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29 April, 1987

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research-DRL
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, TX 75381-9047

Dear Bob:

Many thanks to AASP-F for the coffee mugs, which are already in use.

It was my intention to renew my pledge, but I seem to have trouble keeping it all organized and don't know whether I did. A coupon book as for my mortgage payments, or a packet of envelopes as for a church might help. Where do I stand?

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

— AT/et

April 13, 1987

al,
Dear AASP Century Club
Contributor for
1986 or 1987,

Under separate cover I have sent a special gift in appreciation of your support of the AASP Foundation through your contribution to the AASP Foundation Century Club. A set of two midnight blue coffee cups with the AASP logo in gold will, I'm sure, bring comments from your fellow coffee or tea drinkers at the office. I think you will like them. They are available ONLY to persons who have made a contribution to the AASP Foundation through the Century Club during 1986 or 1987.

Thanks for your support of palynology through your contribution to the AASP Foundation Century Club.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Clarke
Treasurer, AASP Foundation

P.S. If you would like to order additional cups, the cost is \$5.00 per cup + first class postage.

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17 September, 1986

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Field Research Lab.
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

We are at the moment totally lacking in funding. Carmen Moy gets no \$ from PSU, and attends meetings, etc., on her own funds. I am giving up subscriptions, etc., as a prof's pay no longer will cover such (despite raises and promotions, my pay is in constant dollars 76% of what it was when I came here in 1966). My wife works full time as my assistant at PSU but gets \$0 for it.

I am preparing a new proposal ~~for~~NSF re the Triassic work. I have overall a 5-game losing streak going, but if we are successful this time, I'll remember this obligation and send you three hundred from the "publication costs" budget.

Now, I likely will forget this promise, so please set up some sort of reminder to send me a "bill" about a year hence (proposal will go in ~~about~~ 2 months from now and would be funded by June 87 or so, if at all).

Best.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

Bob Clarke

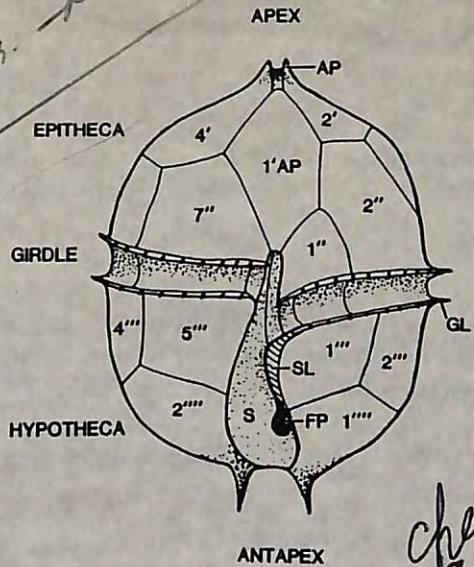
Al,

Dec 10/85

How could you!! & residing
in the city that houses the
hqds. of the A.P.S. - Amer.
Philatelic Soc.!! - Use
Commem. (pretty) stamps,
not commonplace regular ones!!
Cheers Bob.

*file on
corresp. of Clarke*

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*check for
\$ 54.30!*

SPECIAL OFFER TO AASP MEMBERS

\$19.50 post paid

Enclosed is \$ 19.50 for 1 ⁴copies of Atlas of Dinoflagellates by John D. Dodge.

Make check payable to AASP Foundation

Mail to: Robert T. Clarke
Treas., AASP Foundation
c/o Mobil Research - DRL
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, Texas 75381-9047.

19.30!!
[Signature]

Name _____ Date _____

Address DR. ALFRED TRAVERSE
Deke Building
Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pa. 16802

2 December, 1985

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Lab.
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

The note of which I enclose a xerox copy confused me slightly (it's not hard!). Is this the same problem you mentioned in El Paso? I didn't keep a copy of all this, but I suppose I thought I was paying for several publications with the one check.

In any event, the solution for (the same?) problem that you kindly suggested in El Paso--to credit the overpayment to my pledge to the Foundation--is fine. Because of my confusion, perhaps you could return the enclosed card, saying what I'm listed as having on my '86 pledge.
paid

Best of the season to you.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

encl: xerox; return postcard

7 October, 1985

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Treasurer, AASP Foundation
Mobil Res. & Dev. Corp.
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, TX 75381

Dear Bob:

Here are my orders for the Bryant & Holloway and the Dodge publications and a check for \$54.30--I hope a combined check is o.k.

I also enclose my pledge for '86 to AASP Found. As before, I'd sure like a reminder later, if that were possible! But I'll do my best to remember.

Best.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

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18 March, 1985

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is check for \$30 for the Evitt publication. Could you (as the Germans say) "control" whether I might already have paid?

Which reminds me--it is my intention to have an on-going pledge to AASP-F of \$100/yr., payable in two installments. Can you tell me what my status is on that?

March 28/85

→ you paid \$25 in late '84 for a copy of Evitt's book!! Copy # 88 - Al
or at least that's my reference # - is reserved for you.

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et
encl

→ will use this \$30 (your ck # 8252) as part payment of pledge for '85 OK??

21 January, 1985

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Research & Development- Mobil
Field Research Lab.
P.O.=Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

In "doing my taxes", I discover that I paid AASP ~~65~~ondation \$150.00 in 1984. Can you refresh my memory of where I'm at? Presumably the extra \$50.00 was a partial----for '85? '83? What is my current status. Sorry to bother you.

I feel a terrible loss in ol' George F.

All the best.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
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9 October, 1984

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Dev. Corp.
Dallas Research Div.
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, TX 75381

Dear Bob:

Here's \$50.00 to complete my pledge for '84 to AASP Foundation.

