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CSTHA/AHSTC NEWS

The Sixth Kingston Conference was held at the Donald Gordon Centre, Queen's University, 13-15 October 1989, attended by ninety-five enthusiastic participants. The Biennial General Meeting of the Canadian Science and Technology Historical Association/Association pour l'histoire de la science et de la technologie au Canada elected Yves Gingras, Professor of History of the Université du Québec à Montréal, as president along with two new directors, Jennifer Hubbard of the University of Toronto and Professor David Zimmerman of the University of Victoria. Retiring president Norman R. Ball, now at the University of Waterloo, became the fourth recipient of the Association's Service Award.

Plans for the Seventh Kingston Conference are now underway; the meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 1991 in Ottawa. The Programme Chair is Dr Philip Enros of the Science Council of Canada, and the Local Arrangements Chair is Donald J.C. Phillipson. Members with ideas for paper sessions should contact Dr Enros for further information.

CSTHA/AHSTC CANADA-AUSTRALIA WORKSHOP

The Canadian Science and Technology Historical Association is a sponsor of the first Canada-Australia Workshop on Science and Technology, to be held July 5-7, 1990, at Dunsmuir Lodge of the University of Victoria. Dr Roy MacLeod, Professor of History at the University of Sydney and Prof Richard Jarrell of York University are the workshop coordinators. The workshop will bring together a small number of Canadian and Australian historians of science and technology who have been matched by subject in hopes that comparative lessons can be drawn from our respective historical research. Australian participants include Dr John Mulvaney (Australian National University), Dr Ian Rae (Monash), Dr Rod Home (Melbourne), Dr A.T. Ross (Australian Defence Forces Academy) and Dr David Branagan (Sydney). Canadian participants are Dr Gail Avrith (Royal Ontario Museum), David Zimmerman (Victoria), James Hull (Okanagan), Suzanne Zeller (Wilfrid Laurier) and Yves Gingras (UQAM). The subjects to be discussed are: the nature of Canadian and Australian science; anthropology; geology; chemistry and industry; defence science and technology; and physics.

Commentators will be drawn from amongst scholars in British Columbia. A limited number of places for auditors will be available to CSTHA mem-

bers who are in the Victoria area at the time. Please contact Prof David Zimmerman, Dept of History, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC, for further information.

ICOHTEC MEETING

The International Committee for the History of Technology (ICOHTEC) organizes occasional conferences on a variety of themes in the history of technology. The Canadian adhering body to ICOHTEC is the National Research Council. Participation is through the Canadian National Committee of the International Union for History and Philosophy of Science. The CSTHA/AHSTC nominates the ICOHTEC representative to the National Committee; for the past few years, our representative has been Arnold Roos. The new representative will be Prof Norman Ball. The next ICOHTEC symposium will be held at the Conservatoire national des arts et métiers in Paris 8-13 July 1990, on the general theme of 'National Science and Technology.'

Two specific themes for the Paris meeting are (1) relations between thermodynamics and its applications; (2) the role of engineers in town and country planning. Registration deadline is 31 March 1990. The organizer is: Alexandre Herlea, Conservatoire national des arts et métiers/Musée national des techniques, 292, rue Saint-Martin, 75141 Paris Cedex 03; Tel: 33 (1) 40 27 20 62.

Further information on ICOHTEC can be directed to the Secretary-General, Dr R. A. Buchanan, Centre for the History of Technology, University of Bath, Bath BA2 7AY, England.

CANADIAN STUDIES OVERSEAS

The International Council for Canadian Studies has recently published a guide to foreign government awards for 1990-91. These awards are primarily for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows who wish to pursue studies in any subject in foreign countries offering awards. Awards are currently available from Austria, Belgium (French and Flemish communities), Colombia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland and Yugoslavia. It is assumed that candidates have a working knowledge of the language. A copy of Foreign Government Awards may be obtained by writing to the International Council for Canadian Studies, 2 Daly, Ottawa, Ont. K1N 6E2/Tel: (613) 232-0417/FAX (613) 232-2495.

HISTORY OF SCIENCE AT THE WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY PRESS

The Wilfrid Laurier University Press published a number of works in the history of Canadian science during the early 1980s, including a number of National Research Council histories and the proceedings of the First Kingston Conference. The editors are considering the possibility of renewing their interest in the field and would like to hear from prospective authors with a view to publishing separate works or, if the demand is sufficient, for creating a series. Anyone with an interest in this programme should contact Mr William Fizet, Acquisitions Editor, Wilfrid Laurier University Press, Waterloo, Ont N2L 3C5; Tel: (519) 884-1970, X 2124; FAX (519) 886-9351.

RECENT THESES

Gerald McCabe, 'Regulation of the Telephone Industry in Canada: the Formative Years,' MA thesis, McGill University.

NEW INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY NEWSLETTER

The International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage (TICCIH) is dedicated to preserving industrial sites of national importance in all countries. Although the international organization dates from 1978, the Canadian branch was formed only in 1988. In the fall of 1989, the Canadian committee launched its newsletter *Machines*, produced by Louise Trottier (NMST), Julie Harris, Alec Barbour (Parks Canada) and Chris Andreae. Several of those involved in the TICCIH are also members of CSTHA/AHSTC and our members are invited to join with them. Further information, and copies of *Machines*, may be obtained from: ICOMOS Canada, PO Box 737, Station B, Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5R4.