

NOTICES

MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA—NOMINATIONS

Fellows and members of the Society are invited to take a more active part in its activities, by making suggestions to the various nominating committees which will be active during 1970.

"The *Roebling Medal* is the highest award of the Mineralogical Society of America for scientific eminence as represented primarily by scientific publication of outstanding original research in mineralogy. The science of mineralogy is defined broadly for purposes of the Roebling Award, and a candidate need not qualify as a mineralogist, rather his published research should be related to the mineralogical sciences and should make some outstanding contribution to them. Service to mineralogy, teaching and administrative accomplishment are not to be considered as a primary merit for the award. The award is not restricted to Americans. Nationality, personality, age of the candidate, or place of employment shall not be considered."¹

"The *Mineralogical Society of America Award* is given in recognition of an outstanding contribution within the fields of interest of the Society. The work for which the award is given must be published in a single paper or series of papers prior to the month in which the candidate's 35th birthday falls. Candidates are limited to persons who shall not have reached the age of 37 before January 1 of the year in which the award is decided upon [1970]. The Award shall be made without regard to nationality, personality, or place of employment. Membership in the Mineralogical Society of America or publication in *The American Mineralogist* is not prerequisite."¹

Committees have been appointed to consider nominations for the two awards that will be given in November, 1971. "Members and Fellows are invited to make documented nominations for the Roebling Medal and the MSA Award, which should be sent to the Secretary of the Society by April 1 [1970]. The Secretary will determine whether the nominator is in good standing (dues paid, etc.) and will send the nominations received to the Chairman of the appropriate committee, but will withhold the name of the nominator."¹

Suggestions for nominations for officers of the Society, as well as committee appointments, will be handled by the Secretary in the same manner as nominations for awards.

Nominations of members for fellowship in the Society are invited; they should be made by three fellows on the regular forms, either to the Chairman of the Committee on Nomination of Fellows, or to the Secretary of the Society. Applications for new memberships should be forwarded directly to the Treasurer.

Ralph S. Holmes, Secretary

THE MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND
GEOCHEMISTRY GROUP

The Spring, 1970, meeting will be a symposium on: *The Chemistry and Mineralogy of Meteorites and Extraterrestrial Matter*, and will take place in London on April 6th-8th, 1970, at the British Museum (Natural History), South Kensington.

It will be a joint meeting with the Meteoritical Society and is co-sponsored by the International Association for Geochemistry and Cosmochemistry.

The principal topics will be: 1. *Cosmic abundances and isotopic anomalies*, 2. *Cosmic dust*, 3. *Meteorite ages*, and 4. *Lunar data*. The Introductory Address on "*Distribution of minor and trace elements in meteorite minerals*" will be delivered by Professor B. H. Mason of the Smithsonian Institution.

Persons wishing to contribute or to receive registration forms and further information should communicate with the Group Secretary, Mr. P. Wilkinson, Department of Geology, University of Sheffield, Mappin Street, St. George's Square, Sheffield-S1 3JD, England.