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Papers Program for the 85th Convention, May 4-8, 1959, Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach

Theme: *Films and Television for International Communication.*

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Theaters and Projection: **Willy Borberg**, General Precision Laboratory, Pleasantville, N.Y.

Deadline: February 16, 1959. (This means that all Author Forms MUST be in the hands of the Program Chairman on or before this date. After the deadline has passed, papers can be accepted for presentation at the Convention ONLY by special arrangement by the Program Chairman or by the Papers Committee.)

Note to Authors: The deadline, noted above, means of course, that it is the responsibility of the Author to make sure that the Author Forms are submitted to the Topic Chairman far enough ahead of the deadline so that no undue burden is added to the responsibilities of those who make the program. The earlier the better!

Although many, and perhaps most, of the papers presented at the Convention are later published in the *Journal*, acceptance of a paper for presentation at the Convention does not, per se, mean that the paper is also accepted for *Journal* publication. Before a manuscript is accepted for publication in the *Journal*, it is reviewed by the Board of Editors. A paper suitable for oral presentation would not necessarily be suitable for publication. Demonstrations would usually fall into this classification, although they might be reported in the *Journal*. In respect to the subject matter of a paper, it can occur (and usually does) that an excellent manuscript does not, apparently, fit into any set category. (Reminding one of the famous drama, *Six Manuscripts in Search of a Topic Chairman*.) These temporarily homeless manuscripts should be sent to the Program Chairman, or the Assoc. Program Chairman, who will decide on the Topic or Session to which they may best be related.

General Comment: The theme of the 85th

Convention relates the special interests of the Society and its members to the wider concept of communication and thus to the vital and immediate concerns of thinking people throughout the world, and it serves to emphasize the significant contributions that have been and are being made.

In relating the interests of the Society to world-wide concerns it is relevant to note that the geographical areas represented by the members of the Society are becoming more extensive. Areas represented by Regional Papers Chairmen, other than the United States and Canada, include (in Asia) India, Japan and the Philippines; (in Australasia) Australia and New Zealand; (in Europe) Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, The Netherlands, Sweden and Switzerland; and (in the Western Hemisphere) Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico and Venezuela.

The relationship within the Society of members from various regions throughout the world becomes especially meaningful in the contributing of the community and diversity of points of view that have so much to do with the success of a Convention.

Conventions do not spring into being overnight and the success of a Convention is not based on last-minute inspiration but rather on dedicated, behind-the-scenes work. Some of the story is told in the Directory for Members (April Pt. II, 1958) which lists the Chairmen of the standing Papers Committee. A great deal of effort is necessary if the Convention is to meet, and perhaps surpass, standards of success set by previous Conventions. Due to the efforts of Papers Committee Chairman Ben Plakun working in close

cooperation with Editorial Vice-President Glenn Matthews, a great deal of planning and preparatory work has already been possible on the part of your 85th Convention Program Chairman.

Suggestions about papers or paper prospects can be submitted to the Program Chairman, or the Associate Chairman, or to the Editor at Society Headquarters.—*Garland C. Misener*, 85th Program Chairman.

Equipment Exhibit

According to present planning, the world-wide scope of communications that is the general theme of the papers program for the Miami Convention will be reflected in the choice of new equipment to be shown in the Exhibit. This will take on an international character with displays invited from manufacturers in several European countries as well as from other parts of this hemisphere. It is also expected that the proximity of so much missile instrumentation activity in Florida will attract a sizable concentration of high-speed photographic and data instrumentation equipment.

The Exhibit Chairman for this occasion will be John B. Olsson, c/o Beattie-Coleman, Inc., 1000 N. Olive, Anaheim, Calif. Detailed information about available space will be going out to past and potential exhibitors very soon; in the meantime, any companies who want to be sure of receiving information and order forms should get in touch with John Olsson or notify Denis Courtney at Society headquarters.