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This well-produced proceedings volume contains 30 papers of which 27 are in English and three in German. The papers, generally 5–8 pp. in length, cover a range of topics, with emphasis on X-ray structural determinations, smectite properties, and clay mineral alteration products of igneous rocks. The book may be purchased from the Charles University Press at the address given above but it is also available in exchange for other books and monographs by application to Professor J. Konta, Department of Petrology, Charles University.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting of the Nordic Society for Clay Research

The Nordic Society are holding a meeting entitled 'Clay Minerals – Modern Society' at Uppsala, Sweden, on 20–21 November 1985. The programme will contain four sessions dealing with the rôle of clay minerals in: (1) agriculture and the environment; (2) ceramic and paper industries; (3) chemical, iron and foundry industries; (4) construction industry, petroleum exploration, and geothermal energy. The proceedings of the meeting will be published.

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