Publications

* The following is available free of charge from the Bismuth Institute, rue Bréderode 9, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium:
  
  The chemical analysis of bismuth by R. S. Young. 12 pp.

* The following are available from The Welding Institute, Abington Hall, Cambridge CB1 6AL, England:
  


* Review


  This book is concerned with the corrosion of metals, alloys, and non-metals in marine environments. It thus includes both total immersion conditions and atmospheric exposure.

  Comprehensive data are available on the corrosion rates of most of the materials used in contact with sea water and marine atmospheres. This section is then followed by details of the effect of exposure at different ocean depths on the corrosion of ferrous, copper, nickel, and aluminium-base alloys, as well as stainless steels. An entire section is devoted to the deleterious effect of marine organisms — both the aerobic and anaerobic types.

  Preceding the section on non-metallic materials is a detailed annotated bibliography on the corrosion of metals and alloys in sea water. This, however, appeared previously in 1972 in a paper by L. A. Beaubien. Papers reviewed in this section are devoted entirely to freely exposed metal surfaces, i.e. in the uncoated and un-stressed condition.

  A welcome inclusion in this book is a section on the behaviour of non-metallic materials under marine exposure conditions. This has certainly widened the spectrum of available materials for this type of service. Materials dealt with in this section include polymers, composites, ceramics, paper, and fabrics.

  The Seawater Corrosion Handbook contains a wealth of data on the corrosion behaviour of materials in this particular environment. The research reported has been of an empirical, rather than scientific, nature. The book will certainly prove a valuable reference source for those concerned with marine engineering and related activities.

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* New journal

  February 1979 marked the appearance of a new monthly journal, Lloyd’s Shipping Economist. It gives comprehensive global market information based on the international shipping information that exists in the vast databanks of Lloyd’s of London Press and Lloyd’s Register. The annual subscription is $290. For further information, contact The Circulation Manager, Lloyd’s of London Ltd, Sheepen Place, Colchester CO3 3LP, England.

* New edition


South African technikons

The six autonomous colleges for advanced technical education in South Africa were established in terms of the Advanced Technical Education Act (Act 40 of 1967). However, since the inception of these colleges, it has become clear that members of the public find the name difficult to use and to remember. Consequently, these colleges, which play such an important role in the community, were not always correctly identified.

For some time the Association of Colleges for Advanced Technical Education sought a name that was short but indicative of the function of the colleges. At the same time, current developments abroad, especially in the Western World, had to be taken into consideration, because the new name had to be internationally recognizable and acceptable. The bilingual requirements in South Africa had also to be taken into account, and it was realized that a name with the same spelling and/or pronunciation in English and Afrikaans would be an advantage.

If possible, a name consisting of one word — as in the case of university — that would describe the functions, identity, and status of the institutions had to be found. Unanimity was finally reached among the respective colleges and the Department of National Education. The word technikon was decided upon. The word is derived from the Greek word tekhnē (pertaining to art), as are words such as technology, technocracy, and technical.

There are six technikons in South Africa, which are governed by the Advanced Technical Education Act. They are fully fledged tertiary-level institutions, offering career-orientated courses at post-matriculation level. The Advanced Technical Education Amendment Act of 1979 (Act 50 of 1979), which was recently approved by both houses of Parliament, makes provision for the new name and decrees that the six institutions shall officially be known as: Cape Technikon, Port Elizabeth Technikon, Pretoria Technikon, Vaal Triangle Technikon, and Witwatersrand Technikon.
The following members have been admitted to the Institute as Company Affiliates.

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Welkom Gold Mining Co. Ltd.
West Driefontein Gold Mining Co. Ltd.
Western Areas Gold Mining Co. Ltd.
Western Deep Levels Ltd.
Western Holdings Limited.
Winkelhaak Mines Limited.

Die forging

The 9th International Conference on Die Forging will be held from Monday, 4th to Saturday 9th May, 1981, in Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany. It is being organized jointly by the Forging Committee of the Verein Deutscher Eisenhüttenleute and the Vereinigung Deutscher Freiformschmieden.

The contributed papers will be grouped into four topics to cover all the aspects of die-forging technology. The lecture section of the Conference will run over two days, and two further days will be devoted to plant visits.

Enquiries should be directed to Die Geschäftsführung, Verein Deutscher Eisenhüttenleute, Geschäftsämter Breite Strasse 27, Drahnsanschrift, Stahleisen, Düsseldorf, West Germany.
High-temperature alloys

An International Conference on the Behaviour of High Temperature Alloys in Aggressive Environments will be held in Petten (North-Holland) from 15th to 18th October, 1979.

The conference will have four technical sessions. The sessions will consist of keynote papers plus research and development papers presented by the authors. Topics to be covered include:

- **Industrial applications** — papers from materials-using industries, describing major requirements in terms of properties and indicating current and emerging problem areas.

- **High-temperature environmental attack** — papers covering oxidation, carburization, complex corrosion, erosion.

- **Mechanical properties in service-related environments** — papers dealing with deformation, failure and property/environment interaction under static and dynamic conditions.

- In a **Round Table** session outstanding areas for material improvement, data needs, and scientific uncertainty, in addition to the future potentiality of advanced ceramics, will be discussed.

Further information is obtainable from Meeting Point Petten, JRC, Petten Establishment, P.O. Box 2, 1755 ZG Petten, The Netherlands.