Mon Oct. 22/84
Al,
Thanks. - Good to see you last week.
Bob.

Yours very truly,



Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

encl: check

July 6, 1984

To: 1983/84 AASP Foundation
Century Club Contributors

Enclosed is an AASP logo key chain that is being given to persons who have contributed to the AASP Foundation Century Club for the 1983/84 period.

Thank you for the financial assistance that continues to help the foundation with its program of scientific publications.



Bob

Robert T. Clarke

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16 March, 1984

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Field Research Lab., Mobil Corp.
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

Do your files show that I paid off my '83 pledge of \$100 to AASP-F? I don't think so, and therefore enclose a check for \$50 to complete. I hereby pledge again for this year, and hope was can figure out an easy way to do it in two payments. Reminder postcard on 1 June and 1 Sept.?

Best.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

February 7, 1984

Dr. Al Traverse
Dept. of Geosciences
Pennsylvania State University
435 Deike Bldg.
University Park, Pennsylvania 16802

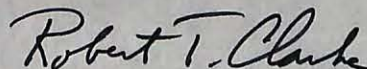
Dear Dr. Traverse,

Thank you for your recent contribution to the Richard L. Pierce Memorial Fund through the American Association of Stratigraphic Palynologists Foundation. Rick's death is indeed still a shock to all of us.

The Foundation is making plans to use your contribution, and those of others, to establish a scholarship fund in Rick's name. Each year the interest from this fund will be used to assist a deserving student in continuing his or her graduate studies in the field of palynology. Over the years Rick was very much interested in studies and projects on which students were working, and I know he would approve the action we are taking in establishing this scholarship fund.

Thank you again for your contribution.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Clarke
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6 January, 1984

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
AASP Foundation
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Lab, P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

Here's \$25 for the Rick Pierce Memorial Fund. Wish it could be more. I am still stunned by this dreadful news.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et
encl: check

18 October, 1983

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Treasurer, AASP Foundation
Mobi 1 Research & Development Corp.
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, TX 75381

Dear Bob:

Just talked with Herb Sullivan about our financial problem re our small article in Palynology.

I want to have the maximum 225 reprints of our article @ \$170. I also am able to help toward page costs to the extent of \$200. Therefore, a check for \$370 will come to you under separate cover as soon as we receive an invoice from you. Wish I could send more.

Best wishes.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/at
cc: H. J. Sullivan
encl: order form

Dear Author:

Alfred Traverse
 Dept. of Geosciences
 Pennsylvania State University

Page Charges PALYNOLOGY, Volume 7

cc to Herb Sullivan

Page charges are requested from each author as a method of helping us recover the costs of printing our annual journal. Page charges are based on a rate of \$55 for each page of text or text-figures. The page charge for each plate is \$80. Your article entitled The background, origin, and early history of the American Association of Stratigraphic Palynologists will appear in volume 7 of Palynology and will contain 6 pages of text and 5 plates. The page charge for your article is \$730.⁰⁰.

Please indicate by a check in this box if you will be able to pay page charges to help defray some of the costs associated with publishing your article in Palynology 7. An invoice will be sent to you after the volume is published.

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- Yes, I want to purchase 200 additional reprints of my article. The total cost for this will be \$170.
- No, I do not want to purchase additional reprints of my article.

 Signature Date

Bob

Robert T. Clarke
 Treas., AASP Foundation

P.S. Please return this completed form to me today at the address below. Thanks, RTC

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22 September, 1983

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Treasurer, AASP Foundation
Mobil Res. & Dev. Corp.
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, TX 75381

Dear Bob:

① Very minor suggestion--have you thought of arranging the possibility of using credit cards for Century Club contribs.? It provides an easy way to finance and helps people make a too-generous gift! (I remember this from fund-raising activities.) By the way, do we get a reminder of pledges? (i.e. re my \$50 to complete the \$100?)

Keep up the good work.

Yours very truly,



Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et
encl

② Sure - when do you want yours sent out by me?

③ Thank for contribution

④ Received too late for inclusion in list in Palyn v. 7.

Bob.

22 September, 1983

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Treasurer, AASP Foundation
Mobil Res. & Dev. Corp.
P.O. Box 819047
Dallas, TX 75381

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11 January, 1982

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Treas. AASP Foundation
Mobil Research - FRL
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

The most recent AASP-foundation Century Club blurb prompts me to try to find the necessary \$. The blurb, however, says that the "current membership period" is for two years, to Dec., 1982. Maybe I should join for the next two year period? Advice sought.

Advice - donate now & ^{also later during} 1983-84 period.
Best wishes.

2 you set up so that potential donors won't get tired of us during them every year.
Yours very truly,

Some troops give each ^{AL}
year (we) others
every other yr. - you haven't missed
AT/et Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

any goodies during the 81-82 "membership pd".
When you donate you get a cert, + cc pin +
an "Attaboy" letter - - Also, if you give
now, you will get your name in the list
of Contributors in Pal vol 6.
Clear.

BT

27 April, 1982

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Lab.
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

Thanks for yours of Easter Sunday, plane-written. Thanks also for the info re my earlier letter re possible graduate student support. Actually, I considered that and other similar letters as preliminary and presumed that perhaps the students and I could draw up a proposal for support. I was hoping for information about what kinds of proposals might be looked at with favor, how to apply and the like. If you hear more along those lines, please let me know.

In ~~ahh~~ meantime, all the best.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

Al,

(Easter Sunday, 1982
enroute to New
Orleans for a mtg in our
Swamp Lit office!)

