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Australia to Host Overseas Paint Technologists

The Oil and Colour Chemists' Association of Australia is to host its first international paint convention at its capital city, Canberra, on September 25-28, 1977. OCCAA '77 Pacific Paint Convention will occupy some 5 hotels and will be headquartered at the city's magnificent Lakeside International.

Canberra is a "planned" capital city about an hour's flight from either Sydney or Melbourne. It is designed around the beautiful Lake Burley Griffin, named after the principal designer of Canberra. The city is famous for its spring blossoms and autumn coloring. The end of September is the middle of the Australian spring.

The lecture program, under the heading "Technical and Management Efficiency in the Coatings Business," will have two concurrent themes, paint technology and management as it relates to paint manufacture. The principal speaker is to be Professor Raymond B. Seymour from the University of Houston, Texas. Dr. Seymour enjoys considerable fame in the polymer industry for his review articles in many of the world's leading journals.

This will be the 19th annual convention held by OCCA Australia, but the first where the Association has actively invited delegates from all countries to share their experience to help solve some of the very special problems of paint formulation in a vast country with very harsh extremes of conditions.

Further information may be received from: OCCAA Australia, Pacific Plant Convention '77, P.O. Box 93 Punchbowl, 2196, Australia. ■