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## ABSTRACTS AND NOTES

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**Criminology Sessions at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science**—A program in Criminology was offered on December 27 and 28 as a part of the total program of the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, in Indianapolis. It was sponsored by: Society for the Advancement of Criminology, Institute for Research in Crime and Delinquency, Association for the Psychiatric Treatment of Offenders, Section K of the A.A.A.S.

The program was arranged by Donal E. J. MacNamara, Richard Steinmetz and Robert H. Gault.

The theme of the first session, Robert H. Gault presiding, was, "Advances in Theoretical Criminology and Penology." Dr. Melitta Schmideberg was discussion leader and Gene Ann Condon, Rapporteur. Papers were given on the following subjects:

"The Theory of Individualism", by Robert H. Gault.

"Moral Attitudes of American Youth," by Dr. H. H. Remmers.

"Medico-Legal Approach to Narcotic Addiction", by Judge Morris Ploscowe.

"Peripheral Concepts in Corrections", by Dr. Negley K. Teeters.

"Sex Crimes and Sex Perversions," by Prof. James Reinhardt.

"The New Penology: Fact or Fiction," by Alfred C. Schnur.

The luncheon meeting on December 27th was presided over by Judge Morris Ploscowe. Dean Donal E. J. MacNamara gave an address on the subject, "Wire Tapping—An Objective Appraisal."

The theme of the afternoon session, December 27, was "Advances in Inter-Disciplinary Approaches to Crime and Delinquency." Dr. Herbert Bloch acted as Chairman, Dr. Negley K. Teeters as Discussion Leader, and Dr. Lois Higgins as Rapporteur. Papers were given on the following subjects:

"A Critical Analysis of the Royal Commission Report on Prostitution and Homosexuality," by Canio L. Zarrilli.

"Identifying and Treating Potential Alcoholics," by Dr. Roger J. Williams.

"Analysis of Prison Disciplinary Problems," by Dr. Vernon Fox.

"Selecting and Training Correctional Personnel," by Dr. Clyde Vedder.

"Problems of Sentencing: Practices and Methods in American Courts," by Judge Morris Ploscowe.

"The Treatment of Patients with Behavioral Reactions in a Private Mental Hospital," by Joseph Satten, M.D.

At the evening session on December 27 a "Crime Symposium" was held. It was presided over by Dr. Nicholas Pansegrouw. A film was shown—NATB "Automobile Fires."

The third session was presided over by Donal E. J. MacNamara. The theme—"Advances in Police Administration." Discussion Leader, Sheriff Lohman; Rapporteur, Prof. Shelby Gallien. Papers were offered as follows:

"Police-Fire Integration in American Cities", by Charles James.

"Metropolitan Police Districts—Pro and Con," by Sheriff Lohman

"The Role of the Policewoman in General Police Work," by Dr. Lois Higgins.

"New Jersey Municipal Police Survey," by Donal E. J. MacNamara.

"Modern Methods in Police Training," by Roland Soule.

"An Experiment in Police Personnel Selection," by John Duffy.

At the luncheon meeting on the 28th, Dr. Marcel Frym presiding, Dr. Herbert Bloch gave an address on "Juvenile Delinquency—Myth or Threat."

Captain Robert Borkenstein presided over the final session. The theme was, "Advances in Scientific Crime Detection." Discussion Leader, Prof. Joseph E. Nicol, Rapporteur, Prof. Richard Myren. Papers were offered as follows:

"Extracting Flammable Substances in Arson Investigations," by Prof. Joseph Nicol.

"Problems in Proving Drunk Driving," by Capt. Robert Borkenstein.

"Critique of Field-Laboratory Relations in Criminal Investigations," by John Duffy.

"Problems in Tool Mark Examinations," by Roger S. Greene.

"Scientific Crime Detection vs Privacy and Civil Rights," by Donald E. J. MacNamara.

"Criminalistics: The Thin Line of Success," by Paul L. Kirk.