

The Coblentz Society, Incorporated

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I. 1966 Coblentz Award

The winner of the 1966 Coblentz Award is Dr. Edwin D. Becker of the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Becker was cited for his outstanding contributions to chemical spectroscopy. The Award will be presented at Coblentz Symposium during the 1966 Pittsburgh Conference, at which time Dr. Becker will present a short review of his recent work.

II. The Coblentz Symposium at Pittsburgh

The Symposium will be held on Thursday morning, February 24, 1966 and will feature discussions of "The Professional Infrared Spectroscopist" from three viewpoints: Dr. R. R. Brattain, industrial; Dr. Walter F. Edgell, academic; and Dr. Harry C. Allen, Jr., government. Following the papers, the speakers will participate in a panel discussion. Comments and questions from the floor are invited. The program is being arranged by Dr. Nelson Fuson.

III. National Standard Reference Data Program

Your Board of Management has been working dilligently to prepare written specifications for evaluating infrared spectra. These specifications should be helpful also to people running reference spectra in their own laboratories. Copies will be available for interested persons at the Coblentz Society discussion meeting, to be held during the 1966 Pittsburgh Conference on Thursday evening, February 24, at 8 P.M.

IV. Forthcoming Election

Names are being solicited for nominees to the Board of Management to replace James E. Stewart and A. Lee Smith, whose terms expire this year. Continuing members are R. S. McDonald (1967), John Overend (1967), Nelson Fuson (1968) and Jack Mortimer (1968). Appointed members are H. B. Kessler, Secretary; L. E. Kuenzel, Spectral Data Liaison; Clara Smith, Spectra Collection, and W. J. Potts, Jr., Treasurer. R. N. Jones, serving on the board as Past President, will retire from Board duty this year also.

The nominating committee is composed of Dr. R. A. Friedel, chairman; Prof. E. R. Lippincott, and Prof. R. C. Lord.

V. Dues Notice

Membership dues for 1965 are requested. A form is enclosed for your use. Please detach the membership card, fill in the remaining portion and return it with your check for \$2.00. Please make your check payable to the Coblenz Society, Inc., and send it to Dr. H. B. Kessler, P. O. Box 730, Norwalk, Conn.