respondents felt that such an experiment poses a danger to the established literature, and that caution must be exercised in its design. Libbey feels that an experiment with adequate safeguards and controls would provide useful information to the physics community concerning the entire problem of informal communication whether or not a distribution system is implemented.

Based on the study results, Libbey has designed a two-step experiment to run for 18 months. The first step, to run for the full 18 months, would provide a centralized preprint announcement service and a directory of high-energy physicists. The announcement service would indicate subject category, type and status of each entry. The second step, to run for the last 12 months, would provide an experimental distribution system designed to introduce speed, efficiency and economy to informal communication and relieve the author of some of the burden, while retaining for him the control he now has.

The Institute has referred the report to the subcommittee on studies in communication patterns in physics of the advisory committee on the AIP information program. Present expectations are that it will be referred to the full committee, with the subcommittee's recommendations, when the full committee meets in Dec., 1967.

IN BRIEF

New publications

'67 Draft Act, regulations governing selective service classifications, deferments and appeals, is available (25¢ per copy) from Scientific Manpower Commission, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20418.

Computerworld, a "weekly newspaper for the computer community," has been launched by Computerworld, Inc., 14A Eliot St., Cambridge, Mass. 02138.

Plasma Physics (formerly *Journal of Nuclear Energy*, Part C) is being issued bimonthly by Pergamon Press, 44-01 21st St., Long Island City, N.Y. 11101.

Linear Algebra and its Applications, a new quarterly journal beginning in early 1968, has been announced by American Elsevier Publishing Co., 52 Vanderbilt Ave., New York, N.Y.

Thin Solid Films is being issued bimonthly by Elsevier Publishing Co. Inquiries can be directed to the above address.

New buildings

Drexel Institute of Technology has dedicated a $7 million science and engineering complex. The structures include a nine-story science tower (Disque Hall) for physics and other departments and a four-story building (Stratton Hall) for the electrical engineering department.

Northeastern University has dedicated its $2.1 million Dana Research Center for graduate research and teaching for the physics and electrical engineering departments. The center has a total area of 71 000 square feet, contains 24 laboratories and will eventually house 80 faculty and 80 graduate students.

New programs

Monmouth College, West Long Branch, N.J., has initiated two graduate programs. One program will lead to the MS in physics and requires 24 credits of course work and a thesis for another six credits. The other program is designed for high-school teachers seeking to earn an MA in teaching with a major in physics. This course requires 24 physics credits and 12 educational course credits.

New Faculties Directory for Physics and Astronomy Issued

The American Institute of Physics, American Association of Physics Teachers and the American Astronomical Society have jointly issued *Directory of Physics and Astronomy Faculties 1967–1968*, (Doc. No. R-135.6). The new volume includes geographic as well as alphabetic listings of personnel at institutions in the US, Canada and Mexico. Copies have been sent to all department heads, and additional copies can be purchased ($3.00 prepaid, $3.50 nonprepaid) from the order department at AIP. □

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