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Fernand Claisse was born in Quebec City, obtained doctorate in physics from Laval University in 1957 then joined the Analytical Chemistry Division at the Centre de Recherches Minérales of the Government of Quebec to study X-ray fluorescence as a new method of chemical analysis. In 1958 he left to teach X-ray analysis at the Department of Mining and Metallurgy at Laval University. In the mean time he authored the book *Principles of Quantitative X-Ray Fluorescence Analysis* together with R. Tertien. In 1973 he left Laval University to form *Claisse Scientific Corporation* to market his automatic method of fusion of samples for x-ray fluorescence analysis. In 1997 he was named a Grand Québécois and received many honours and rewards for his contribution to the advancement of science.



Fernand Claisse [second from left] at a Department meeting  
[photo by Fathi Habashi, 1972]



Claisse Fluxer for preparing samples for x-ray fluorescence analysis [1973]

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