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over 1300 for the less glamorous Boeing 727, which did not violate the uncertainty principle.) This mesmerization has set the European aerospace industry back for at least a decade!

In research, innovation and risk may also be regarded as complementary variables. The bigger the innovation, the bigger the risk. We tend to remember the successes and forget the failures. In the decade following the Bohr atom, the list of famous physicists who worked on quantum mechanics is far longer than the few names we remember today. With the current emphasis on perfect research programs, there is a tendency to adopt the safe approach of putting the same problem on a slightly bigger computer for a slightly more accurate answer. These trends have contributed to the well-publicized breakdown of US innovation.

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Military strategy

Although Joseph J. Davaney (August 1984, page 15) claims to have only a very modest knowledge of foreign affairs, he still seems to overestimate it. This is shown by his lumping Finland together with a number of other countries as an example of Soviet aggression and enslavement. This is, of course, utter nonsense and very offending to the Finns. I suggest that Davaney first find out about how things really are before making such statements. A visit to Finland could be a good way to start.

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Corrections

January, page 63—In the article entitled "Applications of neutron scattering to biology" by Peter B. Moore, the last sentence in the second paragraph of the first column should read: One of the more interesting results obtained with low-resolution experiments so far, the location of protein spheres in a ribosome subunit, is shown in figure 1.

page 66—In the same article, in the first paragraph of the third column, the value for the scattering length of oxygen, b , should read $+0.58 \times 10^{-12}$ cm, and not $+0.667 \times 10^{-12}$ cm.

March, page 90—In the preview of the APS March meeting, the description of the John H. Dillon Medal should have indicated that the award was established in 1983 and first presented in 1984. □