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MID-SUMMER MEETING

The Mid-Summer meeting of the Society is scheduled to convene at 10 AM on Friday, August 6th at the Ira C. Darling Center of The University of Maine at Walpole, Maine. The location is on the east shore of the Damariscotta River, about 7½ miles after you turn south at Route 129 on the east edge of Damariscotta Village.

The program will be as varied, informative and informal as ever. We hope to hear from Bob Doyle on the proposed 5-year program of the Maine Survey; from Brad Caswell on his groundwater work; from Barry Timson on Man-and-The-Beach; possibly from Bill Rideout on current matters relating geology with waste-disposal policies; maybe from Jim Skehan on his seismic net/Narragansett Basin/NRC/Etc./Etc. programs; some from one or more on the current crop of industrial geology studies in the region; and from ALL others with matters of their knowledge which we ought to be aware of, including some familiarization with the work in oceanography of the Darling Center.

Art Hussey has advised that there is a restaurant about 6 miles down the road for those who may require that sort of service. Otherwise, bring your own lunch. We hope to see the Society spring for liquid refreshments which we pray will not be in the form of rain.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

A while back Marland Billings very kindly sent us copies of his latest publications, with information of considerable use to many of us who contemplate bedrock matters for the region:

Billings, M. P. (1975). Geology of the North Metropolitan Relief Tunnel, Greater Boston, Massachusetts. Journal of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section, American Society of Civil Engineers; p115-135.

Billings, M. P. and K. Fowler-Billings (1975) Geology of the Gorham Quadrangle, New Hampshire-Maine. Bulletin No. 6, New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development; Concord, New Hampshire.

We have just got word of the release of Glenn Prescott's latest groundwater compilation, which presents records of selected wells and test holes in about 450 square miles of the title area, in portions of the Gray, Freeport, Portland and Casco Bay 15-minute quadrangles:

Prescott, G. C., Jr. (1976) Windham-Freeport-Portland Area: Maine Basic-Data Report No. 9, Groundwater Series. U. S. Geological Survey, Open-File Report; 48 pages.



In some moment of quiet reflection you may have wondered just where we've been all spring, not having put out a Newsletter since late last year; generally letting you slip into the dark as to what's happening with earth studies in Maine and the region.

Well, we have some problems here, and would like to suggest that the lack of technical news heading out to you from us derives largely from the corresponding lack of technical news heading in to us from you. We have our own thing going for us down here at Cundy's, but it is mostly commercial work in behalf of clients who would just as soon handle their own public relations releases without our kind assistance. And they seem also to like their technical studies to advance with a certain dispatch which permits us little spare time to nose into others' studies for journalistic purposes.

What we're saying is, we can't run around the State trying to scoop GEOTIMES on hot news of the profession's latest developments, and Sunday mornings are too short to allow us to invent and compose meaningful articles out of thin (or hot) air. So, we suggest that if each of you would plan to prepare and submit one concise exposition of your findings per year, to summarize what you believe to be of significance or interest to those who care about Maine geology, we'd have a fine base for running a Newsletter worth the name (and the dues). It's your move.

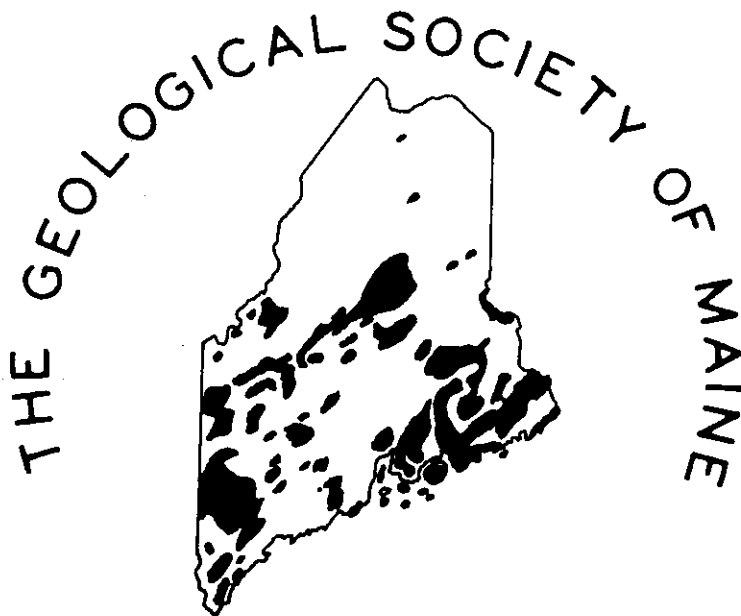
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