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NEWS ITEMS

412 Smog Threatens Cotton Crop.

Smog, the bane of many Southern California agricultural crops, now poses a potential threat to the state's number one cash farm crop, cotton. University of California farm advisors in the cotton producing regions, primarily the San Joaquin and Imperial Valleys, have reported a peculiar blotching of cotton leaves and leaf drop. Laboratory conditions have proved that certain smog components cause the same conditions. University scientists have reason to believe that the present encroachment of smog into the cotton producing areas will increase in severity and extent with the inevitable increases in industrial and urban development.

-- Am. Soc. Civil Eng., Sanitary Eng. Div. News 90, Pt. 2, 17-8 (April, 1964)

413 Gordon Research Conference in Water Pollution.

The 1964 Gordon Research Conference on Environmental Science and Engineering (theme: Microchemical Contaminants in Water) will meet at the New Hampton School, New Hampton, New Hampshire, June 15-19, 1964. Attendance is limited to 100 participants. Address inquiries to Dr. W. George Parks, Director, Gordon Research Conferences, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, Rhode Island.

-- Am. Soc. Civil Eng., Sanitary Eng. Div. News 90, Pt. 2, 17-22 (April, 1964)

414 National Association of Sanitarians.

The 28th annual educational conference of the National Association of Sanitarians sponsored by the Pennsylvania Society of Professional Sanitarians will be held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., June 28 to July 3. Further information may be obtained from George Zechman, 28th AEC Planning Committee, 500 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa., 19146.

-- New Engl. J. Med. 270, 642 (March 19, 1964)

415 Quarantine Rules.

The Japanese Welfare Ministry is planning strict quarantine measures in connection with the 1964 Olympic Games scheduled in Tokyo in October. It is building a new quarantine station at Tokyo International Airport to prevent spread of diseases that might be brought in by the anticipated 7,000 athletes and 100,000 foreign spectators.

-- AMA News 7, 1 (March 30, 1964)

416 Alcohol Consumption.

One of the nation's largest distilleries reported that consumption of distilled spirits in the U.S. in 1962 reached an all-time high of 254 million gallons—a 5% increase over the 1961 total of 240 million gallons. It was the eighth consecutive year in which national rate of consumption increased. -- AMA News 7, 1 (March 30, 1964)

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