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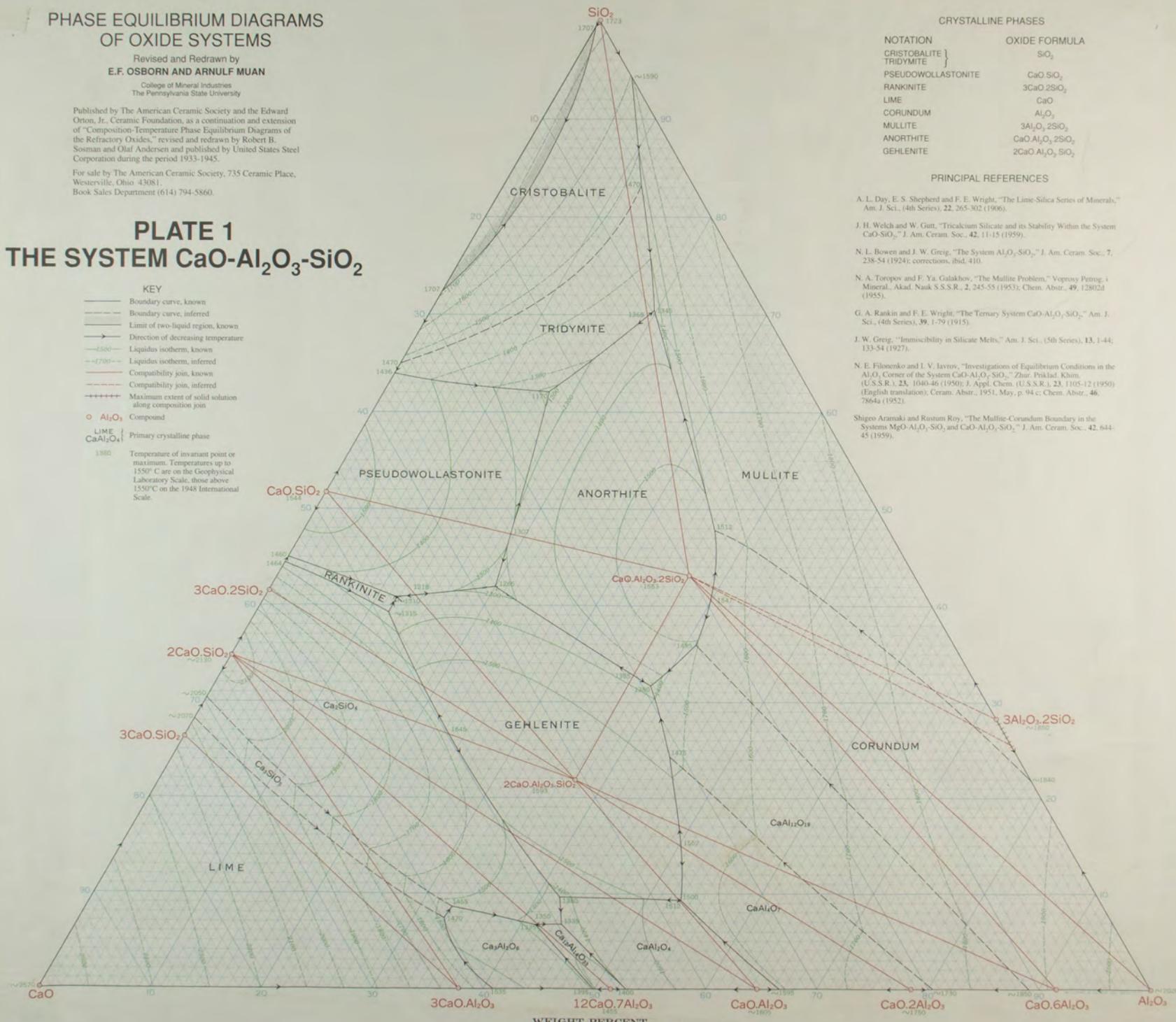
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PLATE 1 THE SYSTEM $\text{CaO}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- Boundary curve, inferred
- Limit of two-liquid region, known
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- 300° — Liquids isotherm, known
- 700° — Liquids isotherm, inferred
- Compatibility join, known
- Compatibility join, inferred
- Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- Al_2O_3 Compound
- LIME CaAl_2O_4 Primary crystalline phase

1800 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1550°C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale, those above 1550°C on the 1948 International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION	OXIDE FORMULA
CRISTOBALITE }	SiO_2
TRIDYMITE }	
PSEUDOWOLLASTONITE	CaOSiO_3
RANKINITE	$3\text{CaO} \cdot 2\text{SiO}_2$
LIME	CaO
CORUNDUM	Al_2O_3
MULLITE	$3\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 2\text{SiO}_2$
ANORTHITE	$\text{CaO} \cdot \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 2\text{SiO}_2$
GEHENITE	$2\text{CaO} \cdot \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot \text{SiO}_2$

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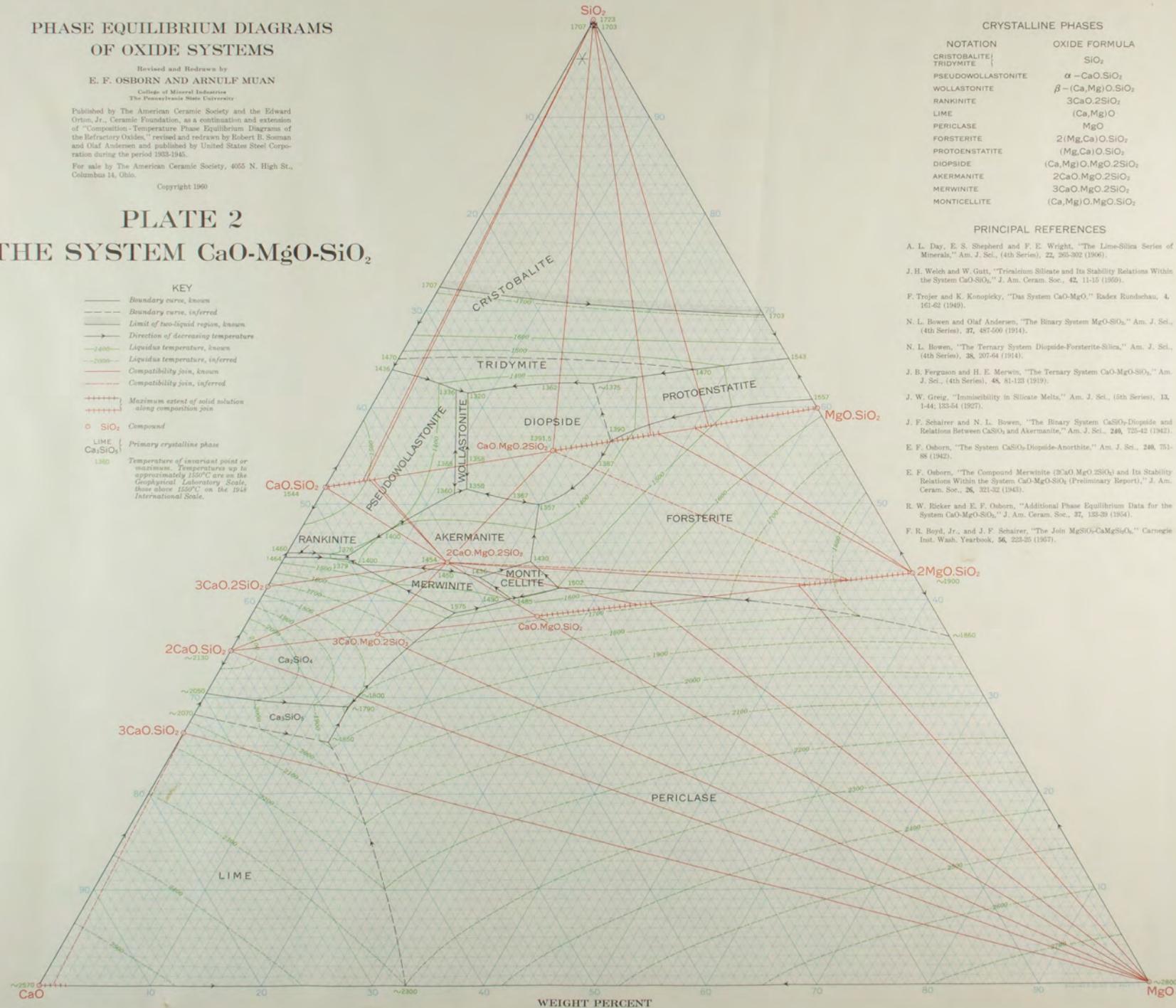
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PLATE 2
THE SYSTEM $\text{CaO}-\text{MgO}-\text{SiO}_2$

