

Cybernetics and Society

A Symposium

Gaston Hall, Healy Building Georgetown University 37th and O Streets, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007

Program

Thursday, November 19

9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

Very Reverend Edward B. Bunn, S.J. President of Georgetown University

9:10 a.m. Keynote Address

John Diebold

John Diebold Associates

9:45 a.m. "The Basic Concepts of Cybernetics and Their Relevance to the

Science of Society" Charles R. Dechert

Purdue University

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

10:45 a.m. "The Economic and Social Impact of Cybernetics:

Problems of Social Reorganization"

Robert Theobald

Columbia University Seminar on Technology and

Social Change

11:30 a.m. Panel Discussion

Alfred De Grazia

Earl De Long

Frank Fremont-Smith, M.D.

12:30 p.m. Luncheon * (New South Hall)

"Youth and Education in an Automated Society"

John I. Snyder, Jr.

President, U.S. Industries, Inc.

^{*} By invitation.

2:00 p.m. "Cybernetics and Public Order" Frederick B. Wood Computer Consultant; Campbell, California

3:00 p.m. "Cybernetics and the International Community"
Vincent Rock
The George Washington University

3:45 p.m. Coffee Hour

4:00 p.m. "Philosophical and Theological Implications of the Concepts and Models of Cybernetics"

W. Norris Clarke, S.J.
Fordham University

5:00 p.m. Panel Discussion Robert Livingston George Pettee William Roberts Josef Sebes, S.J.

7:00 p.m. Dinner ** (New South Hall)
"A Humanistic Technology"
Vice Admiral Hyman Rickover, U.S.N.

Friday, November 20

9:00 a.m. "Cybernetics and the Enhancement of Life: Ethical Problems and Social Possibilities"

Donald Michael
Institute of Policy Research

10:00 a.m. "Cybernetics and the Unconscious"
Ulric Neisser
Brandeis University

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

11:15 a.m. Panel Discussion Frederick Crosson Eugene Konecci Carl F. Stover

^{**} By ticket only.

12:15 p.m. Luncheon *

2:00 p.m. "Soviet Cybernetics"

John Ford

The American University

3:00 p.m. "Cybernetics and Marxism-Leninism"

Maxim W. Mikulak

State University College, Fredonia, N.Y.

3:45 p.m. Coffee Hour

4:00 p.m. "Cybernetics and Human Culture: Relevance of Cybernetics

to Ethical and Spiritual Values"

Marshall McLuhan

Center for Culture and Technology, University of Toronto

5:00 p.m. Panel Discussion

Charles Bowen Paul Henshaw

Charles M. Herzfeld

Chester Leese

5:45 p.m. Concluding Comments

Paul Henshaw

Acting President, American Society for Cybernetics



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