

NEWSLETTER

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I. GIREP-IUPAP seminar in Oxford July 1978.

The committee of GIREP has decided to hold the next seminar in Oxford, England, in cooperation with The International Commission on Physics Education (a commission of IUPAP). The seminar will be supported by UNESCO and will be concerned with the role of laboratory work in physics education.

Special attention will be given to the teaching of optics and electronics; but presentations of the teaching of other physics topics may also be included, if they illustrate new ways of teaching laboratory work in the learning process.

The organizing committee has decided to restrict the number of participants in the conference to a maximum of 100. Therefore it is advisable to apply for participation in the conference as early as possible.

./.. You will find enclosed an announcement of the seminar.

II. ^{6th} Proceedings from the GIREP seminar in Montpellier. 6-10 Sept.

The proceedings from the GIREP seminar (in Montpellier in 1976) edited by professor Coery Delacote will be published by Taylor and Francis, London. GIREP will get 200 free

copies to distribute among GIREP members. The book will probably be commercially available in the spring of 1978.

III. Announcement of the Treasurer.

It is the treasurers sad duty to remind of the payment of membership fees. You may recall that membership fees in general should preferably be paid at some rather early date in the current year as this will ease matters in many respects. In view of this I regret having to say that only a minor part of the duty fees for 1977 has been paid so far. Therefore, those of you who have not yet paid the fee for 1977, are kindly requested to do so at your earliest convenience.

A suggestion has been made that GIREP supply a membership card (to be renewed each year), indicating the last year (years) for which according to the treasurers files the fee has been paid. This may be useful in case you are in doubt of having paid or not paid the current fee. Being handy of size, the card can be kept in your valet. Please ./ find this card enclosed.

As usual a form, giving all practical information as to payments of membership fees is also enclosed. ./

It is most essential that this procedure is strictly followed!!!

Please note especially that the cheque should NOT be issued to GIREP but to Credit Suisse, in favour of GIREP's account No 0425-376089-91.

Please note too that a cheque should NOT be issued to GIREP and then mailed to the treasurer!!!

./ Enclosed find too the financial report for 1976.

IV EDUCATION OF PHYSICS TEACHERS

This is the last call for contributions to GIREP's investigation of the education of physics teachers in different countries. The deadline for receiving additional reports is December 1st this year. So far the office in Copenhagen has received reports from the following countries:

Austria
Brazil
Denmark
England
Holland
Honduras
Israel
New Zealand
Poland
Portugal
Yougoslavia

V Who is Who in GIREP

The planned "Who is who in GIREP" will be prepared in the autumn of this year to be distributed together with the next newsletter. The ones who have not yet returned the forms to be filled in will find such a form enclosed in this letter. They are requested to return the form before the deadline: December 1st.

VI New Members of GIREP

You may be interested to learn that the number of members of GIREP is still increasing. Below is listed new members having applied for membership since November 1976:

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