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- - - Boundary curve, inferred
- Limit of two-liquid region, known
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- Liquidus temperature, known
- Liquidus temperature, inferred
- Compatibility join, known
- Compatibility join, inferred
- Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- SiO_2 Compound
- LIME Ca_3SiO_5 Primary crystalline phase
- 1390 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to approximately 1550°C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale, those above 1550°C on the International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION	OXIDE FORMULA
CRISTOBALITE	SiO_2
TRIDYMITE	$\alpha-\text{CaO}.\text{SiO}_2$
PSEUDOWOLLASTONITE	$\beta-(\text{Ca},\text{Mg})\text{O}.\text{SiO}_2$
WOLLASTONITE	$3\text{CaO}.2\text{SiO}_2$
RANKINITE	$(\text{Ca},\text{Mg})\text{O}$
LIME	MgO
PERICLASE	$2(\text{Mg},\text{Ca})\text{O}.\text{SiO}_2$
FORSTERITE	$(\text{Mg},\text{Ca})\text{O}.\text{SiO}_2$
PROTOENSTATITE	$(\text{Ca},\text{Mg})\text{O}.\text{MgO}.2\text{SiO}_2$
DIOPSIDE	$2\text{CaO}.\text{MgO}.2\text{SiO}_2$
AKERMANITE	$3\text{CaO}.\text{MgO}.2\text{SiO}_2$
MERWINITE	$(\text{Ca},\text{Mg})\text{O}.\text{MgO}.\text{SiO}_2$
MONTCELLITE	

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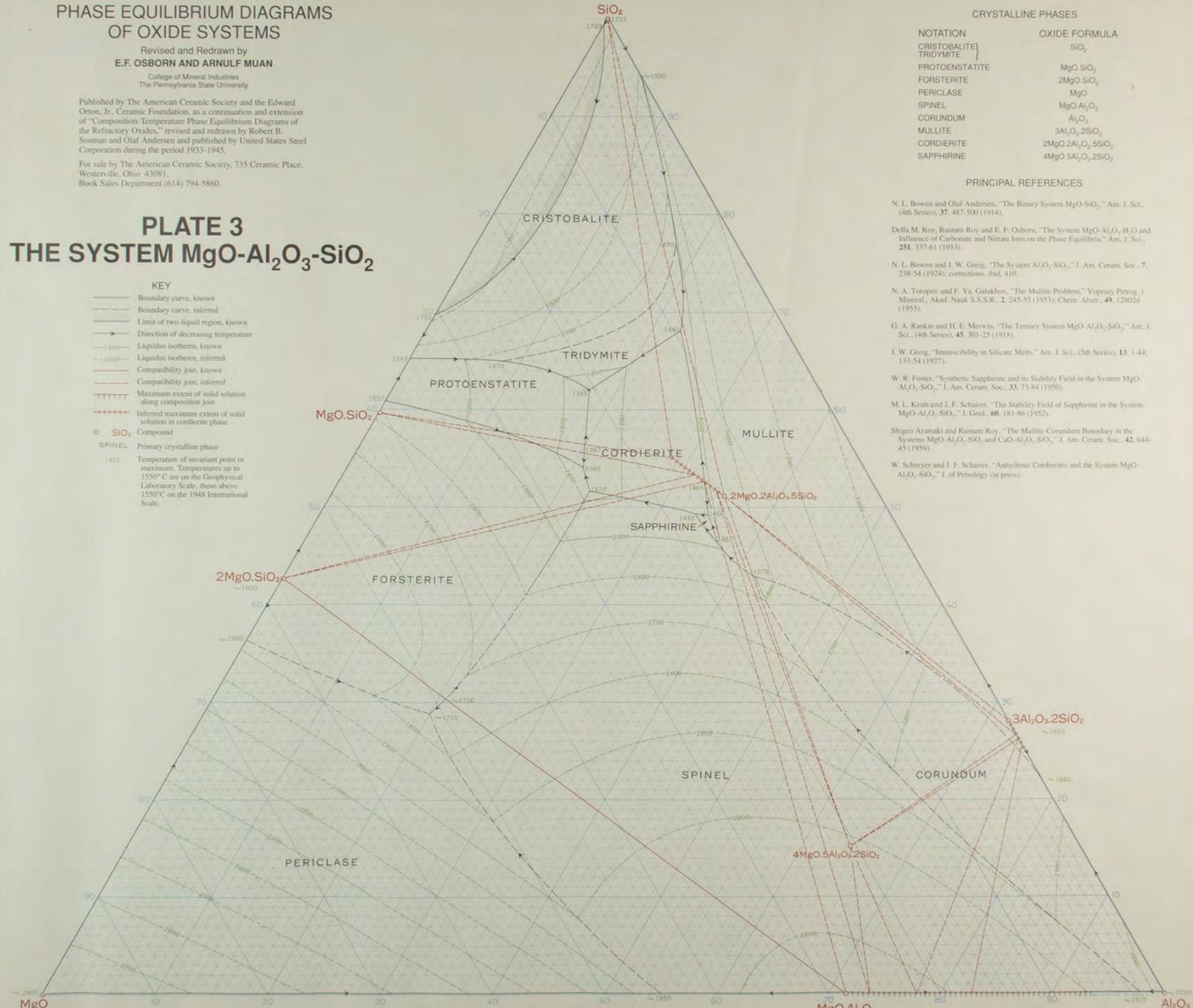
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PLATE 3 THE SYSTEM $\text{MgO}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- - - Boundary curve, inferred
- Limit of two-liquid region, known
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- Isotherm, known
- - - Isotherm, inferred
- Compatibility join, known
- Compatibility join, inferred
- Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- Inferred maximum extent of solid solution in cordierite phase
- SiO_2 Compound
- SPINEL Primary crystalline phase
- 1453 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1550°C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale, those above 1550°C on the 1948 International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION	OXIDE FORMULA
CRISTOBALITE	SiO_2
TRIDYMITE	$\text{MgO}\cdot\text{SiO}_2$
PROTOENSTATITE	$2\text{MgO}\cdot\text{SiO}_2$
FORSTERITE	MgO
PERICLASE	$\text{MgO}\cdot\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$
SPINEL	Al_2O_3
CORUNDUM	$3\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\cdot2\text{SiO}_2$
MULLITE	$2\text{MgO}\cdot2\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\cdot5\text{SiO}_2$
CORDIERITE	$4\text{MgO}\cdot5\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\cdot2\text{SiO}_2$
SAPPHİRINE	

