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1. Dr. Kausche\* and Dr. Wittbrodt\* of the DDR State Planning Commission are planning to procure a selected group of foreign scientific publications as an aid to university and industrial research. Sixty-five copies of each publication selected will be required to fill this need.
2. Dr. Kausche has repeatedly attempted to procure urgently required platinum from Russia for the manufacture of crucibles used in the production of certain special purpose glass by the Zeiss Jena concern. However, the procurement of this commodity appears to be impossible.
3. Through the intermediary of the State Planning Commission, an instrument, apparently a type of plumb lot capable of measuring height above ground, is being developed for the SCC in Karlshorst. However, the production of this instrument has been delayed. Zeiss has produced a mirror microscope which has been "loaned" to Karlshorst "for a test".
4. Dr. Bischoff of Zeiss is reported to have stated that development and designing at Zeiss is at a low ebb since the concern has only 150 designers. This shortage of designer engineers has already stopped the development of the direct vision microscope.

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