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## News and Notes - NSTA Meeting

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## NEWS and NOTES

### Iowa Academy of Science

April 21 and 22 is the date for the Spring meeting of the academy. It will be held at Drake University. Titles of articles members wish to have included on the program should be sent to David Fagle, Marshalltown Community College, Marshalltown, Iowa.

### NSTA Meeting

All ISTS members should request released time to attend the NSTA meetings scheduled from March 17-21 in Detroit, Michigan. Several ISTS members are scheduled to present papers.

### Membership Problems

Robert Cook, our 1967 membership chairman, is working diligently to correct problems of recent years. If anyone has errors to report, please contact him at the Science Education Center at the University of Iowa. New membership cards are ready for issue. Mr. Cook reports that the membership role for 1967 is considerably reduced over our five hundred plus members for 1966.

Anyone submitting dues (five dollar check) and membership form after October 1 is automatically considered a member for the next calendar year. Anyone paying dues after January 1 and before October 1, 1967 will be considered a paid up member for 1967.

### Molecular Biology Institute at University of Iowa

Fifty secondary biology teachers will be selected for a summer institute centered at the University of Iowa during the 1967 Summer Session which operates between June 13 to August 9. Instruction in organic chemistry for biologists, biochemistry, and a survey of molecular biology will characterize the curriculum. The Blue Version of the BSCS courses will be used as a model for the sessions.

Applications will be accepted through February 15. Materials are available from Dr. Robert E. Yager, Director of the Institute at the U of I.

### Summer Opportunities for Gifted Secondary Students

The University of Iowa will again conduct Secondary Science Training Programs as a part of a national project supported by funds from the National Science Foundation. The projects are under the direction of Dr. Robert E. Yager. Application forms can be secured by writing Dr. Yager.

One of the programs (the fifth one at the University) is a research experience. The participants will work directly in a research laboratory of a practicing scientist. Each student will have his or her own project on which time and effort will be spent. Applicants from large high schools will be favored in this program.

The other programs, the eighth successive one to be held at U of I, is characterized by six rather unique courses. Basically there are three parts each with two courses comprising it. One part is biochemistry, a second earth science, and a third mathematics. Students from smaller high schools are given preference for this program.

### State OBTA Nominations

It is time to request nomination forms for Iowa's Outstanding Biology Teacher Award. It is only necessary to be nominated once. Each year all previously nominated teachers are reconsidered for selection.

American Optical Company has generously offered to provide a Series 55 Binocular Microscope, Model N50 BUAQW to each state winner.

Nomination forms may be obtained from: Paul W. Tweeten, Science Education, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.

### South East Meeting

Mr. Donald Worster, Regional Director for the Southeast has announced that the 1967 Regional Meeting of ISTS in this region will take place at Keokuk Junior High School on February 21. Everyone in the region should mark the date now on his calendar.