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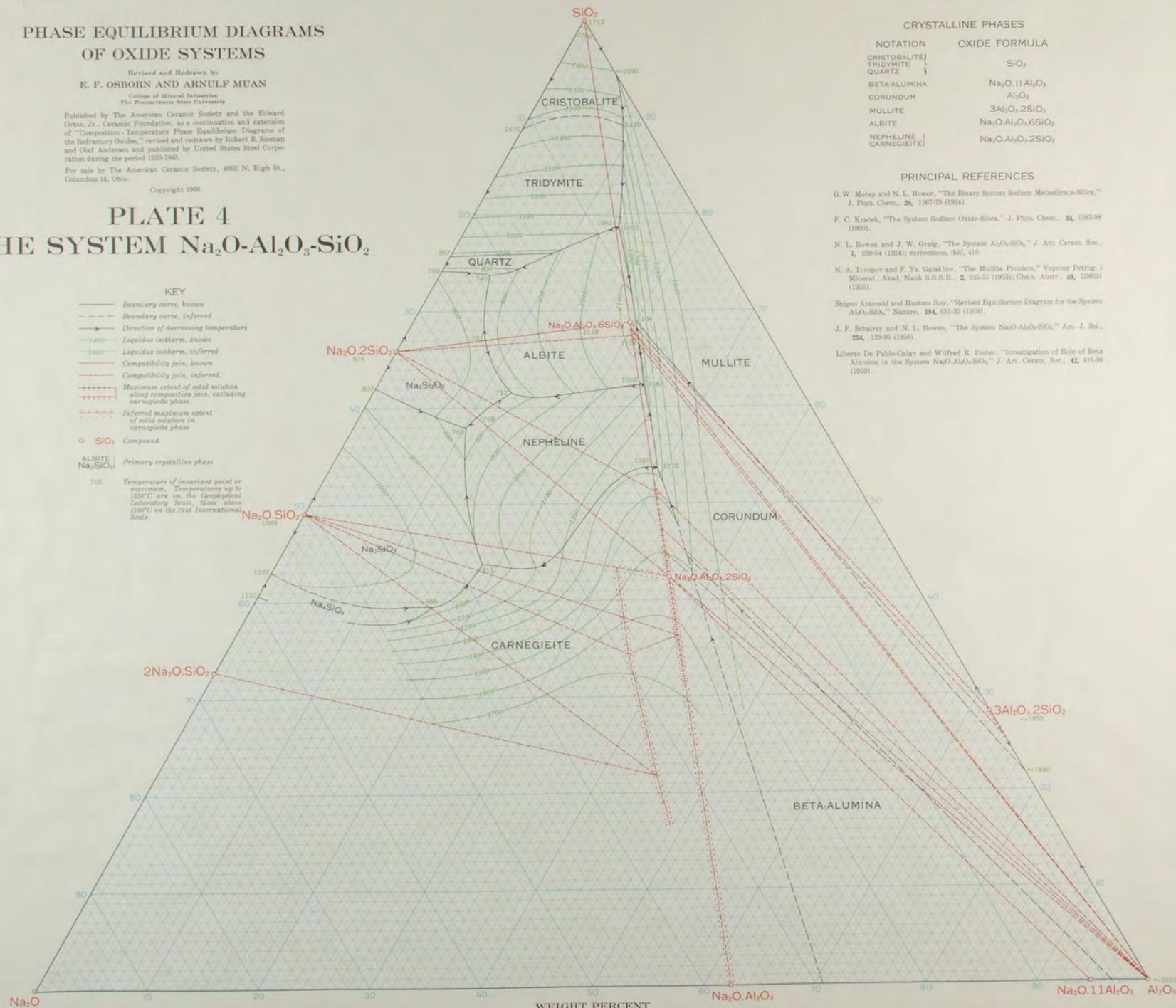
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PLATE 4
THE SYSTEM $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$

- KEY**
- Boundary curve, known
 - - - Boundary curve, inferred
 - Direction of decreasing temperature
 - Liquidus isotherm, known
 - - - Liquidus isotherm, inferred
 - Compatibility join, known
 - - - Compatibility join, inferred
 - Maximum extent of solid solution
 - Maximum extent of solid solution in carnegieite phase
 - Inferred maximum extent of solid solution in carnegieite phase
 - SiO_2 Compound

