## Books of the Week

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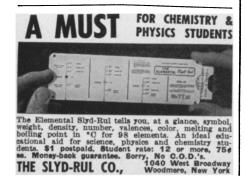
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Science Against Cancer—Pat McGrady— Public Affairs Committee, Pamphlet No. 324, 20 p., illus., paper, 25¢ direct to publisher, 22 E. 38th St., New York 16, N. Y. A look at the progress made in the fight against cancer. • Science News Letter, 81:140 Morch 3, 1962

### **Early Science Experiences**

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the data collected from the finalists at the 12th National Science Fair-International, it is important to note that 31% of the 385 were girls and that the work of these young feminine scientists demonstrated a high level of ability and wide range of interest.

Professional goals among the scientific disciplines were designated by 95% of the finalists when they were asked to describe their plans for the future. Almost a quarter of them look forward to careers in the medical sciences, 18% in engineering, 16% in physics, 13% in biological sciences, 9% in teaching, 7% in chemistry, 4% in mathematics, and so on.

A whole world of facts, questions and ideas discovered in books, magazines, professional journals, scientific papers and science news reports served as the springboard for 35% of the ingenious and competent projects shown by the finalists at the National Fair. Individual curiosity, observations, experiences or problems inspired 16% of the exhibits, and 14% came from school courses, laboratory work, teachers' suggestions, activities or books available at school. Almost as many, 12%, were the outgrowth of earlier projects carried out by the finalists; 6% came from discussions with professional scientists. Science institutes and seminars supplied 4%. Other sources of stimulating ideas were science fairs, family and family friends, scientific laboratories, summer or part-time jobs in science, television programs, and Navy Science Cruises awarded the finalists for the excellence of their projects at earlier science fairs.

The backgrounds of these young men and women are varied, with 46.7% coming from homes where both parents continued their education beyond high school, 25.9% from homes where one parent has had some college training, and 27.5% from those where neither parent has had any advanced education. A total of 62.6% of their

fathers attended college, with 40% attaining degrees (the degrees included 24 doctorates, five in medicine, eight in law, 31 master's and 81 bachelor's degrees.)

Some college background was reported for 56% of their mothers, and 26% earned degrees. Thirty-seven percent of their mothers are employed and, of those who work, 59% are professionally employed (39% as teachers); 37% work in clerical, sales or service jobs. Two mothers hold managerial positions, one works in a factory and one is a farmer.

The occupations of the fathers include 38% in the professions, 29% in clerical, sales and service positions, 16% in mana-

gerial or ownership categories, 7% in factory, construction or unskilled jobs and 6% in farming and ranching.

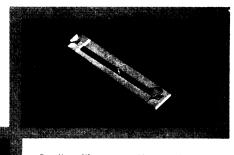
The 385 pre-scientists chosen to be finalists at the international event were selected by the judges of 200 cooperating fairs in 45 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Germany-France-Italy, Japan, Canada and Thailand. These cooperating fairs, which exhibited some 68,000 projects to 1,760,000 visitors, were, in turn, supported by local school fairs with exhibits estimated to total more than three-quarters of a million. These projects were seen by nearly four million people.

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