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### PROGRAMME - KINGSTON VI

The CSTHA/AHSTC conference organizing committee wishes to announce the programme for the VI Kingston Conference, to be held at the Donald Gordon Centre, Queen's University, 13-15 October 1989. This year's programme was organized by Prof Mel Usselman, with the assistance of several association members.

Anyone interested in attending who is *not* a member of CSTHA/AHSTC or has *not* attended a Kingston conference before, may receive a programme and pre-registration bulletin by writing to the Secretary, CSTHA/AHSTC, c/o Dept Science Studies, Atkinson College, York University, North York, Ont. M3J 1P3. All others will receive a bulletin automatically.

#### PROGRAMME

##### FRIDAY/VENDREDI

13 October/Le 13 octobre

4.00 - 8.00 pm Registration/Inscription

4.00 - 6.00 pm Cash Bar Payant

6.00 - 8.00 pm Buffet Supper/Souper

8.30 - 9.15 pm Evening Session/Séance du soir

9.15 - Cash bar payant

##### SATURDAY/SAMEDI

14 October/Le 14 octobre

9.00 - 10.30 am

#### SESSION I: MUSEUMS AND SCIENCE CENTRES/LES MUSEES ET "MAISONS DE LA SCIENCE"

Sharon Reilly (Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature) 'A Curatorial Perspective'

John Hault (Nova Scotia Museum of Industry) 'Science Centres, Museums and the History of Science and Technology'

John Collins (National Gallery of Canada) 'Research Potential of Museum Collections: the Case of the Bicycle Collection of the National Museum of Science and Technology'

**SESSION II: HISTORY OF CANADIAN BIOLOGY/L'HISTOIRE DE LA BIOLOGIE CANADIENNE**

Ralph Estey (McGill) 'The First Hundred Years of Mycology in Eastern Canada'

Stephen Bocking (Toronto) 'A Cool Curving Country: Ecological Research at the University of Toronto, 1900-1960'

Marianne Ainley (Concordia), 'Women in Canadian Biology, 1890-1970'

**SESSION III: THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY IN THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC, 1939-45/LA MARINE ROYALE CANADIENNE ET LA BATAILLE DE L'ATLANTIQUE, 1939-45**

Michael Hadley (Victoria) 'Reactive Technologies in the Battle of the Atlantic: German Sub-Systems'

Roger Sarty (National Defence) 'The Air-to-Surface-Vessel Radar and the RCAF in the Battle of the Atlantic'

Marc Milner (New Brunswick) 'The Implication of Technological Backwardness: the Canadian Navy, 1939-45'

10.30 - 11.00 am Coffee Break/Pause-café

11.00 am - 12.30 pm

**SESSION IV: INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION AND INTERPRETATION/LA PRESERVATION ET L'INTERPRETATION DE L'HERITAGE INDUSTRIEL**

Bruce Donaldson (Manitoba Culture, Heritage & Recreation) 'A Government Perspective'

Robert Shipley (Welland Canal Society) 'The Business of Site Interpretation'

**SESSION V: CANADIAN MEDICAL HISTORY/L'HISTOIRE DE LA MEDECINE AU CANADA**

J.T.H. Connor (Western Ontario) 'Sectarian Medicine in Upper Canada: the Botanical Practices of the Thomsonians and their Socio-political Context'

Heather MacDougall (Waterloo) 'From Paralysis to Prevention: Polio Control Efforts in Ontario, 1910-1970'

Terrie Romano (Toronto) 'The Medical Profession in Upper Canada, 1820-70'

**SESSION VI: THE REGULATION OF TRANSPORT TECHNOLOGY IN CANADA, 1900-39/LA REGLEMENTATION DE LA TECHNOLOGIE DES TRANSPORTS AU CANADA, 1900-1939**

Stephen Davies (Nipissing) 'Automobiles and the Regulatory Impulse in Ontario, 1900-1930'

Donald Davis (Ottawa) 'Government Regulation and the Social Shaping of Urban Transit in Canada, 1914-1939'

Ken Cruikshank (Carleton) 'A Question of Figures: Railway Regulation and the Politics of Information, 1904-1927'

12.30 - 2.00 pm Luncheon/Déjeuner

2.00 - 3.30 pm

**SESSION VII: STEPS TOWARDS THE HISTORY OF CANADIAN MUSEUMS/VERS UNE HISTOIRE DES MUSEES CANADIENS**

Susan Sheets-Pyenson (Concordia) 'John William Dawson and the Development of the Peter Redpath Museum at McGill University'

Paul Carle et Alain Mongeau (UQAM) 'Le Musée scientifique et technique: un modèle global'

Lynne Teather (Toronto) 'For "Educational Utility and Public Instruction": the University Museums of Victorian Toronto, 1842-1912'

**SESSION VIII: INDIVIDUALS, INSTITUTIONS AND THE POLITICS OF SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT/LES PARTICULIERS, LES INSTITUTIONS ET LA DEVELOPPEMENT SCIENTIFIQUE**

Gale Avrith (Royal Ontario Museum) 'H.F. Osborn and the Politics and Possibilities for Canadian Palaeontology, 1890-02'

John Farley (Dalhousie) 'Dr John B. Grant (BA, Acadia), the Rockefeller Bolshevik'

Alison Li (Toronto) 'E.W. McHenry and the Development of Nutrition Research at the Toronto School of Hygiene, 1930-1950'

**SESSION IX: NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES IN CANADIAN PUBLIC WORKS HISTORY/LES BESOINS ET LES OCCASIONS DANS L'HISTOIRE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS**

Norman Ball (Waterloo) 'Public Works and Sponsored Research'