ALBITE / Na_2SiO_3 Primary crystalline phase

768 Temperature of invariant point or
maximum. Temperatures up to
1550°C are based on the
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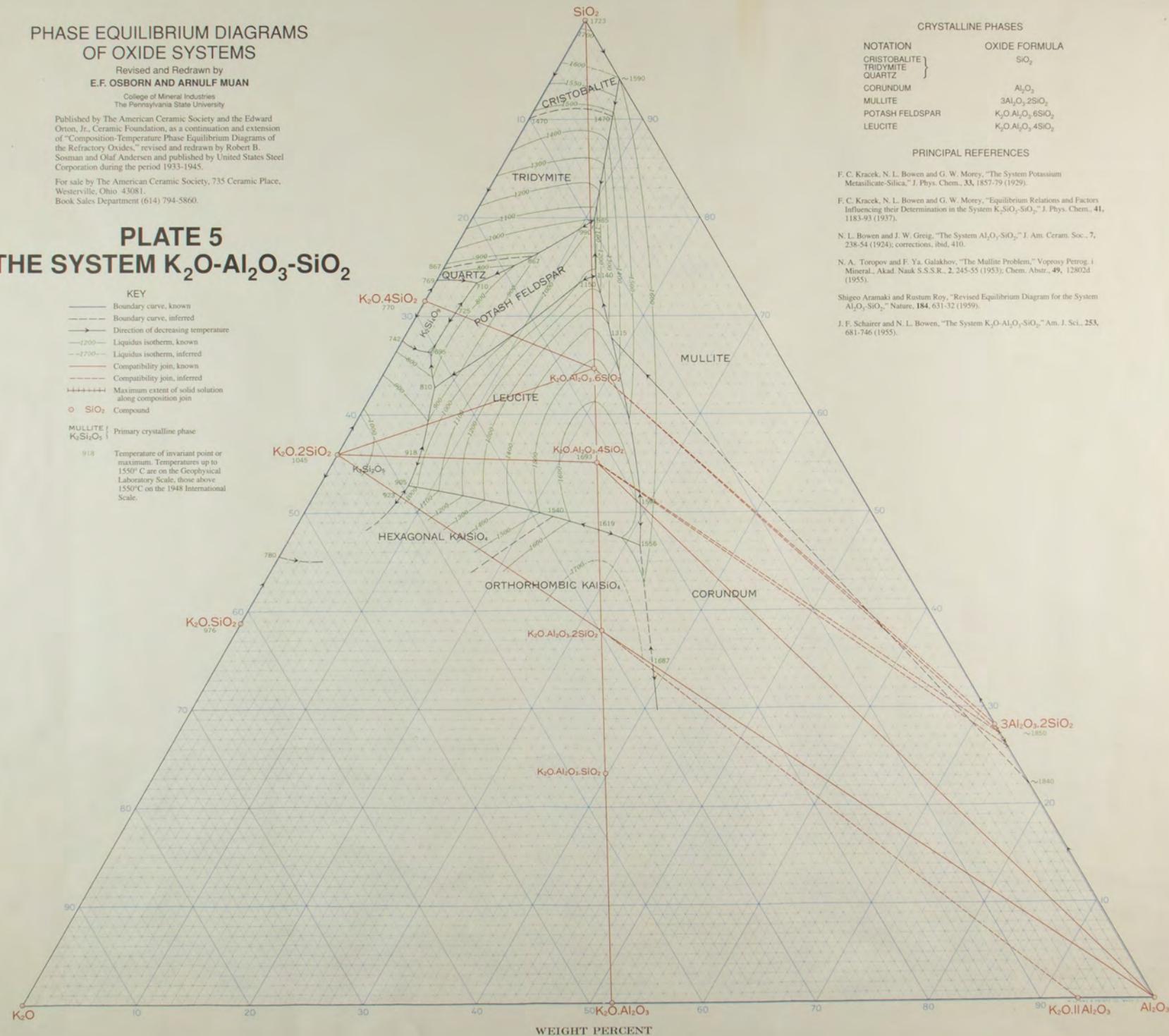
PLATE 5
THE SYSTEM K_2O - Al_2O_3 - SiO_2

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- - - Boundary curve, inferred
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- Liquidus isotherm, known
- — Liquidus isotherm, inferred
- Compatibility join, known
- — Compatibility join, inferred
- Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- SiO_2 Compound

MULLITE { Primary crystalline phase
 $K_2Si_2O_5$

918 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1550° C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale, those above 1550°C on the 1948 International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION
CRISTOBALITE }
TRIDYMITE }
QUARTZ }
CORUNDUM
MULLITE
POTASH FELDSPAR
LEUCITE

OXIDE FORMULA
 SiO_2
 Al_2O_3
 $3Al_2O_3 \cdot 2SiO_2$
 $K_2O \cdot Al_2O_3 \cdot 6SiO_2$
 $K_2O \cdot Al_2O_3 \cdot 4SiO_2$

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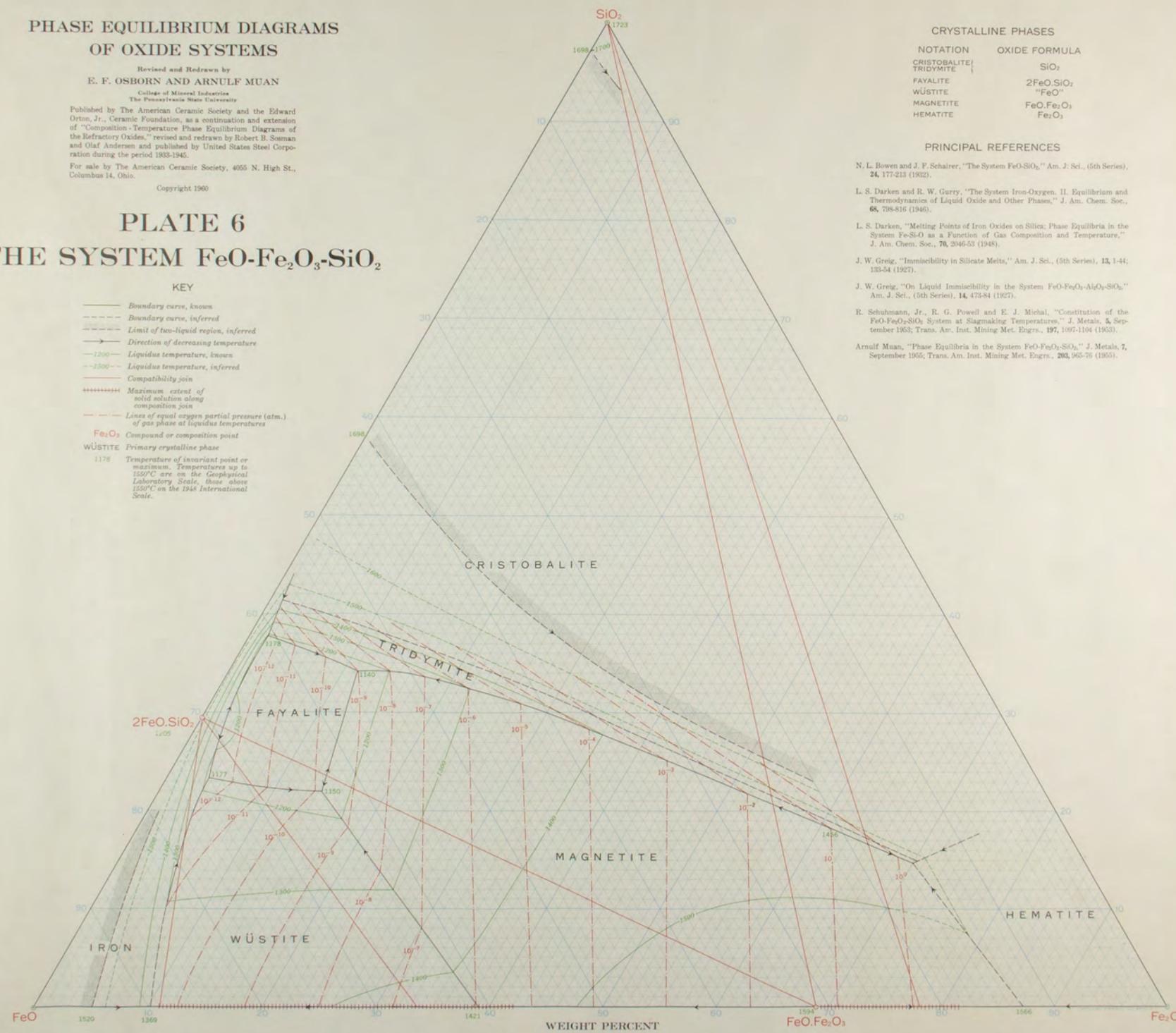
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PLATE 6
THE SYSTEM $\text{FeO}-\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- - - Boundary curve, inferred
- - - Limit of two-liquid region, inferred
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- Liquidus temperature, known
- — — Liquidus temperature, inferred
- Compatibility join
- ==== Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- - - Lines of equal oxygen partial pressure (atm.) of gas phase at liquidus temperatures
- Fe₂O₃ Compound or composition point

