

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINERALOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

The Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held on April 25-27, 1977, in conjunction with the Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the Geological Association of Canada, the Fifty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Society of Economic Geologists, and the Fourth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Geophysical Union. The meeting took place at the Holiday Inn Harbour Side and Hyatt Regency hotels in Vancouver.

Before the Meeting the MAC sponsored its second short course from Thursday, April 21 to Sunday, April 24, 1977. The very successful Short Course on Applications of Thermodynamics to Petrology and Ore Deposits was organized by H. J. Greenwood and the notes published for the course are available from the Subscription Manager for \$7.50 Can. (postage paid).

Special sessions organized by MAC included "Geothermometry and Geobarometry of Mineral Deposits" chaired by C. I. Godwin, "Research in Sulphide Geochemistry and Mineralogy" chaired by S. A. Kissin and E. P. Meagher, and "Low Grade Metamorphism and Hydrothermal Alteration" chaired by P. B. Read and T. H. Brown. An additional sixteen papers were presented in the general mineralogical and petrological sessions.

The MAC luncheon was held on April 27 in the Commonwealth Room of the Holiday Inn Harbour Side Hotel. The President, R. B. Ferguson, thanked the organizers of the meeting and presented the Hawley Award to F. J. Wicks and E. J. Whittaker for their paper "A Reappraisal of the Structures of the Serpentine Minerals" (*Can. Mineral.*, 1975, 13, 227-243). The Past-President, L. G. Berry, gave a luncheon address on "Recent Studies on Secondary Nickel Minerals".

The Annual Business Meeting of the Association was held at 17:30, April 26, 1977, in the Plaza Centre of the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Seventeen members attended the meeting chaired by the President, R. B. Ferguson. The main items discussed were: *Treasurer's Report*: The Treasurer, A. P. Sabina, presented the final

financial statement for the year ending December 31, 1976 showing a bank balance of \$9,479.48. *Finance Committee Report*: The Finance Committee with R. A. Alcock as Chairman was established this year in order to investigate methods of alleviating the financial problems of the Association. To date they have received \$1,500 from the appeal for donations, a National Research Council of Canada publication grant of \$30,000, and \$5,000 financial assistance from the Geological Survey of Canada towards the Berry Issue. This financial support is gratefully acknowledged. *The Canadian Mineralogist*: L. J. Cabri and J. L. Jambor reported that Volume 15, Part 2 is in the galley-proof stage. It consists of papers accepted from two symposia at the Edmonton 1976 Meeting; "Garnets" edited by E. D. Ghent and "Chemistry of Silicate Melts and Magmas" edited by C. M. Scarfe and A. J. Piwinski. Volume 15, Part 3 consists of twenty regular papers and is also in the galley-proof stage. Next year, Volume 16, Part 3 will be a Special Issue dedicated to J.D.H. Donnay to honor him on his 75th birthday. *Membership*: The Membership Committee Chairman, D. G. W. Smith, reported that as of April 13, 1977, our total membership was 1640, which is a slight increase over last year. This year marks the first awarding of the Student Membership Prize which is to go to one student in each university in Canada for his/her outstanding achievement in the introductory mineralogy course. It is hoped that the two-year free subscription to the Canadian Mineralogist will encourage these students to retain their membership in the Association. *Future Meetings*: The next Annual Meeting will be held in Toronto during October 12-14, 1978. After the meeting there will be a short course on uranium deposits with M. Kimberly as organizer. Subsequent meetings are planned for May, 1979 in Québec City, Québec; May, 1980 in Halifax, Nova Scotia; and May, 1981 in Banff, Alberta.

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Secretary