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Optical Society

THE forty-first annual meeting of the Optical Society of America will be held October 18-20 at the Lake Placid Club in Upper New York State, where the Society has met three times in the past. The program will include more than fifty contributed papers distributed over ten sessions, as well as a number of invited papers. Three of the latter will be presented at a session devoted to some optical aspects of research planned for the International Geophysical Year. Another session of four invited papers will discuss "The Newer Optical Materials" in terms of selection criteria, physical properties, and structural considerations. Still other invited addresses will review current European optical research, new developments in light sources, and the subject of "Fiber Optics" (under which title the optical properties, fabrication techniques, and various applications of single dielectric cylinders will be discussed).

At a dinner on Friday, October 19, the Frederic Ives Medal for 1956 will be presented to John Strong of Johns Hopkins University. Professor Strong will speak on "Interferometry in the Far Infrared" in his Ives Medal Address the following morning.

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INTENDED to "promote interest in the common problems associated with optics and microwaves, and demonstrate that these lie within the scope of modern theoretical and practical optics in such diverse fields as human vision and astronomy", a Symposium on Optics and Microwaves is to be held November 14-16 at Lisner Auditorium, The George Washington University, Washington, D. C. The meeting is jointly sponsored by the Optical Society of America, The George Washington University School of Engineering, and the Institute of Radio Engineers Professional Group on Antennas and Propagation.

The technical program will consist of six sessions, each embracing a subject of general interest to all persons who deal with optical phenomena in research or application in the fields of engineering, medicine, or the related physical sciences. Survey and tutorial papers will be presented to encourage understanding of the basic physics underlying fundamental characteristics which relate optics and microwaves as the two concepts now exist.

Advance registration for the meeting is \$2.50 and may be made by mail to Symposium on Optics and Microwaves, P. O. Box 355, Falls Church, Va. Registration at the door will be \$3.50.