I have forwarded your letter of
Feb 15 on to Dr. Joe B. Gibson at
our MEPSI Stratigraphic Lab on
the other side of Dallas. They handle
all the paleo-paly for Mobil,
including all the hiring. I discussed
your letter with the Manager of
the Lab and we came to the
decision to let them decide as to
if and where and what level of grant
to make to you.

Sorry to hear that you had burglars
in the house & that they got some of your
things.

About to land now so will close

Cheer,
Bob Clark

15 February, 1982

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research and Development Corp.
Research Lab., P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

As you doubtless have heard and read, government sources of funding for university research, and thus for graduate student support, have shrivelled or even in some instances disappeared. Because undergrad enrollment is dropping, the backup source of funding for graduate students, which is teaching-assistantships, is also shrinking.

Inasmuch as my Ph.D. and M.Sc. students more often than not end up as employees of companies such as yours, I write to inquire whether it would not be appropriate for Mobil to help in some way with this problem. For example, could Mobil provide a grant-in-aid for graduate student research, or fund a research project that would provide among other things an assistantship for a student, or fund a graduate fellowship? Also important, could Mobil provide help for our lab toward the purchase of pieces of equipment that during my 16 years here almost always have come from the National Science Foundation: centrifuges, microscopes, etc.? It may surprise you to learn that most universities are not able to provide such things for the research of the faculty. In fact, about all the university does regularly provide is teaching equipment, a place with heat and light, and a (however inadequate) salary. Given the mood of state legislators, one must be grateful even for these favors.

Well, do let me hear about what if anything your company could do, and to whom and how application should be made.

Thanks very much.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

XXXXX

18 June, 1979

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Laboratory
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

Just got a message from Vaughn Bryant in response to an earlier letter. I deduced from information with the proofs for Stæother's and my paper on the Tuscarora that only 100 reprints can be ordered. That didn't seem right, so I asked Vaughn whether it really is true. He didn't know and referred me to you. Generally one can order reprints in lots of 100 and the additional copies are lower in cost than the original 100. Is that not true of Paly-nology?

Best wishes to you personally.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/et

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September 3, 1976

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research and Development Corporation
Field Research Laboratory
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, Texas 75221

Dear Bob:

Rick passed your letter about the "Korean Air Lines" (I still think you're kidding us) to me. I really believe there are so few Americans going to Lucknow that such a scheme offers very little if any attraction. I can say with certainty that I have no interest, and my plan will be to climb on the Pan Am regular flight, if indeed I get permission to go, meaning if funded by the NSF! I don't much like the idea of the Korean Air Lines (if indeed there is such a thing) using the AASP in anyway whatsoever. I think, if anything, you were too kind to the promoters in question. One fatal objection, if any is needed, is that an NSF awardee is required to fly in an American carrier. That would let me out immediately because if I go at all, it will be under NSF auspices!

Best wishes to you, old friend. It would be good to see you again, and perhaps it will happen in Halifax!?

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT:kc

cc: Dr. R.L. Pierce

FOR

MESSAGE

M

OF

TEL.
No.

N.Y.

EXT.
No.

TELEPHONED

CALLED IN PERSON

REQUESTS YOU CALL

WILL CALL AGAIN

RETURNED YOUR CALL

WANTS TO SEE YOU

Dec. ²⁹ 76 - Jan 5 '77

(212) 947-1936

(DATE)

(TIME)

(TAKEN BY)

RCP. —

JJ 30/76

Would you pls. handle the
sim in or vacation for 2 weeks }
this guy sounded a bit anxious.

If you feel we should allow our
address label set to be used (with
a covering letter from AASP) by Korean
Airlines to get an idea of how many
persons are going to Lucknow for the
ICP (or is it IPC) conference. I
see no harm in allowing Korean Airlines
to propose a town or two for prospective
Lucknow participants but I feel a cover
letter from AASP is needed. Korean Air offered
to fly "you & your wife, dear Dr. Clark for
a very reduced fare" "How would that be
accomplished" said I, "By adding a small amt.
on to the price for all the other participants".
At which time I told him, in more polite terms
to stick it in his ear. A) we don't condone
that b) I was not planning to go to Lucknow c)
if I had the choice of Lucknow or Halifax I would
go to Halifax. D) ~~if~~ make the offer

to any one else in the Assoc, that
if someone was a Tom leader, he (or she)
should pay the same as the "grunts".

In any event, contact Al
Traverse } or Ken Piel } get ~~you~~ their
opinion on ① whether we should allow Korbin.
to use a set of our labels to send out a
letter explain a couple of round the
world Tom coupled w/ the Jacksons only } ②
get someone to write a cover letter for
the airline to mail out thereby giving
it small AASP sanction.

Thanks,

Bob Clarke

BAC

al —

I'm passing this back to you. as far
as Jim concerned you can do anything with it
you want.

Pick

P.S. If you want to send them a set of mailing
labels you'll have to get them from Bob Clarke. Jim
out of them.

8/17/76

December 22, 1975

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Lab.
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, TX 75221

Dear Bob:

Just got your note regarding the executive committee meeting of AASP. Apparently I was supposed to express a preference as to days and so forth, but I don't remember having had such a request for information. I have within the last week or so taken on a new (permanent?) church obligation. Inasmuch as the meeting occurs during lent, and I will be heading for someplace in Europe for the post-cruise "Glomar Challenger" meeting a week or so later, I guess I'd better say I can't be present. This is a disappointment to me. Hope that you have a happy holiday season.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT:jb

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November 25, 1975

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Lab.
P.O. Box 900
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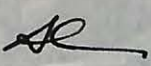
Dear Bob:

Are you sure that it's really on the level? There has got to be a catch somewhere. There's always a catch! Nevertheless, congratulations! I am just amazed. I did win \$50 in the state lottery awhile ago after investing \$200 in tickets.