WÜSTITE Primary crystalline phase
1178 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1550°C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale; those above 1550°C on the 1948 International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION	OXIDE FORMULA
CRISTOBALITE/ TRIDYMITE	SiO_2
FAYALITE	$2\text{FeO}\cdot\text{SiO}_2$
WÜSTITE	" FeO "
MAGNETITE	Fe_3O_4
HEMATITE	Fe_2O_3

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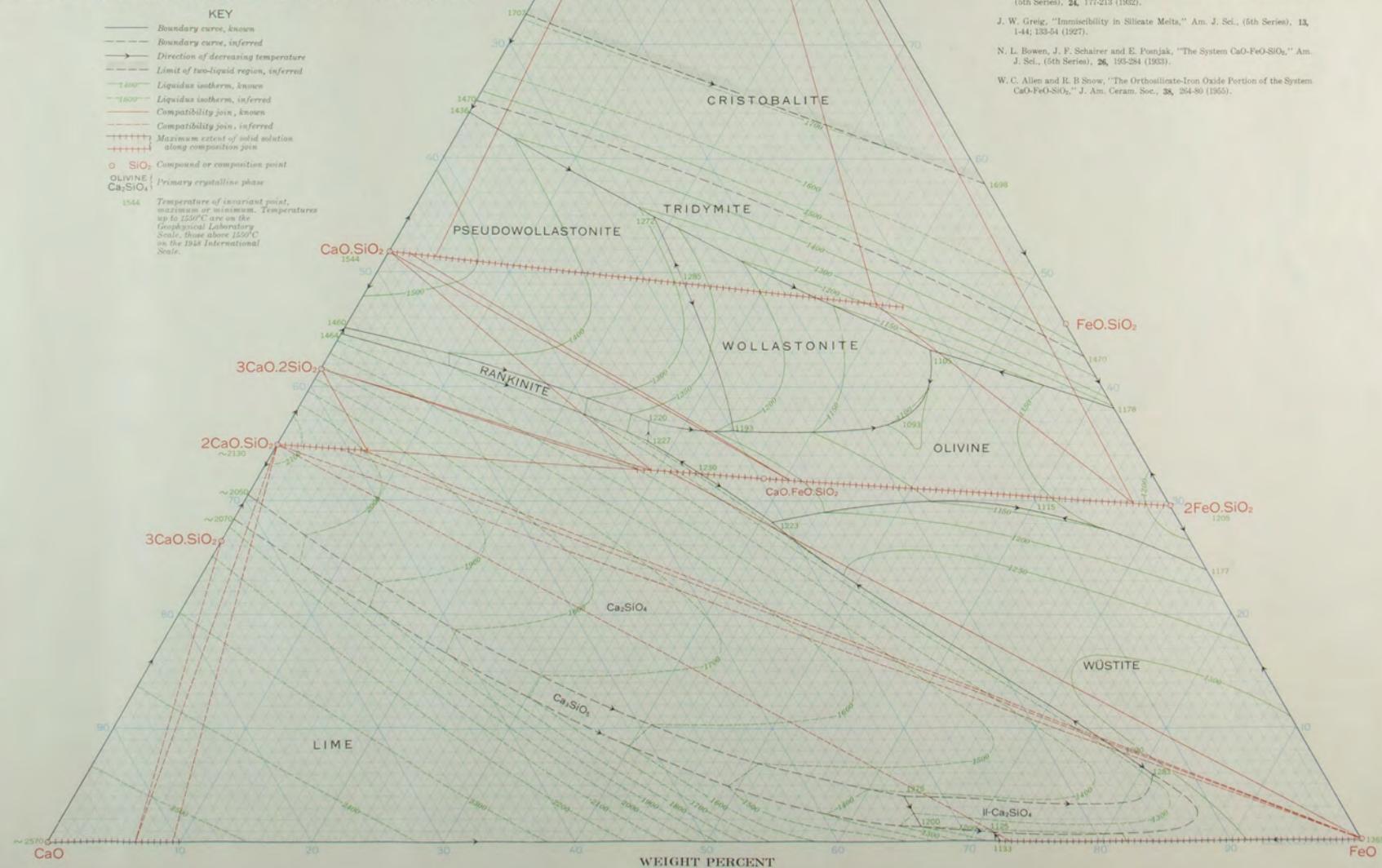
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PLATE 7

THE SYSTEM CaO-“FeO”-SiO₂
(OXIDE PHASES IN EQUILIBRIUM WITH METALLIC IRON)



