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QUESTIONNAIRE ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A SECTION ON GENETICS WITHIN THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The following questionnaire was mailed, with a minimum of comment:

A. Would you favor the formation of a Genetics Section in the N.A.S.?

Yes No Undecided or indifferent

B. If such a section were formed would you be inclined to joining it yourself?

Yes No Undecided or indifferent

The questionnaires were mailed to the members of sections 7, 8, and 14 (Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry)

Summary of returns: (Yes = 2, No = 1, Undecided etc = 0).

Table with columns: Section, Members, Returns, and 18 response categories (22-00, -1, -2, -0, 1-, 2-, 0-). Includes handwritten 'B' and 'A' above columns 13 and 16 respectively.

Question A: 29:58:32 in percent 24:49:27 no, yes, ?

Conclusion: Opinion in sections 7 and 8 is almost evenly divided on the desirability of a new section on genetics. Section 14, which may be less vitally interested, favors it strongly but would lose only 1 number to it.

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