I noted the back of your envelope with interest and have made some additions which may be of interest ^{*} and am enclosing.

Best wishes.

Yours very truly,


Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT:jb

Enclosure

* took so long to get these
stems that 'its' are stale
now - oh, well

*Great! But are you
planning to attend why??*
Need to know if for nights of
Wed } Th a Th } Fri.
Apr 7 } Apr 8 } Apr 8 } Apr 9
with spouse or alone.

*just scribble
note on here or
on piece of paper
That's B&V*

November 25, 1975

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
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Dear Bob:

Are you sure that it's really on the level? There has got to be a catch somewhere. That's always a catch! Nevertheless, congratulations! I am just amazed. I did win \$50 in the state lottery awhile ago after investing \$200 in tickets.

I noted the back of your envelope with interest and have made some additions which may be of interest and am enclosing.

Best wishes.

Yours very truly,

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Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT:jb

Enclosure

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Nov. 10/75

Dear Ken et al,

It pays, occasionally, to fill out contest forms. This time is one of them. A couple of months ago I filled out a card sent by the LeBaron Hotel here in Dallas, returned it & forgot about it until I received a copy of this letter. Guess who won the 1st prize!!

It is on the level and I would like to suggest that we plan to hold the Mid-Year Exec. Committee Mtg. here in Dallas rather than Tulsa.

As of now, the dates of April 8-9 are OK with the hotel. Please indicate to me by return mail, A - your "OK" of Dallas for the Mid Year Mtg. B - would you spend Wed night & Thur night at the hotel, or Thur night & Fri night? - Also if you plan to bring your wife & need a double room.

Thanks.

AT - "ICP Chmn"

Bob Clarke

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November 4, 1975

Mr. Robert T. Clarke
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Congratulations Mr. Clarke:

The card submitted by you on behalf of the American Association of Stratigraphic Palynologists as an entry in the LeBaron Hotel's "Win More Than A Game" contest was selected as the winner of a meeting place at the LeBaron. As mentioned in the contest your association will be provided the following:

Meeting space for 20 people for 2 days
Lunch for 20 persons each day
Coffee breaks for 20 persons each day
Sleeping accommodations for 20 persons for 2 days

We trust we can look forward to accommodating your group in the very near future. When specific dates are selected for your next meeting please give us a call so we can assist you in coordinating your meeting.

Again, congratulations. We will look forward to the opportunity of being of service to you.

Sincerely,

LeBARON HOTEL

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Vince Zotkiewicz".

Vince Zotkiewicz
Director of Sales and Marketing

VZ:bb

April 17, 1974

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dallas, Texas 75221

Dear Bob:

I observe that AASP's meeting in Calgary is not listed in the current number of Geotimes and am just calling to your attention the desirability of having it so listed there and elsewhere.

Was glad to hear from Geoff Norris that you had a good session in Calgary in March, and it really made me feel funny once again to have no connection directly with the mid-year meeting!

Best wishes as always.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Palynology

AT/vsi

November 27, 1973

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Research & Development Corp.
Field Research Laboratory
P.O. Box 900
Dallas, Texas 75221

Dear Bob:

Thank you so much for yours of 13 November with the formal announcement of the Best Presentation Award. Cornet and I are naturally delighted. I decided to sign the check over to him for his personal use, as the thrill of recognition was quite sufficient for me.

Thanks again.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

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November 19, 1973

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dallas, Texas 75221

Dear Bob::

Merciful heavens! Did Bernie Shaffer resign from AASP? I note his name is not in the current membership list and he a founding member! What are we coming to!?

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

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November 13, 1973

Mr. Bruce W. Cornet, Jr.
Dr. Alfred Traverse
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Dear Al:

It gives me great pleasure to announce that your paper, "Palynological Contributions to the Chronology and Stratigraphy of the Hartford Basin in Connecticut and Massachusetts", has been selected for the 1973 AASP Best Presentation Award. Congratulations!

A check for \$50.00 is enclosed.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Clarke
President
AASP

RTC/eg
Enclosure: \$50.00 check

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November 12, 1973

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

Thanks for the word, per your letter of 5 November, that AASP continues to want me to be a representative on ICP Council. I had quite a lot of talk with Norman Hughes at the Anaheim meeting about the whole status of ICP. Much of this discussion preceded the session with the AASP Executive Committee, as was perhaps apparent, and I think I now have a much more positive feeling toward the eventual value of ICP than I had previously. I hope you feel the same way. I enclose a copy of a recent missive from Norman in which he discusses the new direction for the ICP, and I think you will agree that everything looks much better than it did. I would appreciate a personal comment from you on this when you get around to it.

Best wishes from all your friends here.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi
Enclosure: copy of letter

*P.S. Word of presentation award
was, of course, a thrill — I
have decided to give Bruce the \$.
I do hope there is an "official" award
letter — might help re raises, etc.*

September 20, 1973

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

I am just in receipt of a letter from Nicolae Baltes indicating that he(he?) would very much appreciate my picking up the tab for another year in the AASP. I guess I can hardly refuse ~~sq~~ my check for \$10 in enclosed. I would think probably you ought to make some kind of flag on the membership card to indicate that I should be contacted before dropping Baltes at any time. Also, perhaps the correct person could be so kind as to inform Dr. Baltes that I have taken care of this.

Thank you so much. See you in Anaheim (or are you putting to sea again?).

