## **Notes and News**

Announcements and other items of crystallographic interest will be published under this heading at the discretion of the Editorial Board. The notes (in duplicate) should be sent to the Executive Secretary of the International Union of Crystallography (J. N. King, International Union of Crystallography, 13 White Friars, Chester CH1 1NZ, England).

## **BIDICS 1974**

The 1974 volume of BIDICS (Bond Index to the Determinations of Inorganic Crystal Structures) is now available. It contains the titles of 1913 papers which report metal, inorganic and metallo-organic crystal structures published in 1974. Like the earlier volumes, it is indexed by the chemical bond types present (e. g. NH<sub>4</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub> is indexed under Cl-O, N-N and H-O).

Together with the earlier volumes, *BIDICS* contains references to over 8000 structural papers (over 10,000 crystal structure determinations) published since 1969 and is an invaluable reference work for anyone interested in locating recent crystal structure determinations. Copies can be obtained from Dr I. D. Brown, Institute for Materials Research, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8S 4M1, or Polycrystal Book Service, P. O. Box 11567, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15238, U.S.A. Price of *BIDICS* 1969, 1970, \$3.00 each; *BIDICS* 1971, 1972 and 1973, \$7.50 each; *BIDICS* 1974, \$10.00.

## Workshop on the Crystallography of Molecular Biology Erica, Trapani, Sicily, 28 March-10 April 1976

Applications to attend this workshop should be sent to Sharon S. Wilder, Department of Biological Sciences, Purdue University, W. Lafayette, Indiana 47907, U.S.A. by 30 November 1975. Applications should include name, address, age, nationality, present position, list of publications, and the title and authors of any proposed contributed paper for the workshop. It may be possible to offer a few studentships where such a need is indicated in the application. Young persons with only a few years experience should also enclose a letter of recommendation from their research group director. The presentation of models and posters will be strongly encouraged.

## **Books Received**

The following books have been received by the Editor. Brief and generally uncritical notices are given of works of marginal crystallographic interest; occasionally a book of fundamental interest is included under this heading because of difficulty in finding a suitable reviewer without great delay.

Handbook of Geochemistry. Executive Editor: K. H. Wedepohl. Editorial board: C. W. Correns, D. M. Shaw, K. K. Turekian, J. Jemann. Vol. 2, Part 4. Pp. vi+898, Figs. 113. Berlin, Heidelberg, New York: Springer, 1974. Loose-leaf binder DM 298, US \$122.20. Subscription price for purchasers of Vol. 2: Loose-leaf binder DM 238,40; US \$97.80.

This is the fourth part of a work which is produced in loose-leaf form for assembly by the user. The chapters are numbered according to the atomic number of the elements and the present instalment either completes or supplies in complete form the following chapters:

Boron 5, Carbon 6, Nitrogen 7, Oxygen 8, Fluorine 9, Magnesium 12, Silicon 14, Chlorine 17, Vanadium 23, Iron 26, Copper 29, Zinc 30, Gallium 31, Selenium 34, Bromine 35, Silver 47, Antimony 51, Tellurium 52, Iodine

53, Barium 56, Tungsten (Wolfram) 74, Gold 79, Thallium 81 and Lead 82.

Landolt-Börnstein. Numerical data and functional relationships in science and technology. Group III. Crystal and solid state physics. Vol. 7. Crystal structure data of inorganic compounds. Part b. By W. Pies and A. Weiss. Key elements O, S, Se, Te. Substance numbers b1 ... b1817. Pp.xxiii+674, Figs. 23. Berlin: Springer, 1975. Price (cloth) DM 560, U.S.\$229.60.

The Landolt-Börnstein New Series Group III Volumes 7a and 7g have already been published [for reviews see Acta Cryst. (1975). A31, 271-272; B31, 937-938]. Part b gives data on O, S, Se and Te compounds.