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SHORT REPORTS

AAAS RESEARCH FUNDS

Each year the American Association for the Advancement of Science provides a refund of the membership dues for AAAS to state academies of science. These funds are to be used to support research activities in the state for high school students, high school teachers, and college teachers. The Iowa Academy has utilized these funds to support several projects in years past. However, there has been concern that more persons did not know of the availability of the funds.

Last spring the Board of Directors of the Iowa Academy appointed Dr. Leland Johnson of the Biology Department of Drake University as the chairman of a committee to direct the AAAS research program in Iowa. Dr. Johnson will be publicizing the program further throughout the state. Special application procedures and forms are available. Persons interested in modest research grants to support scientific investigations may write directly to Dr. Johnson for further information.

IOWA SECTION OF AAPT

The Annual Fall Meeting of the Iowa Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers will be held November 18, 1967, at The University of Iowa, Iowa City. High school, junior college, and the college teachers of physics may apply for membership by writing to William Azbell, Secretary-Treasurer, Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa. All persons interested and involved with physics teaching should plan to attend.

DEDICATION OF SCIENCE BUILDING

The new Becker Hall of Science at Wartburg College will be dedicated on November 10, 11, and 12. Dr. Harold Urey, Nobel Prize Winner, is scheduled to speak at the ceremonies.

MARKING THE CALENDAR FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Please send notices of special meetings for Academy members to the Journal Editor. We hope that the Journal can be used even further as a means of communication by Academy members.

At least six weeks before the date for release of the future issues (October 1, December 1, February 1, and April 1) is needed to guarantee inclusion.

NSF AWARD TO IOWA ACADEMY

The National Science Foundation has awarded another $5,000 grant to conduct a fourth Junior Academy of Science Symposium in Iowa. The funds are used to support Newsletters, the Proceedings of the Junior Academy, and subsistence for sixty students at the spring meeting. High school students work with members of the Iowa Academy of Science during the year in a research study. When possible the students work in the laboratory of a practicing scientist in industry or a college. The Scientist-Advisers, who are members of the Academy, assist students with project ideas, research procedures, collection of results, interpretation of data, and concluding statements. The program is designed to illustrate the nature of the scientific enterprise to high-ability secondary students by having them