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi
Enclosure: check for \$10

March 12, 1973

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

Regarding the Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting of the AASP - *cto*
the first such affair I have not attended since the foundation of
the Association. AASP is either dying or has come of age. I
noticed that under item 6 of old business there is supposed to be
a ICP discussion by me, but of course I won't be there to present
such. Deesn't matter much anyway--all that has happened so far is
that Don Engalhardt most kindly nominated me for this great honor
(?), I wrote to Don thanking him profusely as I should have, I was
duly nominated by Norman Hughes, I accepted. Norman wrote back
thanking me for accepting and promised that a packet of papers about
the ICP would soon arrive on my desk but it as yet hasn't. Aside
from the fact that Don may very well have tipped the scales in favor
of my being able to attend the meeting in India a couple of years
hence, and I appreciated that very much, there really is no ICP
news at this time. Would you perhaps convey this information in a
suitably condensed form to the brethren gathered in Denver. Thanks
a lot. Hope you all have a nice time.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsl

February 8, 1973

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

I am trying to decide how to vote on the proposed by-law amendment and am quite disturbed about one aspect of the proposed amendment. I would appreciate your comments. The last sentence of the whole proposal reads "Each Annual Meeting Committee shall make all local arrangements and also be in charge of the technical program for the Annual Meeting". It seems to me that a phrase should have been added to that sentence such as "...under the general direction of the President and Executive Committee".

I can well imagine situations in which the Executive Committee and the President might want to keep something of a check rein on the activities of the local committee. Yet, this by-law, if adopted, will put the local committee absolutely in the driver's seat. I think it seriously threatens the overall authority of the President and his Executive Committee.

I have no particular brief for the exact wording which I have suggested for the addendum, but I do think it is an important consideration. As you can see, I have sent copies of this letter also to the other members of the present Executive Committee. Perhaps you all will merely think that I am worrying about something not worth worrying about, but I can well imagine that the situation that I fear might develop one of these years and would be most unpleasant. On the otherhand, with the suggestion I have made, the amendment would have the same force as before, but there would be no confusion as to who had ultimate authority over the conduct of our meeting.

Best wishes as always.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

cc Don Engelhardt, Wayne Brideaux
Harry Leffingwell, Warren Drugg
Dick Hedlund, Geoff Norris

P.S. No, I do not think I'll
extend my unity to Romania
another year — 2 kids in college now.

December 29, 1972

Dear Bob:

OK

File
change

Thank you for the stamps which recently arrived
to compensate Penn State for the postage on the
certificates. You mentioned the question of the
certificate for Dennis Logan. Am I incorrect in
remembering that you were going to take care of
that with the materials I sent you? Don't respond
if the situation is all right as is! (Your letter,
just received, is dated 11 December!) Happy New

NO

you are not incorrect

Year ! [I'd sooner be a Victory Liaison even now!!]

Yours very truly, Alfred Traverse

Dec 11/72

Dear Al,

Ran across your recent letter
requesting \$2.25 for Penn State postage on
certificates. Enclosed are 31 8¢ pretty
stamps $31 \times .08 = \$2.48$. The extra
over to help defray the cost of a certificate
for Dennis Logan.

Have a Merry Christmas & Happy
New Year. Remember to watch the
Soyan Bowl game!! It may be televised
Live in N.O. dir not sure.

Sincerely,
BNC

Clarke

November 8, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

Would you please send a check payable to The Pennsylvania State University for \$2.25 to cover the postage for the founder-member certificates which I have mailed out to those who did not show up at the Newport meeting? While I have no trouble getting ordinary letters mailed, that sort of thing attracted somewhat more attention!

Best wishes.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

November 3, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
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Dear Bob:

Enclosed is my set of notes for the "old" Executive Committee session held 24 October, 1972 in Rhode Island. Also included are the supporting documents which were provided, excepting for the secretary-treasurer's two reports which I presumed to be available to you! You probably will have trouble reading my writing, but I would think that between the tape recorder and the telephone they can be straightened out.

Best wishes to you in the effort!

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

Enclosure: notes

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TO: 1971-72 Executive Committee Members
1972-73 Executive Committee Members

First, let me welcome the four new incoming AASP Officers and Councilors for the 1972-1973 year.

In keeping with "tradition", two Executive Committee meetings are planned for the Rhode Island Annual Meeting. One will be on Wednesday, October 25 and is scheduled for 9:00A.M. The second is scheduled for Friday evening October 27. The first will be presided over by the current 1971-72 Officers, and the second, held in previous years after the Annual Business Meeting, will be presided over by the incoming 1972-73 Officers. Although not "mandatory", the incoming Officers are urged to attend the Wednesday morning Executive Committee Meeting. Please let me know if you will be unable to attend the Wednesday morning meeting.

I have prepared the attached tentative agendas for both the Executive Committee Meetings and the Annual Business Meeting. Please send to me, no later than October 6, a list of any additional topics you may wish to include.

Also included for the 1972-73 Officers is a post card for you to put the address you want used on the AASP letterhead stationery. Please send the card back to me by return mail and I may be able to have stationery printed and available before the Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Clarke
Sec.-Treas. - AASP

Recipients:

W.W. Brideaux
W.S. Drugg
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July 18/72

Al,

Hope the ballot & covering letter
went with your approval. Tell
Tate that ~~the same~~ he didn't
receive a ballot because he
hasn't paid his dues yet!!!
I think he should if he is going to help
count them. Spackman's also unpaid
according to my records. Please excuse
the sound, I'm in up to my ears etc. just
found out that the people who were sent
on horse in Dallas just moved out under cover
of darkness.

P.S. No envelope for you
or Dunning... a Tate ballot letter.

