TABLE I

Days of incabation	Quantity of keto acids, mg/100 ml	Stage of Development
4	1.03	Only filementous vege- tative
8	1 · 3	Immature perithecial stage
12	1 · 33	Mature per ithecia

nishes with ageing, since the process of growth slows down considerably. Similar observation have been reported by some earlier workers in higher plants^{4,5}.

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NATIONAL SOLAR ENERGY CONVENTION

The National Solar Energy Convention organised by the Central Salt and Marine Chemicals Research Institute, Bhavnagar, will be held from December 20-22, 1978 at C.S.M.C.R.I., Bhavnagar.

The Convention will have nine sessions dealing, with the following areas: (i) Photovoltaics, Photochemistry, Photobiology and Radiation, (ii) Solar Flat Plate Collectors, (iii) Solar Concentrators, (iv) Solar Thermal Power System, (v) Space Heating and Cooling, (vi) Energy Storage, (vii) Selective Coatings, (viii) Rural Applications (ix) Industrial Applications.

A two-day Pre-Convention Workshop on December 18 and 19, 1978 on Desalination, Solar Ponds, and Solar Energy for Rural Development has been planned.

Solar Energy Scientists and Engineers are invited to send their papers for presentation at the Convention. The following time schedule shall be followed: Receipt of Abstracts: April 30, 1978, Receipt of full Papers: July 30, 1978.

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AWARD OF RESEARCH DEGREES

M.S. University of Baroda has awarded the Ph.D. degree in Botany to Shri Paresh Hariprasad Bhatt; Ph.D. degree in Psychology to Shri Vithaldas Ratansinh Thakkar; Ph.D. degree in Engineering to Shri Suryakant Narsinhbhai Patell.

Utkal University, Bhubaneshwar, has awarded the Ph.D. degree in Botany to Shri G. Mohan Rao; Ph.D. degree in Chemistry to Mrs. Steelekha Dash Bhattamisra; Ph.D. degree in Chemistry to Shri Himanshu Kumar Patnaik.

Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, has awarded the PhD. degree in Agriculture to

Shri T. Kumaraswami, Shri M. Thankappan, Shri S. Sithanantham.

Kakatiya University, Warangoll, has awarded the Ph.D. degree in Botany to Shri P. Laxminarayana; Ph.D. degree in Physics to Shri M. Jagan Mohan Rao.

University of Cochin has awarded the Ph.D. degree in the Faculty of Science to Shri S. Sasidharan Nair.

Osmania University, Hyderabad, has awarded the Ph.D. degree in Physics to Shri S. G. Satyanarayana; Ph.D. degree in Chemistry to Shri M. Hari Babu; Ph.D. degree in Botany to Shri P. V. Rajeswara Rao.