

Report from Education Committee Q.R.P.G. 1958-1959

In conjunction with the C.I.C. Rubber Division and the Ontario Rubber Group, a course in Rubber Technology was presented at McGill University. The course was run as two semesters, each semester consisting of 10 lectures delivered between 6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. each Tuesday from 7th October to 9th of December and from January 13th, to March 17th, 1959.

A total of 67 students attended. They were enrolled through the assistance of the Extension Dept. at University, through direct mailing to all personnel listed with the Q.R.P.G.; and through publicity given to the course by the Trade Journals of the Rubber and Plastics Industry.

The majority of students attended over 16 of the 20 lectures. Certificates were issued to these students.

The cost to the student was \$40.00 and a rebate of \$15.00 was issued to those students who were also paid up members of the Q.R.P.G.; and who indicated their desire to receive this rebate.

On completion of the lectures, a handsomely bound book was made up by the University of Toronto Press containing complete reprints of all lectures, with diagrams, charts and illustrations. Each student received a copy of this Handbook. All lecturers received a complimentary copy. Extra copies were offered for sale at \$6.00 each to anyone who requested them.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Debit</u>
Refund of payments to lectures per University.	\$600.00	
Sale of lecture notes (at 3rd July, 1959)	210.00	
Payment to Ontario Rubber Group to cover cost of printing etc. of lecture notes		\$650.00
Refund to Students (members of Q.R.P.G.)		360.00
Totals	\$810.00	\$1010.00
Net loss as of 3rd July, 1959		\$200.00

Statement on disposal of printed lecture notes:

Distributed to students at course	67
Cash Sales	8
Accounts payable	27
Returned to C. Croakman	1
Stock in Hand	<u>7</u>
Total	<u>110</u>

Recommendations for possible future courses

1. As 67 students attended the course, McGill University received a total of $\$67 \times 40 = \2680 . \$600 was paid out of this sum to the lecturers. Hence we conclude that McGill charged \$100 per night for the use of their facilities. It would appear reasonable that better terms could be arranged with McGill so that the Q.R.P.G. would not be liable to financial embarrassment should a course be run at frequent intervals.
2. A rubber course should not be presented for at least 4 years.
3. The next course sponsored by the Q.R.P.G. be on plastics.
4. The Educational Committee be made large so that each member is not responsible for the reception and entertainment of more than 2 or 3 lecturers.
5. The time of presentation of the lecture be maintained at 6.00 p.m. to ensure good attendance.