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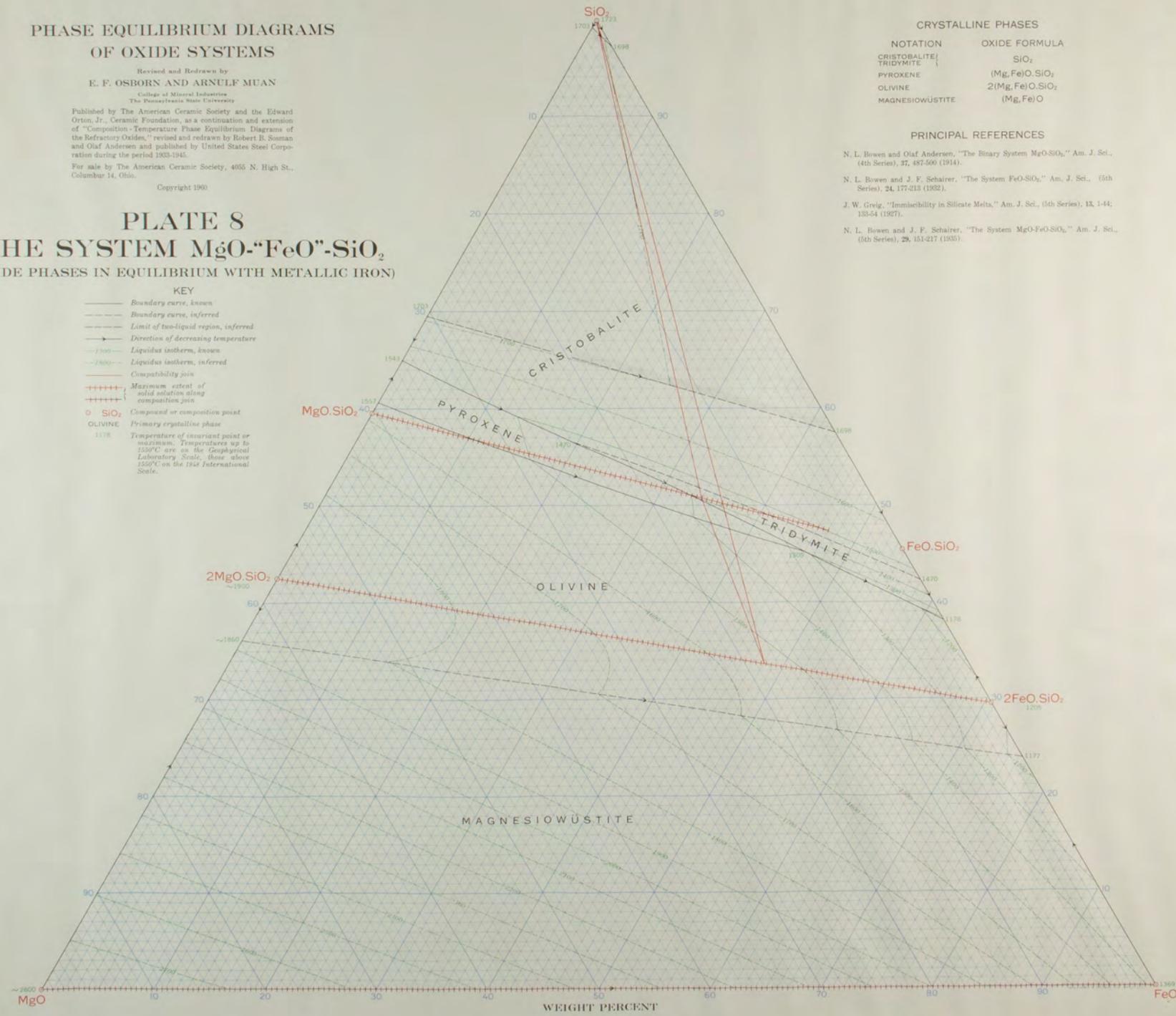
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PLATE 8
THE SYSTEM MgO - FeO - SiO_2
(OXIDE PHASES IN EQUILIBRIUM WITH METALLIC IRON)

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- Boundary curve, inferred
- Limit of two-liquid region, inferred
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- Liquefus isotherm, known
- Liquefus isotherm, inferred
- Compatibility join
- Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- Compound or composition point
- SiO_2 Primary crystalline phase
- Olivine
- 1478 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1550°C are on the Geophysical Depth-Scale, those above 1550°C on the International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION	OXIDE FORMULA
CRYSTOBALITE	SiO_2
TRIDYMITE	$(Mg, Fe)O \cdot SiO_2$
PYROXENE	$2(Mg, Fe)O \cdot SiO_2$
OLIVINE	$(Mg, Fe)O$
MAGNESIOWÜSTITE	

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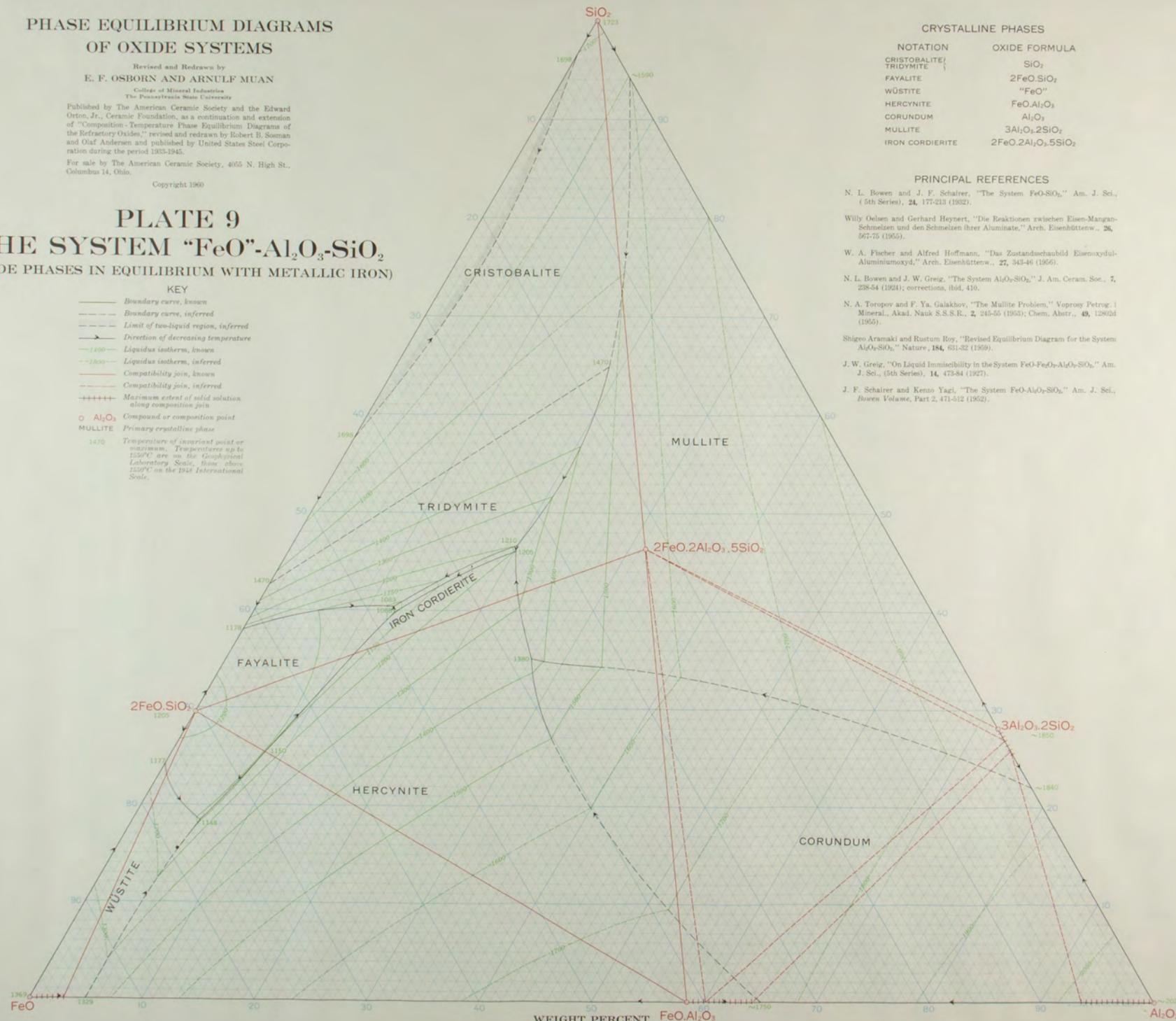
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PLATE 9
THE SYSTEM "FeO"-Al₂O₃-SiO₂
(OXIDE PHASES IN EQUILIBRIUM WITH METALLIC IRON)

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- Boundary curve, inferred
- Limit of two-liquid region, inferred
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- Liquidus isotherm, known
- Liquidus isotherm, inferred
- Compatibility join, known
- Compatibility join, inferred
- Maximum extent of solid solution along composition join
- Al₂O₃ Compound or composition point
- MULLITE Primary crystalline phase

1470 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1350°C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale, those above 1250°C on the International Scale.



