company since its inception in 2010, and he will remain on the board following this appointment. Previously, he served as chief operating officer (COO) of Glamis Gold Ltd. and held senior management positions with Newmont Mining Corp., Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corp. and Western Mining Corp. Clayton joined Tahoe in 2010 and served as the company’s president, director, CEO and COO. As a member of Tahoe’s founding executive team, he led the construction of the Escobal mine.

JÜRGEN KRETSCHMANN (SME), president of the Technical University Georg Agricola, has assumed the presidency of the Society of Mining Professors. Kretschmann received the honor at the society’s 29th Annual Meeting in Beijing, China. The main goal of the society is to guarantee the scientific, technical, academic and professional knowledge required to ensure a sustainable supply of minerals for mankind. The society facilitates information exchange, research and teaching partnerships and other collaborative activities among its members.

Paramount Gold Nevada Corp. announced that JOHN W. SEABERG has joined its board of directors as executive chairman. As a member of Paramount’s executive leadership team, Seaberg will be responsible for capital markets. He was most recently senior vice president, strategic relations, for Klondex Mines and was responsible for executing the company’s global investor relations strategy.

Boreal Metals Corp. appointed RODNEY ALLEN to the Boreal Technical Advisory Board. He was manager, geology research and development for the Boliden Group for 10 years and is currently a consultant geologist and CEO for volcanic resources. Allen is an economic geologist with 39 years of experience in mineral exploration and geological research of complex ancient volcanic regions.

**The people behind the awards**

*Over the next few months, SME will briefly profile the engineers and miners who are remembered by the AIME-founded awards presented to SME members.*

**Rossiter W. Raymond** was a pre-eminent publicist and educator who was considered dean of the mining profession in the United States for 50 years. He studied at the Royal Mining Academy in Freiberg, and at Heidelberg and Munich universities. During the Civil War, he served as an aide-de-camp to Major General John C. Fremont. As the U.S. Commissioner of Mineral Statistics, he explored the mines of California, Nevada and the Rocky Mountains and provided valuable advice to the U.S. Congress on the passage of the Mining Law of 1872. He was also an attorney. Raymond served as editor of the *Engineering and Mining Journal* from 1867 to 1890. His New York City office became the unofficial center for the mining engineering fraternity. He was one of the original members of the AIME, served as its first vice president and as its president from 1872 to 1875. As AIME secretary from 1884 to 1911, he edited 40 volumes of the *AIME Transactions*.

In 1945, AIME created the Rossiter W. Raymond Memorial Award to recognize the best paper written each year by an author under the age of 35.

**Robert Peele** gained international renown for his contributions to mining literature. He is best remembered for editing three editions of the *Mining Engineer’s Handbook*, published in 1918, 1927 and 1941. The handbook fulfilled a need throughout the mining world and sold more than 100,000 copies worldwide. Peele graduated from the Columbia School of Mines in 1883. He worked in gold and silver mines in North Carolina, Arizona and Colorado and performed mine evaluations in New Mexico, Colombia and Dutch Guiana. Later, he became superintendent of the Oregon Gold Mining Co. and served in South America as examining engineer for the Peruvian Exploration Syndicate of London. In 1892, Peele joined the newly formed Department of Mining Engineering at Columbia University as adjunct professor of mining. He was named an honorary member of AIME and the Institute of Mining and Metallurgy of London. The Robert Peele Memorial Award, established in 1953 and funded by AIME, is given for the most outstanding paper published on behalf of the SME Mining & Exploration Division by an SME member under the age of 35.