

NOTICES

MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA—PROPOSED CHANGE IN BY-LAWS

On the forthcoming ballot for the election of officers and councilors there will be, in addition, a significant revision of the By-Laws of the Society to be voted on. At the meeting in New Orleans in November 1967 the Council voted that the section of the By-Laws concerning dues should be submitted to the membership for change. All the Society's expenses, particularly the cost of publishing and distributing *The American Mineralogist*, are rising. An increase in dues will therefore soon become necessary. In view of this, the Council considers it advisable that it be delegated the authority to make such changes in dues as the interests of the Society dictate. The following revision in the By-Laws will be submitted for membership approval.

Article II—Dues

From

Section 1 The annual dues for members and fellows shall be eight dollars (\$8) payable in January. Members who are students shall pay one-half of the dues of other members.

To

Section 1 The annual dues of members and fellows shall be fixed by action of the Council.

The essence of this revision is that it transfers the responsibility for the setting of the amount of annual dues from the membership-at-large to the Council of the Society.

INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS FOR *THE AMERICAN MINERALOGIST*: CORRECTIONS

A previous notice, in the last issue, gave information on how to prepare and submit a manuscript. After your paper has been published, misprints that alter the meaning or actual errors may be discovered in the printed text either by a reader or by yourself. It is the standard policy of this journal to publish the necessary corrections to clarify the original statements and insure their proper understanding. Such rectifications should be prepared in the form of a short NOTE, carrying the title of the original paper followed by "A CORRECTION" or "CORRECTIONS," as the case may be, and listed in the usual style, according to the following example.

The following corrections should be noted (*Amer. Mineral.* 53, 514-517)

- p. 514, No. 4, line 4: *instead of 20, read 20*
- p. 515, No. 13, lines 2-3: *instead of substituted . . . by, read replaced . . . by* (Gowers, 1965, p. 599)
- p. 516, No. 16, line 2 up: *instead of* (Palache, 1927), *read* (Palache and Bauer, 1927)
- p. 516, No. 16, lines 3 & 6: *insert comma after Charles*
- p. 516, No. 18, line 2 up: *insert comma after R.*
- p. 517, 1st and 2nd references: *instead of Syle, read Style*
- p. 517, 5th reference: *change the title to read The System of Mineralogy of James Dwight Dana and Edward Salisbury Dana*
- p. 517, 6th reference: *should read* Hey, H., C. Guillemin, F. Permingeat and J. P. de Roever (1961) Sur la nomenclature minéralogique. *Bull. Soc. Franc. Mineral. Cristallogr.* 84, 96-104.

REFERENCE

GOWERS, ERNEST (1965) *Fowler's Modern English Usage, 2nd ed.*, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

CANCELLATION OF SPECIAL SESSION ON SULFIDE CRYSTALLOGRAPHY

It is with regret that we announce cancellation of the proposed special session on sulfide crystallography at the Mexico City meeting, November, 1968 (*Amer. Mineral.* 53, 356 (1968)). The symposium is a victim of the financial retrenchment of NSF in line with the general restraint in spending imposed on all branches of the government. Reluctance on the part of the MSA Council to assume financial responsibility of the magnitude necessary, is a consequence of the present involvement and uncertainties surrounding the establishing of a permanent headquarters for the Society in Washington.

*Executive Committee
Mineralogical Society of America*

PAGE CHARGES FOR *THE AMERICAN MINERALOGIST*

At its meeting of November 18, 1967, the Council of the Mineralogical Society of America instituted a system of page charges for *The American Mineralogist*. This step was taken on the recommendation of the Committee for Financing Expansion of *The American Mineralogist* which, during 1967, considered in detail various plans for coping with the increasing volume of papers submitted to the journal. Both the Committee and the Council gave extended consideration to possible alternatives and to the various considerations involved in page charges.

Page charges were begun by *The Physical Review* in 1930, and their present extensive use by a wide spectrum of scientific journals allows them to keep pace with increases in their accepted manuscripts. As with other journals, the charge is assessed against the institution supporting the research that led to the submitted manuscript, and can generally be planned for as a final important part of the research, at a small percentage of the total cost. An author whose research has been supported by an institution that is unable, for compelling legal or financial reasons, to honor the bill for page charges will not be required to pay the bill himself. Payment of page charges is not a condition for publication.

In order that this change in policy may be given wide notice, the Council ruled that charges would begin with manuscripts received in the office of the Editor on or after August 1, 1968. The charge has been set by the Council at an initial rate of \$20.00 per page, which is lower than most journals charge. Rates for reprints will not be changed at present, except that 100 instead of 50 reprints will be sent free to each author.

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Professor Stefano Bonatti, of the University of Pisa, died on April 23, 1968, at the age of 66.