

ests may write to Dr. Herman P. Schwan, chairman of the publicity committee for the conference, at the School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 4, Pa., for further details and information on presenting contributed papers.

Crystallography

THE International Union of Crystallography has accepted the invitation of the National Research Council of Canada to hold its Fourth General Assembly and International Congress in Canada from the 10th to the 17th of July, 1957. Papers will be presented on all aspects of crystallography. The Congress will be followed (July 18-19) by two symposia: on Physical Techniques of Crystallographic Interest and on Electron Diffraction. The meetings are to be held in Montreal through the cooperation of McGill University and the University of Montreal. Technical excursions to other parts of the Province of Quebec and to sections of the Province of Ontario are being arranged.

The Canadian National Committee on Crystallography is acting as the local committee of the Congress and has prepared a brochure giving details of the technical program and information on accommodations. Copies may be obtained from Secretaries of National Committees of the Member Countries of the Union; from the General Secretary of the Union, Dr. D. W. Smits, Laboratorium voor Anorganische en Fysische Chemie, Bloemsingel 10, Groningen, The Netherlands; from the Secretary of the Canadian Committee, Dr. W. H. Barnes, Division of Physics, National Research Council, Ottawa 2, Ontario, Canada (envelope to be marked "Personal"); or from the Chairman of the Program Committee, Dr. W. N. Lipscomb, School of Chemistry, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. The Secretary of the US National Committee on Crystallography is Dr. G. A. Jeffrey, Chemistry Department, The University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

Operations Research

THE first International Conference on Operations Research will be held September 2-6, 1957, in Oxford, England. Sponsors are the Operational Research Society of Great Britain, the Operations Research Society of America, and the Institute of Management Sciences. Delegations are being organized by local societies in France, Germany, Italy, Norway, and Japan, and it is expected that the interest in this rapidly developing new science will also bring observers from several other countries as well. Papers on operations research or its applications are now being selected for the agenda, which is to be published in full as a single volume of Transactions. Summaries of about 200 words in length should be sent not later than December 30, 1956, to Dr. Thornton Page, Operations Research Office, 7100 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase 15, Maryland.

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