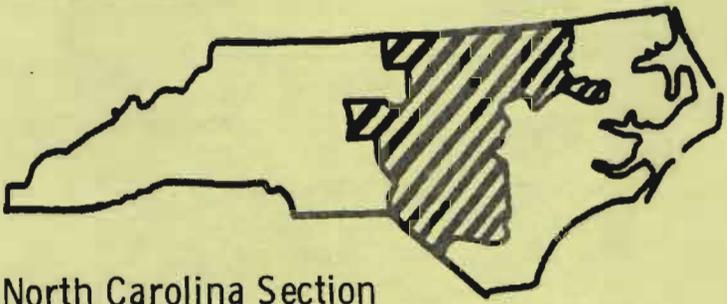


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DECEMBER MEETING

The next meeting will be held the afternoon of Tuesday, December 8th in the main lecture hall of the Paul M. Gross Laboratory of Duke University. It will feature an address by George S. Hammond, Professor and Chairman of the Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California Institute of Technology. Professor Hammond has consistently concerned himself with the long-term implications, for both research and higher education, of national science policy. Members will recall his short career as a controversial figure when an offer of the deputy directorship of the National Science Foundation was withdrawn.

He has encouraged regular reassessments of the field of chemistry by chemists; his influence has extended from important research contributions to the actual structural organization of the field itself. A participant in the recent International Conference on Education in Chemistry at Snowmass-at-Aspen, Professor Hammond will convey his thoughts in an address entitled "Is There a Crisis in Science?" It will begin at 3:30 p.m., and will be preceded by refreshments.

A social hour and dinner at the Four Flames Restaurant (Downtown Motor Inn) will follow. All interested persons are invited.

SMITH CHAIRMAN-ELECT

Peter Smith was voted Chairman-Elect for 1971 at the November meeting. He was unopposed for the office since no nominations were made from the floor by those hearty souls who braved a wet night to attend the meeting. Our congratulations and best wishes go to Peter.

The Election was followed by a review of the chemistry of xenon, presented by ACS tour speaker Felix Schreiner of the Argonne National Laboratory. Schreiner has been an active specialist in the field, and his thorough knowledge was apparent. He served his audience well, however, by giving an interesting capsule view of the subject.

EMPLOYMENT

ACTIVITIES has learned that the Chemstrand Research Center, Research Triangle Park, has laid off eight of its professional

staff during the past three weeks. A spokesman for Chemstrand blamed the cut-back on the economic "recession" which the country has been experiencing. At this time no further reduction in their professional work force is planned.

Turning to a slightly brighter side of the employment picture, we received an excellent response to our plea for volunteers to establish an employment listing service. The next step is for the Executive Committee to establish the policies which will govern the service. This will probably take place in early December.

A JOB WELL DONE

The end of December our Chairman, Bob Ghirardelli, retires to become one of those "past chairmen". He will not fade too far into the sunset, however, since he will still be active on the Publications Committee.

Our Section has been fortunate to have had Bob's energetic services this past year. His desire to have a better informed Section membership resulted in the establishing of this distinguished publication which hopefully will accomplish this goal -- in spite of your Editor's journalistic ability. Bob also obtained a postal permit for the Section thus reducing mailing expenses a good bit. In addition he was instrumental in reorganizing some of the Section's records.

These are but a few of his contributions and extra duties which will benefit our Section for years to come.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov. 30 at NCSU (4:10 PM) R. A. SNEEN (Purdue) "Identification of Discrete, Distinct Ion Pairs"
- Dec. 2,3,4, at New Orleans Joint SE/SW Regional A.C.S. Meeting
- Dec. 7 at NCSU (4:10 PM) P. R. STORY (Georgia) "Macrocyclic Synthesis. Peroxide Fragmentation Reactions"
- Dec. 8 at Duke (3:30 PM) DECEMBER MEETING featuring GEORGE S. HAMMOND (CalTech) "IS THERE A CRISIS IN SCIENCE?" Coffee at 3:00, social hour and dinner at Hartman's Restaurant to follow meeting.

- Dec. 10 at UNC-CH (4:00 PM) W. C. HAMILTON (Brookhaven National Laboratory)
- Dec. 11 at Duke (3:30 PM) WALLACE S. BREY (Florida)
- Dec. 17 at UNC-CH (4:00 PM) H. G. RICHEY (Penn State)

Newcomers to Our Section

- Dr. David A. BRENT (Burroughs-Wellcome)
- Robert L. CARET (Durham)
- Larry R. CRAMER (Durham)
- Atal E. ERALP (Chapel Hill)
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- James L. KELLEY (Raleigh)
- Shuliang LEE (Chapel Hill)
- Dr. James E. LITSTER (Burroughs-Wellcome)
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- Erick V. ROLAFF (Durham)
- Robert B. SHEN (Raleigh)
- Dr. Roy A. SWARINGEN, Jr. (Durham)

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