

million per year. If NSF does not assume support, Suttle feels that Texas A & M will continue to run the cyclotron at a reduced rate. "I'm certain we wouldn't throw in the towel," he said.

In low-energy physics the biggest casualty was the Purdue Model FN tandem van de Graaff, which started operating in 1969. Because it was installed under an NSF institutional

grant, Kolstad said, AEC felt that NSF would feel a commitment to the Purdue machine. The \$350 000 contract is to terminate at the end of September, Rolf Steffen told us.

In high-energy physics, the Princeton-Pennsylvania Accelerator had been scheduled to close on 1 July. Already 575 truckloads of shielding and equipment have been sent out, largely

to national laboratories. Director Milton White has received a grant from the Fannie E. Rippel Foundation for \$230 000, which will keep the synchrotron running until September. The machine is being converted to a source of high-energy nitrogen ions for use in cancer therapy and biomedical studies. White hopes to get additional support for such work in the future. —GBI

the physics community

Aid for unemployed scientists and engineers

The \$42-million-dollar program to aid unemployed engineers and scientists that President Nixon announced on 1 April (*physics today*, May 1971, page 61) is now progressing under the administration of the Department of Labor. Emphasis is being placed on assisting people who were previously employed by companies depending upon aerospace or defense programs for at least 40% of their business and who are located in 14 areas that have been particularly hard hit by the research and development cutbacks.

\$14 million have so far been released to Labor Regional Manpower Administrators for Huntsville, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Jose, Cape Kennedy, Atlanta, Boston, St. Louis, Long Island, New York, Philadelphia, Dallas, Seattle, Wichita and Orange County in California.

Job-search grants for travel to interviews, relocation grants, and grants for on-the-job or institutional training are available to eligible engineers, scientists and technicians. Interested unemployed physicists in the 14 areas should register with the Regional Manpower Administrator through their local government employment office (see box).

APS Forum on physics and society calls for members

At the April meeting of the APS in Washington, members were invited to join the new APS Forum on Physics and Society.

In January 1969 a petition was circulated at the New York APS meeting urging that a new division of the APS, to be devoted to the study and discussion of the interrelations of physics, physicists and society, be formed (*physics today*, April 1969, page 79). In response to this petition, an *ad hoc* Committee on the Problems of Physics and Society was established to arrange programs of invited talks and recommend to the APS Council the appropriate long-range scope of "physics-and-

society" activities within the APS.

The concept of a Forum was evolved. After an overwhelmingly positive vote last December by the APS membership recommending the establishment of the Forum (*physics today*, April 1971, page 66), an organizing committee was appointed by APS President, Robert Serber. Preliminary Bylaws were submitted to the Council in April and it is anticipated that final Bylaws will be approved in October.

In the interim, membership in the

Forum (which "shall provide, for all members of the Society an opportunity for discussion and action on matters pertaining to the inter-relation of physics, physicists and society, in a manner consistent with the Constitution of the Society") is being solicited. APS members interested in joining the Forum should send their names to Seymour Koenig, organizing committee chairman, at the IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598.

Registration locations

Alabama	Huntsville	Alabama State Employment Service, 11004 Monroe Street
California	Los Angeles	3223 W. Sixth Street, 8th Floor Long Beach: 1313 Pine Avenue Van Nuys: 14404 Sherman Way West Covina: 933 South Glendora Ave.
	Orange County	Santa Ana: 2823 South Bristol
	San Diego	1354 Front Street
	San Jose	297 W. Hedding Street
Florida	Cape Kennedy	Florida State Employment Service, 840 Forest Avenue, Cocoa
Georgia	Atlanta	Georgia State Employment Service, 161 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Kansas	Wichita	Employment Security Division, 402 East Second Street
Massachusetts	Boston	Massachusetts State Employment Service, Room 128 Professional Service Center, 1605 Trapelo Road, Waltham
Missouri	St. Louis	Division of Employment Security, 505 Washington Avenue
New York	Long Island (Nassau and Suffolk Counties)	New York State Employment Service, Professional Office, 303 Old Country Road, Hicksville
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania State Employment Service 1406 Chestnut Street
Texas	Dallas	Texas Employment Commission, Commercial and Professional Office, 1507 Pacific Street
	Fort Worth	Texas Employment Commission, Commercial and Professional Office, 1614 Texas Street
Washington	Seattle	Washington Employment Security Agency, 515 Thomas Street