

## ANNUAL MEETING

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Mineralogical Society of America will be held in Los Angeles, California, Monday through Wednesday, November 1-3, 1954. A series of field trips is being planned, some to precede and some to follow the meeting.

Abstracts of papers to be presented at the annual meeting must be received by the Secretary on or before *July 15, 1954*. Abstract blanks may be obtained from the Secretary.

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### NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS FOR 1955

*President:* Harry H. Hess, Princeton University, Princeton, Massachusetts

*Vice-President:* Clifford Frondel, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

*Secretary:* C. S. Hurlbut, Jr., Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

*Treasurer:* Earl Ingerson, U. S. Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

*Editor:* Walter F. Hunt, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

*Councilor (1955-58):* Leonard G. Berry, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada

The above Fellows have been nominated by the Council as officers of the Mineralogical Society of America for 1955. They will be voted on at the election in October 1954.

C. S. HURLBUT, JR., *Secretary*

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### 1954 PACIFIC COAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON CLAYS AND CLAY TECHNOLOGY

The 1954 Pacific Coast Regional Conference on Clays and Clay Technology is to be held on the Berkeley campus of the University of California on June 25 and 26. The subject of the Conference will be the clay-water system.

Papers related to permeability of liquids through formations, swelling of clays, viscosity and plasticity will be presented by workers in the fields of petroleum, soil science, soil mechanics, geophysics, and ceramics. The same arrangement that was so successful during the First National Conference at Berkeley is to be followed with papers in the mornings and discussions in the afternoons. Thus, an excellent opportunity is provided for an exchange of information and ideas between the representatives of the above fields.

*The General Electric X-Ray Diffraction School* will also be held on the Berkeley campus and will precede the Conference, June 21 to 25.

# INTERNATIONAL UNION OF CRYSTALLOGRAPHY

## THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

PARIS, 21–28 JULY 1954

*Secretary of the Local Committee:* A.-J. Rose, 1, rue Victor-Cousin, Paris, 5<sup>e</sup>

*Accommodation:* American Express

### PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 21ST JULY		MONDAY 26TH JULY	
10:00 A.M.	<i>Opening Meeting</i>	9:30 A.M.	General Lectures (Neutron Diffraction)
2:30 P.M.	Inauguration of the Exhibition	2:30 P.M.	Congress Communications
3:30 P.M.	Congress Communications	9:00 P.M.	General Lecture
THURSDAY 22ND JULY		TUESDAY 27TH JULY	
9:30 A.M.	General Lectures (Crystal Growth)	9:30 A.M.	Preparatory Lectures for Symposium on "The Mechanism of Phase Transition in Crystals"
2:30 P.M.	Congress Communications	2:30 P.M.	Congress Communications
FRIDAY 23RD JULY		WEDNESDAY 28TH JULY	
9:30 A.M.	General Lectures (Low Temperature structure determinations, and Clathrate compounds)	9:30 A.M.	Preparatory Lectures for Symposium on "The Location and Function of Hydrogen"
2:30 P.M.	Congress Communications	2:30 P.M.	<i>Closing Meeting</i>
SATURDAY 24TH JULY		THURSDAY 29TH JULY	
9:30 A.M.	Congress Communications	9:30 A.M. & 2:30 P.M.	Symposium: The Mechanism of Phase Transitions in Crystals
FREE AFTERNOON		FRIDAY 30TH JULY	
12:45 P.M.	Departure for the "Châteaux de la Loire"; tour excursion A (return on Sunday evening)	9:30 A.M. & 2:30 P.M.	Symposium: The Location and Function of Hydrogen
SUNDAY 25TH JULY. Free			
AFTERNOON	Tour of Paris and surroundings (excursion B)		

By request of many colleagues, the Organizing Committee has decided to include the following sections:

16.—Electron Diffraction

17.—Clay minerals

Sessions on "The Teaching of Crystallography" and "Crystallographic data" will be held in the course of the Congress.

### RECEPTIONS AND VISITS

A programme of receptions and visits will be organized for Crystallographers and Members accompanying them; this will be handed to them with invitations on their arrival in Paris.