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FOREWORD

The Symposium on Laboratory Shear Testing of Soils, sponsored by ASTM Committee D-18 on Soils for Engineering Purposes and the National Research Council of Canada, was held in four sessions from Sept. 9 to 11, 1963, in Ottawa, Canada. It was the second cooperative soils symposium held by Committee D-18 outside of the United States. The first symposium was held in Mexico City in 1957.

A welcoming address by Robert F. Legget, vice-president of ASTM, opened the first session. W. G. Holtz, chairman of Committee D-18, discussed the history, purpose, and activities of his committee.

The conference chairman was Carl B. Crawford, of the National Research Council of Canada, who was responsible for developing the symposium program. An introductory paper, "Strength Testing of Soils," was presented by G. F. Sowers, chairman of D-18 Subcommittee on Structural Properties of Soils.

Each of the four technical sessions was presided over by a chairman who presented a general report on his session.

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