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## **NEWS/NOUVELLES**

#### ASSOCIATION NEWS

The Fourth Kingston Conference of the CSTHA/AHSTC was deemed a great success by the organizers and by many of the participants. Attracting approximately 95 people from Victoria to Halifax, the meeting provided some fifty papers on a wide variety of topics, along with a film festival and social occasions allowing colleagues to meet and exchange notes. A number of the papers have been sent to this journal for possible inclusion at a later date.

The consensus of the biennial general meeting of the Association was to hold the Fifth Kingston Conference in Ottawa as an experiment; many participants stated their satisfaction with arrangements in Kingston, however, suggesting removal from Kingston need not be permanent.

The first issue of the new Association newsletter, Clavis, edited by Donald Phillipson, appeared in time for the conference and has been circulated amongst some 1200 individuals and institutions across the country and overseas. Distribution is free of charge for the first year, thanks to a generous grant from the National Museum of Science and Technology. Readers are urged to pass along copies to colleagues with an interest in our field. Those not on the mailing list should contact Mr Phillipson at RR 1, Hall's Road, Carlsbad Springs, Ontario, KOA 1KO. The editor would also be grateful for any submissions.

The second annual Directory/Annuaire of the Association, including names, addresses, affiliations and research/teaching interests of our members, along with other information on grants, education, theses and dissertations and CSTHA/AHSTC documents, will be distributed early in 1986. Non-members can obtain copies, at \$2.00 each, from the editorial office of this journal.

The Executive has instituted the first Association award, the Service Award, to be given from time-to-time to members of the Association who have made significant contributions to the field and to the CSTHA/AHSTC. The awards, a certificate and a gift book, were announced at the Kingston Conference. The first three recipients are Arnold Roos, retiring President and co-founder of the Association; Raymond Duchesne, a five-year director who has assisted the association and the journal in many ways; and Alf Tickner, soon to retire as NRC archivist, who has been the secretary of the organizing committees of all four Kingston Conferences and was largely responsible for the NRC series of scientific histories. Members should feel free to make suggestions for future recipients of the award to the Executive.

We have to note with sadness the recent death of the Association's long-time printer, Albert (Al) Cooper, at age 60. Best

known as a pioneer of Canadian cartooning, Al Cooper drew three of the first comic books in Canada during the 1940s, the so-called 'Canadian whites.' His most recent work for the CSTHA/AHSTC was the design of the Clavis cover and the Kingston conference flyers; his artistic sense always managed to rescue our materials from the archaic design notions of the Secretary-Treasurer.

#### POSITION IN THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE

The Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Technology invites applications for a one-year visiting ('term') appointment for an assistant professor. Salary between \$27,000 and \$35,177, depending upon qualifications. Candidates should have a PhD in hand by 1 September 1986. Preference will be given to candidates whose research deals with aspects of the Scientific Revolution or Renaissance science. Curriculum vitae and names of at least two references should be sent by 15 February 1986 to The Chair, Search Committee, IHPST, Victoria College, 73 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1K7, Canada. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, this advertisement is directed to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

#### HUGH LE CAINE RECORD AVAILABLE

Gayle Young, biographer of Hugh Le Caine, the inventor of the electronic synthesizer and a pioneer of electronic music in Canada, has brought together archival recordings by Le Caine and is now making them available in record format to the public. The record includes discussions and demonstrations of the instruments by Le Caine, along with some of his most important compositions.

Copies of the record, at \$10.00 each plus \$2.50 for postage and handling, may be obtained from: The Hugh Le Caine Project, attn. G. Young, 146 Ridge Road West, Grimsby, Ontaroo L3M 4E7.

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND MEDICINE AT THE CHA

The Canadian Historical Association will hold its annual meeting at the Learned Societies at the University of Manitoba, 7-9 June 1986. Included in the programme are several papers of interest to our readers.

Session--The Role of the Federal Government in Promoting Culture and Science:

David Zimmerman (New Brunswick), 'The Navy and the National Research Council, 1939-45'

Session -- The Impact of the Automobile on Canadian Life:

Gerald Bloomfield (Guelph), 'The Automobile and the Canadian Landscape: A Retrospective View'

Robert Ankli (Guelph) and Fred Frederiksen (Ottawa), 'Early Canadian Automobile History and the Machine Tool Industry'

Stephen Davies (McMaster), 'The Social and Cultural Impact of the Automobile on Ontario Society, 1900-1930'

Session--The Effectiveness of Medical Treatment in Late Nine-teenth and early Twentieth Century Society:

Wendy Mitchinson (Waterloo), 'Treatment of the Insane: A Canadian and Australian Comparison'

Heather MacDougall (Waterloo), '"Guides, Philosophers and Friends": The Development of Public Health Nursing in Toronto, 1907-1932'

Session--Canadian-American Relations During World War Two and its Immediate Aftermath:

Donald Avery (Western), 'Canadian and American Cooperation in Advanced Forms of Military Technology, 1940-1948'

#### DISSERTATIONS/THESES

## Université Laval:

Jean-François Caron, 'Les Apprentis à Québec de 1830 à 1849' (MA)

- A. Campbell, 'Etude critique de l'utilisation de l'inventaire après décès concernant l'outillage de la cuisine française dans l'est du Cap Breton au XVIIIe siècle' (MA)
- F. Dubé, 'Les contenants de fontes des forges St-Maurice au Trois-Rivières' (MA)
- L. Fournier, 'La technologie traditionnelle du trappage dans le Comté de Bellechasse' (MA)

#### McGill University:

Marianne Ainley, 'From Natural History to Avian Biology--Canadian Ornithology, 1860-1950' (PhD)

#### Dalhousie University:

- D.S. Enns, 'Technical Education and Industrial Training in Early Twentieth Century Canada: The Royal Commission of 1910' (MA)
- K.M. MacPherson, 'Nurses and Nursing in Early Twentieth-Century Halifax' (MA)

University of Toronto:

Louise Dandurand, 'The Role of Granting Agencies in Science Policy Making in Canada' (PhD)

Heather MacDougall, 'Health is Wealth: The Development of Public Health Activity in Toronto, 1832-1900' (PhD)

University of Western Ontario:

S. Krasnick, 'The London, Ontario Asylum for the Insane 1870-1902' (MA)

University of Victoria:

G.G. Ball, 'A History of Wildlife Management in British Columbia to 1918' (MA)

York University:

James Hull, 'Science and the Canadian Pulp and Paper Industry, 1903-1933' (PhD)

## SCIENTIA CANADENSIS ANNIVERSARY NUMBER

The second number of Volume X, to be published in December 1986, will mark the tenth anniversary of the journal, which appeared in the fall of 1976 as the 'HSTC Bulletin,' a quarterly newsletter for the history of Canadian science, technology and medicine. The newsletter became a full-fledged journal in 1981 and remains the only publication in Canada totally devoted to our fields.

In addition to the regular features, the anniversary issue will feature a symposium of special articles devoted to a ten-year retrospective of the growth of the fields and suggestions about future trends.

The anniversary number will also include a ten-year index of the newsletter and journal. December 1986 will also signal the sixth anniversary of the Canadian Science and Technology Historical Association/Association pour l'histoire de la science et de la technologie au Canada.