

to Classical Electrochemistry, other topics included Electro-synthesis, Electroanalytical Chemistry, Fundamental Electrochemistry, Industrial Electrochemistry, Electrode Systems and pH Measurement. This symposium, organized by John Stock of the University of Connecticut, will be published as an ACS Symposium Series Volume some time later this year. Division members will receive a substantial discount if they purchase the book using the coupon which will appear in this *Bulletin*.

Other features of the program were two half-day sessions of general papers dealing with interesting chemical personalities, industries specific to Canada, textbooks, chemical education and biochemistry. The regular presidential cachet paper was replaced, appropriately enough for this meeting, by a paper on the 1893 World's Congress of Chemists.

One very lovely feature among the HIST-related events was the opening of the Croft Chapter House, the first chemistry laboratory at the University of Toronto, and the display therein of chemical memorabilia held by the University. This event was orchestrated by Drs. W. A. E. McBryde and R. Freisen of the University of Waterloo with the cooperation of the University of Toronto Archivist, Dr. Richardson.

I would like to commend my two programming counterparts who so ably worked with me in preparation for this meeting, Dr. W. A. E. (Peter) McBryde and Dr. Silvia Tejada from UNAM, Mexico City.

Finally, a brief reminder that the Los Angeles meeting is almost here. The Hahn/Strassmann Golden Anniversary Symposium will take place on Monday, and the Dexter Award Session and Luncheon will be on Tuesday. Also on Tuesday will be the third in our series of Information Sources in the History of Chemistry, and specifically California and the West Coast. Please also note that the deadline for paper titles for the Dallas meeting is November 20.

Mary Virginia Orna, College of New Rochelle

AWARDS

The Dexter Award

The 1988 Dexter Award for outstanding accomplishment in the history of chemistry has been awarded to Dr. Lutz F. Haber of Bath, England. The award, which consists of a cash prize of \$2,000 and an engraved plaque, will be presented to Dr. Haber at the Divisional Luncheon in Los Angeles.

Born in Berlin in 1921, the son of Charlotte Nathan and Fritz Haber, winner of the 1919 Nobel Prize in Chemistry, Dr. Haber received his early education in Germany and Switzerland. Moving to England in 1936, he received a B.Sc. in Economics from the London School of Economics and a Ph.D. from the University of London. His subsequent career has spanned the private industrial sector, government employ-



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ment and academia. From 1946-1949 he worked for an oil refinery in Manchester; from 1949-1963 for I.C.I. Ltd., and from 1963-1967 for Esso. This was followed by a three-year stint with the National Economic Development Office and by his appointment in 1970 as Reader in Economics at the University of Surrey-Guildford, from which he retired in 1986.

Dr. Haber's contributions to the history of chemistry rest on his two book-length studies of the European chemical industry: *The Chemical Industry During the 19th Century* and *The Chemical Industry: 1900-1930* and his volume *The Poisonous Cloud: Chemical Warfare in the First World War*, all of which have been published by Oxford University Press.

Persons wishing to nominate or renominate candidates for the 1989 Dexter Award should send their recommendations to the Divisional Secretary by 1 January 1989. New submissions should include a letter of nomination and a complete vita for the candidate. Reprints of not more than three recent publications may also be included.

The Outstanding Paper Award

The Outstanding Paper Award for 1988 has been awarded to Dr. Jeffrey L. Sturchio of AT&T Bell Labs for his paper "Charles Frederick Chandler (1836-1925) and the American Chemical Society," presented at the 1987 Spring National Meeting in Denver, Colorado.

Dr. Sturchio holds a B.A. in History from Princeton University and a Ph.D. in the History and Sociology of Science from the University of Pennsylvania. After teaching at the New Jersey Institute of Technology, he was appointed in 1984 as the Associate Director of the Center for History of Chemistry, a position which he held until his transfer to Bell Laboratories early this year.

Besides his activities on the Executive Committee of HIST,

Dr. Sturchio is active in the Society for the History of Technology and the History of Science Society, where he has served in various advisory and editorial capacities. In addition to numerous papers, he is a coauthor of the volume *Chemistry in America, 1876 - 1976: Historical Indicators* and has also contributed to *Corporate History and the Chemical Industries: A Resource Guide*. His current research interests focus on the history of industrial research and development in the United States, the history of polymers and material science, and the relations of science, technology and urban culture in late 19th-century America.



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NOTES FROM MEMBERS

William A. Cole (Pacific Palisades, CA) has recently had a book entitled *Chemical Literature: 1700-1860* published by Mansell of London. The book is a detailed annotated bibliography of more than 1400 selected items belonging to the *William A. Cole Collection of Books on the History of Chemistry*, and selected as representing major contributions to the chemical literature of the period.

Bert Ramsay (Eastern Michigan University) reports that he has been promoted from associate to full member of the ACS Committee on Meetings and Expositions for 1988.

John Wotiz (University of Southern Illinois-Carbondale) recently participated in a Presidential Conference on "Chemistry in the Museum Environment" sponsored by the ACS and the Smithsonian Institution.

Dr. Raymond B. Seymour (University of Southern Mississippi) has recently been inducted into the Plastics Hall of Fame. Dr. Seymour has organized numerous symposia on the

history of polymers and plastics for HIST.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

* The Oesper Collection in the History of Chemistry of the University of Cincinnati will sponsor a museum display entitled *Two Centuries of the Chemistry Set* from 15 October 1988 through 15 March 1989. The display will feature advertisements, books, photographs and actual chemistry sets spanning the period 1789-1989. A booklet based on the display will be available by 15 January 1989 for the price of \$5.00. Persons interested in viewing the display or in ordering the booklet should contact Dr. William B. Jensen, Department of Chemistry, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH 45221-0172, or phone (513) 475-4005.

* The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry and the International Projects and Services of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois are arranging the *Tenth European History of Chemistry Tour* in June and July, 1989. Professor John H. Wotiz will again be the tour director and instructor. Ten European countries will be visited, with stops in places where the history of chemistry was made, is on exhibit, or where Professor Wotiz has made special arrangements to hear lectures by local historians. The first tour was described in the *Journal of Chemical Education*, 1972, 49, 593 and many of the places that will be visited are listed in Professor Wotiz's "Science Museum Guide" which appeared in *CHEMTECH*, 1982, 12, 221. Participation for periods of less than eight weeks will be possible. The tour should be of special interest to science teachers and professors who like to combine self-improvement with European sightseeing. Family members of participants will also be able to join the tour. University registration for credit or audit is required. All inquiries should be directed to the tour leader: Dr. John H. Wotiz, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901, Phone: 618-453-5721 (Office), 618-549-4220 (Home).

* The Beckman Center for History of Chemistry announces a program of small travel grants, to enable interested individuals to visit Philadelphia to make use of the research resources of the Beckman Center, the Edgar Fahs Smith Collection and other associated facilities, including the historical collections of the Chemist's Club. Grants, which may be used for travel, subsistence, and copying costs, will not normally exceed \$300. Applications should include a vita, a one paragraph statement on the research proposed, a budget, and the addresses and telephone numbers of two references. Applications may be sent at any time to Dr. Mary Ellen Bowden, Assistant Director (Programs), Beckman Center for History of Chemistry, 3401 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6228, Phone (215) 898-4896.