Sincerely,
B. V. CLARKE

September 21, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

Here is the philatelic report on envelopes returned:

USA-metered - 5
USA non-commerative but AASP envelopes, all canceled - 6
USA commérative or non-commerative plus commérative, but
replacement envelopes--neither with rubber stamped
address nor in R.T. Clarke handwriting, all canceled - 6
USA old commératives presumable, but stamps cut off and
replaced - 1
Eisenhower 8¢ stamp, uncancelled - 1
USA old commératives, all stamps cancelled - 67
USA old commératives 2/3 cancelled (all of these had a third
stamp on a lower line and to the right) - 55
USA old commératives 1/3 cancelled - 1
USA old commératives all uncancelled - 23
Canada, all stamped (no metered) - 28
Mexico, all stamped (no metered) - 2
West Indies, stamped - 1
Non-Western Hemisphere, stamped - 7 metered - 14
P.S.U. interoffice envelopes - 4

One of the ballots had a comment on the postage stamps which I have enclosed with this letter for whatever interest it might be to you. I am going to keep the envelopes in case you would want more philatelic research to be done until you send me something to release me so that I can then distribute them to the various stamp collectorsjackels who are lurking around in the shadows.

Dr. Robert T. Clarke

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September 21, 1972

Best wishes and looking forward to seeing you in Rhode Island.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi
Enclosure: ballot

June 7, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
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Dear Bob:

Your address for John Rowley agrees in substance with those which I have available, and I am unable to understand why the letter was not delivered. The best solution I can think of is to write to Gullvag requesting a better address, and I have done so. When and if she responds, I will forward the letter.

Best wishes as always.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

● May 30/72

al,

I got John Roubey's letter returned today!!

Do you have a correct address for
him?? I have enclosed the letter
plus postage, ^{21¢} in the event you know his
correct address please send it on to him
directly.

Thanks,

BR Clark

May 30/72

Dear Al,

Received & returned today!!

Thanks.

The post office will not accept for
cash payment stamps that are unused.
Dept. of Health regulation & a good
regulation at that; plague etc.

Sincerely,
B. M. Clarke

May 23, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

I am enclosing herewith the rubber stamp which you requested. Hope it gets to you safely.

I was much relieved by your explanation about the use of the old comm^{er}ative stamps. I still am somewhat in a state of shock to discover that comm^{er}atives that old are not worth more than face value. Surely nobody would be such a dope as to take 90 per cent of face value from a stamp dealer when you can get the cash at your nearby post office for stamps in ~~that~~ condition--you can, can't you?

Regarding the ICP circular, I would suppose that perhaps the most irenic and at the same time the easiest solution would be to include in the Newsletter a very brief precis of the contents of the circular and then note that a microx of the complete text could be obtained from you if anybody wants it (my guess that you will receive very few requests). On reflection, I don't see any reason why we should do their business for them by reprinting the whole thing.

Keep up your good work. Best wishes as always.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi
Encl^osure: rubber stamp

Bob Clarke

Dear Al, (alias Badly Confused)

May 18/72

Sorry about my pencilled note of 18 April. A note to the troops listing the Ballot Committee's selection of candidates, along with a call for any other nominees from the membership will be sent out prior to June 1, 1972 by either Dick Hedlund or me. There will be a 45 day period for members to make additional nominations. On ~~the~~ July 15 I will send out ballots ~~that~~ that list the candidates. It is for that mailing that I need your rubber stamp. I have sufficient #9 envelopes on hand now and I can rubber stamp them in one evening and return the stamp to you almost by return mail. If you prefer, send the stamp now and I'll get that chore done with plenty of time to spare.

I had on hand \approx \$500. face value of 1945-46 vintage commemorative stamps to sell for a friend. These particular issues are very plentiful on the market and most stamp dealers etc. will only offer 85-95% of face value for them in the quantity that I had. There are some 1942-46 stamps that are good, especially plate number blocks of 4, that are worth far more than face value. i.e. \$5.00 vs .20 face $\frac{1}{2}$ \$20.00 for \$2.60 face. Obviously none of the ones I'm planning to use are of this type. I have sold all but \approx \$30. worth ^{of the common ones} and have saved ~~the~~ those back to use on AASP ballots so you could save the stamps for your parishioners.

It is no real trouble for me to get the ~~envelopes~~ envelopes addressed, stamped etc. because I have 3 slaves aged 5, 7 & 8 who are more than eager to help.

Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation
Always enjoy your letters no matter what the subject.
Sincerely Bob

Bob Clarke

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May 17, 1972

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Dear Exec Comm Mbrs,

This ICP circular, apparently the first of many, was received in the mail yesterday. Traverse & McGregor apparently already have received copies directly from NFH, but I have sent them copies anyway. Item # 4 is rather startling in view of the past "non-Association of Associations" concept. Is this now a change in policy with regards to ICP being composed of member societies???

Prior to this Circular's inclusion in the AAASP Newsletter, if indeed we should even print it there, we need to get a consensus of the Exec Comm. on what action to take on its (ICP Circular) distribution. Perhaps a simple solution would be a vote in the Newsletter stating that a copy of ICP Circular # 1, is available for the Sec of AAASP interested parties may obtain a copy if they write to me!!

In any event the ICP has struck again. Please let me know your feelings as to the type of distribution AAASP should give the ICP Circular.

Bob Clarke

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May 15, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

Thanks for your of 1 May. I had, in the meantime, figured out that of course one's dues to AASP are professional expenses, and you are quite right. Nevertheless, it is a bit disturbing to think that one could not give say kilo-buck to the AASP or to one of its functions and deduct it as a charitable contribution.

