

## **Symposium on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Operational Numerical Weather Prediction**

This CD-ROM has been created for the “Symposium on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Operational Numerical Weather Prediction”, held at College Park, MD, USA on June 14-17, 2004. It contains a collection of ‘classic’ journal articles which had a fundamental role in the history of NWP, and which generally appeared in the refereed literature prior to 1960. It also contains a number of papers written specifically for the CD, which document early NWP activities in various countries. Finally, it contains extended abstracts for most of the Symposium presentations. With such, it is anticipated that the CD will become a valuable historical resource for the field of meteorology and NWP. It will provide an operational NWP complement to the Potsdam conference in 2000, which celebrated the landmark NWP work done on the ENIAC computer, and whose proceedings are available from the European Meteorological Society at [ems-sec@met.fu-berlin.de](mailto:ems-sec@met.fu-berlin.de) .

This CD is constructed to make it relatively easy to access the resident files:

- 1) A bibliography file contains links to the PDF files of all the ‘classic’ papers. There are also bibliographic references that are not found on the CD, but in these instances an Internet web site may be provided.
- 2) The symposium agenda file contains CD-links to the various extended abstracts. If not available, a Powerpoint presentation may be substituted.

There are two versions of the agenda and bibliography - in Microsoft Word and PDF formats. In addition, there is a PDF file containing a picture of the participants of the major “[International Symposium on Numerical Weather Prediction in Tokyo](#)”, November 7-13, 1960, including almost all the pioneers in the field. We gratefully acknowledge the Meteorological Society of Japan, who published the relevant Proceedings, and to Takashi Nitta and Kazuo Saito, whose survey paper on this CD contains the photograph.

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