from the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science and Technology. That Committee's chairman, Representative Don Fuqua (D-Fla.) has asked the AAAS to assist them "to identify major science and technology issues, assign them some priority, and determine which lend themselves to—or need—legislative treatment." In addition, Joe Clark, executive secretary of the Intergovernmental Science, Engineering, and Technology Advisory Panel (ISETAP)—part of the Executive Office of the President—will present a "futures look" on using science and technology in

solving problems at the state and local level.

5 January 1980

• COSEPP's Subcommittee on State and Local Government will sponsor a luncheon to encourage the interaction between the scientific community and their state and local governments. Representative George E. Brown, Jr., (D-Calif.), chairman of the Science, Research, and Technology subcommittee of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science and Technology, will give the keynote speech on "The Need for an Effective Intergovernmental Science Program." The luncheon will be at 12:30 p.m. in the Embarcadero Room of the San Francisco Hilton Hotel. Tickets for the luncheon will be sold at the Meeting.

• The fourth annual science and public policy banquet will be keynoted by Ivan A. Getting, past president of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and former president of the Aerospace Corporation. The science and public policy banquet is sponsored by COSEPP and the Congressional Science and Engi-



The AAAS Project on the Handicapped in Science recently conducted three workshops for vocational rehabilitation training and placement administrators and counselors from the 50 U.S. states and territories. These workshops, held in Baltimore, Minneapolis, and San Diego, were funded by the Rehabilitation Services Administration as part of a training project to increase the education, job placement, and retention of disabled persons in science and engineering careers. AAAS staff members were assisted at the workshops by 18 disabled scientists, who introduced vocational rehabilitation participants to the resources of the AAAS, the affiliated societies, and the resource group of handicapped scientists.

Above, Rami Rabby of Citicorp moderates a panel discussion of disabled scientists in a workshop for AAAS affiliated societies. Left to right, speakers are Thomas S. Austin, director, Environmental Data and Information Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (retired); Julie Wessel, graduate student in computer science, Wright State University; Rabby; Nansie Sharpless, assistant professor, Albert Einstein College of Medicine; and Donald Young, consultant, Boston City Hospitals and Department of Health.

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neering Fellows Program. The dinner will be held in the Continental Ballrooms 1 and 2 of the San Francisco Hilton Hotel and preceded by a no-host reception beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tickets for the banquet will be available at the Meeting registration area in the East Lounge of the San Francisco Hilton Hotel through 2:00 p.m. Saturday, 5 January.

Professionals and Undergraduate Education

"The Role of the Professions in Undergraduate Education," a conference cosponsored by AAAS and the University of California, Los Angeles, was held at UCLA on 26 and 27 October.

David Saxon, president, University of California, opened the conference with his address "Multiuniversity or University? The Undergraduate Connection." Four panels then addressed the topics, "The Integrative Function of Professionals in Society," "Professions in Undergraduate Teaching: Alternative Approaches," "The Curriculum and Institutional Change," and "Undergraduate Education and Career Competencies."

Norman Cousins, senior lecturer in medical humanities, spoke on "Harvesting the University's Resources" on the evening of the 26th, and Kenneth Boulding, president of AAAS, concluded the conference with the question, "The Professions and Governments—Conspiracies Against the Public?"

Over 100 participants attended the conference, many of them representing affiliated societies. William J. Winslade, lecturer in law and psychiatry, UCLA, and Arthur H. Livermore, head, AAAS Office of Science Education, coordinated the conference.

The presentations and discussions at the conference indicated a number of very different assumptions, methods,

and goals for involving professionals in undergraduate education, as well as a need for more discussion to open up new areas for cooperation between professionals and undergraduate educators.

Energy Requirements of Rural America Discussed at Seminar

The particular ways in which energy is used in rural America and some alternate energy sources geared to those uses provided the focus for the most recent AAAS Regional Energy Seminar.

"Rural America: Energy Needs and Alternatives" included sessions dealing with present and future availability of conventional fuels and with alternative energy sources, including solar, biomass, and geothermal. The changing prices of agricultural commodities caused by energy supply problems and the effects on rural life also were discussed.

Speakers and panelists included representatives from state and federal government, industry, research institutions, and academia.

Held at the DeGray State Park Lodge in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, 16-18 September, this was the third in the current series of AAAS Regional Energy Seminars funded by the U.S. Department of Energy.

Senator Dale Bumpers (D-Ark.), who opened the seminar, described the growing interest in alternative energy sources. He noted, for example, that the U.S. Treasury Department's Division of Alcohol and Firearms in recent years has been averaging between 50 and 75 applications per year for privately owned stills. This year, however, with the increased attention on "gasohol," the Division has more than 1000 applications pending.

Representative Beryl Anthony (D-Ark.) urged the Southern and Sun Belt states to work together to get Congress to pass legislation responsive to the particular energy needs of that region. Anthony told seminar participants to watch the performance of their elected officials and vote out those who aren't moving on energy policy.

Conservation and "low cost/no cost" ideas were stressed by Maxine Savitz, deputy assistant secretary for conservation and solar applications, U.S. Department of Energy. Some of these energy savers include having an attic inspection, getting fireplace dampers

sealed, keeping thermostats set at 78° in summer and 65° in winter, dialing down water heater temperature, and keeping cars properly tuned. Savitz said her office has received over 12,000 applications for small-scale energy technologies and can fund only a small percentage of these. Several states, including Arkansas, have initiated their own appropriate energy technology programs.

Philip H. Abelson, editor of *Science* and chairman, BioEnergy Council, stressed the importance of wood as the best long-term renewable energy source. He said that wood production could be increased up to 30 percent by improved growing and harvesting techniques. Abelson predicted that in the next few years the principal use for biomass products, especially wood, in rural areas will be for home heating.

Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton pointed to the lack of a coherent, intelligent energy program in the country and advised scientists to help keep policymakers informed so that governments can do a better job of goal setting.

Joining AAAS as cosponsors for the seminar were the Arkansas Academy of Science; the Joint Educational Consortium; Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society; the Ozarks Regional Commission; the State of Arkansas; the State of Louisiana, Department of Natural Resources; the State of Oklahoma, Department of Energy; and the State of Texas, Office of Energy Resources.

Mass Media Science Fellows

Eleven of the nineteen 1979 Mass Media Science Fellows (See AAAS News, *Science*, 3 Aug. 1979, p. 480) reported that their summer Fellowships at media sites across the country had influenced them to modify their career goals. Previously, most of these advanced science students had envisioned careers in research or academia. Now, four have decided to pursue full-time careers in science journalism; the remaining seven hope to combine part-time writing for the general public with more technically oriented work.

Two Fellows already have found jobs in science journalism. John A. Carey accepted an offer by *Newsweek* to convert his fellowship position as science research/reporter to a permanent staff position. In his letter informing the AAAS of *Newsweek's* offer, he noted, "I cer-

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