CRYSTALLINE PHASES

NOTATION	OXIDE FORMULA
CRISTOBALITE/ TRIDYMITE	SiO ₂
FAYALITE	2FeO·SiO ₂
WÜSTITE	"FeO"
HERCYNITE	FeO·Al ₂ O ₃
CORUNDUM	Al ₂ O ₃
MULLITE	3Al ₂ O ₃ ·2SiO ₂
IRON CORDIERITE	2FeO·2Al ₂ O ₃ ·5SiO ₂

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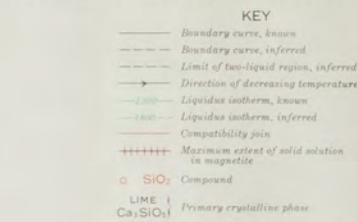
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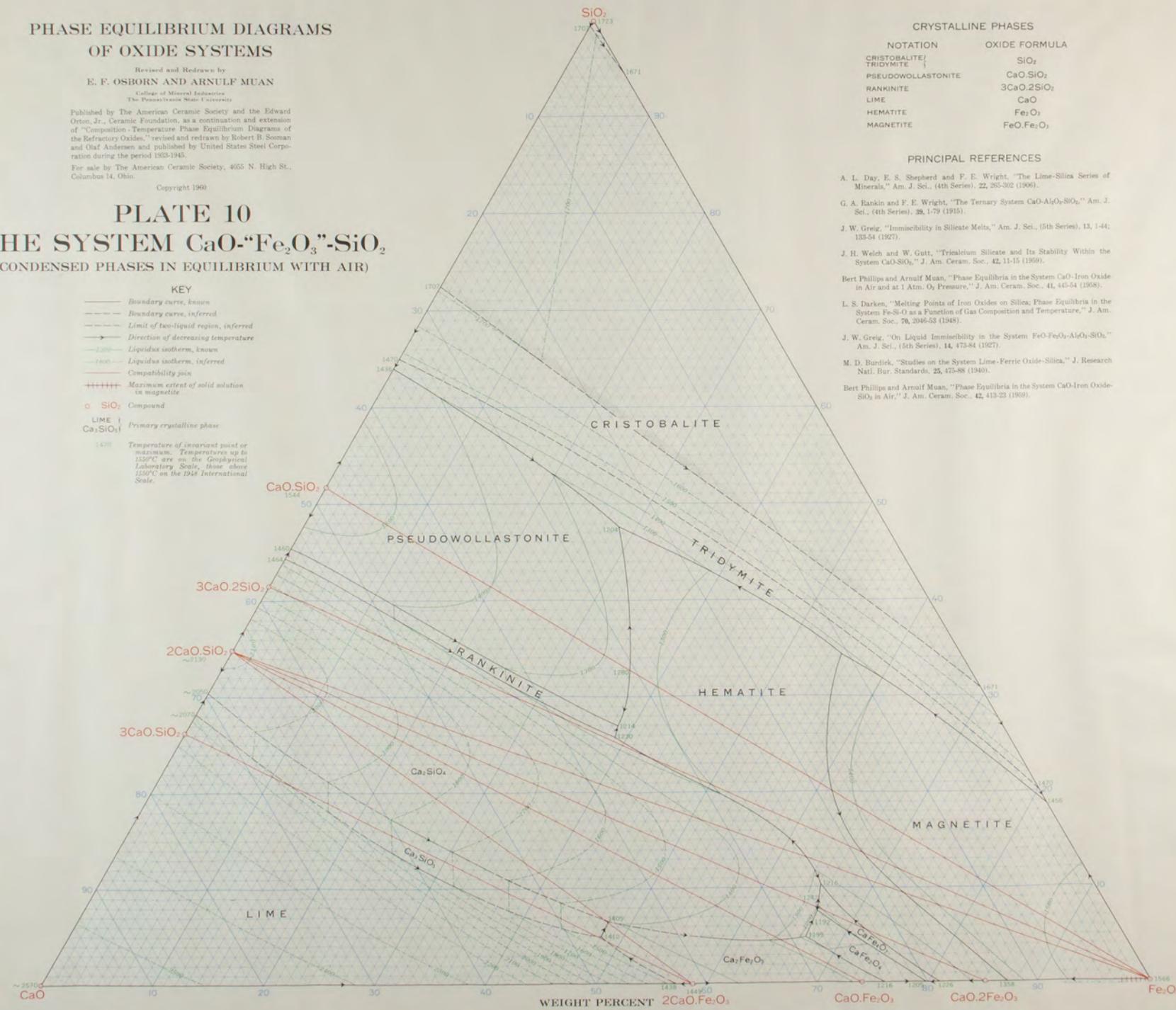
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PLATE 10
THE SYSTEM $\text{CaO}\text{-}\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$
(CONDENSED PHASES IN EQUILIBRIUM WITH AIR)



1420 Temperature of invariant point or maximum. Temperatures up to 1550°C are on the Geophysical Laboratory Scale, those above 1550°C on the 1948 International Scale.