Douglas Baldwin (Acadia) 'New Approaches to the Effluent Society'

3.30 - 4.00 Coffee Break/Pause-café

4.00 - 5.00 Biennial General Meeting (CSTHA)/Assemblée générale biennale (AHSTC)

7.00 Banquet

9.00 Cash bar payant

**SUNDAY/DIMANCHE**

15 October/Le 15 octobre

9.00 - 10.30 am

**SESSION X: NATIONAL RESEARCH IN CANADA/LA RECHERCHE NATIONALE AU CANADA**

Ruth Fawcett (Ottawa) 'The Intense Neutron Generator and the Development of Science Policy in Canada'

Andrew Ede (Toronto) 'Helium Liquefaction at the University of Toronto'

Yves Gingras (UQAM) et Michel Trépanier (Montréal) 'The Sociopolitical Construction of a "National" Fusion Research Programme in Canada'

**SESSION XI: INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION/L'INFORMATION ET LA COMMUNICATION**

Dietmar Wolfram and Clara Chu (Western Ontario) 'An Overview of the Development of Information Science in Canada, 1960-88'

Bertram MacDonald (Dalhousie) 'Scientific Literature in Nineteenth Century Canadian Personal Libraries: Some Selected Cases'

Bill Rawling (Ottawa) 'The Airplane and Air-to-Ground Communications in World War I'

**SESSION XII: CANADIAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS IN SCIENCE/LES LIAISONS SCIENTIFIQUES CANADA-ETAS-UNIS**

Gregory Good (West Virginia) 'Scientific Sovereignty: Canada, the Carnegie Institution and the Earth's Magnetism in the North'

Sandra McRae (National Museum of Science and Technology) 'American Guests at the British Medical Association in 1897: Imperialism or Elitism?'

Jennifer Hubbard (Toronto) 'The Paradox of the International Passamaquoddy Fisheries Commissions 1931-32 and 1958-59'

10.30 - 11.00 am Coffee Break/Pause-café

11.00 am - 12.30 pm

**SESSION XIII: SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND AGRICULTURE/LA SCIENCE, LA TECHNOLOGIE ET L'AGRICULTURE**

Ross Irwin (Guelph) 'Combine Harvesting in Ontario, 1925-56'

James Hunt (Guelph) 'Agricultural Physics at the Ontario Agricultural College, 1874-1964'

Don Phillipson (Carlsbad Springs, Ont) 'The National Research Council's Magnesite Project'

**SESSION XIV: WORK-IN-PROGRESS/TRAVAUX-EN-COURS**

Larry McNally (National Archives) 'In Search of Canadian Mechanics'

Andrew Wilson (Ottawa, Ont) 'The Engineering Profession and its Institutions'

Paul Hartman (Central Florida) 'A Course on Engineering and Technology in Canada: A Canadian Studies Perspective'

Fred Hedgcock (McGill) 'Dr H.T. Barnes, Ice Physicist and Engineer'

Donald Gillies (Ryerson) 'Innovation in Canadian Broadcasting: the CBC's "Project IRIS" Telctext Trial, 1983-4'

12.15 pm Luncheon/Déjeuner

**CANADIAN SHIPWRECK ARCHEOLOGY AND  
CONSERVATION INSTITUTE**

Rapid advances in detection technology have made it difficult for heritage and legislative authorities to preserve the contents of easily accessible wrecks from treasure and souvenir hunters. National archeological and museum associations have been aware of the need to reduce the time lag between technological developments and other facets of the North American culture, but have been unable to respond to the challenges posed by three decades of discovery of submerged cultural resources. The result is stripped wrecks from coast to coast.

In response to the need to conserve representative samples of steamers and sailing vessels, the Canadian Shipwreck Archeology and Conservation Institute (CSACI) has been created. CSACI is a non-profit organization dedicated to marine heritage conservation and its interpretation in municipal, provincial and corporate heritage centres.

Realizing that Canada's marine heritage must be integrated into the social and economic fabric of society, CSACI will be active in:

advising municipalities on the feasibility of establishing shipwreck centres as part of their educational-, recreational- and tourism-oriented facilities;

course and curriculum development at universities and colleges of applied arts and technology in the fields of underwater archeology and artifact conservation technology.

CASCI will be active in the areas of: underwater mapping and surveying, planning shipwreck heritage centres, course planning in underwater archeology, planning archeological technician and conservation courses and in diver training.

Written enquiries from organizations considering shipwreck archeology projects are welcomed. Strict confidentiality is guaranteed. Contact the Director (the undersigned) at: Canadian Shipwreck Archeology and Conservation Institute, Nipissing University College, North Bay, Ont.

Bessel J. VandenHazel

## LIMBURG MINING HERITAGE IN DANGER

Mr Adriaan Linters, chairman of the Vlaamse Vereniging voor Industriële Archeologie (Flemish Association for Industrial Archaeology) writes us to ask for the support of all Canadian friends of industrial archaeology in their fight to save the mining structures of Limburg. The coal-mining development of the Limburg area dates from the early 20th century; the infrastructure, which includes many valuable buildings and technical remains, is in jeopardy. The last mines closed in 1988, some remains have already been destroyed, and the Flemish government plans to remove all traces of the mining operations except for *one* building (without machinery). The VVIA and several other environmental organizations are mounting a publicity campaign to save these buildings and equipment for other uses and for public education in industrial history.

Mr Linters asks that letters be sent to Mr Van Velthoven, President of the Flemish Council, Paleis der Natie, Naticplein 2, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium, arguing that these buildings should be saved and adapted to other uses. For further information, write to Mr Linters at the VVIA, Postbus 30, Postkantoor Maria Hendrikplein, B-9000 Gent 12, Belgium.