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Austrian-born American physicist and geophysicist who was one of the guiding leaders of the International Geophysical Year (1957-58). Singer was an early proponent of using rockets for geophysical research and the launching of artificial satellites in the late 1940s. (He published *Geophysical Research with Artificial Earth Satellites* in 1956.) Other research by Singer dealt with the origins of cosmic rays, geomagnetic storms, and auroras. His IGY research would make a fundamental contribution to the study of the history of the solar system as well as astrogeological theory.