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THE HONORABLE GOODWIN J. KNIGHT Governor of the State of California

SIR:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Bulletin 169, Clays and Clay Technology, prepared under the direction of Olaf P. Jenkins, Chief, Division of Mines, Department of Natural Resources. This volume is the product of a symposium, the First National Conference on Clays and Clay Technology, held at the University of California in Berkeley July 21-25, 1952. It contains contributions by 25 eminent authorities, which comprise a summary of the basic information on clays. Heretofore, no such summary has been available; indeed, much of the information presented here could have been obtained only by diligent library research into rare periodicals, many of them in foreign languages, by study of unpublished manuscripts, and by personal consultation with experts.

Bulletin 169 will serve as an invaluable reference book for years to come. Its data on the fundamental properties of clays, brought together by research men in the fields of physics, chemistry, geology, engineering, and industry, should serve both science and industry not only in California, but throughout the world.

Professor Joseph A. Pask of the University of California, and Mort D. Turner, Assistant Mining Geologist at the California Division of Mines, both members of the organizing committee of the conference, served as technical editors for the book.

Respectfully submitted,

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