I do hope I don't worry you too much with the occasional things that I don't understand. Certainly is not my intention to cause you any grief! Keep up the good work.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

May 15, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

Your pencilled note of 18 April, 1972 was a little confusing to me in one respect. You make a very kind offer to have the ballot reproduced and mailed at your office with no expense to Penn State, an offer I gratefully and hastily accept. You say "as the time approaches" you would like to borrow my address rubber stamp. That's fine by me, but would you let me know when you would like to have it?

You also say that the stamps on the SAE will be comm^{erative} vintage 1945-46. I don't get it. Do you have so many of them you don't know what to do with them? I thought they would be worth more than face value.

Badly confused,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

May 1, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
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Dear Bob:

Thanks for the copy of the letter to John Rowley. That should please him, I would think. Let's hope that he joins up again.

I am meditating on John Hall's blast per the letter to Geoff Norris of 19 April. I believe that John's response is quite understandable, though he is probably making too much of a fuss about it. I doubt that many people will care one way or the other about the AASP "advertising" in Geotimes. The truth is that Kremp is and always has been "an operator". Occasionally he gets carried away, and this is an example of it.

Keep up the good work.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

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May 1, 1972

Dr. Alfred Traverse
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Dear Al:

I received your two letters dated April 24 on Friday. Here, I hope, are the answers to your questions.

- 1) John Hall has indicated that a revised date notice has been sent to Geotimes. It apparently just missed the publication deadline for this month.
- 2) The letter from the IRS does NOT, repeat NOT, say that our dues to AASP are not tax deductible. The letter does say that charitable contributions are not deductible by the donor. I have never yet filed a personal income tax return where I have listed society membership dues, etc., under charitable contributions. Dues are listed under "Miscellaneous", labeled as "Professional Expenses", and most definitely are deductible. That is one of the first items I checked when applying for "non-profit-exemption". Members have not been deducting their dues "illegally". I tried to cover the above matter in the paragraph following item 5 on page 2 of the minutes.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Clarke
Sec.-Treas. AASP

RTC:bc

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April 24, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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New Orleans, Louisiana 70113.

Dear Bob:

I have been reading the minutes of the recent Executive Committee meeting, and I find little to comment on--you have done such a thorough job. I am, however, extremely disturbed by the statement in the letter to you from the IRS which seems to indicate that our dues to the AASP are not tax deductible--that is extremely unfair, and puts us at a disadvantage in comparison with other scientific organizations. That alone may push us toward incorporation and appropriate changes in our constitution. I believe that many of our members would find it a great shock to discover that they have been illegally deducting their dues to the AASP from their taxable income.

I will take care of the business of sending Hedlund a list of libraries and also will take care of the "Charter Member" certificates as soon as possible.

Best wishes to you as always.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

April 18/72

AT.

Exec. Comm. Members,

① Please add the "Grand Hotel" page as "page 3 of Appendix 7".

② Couldn't remember if I had included a copy of Karl Newman's nomination letter with the Minutes. In any case, here it is.

Bob, Clarke

Al,
The last week in May I will mail a list of the nominees for 1972-73 officers & also a statement re additional nominations (Art D # 3) to all members. If you want me to, after you have prepared the final ballot, I will get it reproduced, and mailed here w/ no expense to Penn State. I did this with Dave Wall. I do intend to include a stamped envelope (05 ¢ Canada) with your return address on it. As the time approaches I would like to borrow your "rubber stamp" address which will make things much easier. Just a suggestion. What do you say. Obviously the stamps on the SAE's will be commemorative... vintage = 1945-1946, so you will be inundated with them when the ballots come rolling in.

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April 7, 1972

geology department

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Secretary-Treasurer, AASP
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Dear Bob:

As chairman of the 1971-72 AASP Nominating Committee, I am happy to send you this list of nominees for office during 1972-1973. All nominees for president, vice president, and councilor have indicated in writing their acceptance of nomination and willingness to serve if elected; and the Committee trusts that you and Dick Hedlund will continue to serve in your present positions as you both indicated to me in Tucson.

NOMINEES

President: Donald W. Engelhardt, John W. Hall

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Councilor: Wayne W. Brideaux, Warren S. Drugg,
Calvin J. Heusser, Logan L. Urban

This, I believe, concludes the duties of the present Nominating Committee, and I am pleased to send you the results of our deliberations far in advance of the May 20 deadline!

With very best regards,

Karl R. Newman
Chairman, AASP Nominating
Committee

March 28, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

Enclosed is a self-explanatory letter from Tabbert which arrived too late to be taken with me to Tulsa. I have assured Tabbert that the letter will be discussed at the Rhode Island Executive Committee session.

I wish he could spell my name in our building correctly!

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi
Enclosure: copy of letter

January 13, 1972

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

This is with reference to yours of 3 January about the "Baltes case". I am enclosing my check for \$10 to cover Dr. Baates' dues, and I would appreciate it if you would inform him that I have paid the dues for him for 1972. If my records are correct, I have paid for Traverse with a check a few days ago.

I am wondering how you reacted to the bombshell from Gene Tynan regarding postponement of the meetings for a couple of weeks.

Best wishes for your safety in these trips to the drilling rigs in the Gulf.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi
Enclosure: check for \$10

Jan 3/72

Al,

Just received your "Balts"
letter. I did send him a
due notice, but I can just
as easily send a paid-up
receipt when I get the
dues from you for both of you.

Already have 101 paid up 1972
members!

Hope your Holidays were
fun.

Sincerely,
B. V. Clarke

23 December, 1971

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
1001 Howard Ave.
New Orleans, La. 70113

Dear Bob:

Some time ago I promised Dr. Baltes of Romania that I would pay his dues for the AASP in exchange for palynological publications from Romania. I just received a package of such stuff from him apparently intended for that purpose. Could you let me know what his status is? I suppose that I am expected to pick up his tab, and I certainly want him to be kept current.

