## INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL FOSSIL ALGAE RESEARCH GROUP OF PSC AND THE 1ST FOSSIL ALGAE SYMPOSIUM HELD IN NANJING

(December 2-7, 1981)

The inaugural meeting of the National Fossil Algae Research Group of PSC and the 1 st fossil algae symposium were held from December 2—7, 1981 in Nanjing. 117 Chinese fossil algae of China", in which he gave an geological colleges, geological survey, petroleum prospecting units, coal and metallurgical industry enterprises took part in the meeting, which marks a new stage in Chinese fossil algae research.

At the meeting, Prof. Zhu Hao-ran delivered a speech on "Advance of research in fossil algae of China", in which he gave an outline of the achievements of Precambrian microflora, stromatolites, chara, diatom, calcareous algae and binoslagellages researches in this country for the past 30 years. He also pointed out that we must strengthen the systematical description of fossil algae, adopt new techniques, carry this research to the advanced levels in the world.

At symposium, about more than 70 papers

were presented and discussed including papers on: (1) the taxonomy, assemblages and their sequence of Precambrian microflora, (2) stromatolitic habitat, assemblages, biostratigraphic significance and microflora in relation to stromatolite morphology, (3) analyses of sedimentary facies and environment of Paleozoic and Mesozoic calcareous algae, (4) diatom assemblages and stratigraphy, etc.

At the close of the meeting, the regulation of the National Fossil Algae Research Group of PSC was passed. The leaders of this group were elected as follows: Zhu Hao-ran (Chairman), Xing Yu-sheng (Vice Chairman), Cao Rui-ji (Vice Chairman), Liu Zhi-li (secretary), Wang Kai-fa, Wang Zhen, Dai Yong-ding, Zhu Shi-xing, Li Zu-wang, Li Jia-ying, Qiu Shy-yu, Yu Jing-xian, Zhou He-yi, Zheng Guoguang, Ouyang Shu, Liang Yu-zuo, Zhang Zhong-ying, Zhang Ze-run, Zhang Jie-fang, Yin Ji-cheng, Gao Zhen-jia, Yang Hang, Mu Xi-nan.