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Audio-visual room set up to aid speakers

The local committee of the 66th Annual Spring Meeting has announced a new service, a "speaker ready room" designed to help speakers in final preparation for their presentations.

The "speaker ready room" will be organized and staffed by audio-visual experts and will be open each morning of the meeting. Speakers will be given the opportunity to organize and double check the quality of their slides on equipment available in the room. They also will be able to check their slides with attendants who will deliver the slide trays to the appropriate meeting room at the correct time.

The committee feels that this service will be of great benefit to speakers who need to check and organize their slides before their presentations.

The 66th Annual Spring Meeting is to be held April 27-30, 1975, in Dallas, Tex.

West named ICI manager

ICI United States, Inc., has appointed AOCS member Richard L. West manager of chemical and polymer research in the chemical research and development department. He

in the chemical research and development department. He is located at corporate headquarters in Wilmington.

West joined the company in 1959 as a senior chemist in the chemical research department. He was named supervisor of the general organic group in 1970, remaining in that position until his recent appointment.

A native of Tallahassee, Fla., he graduated from the University of the South with a BS degree in chemistry in 1955. He received his PhD in chemistry from the University of Rochester in 1962. In 1974, he was awarded an MBA by the University of Delaware at Newark.

In addition to AOCS, West is a member of the American Chemical Society, American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists, and the New York Academy of Science.

ICI United States, formerly ICI America, is the U.S. operating subsidiary of ICI Americas, the regional management center for the ICI group companies in North, Central, and South America. The ICI Group comprises the parent company, Imperial Chemical Industries Limited, and some 400 subsidiaries.

Scandinavian Symposium on Lipids planned

The 8th Scandinavian Symposium on Lipids will be held in conjunction with the Scandinavian LIPIDFORUM, June 8-11, 1975, in Helsinki, Finland.

The symposium program is divided into two parts. One will be devoted to papers dealing with "Perspectives of Research on Membrane Lipids." The second segment of the program is the more traditional one, with sections such as production, analysis, physiology, etc. English will be the official language of the former part of the program, while, in the second segment, papers will be given in one of the Scandinavian languages or English.

Persons interested in participating are invited to present short lectures or communications. Detailed information on the symposium will be sent to all persons who have announced preliminary interest in participating.

Applications, questions, and correspondence should be addressed to: Professor Ossi Renkonen, University of Helsinki, Department of Biochemistry, Laboratory of Lipid Research, Haartmannsgatan 3, SF-Helsinki 29, Finland.

American Institute of Chemists announces new director

Paul Pierpoint has been named managing director of The American Institute of Chemists. He was Director of Information for the American Machine Tool Distributors' Association, where he edited the Association's magazine and administered the Association's show program. Prior to that he was with the National Rifle Association, where his experience included government liaison and publication work.

The American Institute of Chemists, with more than 6000 members, is a national society primarily devoted to solving the problems and improving the professional environment and productivity of chemists and chemical engineers.

