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Canaveral Council of Technical Societies Welcomes FES and SMPTE at June Proceedings

NEW MEMBERS • Mr. A. E. Schuman, acting Chairman, introduced Mr. Caliph Rohm, President of the Indian River Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society and Mr. Richard Armstrong of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers. Representatives and their members were unanimously voted to be officially represented on the CCTS.

STATUS OF JOINT CCTS MEETINGS • G. H. Rosenfield, ASP, recommended that societies in closely related fields increase their meeting attendance by combining their resources and programs on a quarterly basis in lieu of four individual meetings a year.

1964 SPACE CONGRESS • Space Congress Chairman Jack Hagan stated that subcommittees are assigned for this combined society project. A Space Congress press conference will be held in the near future. Local missile contractors will be advised of the magnitude of this event to aid local members wishing to participate or attend the activities.

CCTS OBJECTIVES • An Objective Report is being drafted with material on hand. A final paper will be presented after all member societies have submitted their contributions.

PHOTOGRAMMETRY COURSE • The Georgia Technical School of Engineering and the Georgia State Highway Department extended an invitation to local people to attend a 2 to 3 day course in Photogrammetry. The registration fee is $12.00.

TECHNICAL PHOTOGRAPHY • This will be the subject of a program offered at Patrick Air Force Base and the Cape in September 1963 as a training aid to individuals employed in this field.

SPACE SCIENCE SERIES • The combined technical society and AFMTC lecture program will be held again this year in October and November. Sessions will be on Tuesday mornings during a six week period at the PAFB Theater.

HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT MEETINGS • Mr. Ray Norman, Chairman of the recent Space Science Seminar in Orlando has been lauded for the outstanding work done on this project. Many state officials and organizations were most impressed with the program.

Council Notes—ASME

ON FEbruary 1880, a small group of mechanical engineers met in New York City to organize a national association of mechanical engineers. Their goals were well defined, and filled a definite need within the engineering profession—that of collecting and disseminating technical information.

Now, 80 years later, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers is a vigorous, flourishing organization with over 50,000 members.

Since the primary objective of ASME is the diffusion of information, publication is a major activity. In the early days, technical papers were brought together in an annual volume called Transactions of the ASME. Today, subscribing members still receive "Transactions" and may also receive The Journal of Applied Mechanics, a compilation of papers devoted exclusively to this subject.

Each month the society publishes Mechanical Engineering, a magazine devoted to condensations of technical papers of interest to mechanical engineers. Mechanical Engineering also maintains a running account of all the Society's activities, in the United States and abroad.

ASME also publishes Applied Mechanics Reviews and the Mechanical Engineer's Catalogue.

Since its inception, the Society has worked to maintain the high standards of the engineering profession. Presently, some 3000 members of ASME are contributing to the Society's published works in standardization, industrial safety, boiler codes, and power test codes.

ASME also plays a prominent role in research. Though not owning or operating any research laboratories, it does sponsor projects believed to be of value to many Society members. Funds for these projects are solicited from industry, and the results of all research are published for industrial use.

In professional matters, ASME acts through the Engineers' Council for Professional Development and the Engineers Joint Council (EJC) which speaks for the entire profession in matters extending beyond the limits of engineering itself.

ASME has been quite active in technical society affairs throughout the Western hemisphere. Through the EJC, the Society provided strong leadership for the organization of the Pan American Federation of Engineering Societies, and, with the Engineering Institute of Canada, developed the ASME-EIC International Council.

In the Cape Canaveral area, the local ASME group is keeping in step with the aerospace age. Its monthly programs are devoted to all aspects of the space sciences, and provide Society members with thorough cross-training in many engineering fields. The Society also holds joint meetings with other technical societies to give its members a solid base of up-to-date technical information.