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Congratulations

This item will not be published regularly. However it was thought that congratulating some members of the Executive Committee of IABSE on "important" birthdays would be nice.



Gerard F. Fox

Gerard F. Fox, born in New York, in 1923, received his degree of Civil Engineering from Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. He has been associated with the firm Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff and is at present Partner-in-charge of its New York office. Chairman of Working Commission I from 1975 to 1979, G. F. Fox has been Chairman of the US Group since 1972. In 1979, G. F. Fox was elected to the Executive Committee of the Association. As chairman of the US Group of IABSE, he contributed to the success of the IABSE Symposium in Washington, DC in 1982 on "Maintenance, Repair and Rehabilitation of Bridges".



Bruno Thürlimann

Bruno Thürlimann, born in 1923, is professor of structural engineering at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich. Having received his civil engineering diploma in Zurich in 1946, he worked there as an Assistant, and then moved to Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA where he received his Ph.D. in 1951. He was research professor at Lehigh from 1953 to 1960 and since then has been in his present position.

Bruno Thürlimann was made an Honorary Member of ACI in March 1983. This is the highest distinction presented by the American Concrete Institute. In April 1983, Professor Thürlimann was also awarded Dr. h.c. from the University of Stuttgart in appreciation of his contribution to the theoretical and experimental research work in the application of the theory of plasticity, as well as for his contribution to the better and simplified understanding of reinforced and prestressed concrete. Professor Thürlimann was elected President of IABSE in 1977.



Masatane Kokubu

Dr. Masatane Kokubu, born in 1913, is Professor Emeritus of the University of Tokyo, after having served for 30 years on its faculty. He is now teaching at the Musashi Institute of Technology in Tokyo. He has long been leader in concrete engineering in Japan, and elected President of JCI in 1974 and of JSCE in 1979. His international activities have been remarkable too, serving as one of the Japanese representatives in CEB, an honorary member of ACI etc. In IABSE, Professor Kokubu was a member of the Working Commission III from 1967 until 1977 and now is a member of the Executive Committee and Chairman of the Japanese Group.