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Rochester Conference

Optical Methods in Industry

On June 18, 19, and 20 the Institute of Optics of the University of Rochester is sponsoring a conference on the use of optical methods of research, inspection, and control in industry. The morning sessions will be devoted to invited papers surveying (by industries) the general problems and possible needs of optical methods. The tentative schedule for morning sessions will include steel, automotive, and oil industries on Wednesday, June 18: glass, textile, paper, and chemical industries on Thursday, June 19; and lighting, television, and electrical industries on Friday, June 20. In the afternoons there will be a series of round table discussions, each of which will be concerned with specified subjects of interest to persons in both optical and nonoptical fields. The subject classification and sessions for round table discussions are tentatively as follows:

Wednesday—emission spectroscopy, absorption spectroscopy, mechanical gaging and measurements, technical photography.

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Thursday—absorption spectroscopy, optical materials, photometry and color measurement, refractometry and microscopy.

Friday—photoelectric applications, radiometry and pyrometry, technical photography and periscopic, telescopic, and projection instrumentation.

Powder Metallurgy

International Seminar in Austria

Paul Schwarzkopf, President of the American Electro Metal Corporation, Yonkers, New York, and owner of the Metallwerk Plansee, Reutte, Tyrol, has announced that the First Plansee Seminar "De re metallica" will take place on June 22–26, 1952, in Reutte. The Seminar is under the auspices of the U. S. High Commissioner for Austria, Walter J. Donnelly; the Austrian Minister of Education, Ernst Kolb; the Rector of the University of Innsbruck, Eduard Reut Nicolussi; and representatives of the Tyrolean government. The tentative program includes lectures on various aspects of powder metallurgy by the following American scientists: G. J. Comstock, F. Clark, H. H. Hausner, W. J. Kroll, J. T. Norton, and F. Lenel.

Testing Materials

ASTM's Fiftieth Anniversary

The 50th Anniversary Meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials is to be held in New York City from June 23 to 27 with headquarters at the Hotels Statler and New Yorker. Thirty technical sessions, to accommodate the large number of technical papers on