

MIDWESTERN ASSOCIATION OF CHEMISTRY TEACHERS  
IN LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Cornell College  
Mount Vernon, Iowa

March 15, 1963

TO: MACTLAC members in good standing  
SUBJECT: Report of the Eleventh Annual Meeting, held at Alma College in Alma,  
Michigan on October 12-13, 1962

Alma College was host to 119 MACTLAC members and guests for the Eleventh Annual Meeting. Beautiful fall weather was enjoyed by those attending. The relatively new science building as well as the other accommodations provided excellent facilities for a most enjoyable and profitable meeting. A great deal of credit should go to Howard Potter and his associates for this very successful meeting.

Joe Danforth, the president, opened the first general meeting. After a welcome by the Alma administration and some announcements the group divided for the discussion groups (see attached summaries). Highlights of the meeting included an enlightening discussion of the "New Minimum Standards for ACS Approval" by Ed Haenisch. The special topics lectures on NMR by Dr. Edward Baker and bonding by Dr. Stanley Kirschner were well received.

Your officers for the current year are as follows:

President: Enno Wolthuis, Calvin College  
President-Elect: Paul Carnell, Albion College  
Secretary-Treasurer: Wilmer Stratton, Earlham College

The newly elected state representatives, chosen in caucus by members present from their states, are:

Illinois Jack Coutts, Lake Forrest College  
Indiana Henry Weaver, Goshen College  
Iowa Emmitt Jacob, Drake University  
Michigan Jacob DeYoung, Alma College

The state representatives who still have a year to serve are:

Minnesota Jim Finholt, Carleton College  
Missouri Bill Pivonka, Park College  
Wisconsin Dick Bayer, Carroll College

The Twelfth Annual Meeting (1963) will be held at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana with Ed Haenisch as program chairman. The dates for this meeting are October 18-19, so mark your calendar.

In 1964 our annual meeting will be held at Lake Forrest College with Jack Coutts as program chairman.

At the general meeting on Saturday morning the following items were presented to the members present.

1. The following motion presented by Quentín Peterson, Wabash College was carried. "The secretary of MACTLAC be directed to compose a letter to the chairman of the board of the American Chemical Society expressing the concern of the members of MACTLAC with the new price schedule for Chemical Abstracts. The new price schedule will necessarily remove the journal from the libraries of a number of less wealthy colleges, thus seriously affecting, in the judgment of the ACS's own committee on Professional Training, the ability of these institutions to train their chemistry students adequately. I would further suggest in this letter that, as at least a temporary measure, the ACS itself accept responsibility for quick relief from this problem and thus avoid the breaking of invaluable runs of CA and the setting of precedents of non-subscription to CA."

A copy of the letter which was sent to Dr. Arthur C. Cope, Chairman of the Board, American Chemical Society is enclosed with this report. Also a copy of the reply which was received from Mr. Richard H. Belknap is also enclosed.

2. A request was made as a motion to ask Dr. Harry Lewis to make a further survey of the research activities of the MACTLAC schools. Approved.
3. Bill Oelke made a report on the progress of the P. Chem. Lab Manual. Plans are progressing on the publishing contract with the D. Van Nostrand Co.

The position of secretary-treasurer for MACTLAC has been a most interesting experience. I sincerely want to thank each of you for your help over the last three years. What success MACTLAC has enjoyed has only been possible because so many of you have contributed time, effort and ideas toward its growth.

I am sure you will continue to give Wilmer Stratton the same enthusiastic support that I have enjoyed.

Sincerely,



William A. Deskin

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

##### General Account

Balance as of February 15, 1962		\$429.57
Income since February 15, 1962	\$570.25	
Expenses since February 15, 1962		\$491.16
Balance as of March 8, 1963		\$508.66

##### Physical Chemistry Laboratory Manual Account

Balance as of February 15, 1962		\$542.23
Income since February 15, 1962	\$130.00	
Expenses since February 15, 1962		\$282.16
Balance as of March 8, 1963		\$390.07

##### Membership

Active members as of March 15, 1963	232
Associate members as of March 15, 1963	48