

artifact, the Shroud of Turin, is the subject of two papers. In one, the newer methods for carbon dating are described. These advances, which have improved sensitivity, have made it possible to propose the definitive experiments for determining the age of the Shroud of Turin. In another paper, the prospects for determining the age of very old bones is discussed. This important new technique could revolutionize anthropology. All the papers demonstrate the level of scientific maturity that this field of study has reached. The continuation of the *Archeological Chemistry* series is a testament to this growth.

Beginning with the next issue, we also plan to introduce a regular column on archeological chemistry, called BONES AND STONES, which will hopefully encourage both groups of chemists to learn more about what others with historical interests are doing. Anyone interested in the fascinating applications of chemical techniques to archeological and historical studies or for the preservation of ancient materials can contact Ralph Allen, Department of Chemistry, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22901, for further information.

Ralph O. Allen, University of Virginia

ELECTION RESULTS

Dr. Albert S. Kirsch has been elected as Chair of the Division of the History of Chemistry for 1989; Dr. William B. Jensen of the Department of Chemistry, University of Cincinnati, has been reelected for a third term as Secretary-Treasurer; Dr. O. Bertrand Ramsay of the Department of Chemistry, Eastern Michigan University, has been reelected as Councilor, and Dr. Raymond B. Seymour of the Department of Polymer Science, University of Southern Mississippi, has been elected as Alternate Councilor and Membership Chair.

Jane A. Miller, University of Missouri-St. Louis

AWARDS

The Outstanding Paper Award for 1987 has been awarded to Dr. Grant Urry of the Department of Chemistry of Tufts University for his paper "Herman Irving Schlesinger: The Man, His Chemistry and His Impact Upon the Department of Chemistry at Chicago", delivered at the 1985 Fall National Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

NOTES FROM MEMBERS

John Wotiz (University of Southern Illinois-Carbondale) reports that he will become Professor Emeritus in the Fall

of 1989 and that he hopes to keep busy by making his extensive teaching experience available to other colleges and universities as a Visiting Professor in the History of Chemistry and/or Undergraduate Organic Chemistry. Given Dr. Wotiz's usual busy schedule, the editor would suggest that parties interested in availing themselves of Dr. Wotiz's services should contact him as soon as possible.

Jeffrey L. Sturchio (CHOC) has recently resigned as Associate Director of the Center for the History of Chemistry in order to accept the position of Historian at Bell Laboratories. Dr. Sturchio's new address will be Dr. Jeffrey L. Sturchio, Archives and Records Management Services, AT&T Bell Labs/WVA201, 5 Reinman Road, Warren, NJ 07060.

Bert Ramsay (Eastern Michigan University), who has just been reelected as Divisional Councilor, reports that he has been appointed as a Committee Associate for the National Committee on Meetings and Expositions for 1988 and invites input from the membership.

The Division of the History of Chemistry notes with sadness the passing of M. Christine King, who was a victim of an automobile accident in November of 1987 in London. Dr. King was the first recipient of the Division's Outstanding Paper Award in 1984 and made significant contributions to the history of chemical kinetics.

WHILE IN TORONTO

* The Croft Chapter House, which housed the original University of Toronto Chemical Laboratory (1859), will be open for viewing by interested persons on Tuesday, 7 June, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. A display of early artifacts will be featured, as well as a brochure on the early history of chemistry at the University, and the college archivist will be on hand to answer questions. Croft Chapter House is located at the southwest corner of University College on the main campus of the University of Toronto next to the Hart House (where the Chemical Education Dinner will be held).

* The Division of Nuclear Chemistry and Technology will be conducting a one-day symposium (Tuesday, 7 June) at Toronto to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Discovery of Fission. Interested persons should consult the meeting abstracts for further information.

* Due to the international nature of the Toronto meeting, the divisional cachet will depart, for this meeting only, from its ongoing ACS Presidential Series. This series will continue at the Los Angeles meeting, where a cover will be issued honoring James C. Booth, ACS President from 1883

to 1885. Instead, both a special cachet and cancellation are being prepared to commemorate the meeting, incorporating the logos of the participating organizations and that of the Congress itself. This will be on sale, as usual, at the HIST-BCHOC booth on 6-8 June from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. A Canadian postal substation will be located next to the booth to issue the cancellations. Members unable to attend the meeting or exposition may order the cover by mail. To obtain an order form, send a self-stamped envelope to Dr. John Sharkey, Department of Chemistry, Pace University, Pace Plaza, New York, NY, 10038.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Los Angeles 25-30 September 1988

Five copies of 150-word abstract (original on ACS Abstract Form) by 15 May 1988. Title of paper by 30 April 1988.

* *General Papers*. Contact Dr. M. V. Orna, HIST Program Chair, Department of Chemistry, College of New Rochelle, New Rochelle, NY 10801, Phone (914) 654-5302.

* *Chemistry and the Discovery of Nuclear Fission*. Organized by L. W. Fine, Department of Chemistry, Columbia University, New York, NY 10027, Phone (212) 280-2017.

* *Information Sources in the History of Chemistry: California and the West Coast*. Organized by H. Goldwhite, Department of Chemistry, California State University, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90032, Phone (213) 224-3263.

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Dallas 9-14 April 1989

Five copies of 150-word abstract (original on ACS Abstract Form) by 1 December 1988. Title of paper by 20 November 1988.

* *General Papers*. Contact M. V. Orna (see address above).

* *The Bicentennial of the Revolution of Modern Chemistry*. Organized by J. A. Miller, Department of Chemistry, University of Missouri-St. Louis, MO 63121, Phone (314) 553-5311.

* *The Role of Chemistry in Petroleum Discovery and Production - Historical Perspectives*. Organized by J. K. Borhardt, Shell Development Co., P.O. Box 1380, Houston, TX 77251-1380, Phone (713) 493-8237.

* *Chemical Trivia III*. Organized by James J. Bohning,

Department of Chemistry, Wilkes College, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18766, Phone (717) 824-4651.

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Miami Beach 10-15 September 1989

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* *General Papers*. Contact M. V. Orna (see address above).

* *History of Biotechnology*. Organized by J. L. Sturchio, Archives and Records Management Services, AT&T Bell Labs/ WVA201, 5 Reiman Road, Warren, NJ 07060, Phone (201) 756-1591.

* *Impact of Radiopharmaceuticals on the Frontiers of Chemistry and Medicine*. Organized by R. M. Lambrecht, Radionuclide and Cyclotron Operations, King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre, P.O. Box 3354, Riyadh 11211, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

* *History of Fertilizers* (Cosponsored by FERT).

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Boston 22-27 April 1990

Five copies of 150-word abstract (original on ACS Abstract Form) by 15 December 1989. Title of paper by 20 November 1989.

* *General Papers*. Contact M. V. Orna (see address above).

* *The 1890 Benzol Fest 100 Years Later*. Organized by J. H. Wotiz, Department of Chemistry, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901, Phone (618) 453-5721.

* *Chemistry in Science Fiction*. Organized by J. J. Bohning, Department of Chemistry, Wilkes College, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18766, Phone (717) 824-4651.

* *True Stories of Small Chemical Businesses* (Cosponsored by SChB).

Washington 26-31 August 1990

* *General Papers*. Contact M. V. Orna (see address above).

* *History of the Development, Use and Testing of Food Additives*. Organized by H. T. McKone, Department of Chemistry, St. Joseph College, W. Hartford, CT 06117, Phone (203) 232-4571.

* *Chemistry and Crime II*. Organized by R. O. Allen, Department of Chemistry, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22901, Phone (804) 924-3622.