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## *Forthcoming Meetings.*

The next meeting of the Group will be held in Paris during the Summer of 1954, near the time of the International Crystallographic Congress. Contributions, on all topics, are invited.

## *Clay Minerals Group Monographs.*

Sales of the first monograph, on structures and X-ray identification of clay minerals, have been very satisfactory. Since a second edition may be called for, *we would be very glad to hear from users of this monograph of errors and omissions which they may have detected, as well as suggestions for its improvement.* Do not write to tell us that the figures should be redrawn—we know this, but uncertainty regarding the financial position of the first monograph made us chary of extra expense. Communications on this topic may be sent to Dr Brindley, or the Editor of the Bulletin.

A further monograph is in preparation, under the editorship of Dr R. C. Mackenzie. This will be on the differential thermal investigation of clays. Authors have now been found for the various chapters. The provisional subjects of these are as follows: (1) Introduction. Thermal methods and their applicability; (2) Theory of d.t.a. and its use for quantitative measurements; (3) Apparatus for d.t.a. and correlation of results; (4)-(15) Chapters on kaolin; montmorillonoids; micas; vermiculites; chlorites, antigorites; palygorskites, sepiolites; mixed-layer minerals; silica minerals; iron, aluminium and magnesium oxides; carbonates, hydroxides; organic materials; and miscellaneous minerals. No doubt any suggestions which our members may care to make regarding this work will be carefully considered by Dr Mackenzie.