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THE LIVING TIDE, PART III: THE EDGE OF THE SEA. 16mm. color, sound, 11 min. Illustrates the great abundance of life to be found in the sea's shallow border and explores the ecology of the niche. The cycle of life at the sea's edge is clearly depicted. Audience: senior high, college. Purchase \$375 or rental \$16 from McGraw-Hill Films, Dept. DF, 330 W. 42nd St., New York, N. Y. 10036.

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THE POND, PART I: THE STANDING WATERS. 16mm, color, sound, 26 min. Detailed descriptions of the relationships of animals and plants within an ecosystem demonstrates the necessity for the maintenance of species. Traces the web of life in a pond environment from algae through herbivores, carnivores, and finally, vertebrates that live outside the limits of the pond. Function of each ecosystem is illustrated and explained. Audience: senior high school, college. Purchase \$340 or rental \$16 from McGraw-Hill Films, Dept. DF, 330 West 42nd, New York, N.Y. 10036.

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LETTERS

to the editor

Mother's Wages

I was pleased to notice (SN: 6/14, p. 578) a brief summary of the paper on "Mother's Wages" which I had presented at the National Conferenc on Social Welfare in New York last month.

Your summary gave the impression that the plan I propose "would result in considerable savings over the current public welfare program." This is not the case. If the plan is implemented major components of the current public welfare program would be eliminated and the costs of these programs, which are between \$2 billion and \$3 billion per year, could be saved. But, as a matter of fact, the plan itself would be rather expensive, an estimated \$90 billion per year.

In spite of the cost of the plan its implementation is economically feasible provided we are willing to reorder our national priorities and put human wellbeing at the top of the list.

David G. Gil, Professor Brandeis University Waltham, Mass.

'Never started'

A member of your reading public called our attention to the fact that your article, "June 30: moment of truth" (SN: 6/14, p. 574) said the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR would "take no more cigarette ads after current contracts run out."

We should probably mention that those contracts never had a start with the Monitor, since tobacco advertising has never been included in its columns!

> J. Buroughs Stokes, Manager Christian Science Committees on Publication Boston, Mass.

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