Strategic minerals

The National symposium on the availability of strategic minerals, which is being organized by the Institution of Mining and Metallurgy in collaboration with the Fellowship of Engineering, will be held at the London Press Centre, New Street Square, London EC4, on 20th and 21st November, 1979. The symposium has as its main objective consideration of those minerals that may pose problems of availability in the United Kingdom.

The symposium is designed to be an appropriate national sequel to two complementary conferences — Material aspects of world energy needs, sponsored by the National Academy of Engineering and held in Reston, Virginia, in March 1979, and Future metal strategy, organized by the Metals Society and held in London on 10th and 11th May, 1979 — the findings of which it will take fully into account.

Broadly based papers are being invited by the Organizing Committee for the National symposium on the availability of strategic minerals on the following topics:

- **Definition of "strategic" minerals and the means currently available in the United Kingdom Government of identifying strategic sources and requirements**, 'Economics of stockpiling', 'Problems faced by traders and consumers', 'A supplier's viewpoint' and 'Approaches adopted by other countries'. Specific consideration will also be given to the future availability of the following: copper, nickel, cobalt, lead-zinc, precious metals and diamonds, tin and tungsten, chromium and molybdenum, and uranium.

Technical sessions, at which these topics will be presented and discussed, will be held on 20th November, 1979, and during the morning of the following day. During the afternoon of 21st November, 1979, rapporteurs will summarize the discussions at the technical sessions, initiate further debate and elaborate recommendations.

Summaries of the papers to be presented will be published in the symposium Handbook, copies of which will be distributed to registrants in October 1979. Selected papers, with discussion, will be published early in 1980.

Further information on the symposium and its associated events will be given in the Second Circular/Registration form, copies of which will be available from June 1979 from:

The Secretary, Institution of Mining and Metallurgy, 44 Portland Place, London WIN 4BR, to whom all preliminary enquiries should be addressed.

Underwater mining

The 10th Annual Underwater Mining Institute is scheduled for 1st to 3rd October, 1979, at Galveston, Texas. The Institute will be cosponsored by the Sea Grant College Programs of the University of Wisconsin and Texas A & M University and by the Marine Science Institute of the University of Texas; it is being held in co-operation with the Association for Marine Mining.

Topics to be presented at the Institute will include such interests as

- Techniques for Locating Underwater Deposits
- Geochemistry and Marine Mineral Exploration
- New Prospects and New Discoveries
- Marine Minerals in the South Pacific

Metals — a Global Picture
- Insurance, Liability and Dollars at Sea
- Nodule Mining in the Pacific
- Pre-mining Environmental Surveys
- Processing Data — Marine Minerals Exploration
- Opportunities for New Marine Minerals Programs
- Generating Capital for Mining Ventures
- Law of the Sea Revisited

Further information is available from the Institute Co-ordinator, Dr Gregory D. Hedden, Sea Grant Advisory Services, University of Wisconsin, 1815 University Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 (608) 262 — 0644, U.S.A.
Inligting oor Lidmaatskap

Die Suid-Afrikaanse Instituut vir Mynbou en Metallurgie

Die Instituut is in 1894 gestig as die Chemiese en Metallurgisee Vereniging van Suid-Afrika. In 1904 is dit omgewoen tot die Suid-Afrikaanse Instituut vir Mynbou en Metallurgie. Die Instituut is omstreeks 2000 lidmaats en bied aansoekers met behoortlike kwalifikasies geleentheid tot lidmaatskapgrade BOS en behoortlike grade BOS.

Lewenslange Erogene

Lidmaatskap kan vergoed word in die volgende graad:

1. Lidmaatskap: BOS
   - Moet minstens 25 jaar oud wees en in besit van 'n universtitetigraad in mynbou of toegepaste natuurwetenskappe, of in navorsingsorganisasies wat op die gebied van mynbou of metallurgie werk.
   - Moet 'n verantwoordelike pos bekleed het en 'n geëvalueerde baan in die samelewing het.
   - Moet minstens vyf jaar in 'n verantwoordelike pos werk en 'n akkrediteerde studiegrafiek van vier jaar in suiwier of toegepaste wetenskappe of in navorsingsorganisasies met 'n vergelyking met die opleiding en ervaring van die lidmaat.
   - Toetreeg geld: R10,00, Jaarlikseledegeld: R25,00.

2. Assosiaat: M.S.A.I.M.M.
   - Moet minstens 30 jaar oud wees en 'n universtitiegraad in mynbou of toegepaste natuurwetenskappe het.
   - Moet 'n verantwoordelike pos bekleed het en 'n akkrediteerde studiegrafiek van vier jaar in suiwier of toegepaste wetenskappe of in navorsingsorganisasies met 'n vergelyking met die opleiding en ervaring van die lidmaat.
   - Toetreeg geld: R10,00, Jaarlikseledegeld: R25,00.

3. Student: F.S.A.I.M.M.
   - Moet minstens 18 jaar oud wees.
   - Moet 'n universtitiegraad in suiwier of toegepaste natuurwetenskappe of in navorsingsorganisasies met 'n vergelyking met die opleiding en ervaring van die lidmaat.
   - Toetreeg geld: R15,00, Jaarlikseledegeld: R25,00.

Ander: Die lidmaatskap kan ook vir klere, boeke of uitgaanse hulp word gebied, afhanklik van die pos wat bekleed word.

Aansoek: Aansoek moet aan die Suid-Afrikaanse Instituut vir Mynbou en Metallurgie, Posbus 61091, Marshalltown, 2107, gestuur word.