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ICC '79

The International Conference on Communications (ICC) will be held from 10 to 13 June 1979 in Boston, Massachusetts, United States.

ICC '79 is co-sponsored by the Communications Society, the Aerospace and Electronics Systems Society and the Geoscience Electronics Group of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE).

Original papers in the field of communications research, technology and operations are invited for possible inclusion in the ICC '79 technical program. The theme of the Conference is *Communications changing the world* and, where appropriate, papers should be keyed to this theme.

The following Sub-Committees will be involved in the organization of the technical sessions:

1. Aerospace and electronic systems
2. Communication disciplines
3. Communication electronics
4. Communication software technology
5. Communication switching
6. Communication theory
7. Computer communication
8. Data communication systems
9. Electromagnetic compatibility
10. Geoscience
11. Oceanic engineering
12. Radiocommunication

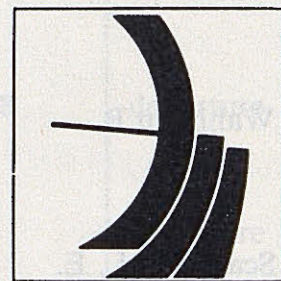
13. Social implications of technology
14. Space communication
15. Standards co-ordination and liaison
16. Transmission systems

Where appropriate, authors should indicate on their manuscripts which particular Sub-Committee(s) they feel should review their contributions. Complete papers (including a one-page abstract for review) must be submitted by 15 November 1978 to ensure adequate consideration.

Further information is available from: "Dr. John Logan, Chairman, ICC '79 Technical Program, Bell Telephone Laboratories, 1600 Osgood Street, North Andover, Massachusetts 01845 (United States)". Tel.: (617) 681-6306.—*IEEE*.

World Telecommunication Day 1978:

"Radiocommunications"



This month we continue our reports on the celebration of World Telecommunication Day this year in various Member countries of the Union.

Algeria

On 17 May a ceremony to commemorate World Telecommunication Day was held in Oran before an invited audience of about 100 people. The ceremony was opened by Mr. M. Ghomari, Director General of the Telecommunications Institute of Oran, assisted by Messrs. Zeriguine, Director of Studies, Bouazza, Director of Training Courses, and Beforth, ITU switching expert. The ceremony was followed by the projection of a film entitled "*Le récepteur radio*".

Mr. Benrahal, Head of the Radiocommunications Department, spoke briefly on the history of radiocommunications and touched on its past and present roles and its importance for the future, especially for developing countries.

Mr. Verking, ITU consultant for space communications, reviewed the main points of the transmission of information via

satellite and its influence on the various sectors of modern life.

The film "*Fabrication des relais ESK*" was shown, following an introduction by Mr. Beforth. The film illustrates modern methods of manufacturing telecommunication equipment. Mr. Beforth also explained the role of the ITU and its various services and of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

A round table discussion was held by Messrs. Ghomari, Benrahal, Verking and Beforth to discuss radiocommunications and the films.

The 10th World Telecommunication Day concluded with a cocktail party.

Kenya

In Kenya World Telecommunication Day was commemorated this year by the following activities:

- ITU commemorative posters (radiocommunications) were distributed to all the Post Office buildings in the country;
- on 17 May two senior officials, one from the Kenya External Telecommunications

Co. Ltd. and the other from the Kenya Posts and Telecommunications Corporation, held a television discussion based on this year's theme, in the "Voice of Kenya" "Mambo Leo" program. The ITU Secretary General's 3-minute 16 mm film was screened;

- the Managing Director of the Kenya Posts and Telecommunications Corporation delivered a press statement on the theme. The statement appeared in the local newspapers on 17 May.

Mali

In Mali World Telecommunication Day was celebrated by an exhibition of postage stamps on the theme "Spacecraft and space telecommunications" and by the projection of a number of films on telecommunications.

The exhibition was organized by the *Club Bamakois des amis de l'UNESCO*, whose President is Mr. Abdoulaye Djiré.

The exhibition was inaugurated on Saturday, 13 May, by the Director of Telecommunications of Mali and was open to the public each day until Saturday, 20 May.