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The Thirtieth Session of the Fifty-ninth Annual Meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials, held in Atlantic City, N. J., June 22, 1956, was devoted to a Symposium on In-Place Shear Testing of Foundation Soils by the Vane Method. This Symposium was presented to bring to the attention of American engineers the possibilities of a wider utilization of the vane apparatus which has been in use in Sweden since 1947.

In addition, a paper presented by W. J. Eden and J. J. Hamilton has been included. This was presented at the Second Session of the Sixtieth Annual Meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials, held in Atlantic City, N. J., June 17, 1957.

Additional contributions of this symposium were solicited from Scandinavian scientists and are included as part of this symposium.

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