

GENERAL SCIENCE

260 Honorable Mentions

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► HONORABLE mentions to 179 boys and 81 girls in the Third Annual Science Talent Search have been announced by Science Clubs of America, bringing to 300 the high school seniors cited in this nation-wide selection of youth who have scientific ability.

The 260 awarded honorable mentions are located in 39 states and the District of Columbia. They were chosen from among some 15,000 entrants, 3,000 of whom completed the science aptitude examination, submitted recommendations and scholarship records and wrote essays on the subject, "My Scientific Project."

Forty entrants have already been announced as winners of trips to a five-day Science Talent Institute in Washington in March, where they will compete for \$11,000 in Westinghouse Science Scholarships.

All of those selected for honors will be recommended as students of unusual ability to scholarship-awarding colleges and universities.

It has been estimated that any boy who won honorable mention in the First Annual Science Talent Search was offered \$370.79 worth of scholarships. Any girl achieving such an honor averaged \$326.35 in possible scholarships. The total monetary value of honorable mention in the first search is estimated to be about \$78,000.

The honorable mentions in the Second Annual Science Talent Search were awarded and earned scholarships in similar or greater quantity, and there is every reason to believe that the boys and girls so honored this year will have the good fortune to qualify for valuable scholarships and other financial assistance in the colleges, universities and technical schools of their choice. The judges found all 300 winners to be students of outstanding ability.

Among the honorable mentions 35% of the boys and 37% of the girls are first or second in their high school graduating classes. They have studied science for some years: 30% of the boys have had at least four years of high school science and 22% of the girls have studied science for a similar period. A larger number have studied science for three

years: 73% of the boys; 64% of the girls.

All the honorable mentions have crowded records of extra-curricular activities. Science clubs are among the more popular activities: 35 of the girls belong to science clubs and 9 of them hold elective offices in them. As for the boys: 114 of them belong to science clubs and 38 of them are presidents of their clubs or hold other elective offices in them.

The Science Talent Search is made possible financially by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. and is conducted by Science Clubs of America, one of the activities of Science Service.

Science Clubs of America has more than 4,000 affiliated science clubs with 100,000 or more members with a vocational or avocational interest in science.

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SOCIOLOGY

Women Have Won Place In Industry Permanently

► WOMEN can do 80% of the jobs done by men and have won themselves a permanent place in industry, Dr. C. O. Sappington, of Chicago, reported to the Industrial Hygiene Foundation as a result of a Foundation-sponsored survey he has made in 54 war plants in 10 states.

Sick absences are higher for women but their accident rates are, generally speaking, lower, Dr. Sappington found. Women apparently are bothered by smaller ills and visit plant dispensaries more frequently than men but no outstanding health problems were found among the women war workers.

Dr. Sappington advises management that women in industry "cannot be taken for granted, neither should they be coddled or pampered. The best results are forthcoming when ordinary politeness, courtesy and consideration are used."

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