

Laboratorio de Radiacion Cosmica, Argentina's newly established high-altitude station at El Aguilar, Province of Jujuy.

Argentina IGY program, and houses a neutron monitor and counters. The usual test equipment and light shop facilities exist, as well as a radio link to Buenos Aires used daily.

The station is under the supervision of the cosmicray group of the Argentine Atomic Energy Commission (Comision Nacional de Energia Atomica, Laboratorio de Fisica Cosmica, Avenida Libertador Gral. San Martin 8250, Buenos Aires, Argentina). The group consists of J. C. Anderson, J. M. Cardoso, A. A. Cicchini, H. S. Ghielmetti, J. R. Manzano, and O. R. Santochi. I am indebted to this group for their fine hospitality as well as for data about the station.

Serge A. Korff New York University

### A Letter from an Editor

The following communication has been received from the editor of *The Physical Review:* 

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S. A. Goudsmit

### Publications

Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Reading, Mass., has published a 12-volume set of books on the peaceful uses of atomic energy. The books, containing much recently declassified material, were prepared under the supervision of the US Atomic Energy Commission and their release coincided with the opening of the Second International Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy which was held in Geneva during the first two weeks of September. Complete sets of the volumes were presented by the US to the United Nations organization and to the chief delegates of governments participating in the conference. The purpose of the books is to "portray US advances in the peaceful uses of atomic energy since the first Atoms-for-Peace Conference held at Geneva in August 1955". Six of the volumes are concerned with various types of reactors, four are on various metallurgical and chemical aspects of atomic energy, one deals with biological and medical uses of radiation, and one volume, written for the general reader, offers a nontechnical treatment of the US ("Sherwood") program in controlled fusion. The complete 12-volume set is available at a prepublication price (until December 1) of \$84.

The more than 600 technical papers presented by US scientists at the Geneva Conference have been published by the US Atomic Energy Commission. Divided into 25 categories, the papers may be purchased individually (50¢ each) or by category "package". A list of the papers may be obtained for 25¢ from the Office of Technical Services, US Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C., from whom the papers are also available.

Starting with the January 1959 issue, Consultants Bureau, Inc. (227 West 17th Street, New York 11, N. Y.) will translate all non-English articles appearing in each issue of the *Czechoslovak Journal of Physics*. The original journal is published in an edition containing Russian, German, English, and French articles. Subscriptions are available from Consultants Bureau on an annual basis (6 issues) for \$50.

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A number of one- to three-week conferences intended primarily for science and mathematics teachers at the college level will be supported by the National Science Foundation next summer on an experimental basis. The summer conferences, in which subject matter rather than teaching methods will be stressed, will be organized and sponsored by individual colleges and universities with the help of funds from NSF to de-

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