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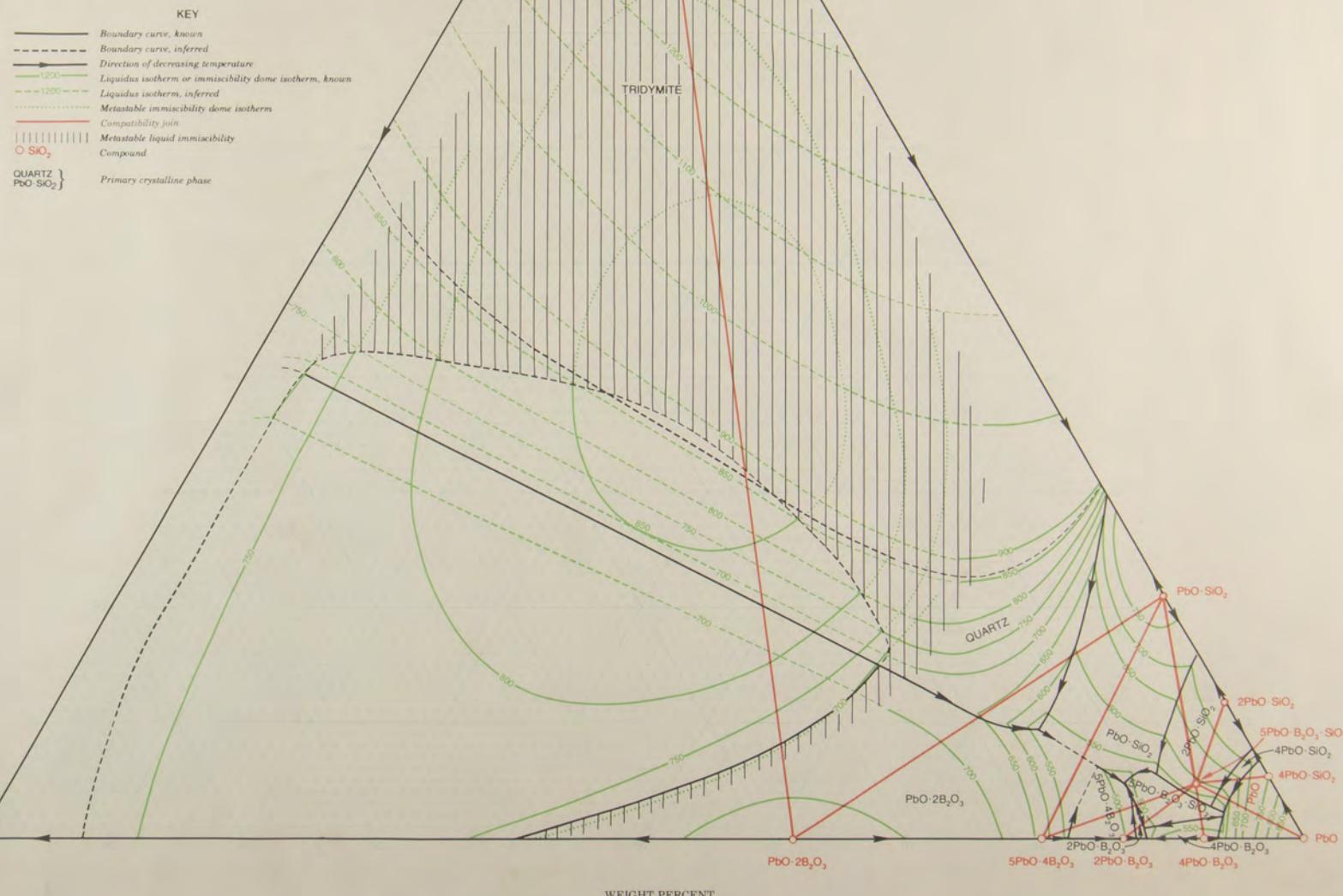
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PLATE 11
THE SYSTEM PbO-B₂O₃-SiO₂



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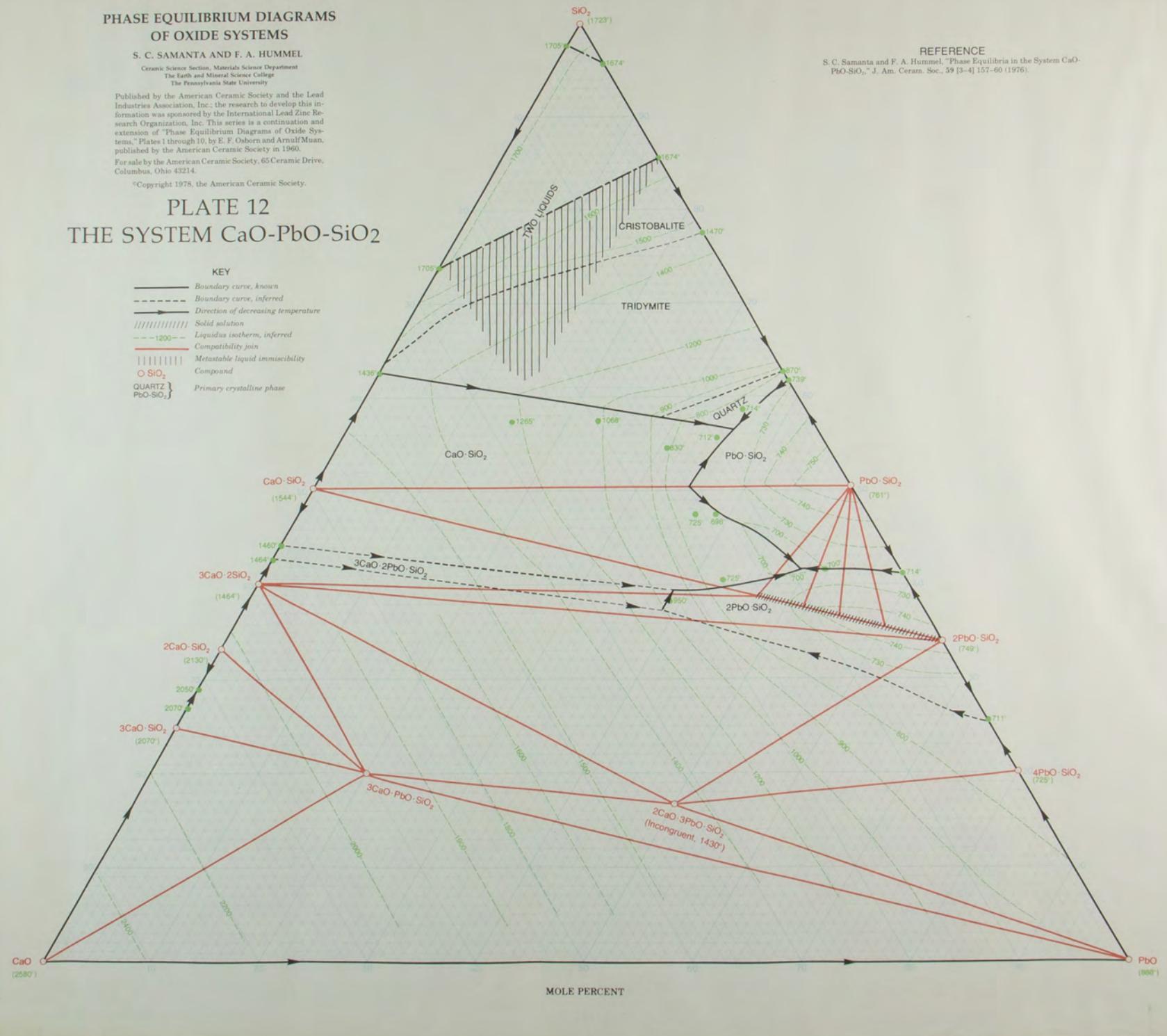
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PLATE 12
THE SYSTEM CaO-PbO-SiO₂

KEY

- Boundary curve, known
- - - Boundary curve, inferred
- Direction of decreasing temperature
- ////// Solid solution
- 1200 — Liquidus isotherm, inferred
- Compatibility join
- Metastable liquid immiscibility
- Compound
- Quartz } Primary crystalline phase
- PbO-SiO₂



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PLATE 13
THE SYSTEM SrO-PbO-SiO_2

