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LETTERS

to the editor

Telepathy telepathy

Sir:

I would like to ask a question concerning the use of the term telepathy, as used in the *SCIENCE NEWS* of 10/28/67. The article by Patricia McBroom uses the term mental telepathy. It is my understanding that this use is redundant. Am I correct?

George Panos
Columbia, S.C.

(Webster's Third International Dictionary defines mental telepathy as mind reading and telepathy as apparent communication from one mind to another through other than sensory channels—a more appropriate term for the phenomena under discussion. Ed.)

Fruit juice and teeth

Sir:

As long as Vitamin C is being argued Pro and Con, I feel that I contribute some factual data.

The Dental Institute of The University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland, published a report 10/28/66, which was quite complete, and which carried a summary as follows:

"The effect of various fruit juices on the microhardness of enamel was investigated. Definite softening of enamel was found after exposure times of 2½ minutes only. It is recommended not to brush teeth with strongly abrasive tooth pastes immediately after the intake of acid juices or fruits."

Howard D. Vogt, President
Fluoritab Corporation
Flint, Michigan

Animals and emotion

Sir:

There appears to be an inconsistency in your article "Do Animals Feel Emotion?" (SN: 12/2). It concludes by noting that brain stimulation of animals is fragmentary and doesn't affect the basic emotional pattern. Whereas Patricia McBroom's otherwise splendid article on the brain says, "It is now possible with correctly implanted electrodes to control an animal emotionally and physically."

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of Social Science
New York, N.Y.

(The article dealing with emotional fragments concluded with the observation that some areas of the brain integrate these fragments into whole emotional behavior. These integrative areas can be stimulated with electrodes. Ed.)

We try to help

Sir:

Your article entitled "Fishmeal revolution" (SN: 11/11) is of very real interest to us, (particularly the work of) Carlos Diez de Sollano, the engineer in Mexico featured in your article, who has developed a one-ton fishmeal plant which can be mounted on small shrimp and fishing boats.

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