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POLICE-STATE TOTALITARIAN TACTICS at JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

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To: Beverly Wendland, Dean, Johns Hopkins University

Upon attending the 2018/10/18 [JHU History-of-science] colloquium on Benj.Banneker, *DIO*'s Editor & I were accosted by a **POLICE**-backed, aggressive JHU security-person. ([Hist.sci] called in a cop when I attended [www.dioi.org/dgs.pdf] Swerdlow's [1997] talk.) Whoever phoned police must have hugely Mischaracterized (not to use blunter language) what happened at the 10/4 meeting, to cause such an attitude on the part of the confronter. [***DIO* Editor Rob't Bryce's record of speech-police threat: www.dioi.org/bryam.doc.**]

No audience queries to 10/18's presenter (on an astronomer) were on astronomy, in part because the only astronomer present (DR) was prevented from asking questions. The department's desperate fear that its students might be infected by heresy is palpable. Just how legit is a dep't that **flaunts** such contempt for simple freedom of speech? The 2018/10/18 incident is summarized in a Postscript appended to our 2018/10/5 letter, **www.dioi.org/jhya5.pdf** [with bracketed-inserts for context &] attached to this email, [along with] www.dioi.org/jhyag.pdf, our other (10/16) letter to you. Also attached: *DIO* 22, www.dioi.org/vols/wm0.pdf, with convenient links (& allowing Control-F to key words). [*DIO* 22 was distributed to attendees just before the 2018/10/4 Hist.sci colloquium.]

During the weeks since our 1st alert (10/5), have you checked with Hist.sci to get its side? Challenged the History-of-science Dep't or other dep'ts to find misstatements in *DIO* 22? Or perhaps found a highschool teacher to be entertained by *Isis*' special idea of math? [Further: www.dioi.org/jhyb6.pdf; www.dioi.org/jhyb9.pdf; www.dioi.org/xxyb6.doc.]

The fundamental question at issue is this: will Johns Hopkins University continue to look away as *Isis*, **the #1 journal of the history-of-science field**, continues to print "Johns Hopkins University" on *Isis*' official list of its Advisory Editors, www.journals.uchicago.edu/journals/isis/board, even while (www.dioi.org/jm01.pdf) *Isis* [1] appropriates credit for [steals] another's discovery; [2] due to *Isis*' **pseudo**-refereed amateur confusions (of solar&lunar eclipses and addition&subtraction!), labels Delusional highly competent, expert-scientists-refereed research; and [3] cuts communication upon being faced with [1]&[2]? Griffith Observatory confirmed both [2]-disgraces ere printing them at *Griffith Observer* 82.8 p.16, along with a list of the many top scientific sources historians of science keep avoiding, as part of their cult's weird, decades-long mission of exiling an alien's triple-1%-fit discovery of precisely how ancients gauged Earth's size. *Griffith Observer*'s source-list is fully reprinted at [www.dioi.org/jm02.pdf pp.42-43].

Inspirational model for academic ideals? We can do better. Hope to hear from you soon.

Meanwhile, remember: great universities allowing their names to be used by closed, self-perpetuating, & scientist-aversive History-of-science departments are the sole cause of sacred-if-ludicrous Hist.sci cult-tenets (Greek non-empiricism, www.dioi.org/jl09.pdf, and a faker-astrologer's elevation to iconic Greatness) fouling public perception, against all evidence, for decades on end. As Johns Hopkins' brilliant physicist R.Newton put it:

Subtractions from the sum of human knowledge.