

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINERALOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held, in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Geological Association of Canada, May 13-15, 1971, in Sudbury, Ont. The overall attendance was approximately 400.

The technical sessions were held in the Fraser Building of Laurentian University. There were generally three sections running simultaneously. In addition to 15 papers presented in the section Mineralogy and Crystallography, 32 papers were given in the sections Petrology — Geochemistry.

There was a marked topical concentration on investigations connected in some way with mineralization and geology of the Sudbury region. This resulted in a purposeful compactness which was further enhanced by the congenial surrounding of Laurentian University.

The MAC luncheon was held May 14. The past president, E.H. Nickel, gave an address on "The scientist and social responsibility"; a thoughtful and sobering Swan Song: Dr Nickel has now taken up residence in Perth, W. Australia.

The guest speaker at the GAC — MAC annual dinner, held May 14 at the Caruso Club, was Dr. Brian H. Kaye, Professor of Physics at Laurentian. His topic was "Educated Fossils".

Field trips after the meeting included, in addition to excursions in the Sudbury area and underground mine visits, excursions to Manitoulin Island and to Elliot Lake.

The business meeting of the Association was held May 13, 1971, at 8.30 a.m. in the Classroom Building, Laurentian University. The meeting, attended by 26 members, was chaired by the President, Dr. A.R. Graham. The following items were discussed:

*Financial position.* There is, as of May 1, 1971, a balance of \$7687.82 in the general funds and \$2352.86 in the Special Publication Fund. After payment of 10/5 and the Cobalt issue, 11/1, which is largely looked after by other funds, there should be a balance of  $\pm$  \$3500 at the end of the year.

*Membership.* The membership as of May 3, 1971 is 1344. This figure comprises 29 Sustaining members, 657 Ordinary (including Life and Associate) members, 105 Student members and 553 Corporate members.

*The Canadian Mineralogist.* The issue 10/5 will be released in June. The Geological Foundation has awarded a grant of \$5000 toward the printing expense of 11/1 (Cobalt issue); this issue will possibly go to press end of June. A number of papers are accepted for 11/2. The abstracts of papers presented at the Sudbury meeting will be published in 11/2.

### *Future Annual Meetings.*

1972. Montreal August 21-30. The MAC meeting for 1972 will host the eighth meeting of the International Mineralogical Association and will be integrated with section 14 of the IGC. D.C. Harris — in substitution of E.H. Nickel — and Guy Perrault will be conveners.

1973. Saskatoon. Preparations are well in hand.

1974. Memorial, St. John's Nfld. Preparations are being started.

1975. Waterloo. 1976. Edmonton. 1977. Ottawa. 1978. Toronto.

### *Relationship to other scientific bodies.*

GAC. — Lou Moyd will act as our liaison with respect to future meetings.

CES. — No action is being taken regarding the Council of the Earth Sciences until R. Blais calls next meeting.

SCITEC. — The consensus is to wait for the formation of the CES.

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