
TESTING FORUM

Committee D-18 News

Woodie Shockley, third vice-chairman of Committee D-18 and a member of the Editorial Board of the *Geotechnical Testing Journal*, recently made a trip to Australia and New Zealand. The trip, sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers, was part of the People to People Program in which a group of American civil engineers met with their counterparts in the other countries and visited major engineering projects. Woodie reports that he was prepared to promote interest in ASTM's *Geotechnical Testing Journal*, but found that the journal was well known everywhere he went. All of the geotechnical engineers he contacted were familiar with the journal, and most of them said that their libraries had subscriptions to it. He was most gratified to see the world-wide acceptance of the journal.

Symposium

The European Symposium on Penetration Testing—ESOPT II—will take place from 24–28 May 1982 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. It is being organized by the Netherlands National Society of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering. The subjects will be: new developments on methods and interpretations of the static cone test, the dynamic cone test, the standard penetration test, and the Swedish cone test.

The program of the symposium will include nine technical sessions, an excursion, an exhibition, demonstrations, and a case study of a pile loading test which will be performed during the symposium. Also, the European Subcommittee on Penetration Testing will meet with experts from outside Europe.

Authors wishing to contribute are invited to send an abstract of their proposed contribution before 1 Aug. 1981 to Dr. ir. H. K. S. Ph. Begemann, Secretary-General ESOPT II, c/o Royal Institution of Engineers in the Netherlands, P.O. Box 30424, 2500 GK The Hague, The Netherlands.