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BERKNER FORESEES SCHOOLS OF GEOSCIENCES CUTTING ACROSS
DEPARTMENTAL LINES OF UNIVERSITY ORGANIZATION

COLLEGE STATION -- With the whole earth as his laboratory, the geoscientist must not only be trained in many basic sciences, but also must develop new and extraordinary measures of international good will, co-operation and confidence, Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner said here tonight.

Speaking at Texas A & M University, the Dallas scientist predicted that schools or institutes of geosciences, cutting across existing university departmental lines, are inevitable. This is true, he said, because the combined earth and planetary sciences are unified out of present basic fields, yet require their own developments of instrumentation and theory.

Often termed the "father of the International Geophysical Year," which was the first large-scale co-operative study of the whole earth and near space, Doctor Berkner heads the Graduate Research Center of the Southwest in Dallas.

The new activity of geosciences, he said, offers opportunity without parallel to the student; but, he said, he must find opportunity for research at undergraduate level and must be allowed to pursue any suitable question concerning the planetary system at graduate level.

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