Happy 1972.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/et

December 1, 1971

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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1001 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

Just happened to notice in the current number of Geotimes that our meeting for October 1972 and for October 1973 are not listed in the continuing list of society meetings. Apparently all we have to do to get it so listed is submit the information, and I would suggest that it be done as soon as possible so that people making long range plans will hear about it.

Hope by now you are a member of the APS.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

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PS. (pre-script in this case)

Nov. 30 / 71

The kids (no pun intended) have your
"self portrait" ^{hanging} ₁₀₁ their bulletin board!!

B.V.
Clarke

Nov 19/71

Al,

How's Item A-B now? Sorry
"bout that. It only went out to \approx 6-8 people so far.
Say, did you ever receive a
deal from the American Philatelic
Society in State College asking you
for a "character reference" of R.T. Clarke.
I forgot to mention it to you in
Tucson. Hope you told them I
wasn't a "bad guy".

ROBERT T. CLARKE
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Finney,

BN

November 15, 1971

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

Dear Bob:

You were right about the cost of the guidebook, but wrong about our address! It is Department of Geosciences if you want to go that route, but the best address for me is just Deike 529, University Park, Pennsylvania, 16802.

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/vsi

June 18, 1971

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
Mobil Oil Corporation
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Dear Bob:

Thank you very much for your recent note of 7 June regarding a more automatic way for us to run up our address cards for the Catalog. I am going to discuss this with my colleagues here and see what they think. It looks to me like a good idea, although our present method of generating the labels costs only about \$50 a set.

Thanks very much.

Yours ~~with~~ best wishes,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/mdw

June 7/71

back from short vacation trip
(May 28 - June 4)

Al,

Very hastily re labels:

It takes 9 cards to make each label of the size I use. You could

use 4 cards and smaller labels if there

were ~~or~~ a maximum of 3 lines in each

address. AASP has very few 3 line addresses.

The cards are punched as ~~th~~ in these 2

examples enclosed. One line per card.

If you use 5 cards for the address, 4 blank

cards are needed ^{behind}; 6 cards for address = 3 blank

card ~~is~~ needed behind. Address labels

as per enclosed. Machine is IBM 406 or 405

May 25, 1971

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

I wonder if you could find time to send me information on the procedures that you use for producing the mailing labels for the AASP? It has occurred to me that this might very well be a less expensive option for us in preparing the mailing labels for the Catalog of Fossil Spores and Pollen, which we at present have printed from mailing plates at a considerable cost per volume. I need to know where one obtains the materials, what kind of a program must be set up etc. Hoping that you can find time to be helpful on this way, I am

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Professor of Geology & Biology

AT/mdw

*own files
correct.*

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April 23, 1971

Miss Janis E. Calmes
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Dear Miss Calmes:

Dr. L. R. Wilson, who wrote the feature article in the February 1971 issue of The Shale Shaker, recently sent me a reprint of his paper. Additional to the scientific text, was the marvelously humorous, and unfortunately sometimes all too true, cover depicting the "gremlins" at work in various aspects of palyнологical study.

I am writing in behalf of the American Association of Stratigraphic Palynologists to ask permission to reproduce the cartoon cover in its entirety, and include it as a page in one of our future Newsletters. A brief reference to The Shale Shaker will be given on the page immediately preceding the cartoons. I have included a recent issue of our Newsletter so that you will have a better idea of the type publication in which we intend to use the cartoons.

Incidentally, I was a classmate of Phil's when both he and I were students of Dr. Wilson and I remember, if not these specific drawings, the many cartoons that would appear "mysteriously" around the lab from time to time.

Thank you and I hope to hear from you shortly.

Yours very truly,

Robert T. Clarke ←

Robert T. Clarke
Secretary-Treasurer
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RTC:yy

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July 24, 1972

Dear Exec. Comm. Members,

Additional to this letter from George Hart (which you may already have) I received a call from Jack Buzgers in Houston today and he indicated that a committee had been formed to host an AASP meeting in the future. He specifically indicated 1974 but I told him that Calgary was confirmed at the Mid-Year Exec. Comm. Meetg. He will shortly (August ±) write a letter to Geoff offering Houston as a possibility for 1975... That is, if the other members of the Houston committee agree that they should actively pursue it. We'll see what the letter says.

B. H. Clarke

Al - Thank for the APS clippings. I plan to let the other Crescent City Stamp Club members look them over tomorrow night at our meeting. The old common stamps have evoked a response from a non-Palynologist but stamp collector from Arroyo in Tulsa. He called me today. It never hurts to advertise!! B.H.

October 8, 1969

Dr. Robert T. Clarke
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Dear Bob:

Congratulations on the recently arrived volume 2, number 3 Newsletter of the American Association of Stratigraphic Palynologists!! A very fine job and obviously done under considerable pressure. You have made quite a mark for Dick Hedlund to shoot at. Glad you got the titles of the papers in time for the Newsletter. An odd result but--the three extra papers actually get front and center billing ahead of the regular papers, if you want to look at it that way. The memorial to Rashid was very much to the point; whosever idea it was to put it in did a good thing. See you on 18 October (as you will hear later the meeting probably won't begin until something like 5:00 p.m. because the plane connection that most people will make arrives at about 4:00 at Midstate Airport some 30 miles from here).

Yours very truly,

Alfred Traverse
Secretary-Treasurer

AT:vs1

Dear Dr. Troense,

June 8, 1967

Thank you for the reprint of ... Bahama
Bank Palynology ... Since I'm conducting
research on some Recent sediments this
article will be of great use.

Sincerely,
Robert T. Clark