

From: Eric Hutchinson

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Dr. Paul Flory, at present the research director at the Mellon Institute, is possibly interested in joining the Stanford Chemistry faculty - at any rate his choice has narrowed to Stanford and one other school. The Department of Chemistry is anxious to add Dr. Flory to its staff, and at this stage there is no question of our looking him over: we have already decided that we want him and we are now wooing him.

Anything that you can do towards making Dr. Flory feel clearly that we earnestly wish to add him to the Stanford faculty will be most gratefully appreciated by us.

The following excerpt from American Men of Science provides some background material on Dr. Flory.

Flory, Dr. Paul J(ohn), Mellon Institute, 4400 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh 13, Pa. Physical Chemistry. Sterling, Ill, June 19, 10; m. 36; c. 3. B. Sc, Manchester Col, 30; M. S, Ohio State, 31, Ph. D. (phys. chem), 34. Res. chemist, exp. sta, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co, Del, 34-38; res. assoc. basic. sci. lab, Cincinnati, 38-40; res. chemist, Esso Labs, Standard Oil Co, (N. J.), 40-43; sect. head, res. lab, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co, 43-48; prof. chem, Cornell, 48-56; Exec. Dir. Res, Mellon Inst. 56- Baker lectr, Cornell, 48. Chmn. cmt. macromolecular chem, Nat. Res. Council, 55-59, mem-at-large, div. chem. & chem. techn, 59-62. Sullivant medal, Ohio State, 45; Colwyn medal, Inst. Rubber Chem. (Gt. Britain), 54. Nat. Acad; A. A; Phys. Soc; Chem. Soc. (Baekeland award, 47); Am. Acad. Photochemistry; reaction kinetics, polymerization mechanisms; constitution, physical properties and thermodynamic properties of high polymers.

Visit of Dr. Paul Flory

- January 12 E. Hutchinson will meet Dr. and Mrs. Flory at San Francisco airport, take them to Rickeys, and entertain them in the afternoon.
- Dr. and Mrs. Noller and Dr. Koenig will take Dr. and Mrs. Flory out to dinner this evening.
- January 13 Hutchinson will collect Dr. Flory from Rickeys at 9.30 a. m.
- Appointment with Dr. Bowker at 10.00 a. m.
- Appointment with Dr. Sterling at 10.30 a. m.
- Balance of morning in chemistry building.
- Lunch in Dr. Kornberg's office in Medical School.
- Afternoon spent talking to Spencer, Orttung, Laurie, et al.
- Dinner with the Taube's.
- Mrs. Hutchinson will entertain Mrs. Flory to lunch and for sightseeing during the afternoon.
- January 14 Dr. Johnson will collect Dr. Flory from Rickeys at 9.30 a. m.
- Morning free for extempore plans.
- Lunch with Dr. Mayo of S. R. I. Mrs. Flory invited also.
- Cocktail party, Dean Rhinelander's house, 5 - 7 p. m.
- Dinner at Hutchinson's house, 7 p. m.