

of semi-finished products and burning. The practical data given in that chapter are of considerable value and should be used in both the planning and practice of Dinas brick plants.

The chapter "Special Dinas Brick Production" goes into Dinas brick for open-hearth, electric, coke and glass furnaces and dwells on the features of the process which allow the production of high quality dinas brick for that purpose. The production of high-density dinas brick and all types of dinas in combination with chromite, zirconium, carborundum, concrete, mortar, light-weight and unburned dinas and even dinas made of raw material like vein quartz, quartz sands, chalcedony and quartz glass. The effect of the characteristics of a production process on quality is discussed in great length for each refractory.

The author states that in addition to regular dinas brick made of quartzites, new types of dinas refractories with a wide range of properties can be manufactured; it is possible to produce zirconium dinas brick, for instance, with a higher initial softening point or dinas carborundum brick with greater thermal stability.

The next chapter "Properties of Dinas Brick" investigates the properties of these refractories, their correlation and the factors that determine their physical, chemical and technological properties. The part that deals with the effect of solid, liquid and gaseous phases on Dinas brick is noteworthy.

The concluding chapter "Use of Dinas Brick" describes the duty and wear of dinas in different furnace units.

The monograph gives a detailed and thorough insight into all aspects of dinas production and use. The author referred to a great variety of foreign sources on Dinas brick (the bibliography contains over 1000 references). However, the following shortcomings should be pointed out:

1. The first chapter should have been subdivided into (a) general physical and chemical basis of the production

process and (b) physical and chemical bases and processes of individual operations in the production process.

2. In discussing the ternary system of $\text{SiO}_2 - \text{FeO} - \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ the author claims that ferrous oxide has greater fluxing properties than magnetite. However, the fact that Al_2O_3 destroys the immiscible liquids in the $\text{FeO} - \text{SiO}_2$ system and, consequently, the liquid phase increases, is omitted. Since this fact is of considerable importance for the service life of Dinas brick it should have been indicated.

3. The heat capacity of wustite, hematite, fayalite etc. (see p. 370) could have been eliminated because their negligible presence in Dinas brick does not affect the heat capacity of that refractory.

4. In investigating the interaction with solid, liquid and gaseous atmospheres it would be interesting to learn about the effect of alkaline vapors on dinas (the papers by Rowden and Green, for instance) a factor which is significant for the life of Dinas brick in coke and glass furnaces.

5. In discussing the durability of Dinas brick in glass furnaces the author omits any mention of the fact that in the manufacturing of boron silicate glass the wear of Dinas brick is greater than in making alkaline glass because it is produced at higher temperatures (by 150 to 200°C).

In our view the title "Formation of the Dinas Body" (Chapter I) should have read "Forming of Dinas During Heating" while "Forming the Green Material" should have been more appropriately called "Pressing of Dinas Mixtures" (Chapter II).

The above shortcomings do not diminish the great value of the paper which is written on a scientific level and is marked by a profound and versatile discussion of the theory and practice of Dinas brick production. The paper is recommended for investigators, planners and production personnel. There is no doubt that it will enhance the level of scientific knowledge with regard to the physical chemistry of silica refractories.

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