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The 7th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON PHOTOSYNTHESIS will be held at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island 02912 USA (contact Dr. J. Biggins), August 10-15, 1986. The symposia will focus on electrochemistry, biochemistry, and development.

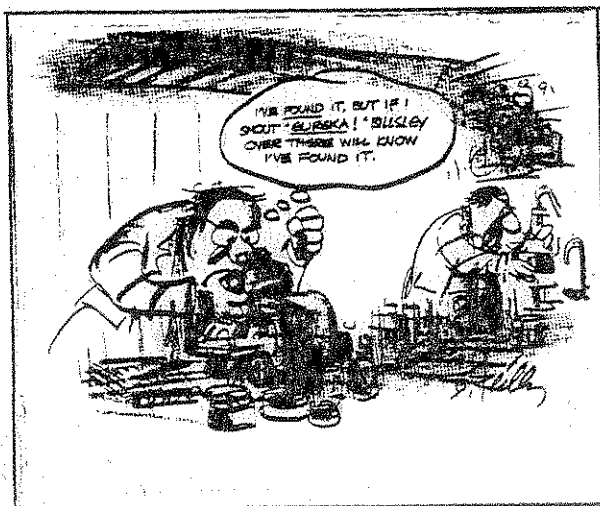
For those who did not attend the 5th INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PHOTOSYNTHETIC PROKARYOTES in Grindelwald this summer, a limited number of copies of the collected abstracts are available. There may also be a second printing, if demand warrants. The congress was dominated by reports on cyanobacteria and purple sulfur bacteria: ecology, physiology and metabolism, photosynthetic structure, and genetics. The organizer, Prof. H. Zuber, has asked me to collect requests for a second printing, or, I suppose you can write to him directly: Prof. H. Zuber, Institut für Molekularbiologie und Biophysik, Eidg. Technische Hochschule, ETH-Honggerberg, CH-8093 Zurich, Switzerland. The cost will be about \$20 U.S., but DO NOT SEND MONEY UNTIL ASKED!

Proceedings of the 6th INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON NITROGEN FIXATION (August 4-10, 1985, Corvallis, Oregon, USA) have been published under the title Nitrogen Fixation Research Progress, edited by H.J. Evans, P.J. Bottomley, and W.E. Newton, and published by Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, Dordrecht, Boston, and Lancaster.

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A few correspondents have commented that it would be informative to read about NEGATIVE EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS. For example, S. Nierzwicki-Bauer was curious to hear what media have failed to support growth of *Anabaena azollae* isolated from its symbiotic partner. If you have expended a good deal of energy on a project that did not turn out as you hoped, despair not! Your efforts might still provide a useful starting point for your successor.

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