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Biophysical Society

PRELIMINARY plans calling for symposia on emerging problems in biophysics, viral structure and function, and informational organization in biological systems have been announced for the 4th annual meeting of The Biophysical Society to be held February 24-26 at the Sheraton Hotel in Philadelphia. The deadline for receipt of abstracts is December 1. Further information may be obtained from the chairman of the program committee, O. H. Schmitt, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn., or the chairman of local arrangements, H. P. Schwan, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 4, Pa.

Plasticity

TO be devoted exclusively to the field of plasticity, the Second Symposium on Naval Structural Mechanics will be held April 5-7 at Brown University, Providence 12, R. I., and will be under the joint sponsorship of the Office of Naval Research and Brown University. The program will consist of critical surveys in selected areas and of reports on original research, each followed by discussion periods. Further information may be obtained from the organizing committee, consisting of E. H. Lee and P. S. Symonds (cochairmen), D. C. Drucker, and W. Prager, all members of the Brown faculty.

Networks and Feedback

AIMING to seek a unified approach to problems in the broad field of active networks, particularly with regard to linear systems, an international Symposium on Active Networks and Feedback Systems will be presented (April 19-21) by the Microwave Research Institute of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. The symposium will also present specific aspects of the general theory as they apply to electron devices and control systems. It will be held in the Engineering Societies Building in New York City, under the co-sponsorship of various IRE Professional Groups, the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, the Office of Naval Research, and the Signal Corps.

The closing date for submission of papers and/or 100-word abstracts is January 15, 1960. All correspondence should be addressed to Prof. Herbert J. Carlin, Microwave Research Institute, 55 Johnson Street, Brooklyn 1, N. Y.

Mass Spectrometry

FUNDAMENTAL and applied research and development and analytical methods in mass spectrometry will be discussed at the eighth annual meeting of Committee E-14 on Mass Spectrometry of the American Society for Testing Materials. The meeting will be held from June 26 to July 1, 1960, in Atlantic City, N. J. Abstracts of proposed papers should be sent (by February 1) to the chairman of the program committee, Vernon H. Dibeler, National Bureau of Standards, Washington 25, D. C.