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OCTOBER MEETING

DATE:

October 13, 1982 - WEDNESDAY

SPEAKER:

Richard Slade, Associate and Senior Hydrogeologist,

Geotechnical Consultants, Inc.

SUBJECT:

Geologic excursions in Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and

the Galapagos Islands.

RICHARD will highlight some of the geologic and engineering geologic conditions encountered during his participation in a Study Tour of the Andes. The 32 day trip was part of a summer course sponsored by Cypress College. Slides of unusual archaeologic sites and geomorphic anomalies in the region will be shown.

PLACE:

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COST:

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TIME:

5:30 - Social Hour

6:30 - Dinner

7:30 - AEG Business

8:00 - Speaker

9:00 - Section Affairs (if scheduled)

ATTENTION, ATTENTION, ALL RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY 11:00am THE PRECEDING MONDAY MORNING.

REGISTRATION BOARD NEWS

MR. DONALD HALLINGER, a petroleum Geologist was elected President of the Board. He is Regional Manager of Exploration for Southern California Gas Co.

MR. CHARLES AMSTRONG, a Certified Engineering Geologist, was elected Vice President. He is an Associate Geologist with the California Division of Mines and Geology.

Gov. EDMUND G. BROWN JR. has made the following appointments to the State Board of Registration for Geologists and Geophysicists:

MICHAEL MILLER of Bel Air and BRUCE A. GORANSON of San Francisco. MILLER, 40 is Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Commercial Bank of California. He is also President of Miller Mining Company, a gold mining firm in Angels Camp. A Republican, he replaced Ruthann Corwin of Los Angeles. Miller represents the public and his term expires June 1, 1985.

GORANSON, 32, is a Registration Coordinator at the University of California, San Francisco. Prior to this he was a private investment consultant. A Democrat, he replaces Nancy Kiesling of Portola Valley, whose term expired. Goranson represents the public and his term expires June 1, 1986. Board members receive \$50.00 per diem and compensation for necessary expenses.

The Examination Committee of the California State Board of Registration for Geologists and Geophysicists will meet on Sunday, October 24th in San Francisco to review the November examinations. AEG members serving on the Examination Committee are: Dr. Martin Stout, Robert Sydnor, Charles Armstrong, and Ernest Weber. The geophysicists on the committee are: Dr. Robert Kovach of Stanford and Roger Chapman of CDMG. The petroleum geologists are Bruce Barron and Don Hallinger. The chairman of the Examination Committee is Dr. John Williams, Associate Professor of Engineering Geology at San Jose State University.

LEGISLATION

A bill sponsored by the Board was signed by Governor Brown in April which will add negligence as a violation of the Geologist and Geophysicist Act on January 1, 1983. It will be in addition to other violations such as deceit, misrepresentation, violations of contracts, fraud or incompetency in the practice of geology or geophysics.

A second bill sponsored by the Board was signed by Governor Brown in July and will also become effective on January 1, 1983. It permits public members to serve on committees and amends the current fee structure. Most significant changes in the fee structure will be an application fee for engineering geology certification and an automatic increase in the license delinquency fee. A fee of \$40.00 will be charged for engineering geology application. There has not been an application or examination fee charged for certification as an engineering geologist because the original Act did not contain the authority for the board to set an application fee.

The delinquency fee for licenses will be increased from \$25.00 to \$40.00 for both registration as a geologist and as a geophysicist. The current renewal and delinquency fee is \$105.00; on January 1, 1983, it will be raised to \$120.00. The delinquency fee for the engineering geology license will not increase at this time.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

JAMES E. FISHER has joined Caltex Energy Corporation, 18662 MacArthur, Suite 340, Irvine Calif., 714-955-3011. JIM FISHER will be involved in various eolian-energy (wind turbines) and petroleum development projects.

HARRY AUDELL, a new Associate Member of AEG has announced his availability for part-time, independent geologic drafting services. Telephone HARRY in San Clemente at 714-492-3362 if you need geologic drafting services.

JOHN ALAN HANSON of Pacific Soils has moved his residence to Dana Point. JOHN enjoys scuba diving and deep sea fishing on the weekends from his home port at the Dana Point Yacht Harbor. JOHN ALAN HANSON's new address is 33472 Cheltam Way, Dana Point 92629, telephone 714-661-2498.

JOHN H. HANSEN of R&M Consultants, returned from a successful climb of Mount Whitney (elev. 14,496.811 feet, according to the summit plaque). JOHN reports a significant amount of late-season snow still remains on Whitney.

JAMES F. KNOWLTON of Irvine Soils has been in the hospital recently with a perforated appendix. Friends of JIM KNOWLTON may wish to contact Gary Stoney at Irvine Soils for current information about Jim's recovery.

RICHARD RAMIREZ of Geo-Systems is recovering from a case of Valley Fever. This occupational hazard had RICHARD in the hospital for four days.

BOB SYDNOR has been performing field work in western Colorado within the Wasatch and Green River Formations. The project involves
mapping landslides at a narrow pass which will be crossed by a
30-inch high-pressure natural gas pipline. BOB recently completed
a 170-page report for the County of Orange on the "Engineering
Geology of the Capistrano Beach Area". It will serve as a
technical appendix to the County's Specific Plan and will be
submitted to the Calif. Coastal Commission.

DICK LOWNES will be leaving Pacific Soil Engineering Inc. to start his own business beginning September 20. DICK's new offices will be in Pasadena and Irvine under the name of Lownes Geologic Services. The Irvine address is 18002 Sky Park Circle, Irvine, 92714, (714-545-3931).

There is only one quadruple-registered person in the State of California. JOHN J. MCCORMICK of the firm of Goffman and McCormick in Laguna Hills is a Registered Geologist, Certified Engineering Geologist, Registered Geophysicist, and Registered Civil Engineer. He is also an AEG Member of long-standing. MCCORMICK's speciality is engineering geophysics and he frequently consults to other engineering geologist.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The International Conference on Case Histories in Geotechnical Engineering will be held at the Sheraton Hotel Downtown, St. Louis, Mo., May 6-11, 1984. The conference will provide a forum for engineers and geologists to document case records of difficult jobs including job performance and job failure. Persons willing to submit papers should contact: Civil Engineering Department, Room 308, University of Missouri-Rolla, Mo. 65401 (314-341-4461). The deadline for abstracts is March 31, 1983.

THE BLUE BOOK CONTRACTOR'S REGISTER

There is a new 1982 edition of the Bluebook Contractor's Register, Southern California Edition available free from: Contractor's Register, Inc., 30 Undercliff Avenue, Elmsford, New York 10523. Telephone Toll Free 800-431-2584. It is extremely useful for refering clients to various firms in the construction industry. Typical listings are available for Aggregates and Architects, to Gabions, Grouting and Rock Bolts. Its got it all! BOB SYDNOR, has sent the publisher a list of 78 firms where Certified Engineering Geologists are available for consulting. The Bluebook will hopefully list Geologist in their 1983 edition. In the meantime, AEG members are encouraged to obtain the current 1982 edition for desk reference.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS MEETS IN PASADENA

The National Annual Meeting of the American Institute of Professional Geologists will be held in Pasadena at the Huntington-Sheraton Hotel on November 10-11-12 (Wed, Thurs, Fri). AEG members are invited to attend. Major presentations will be given by Dr. RICHARD H. JAHNS on Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant and Dr. DALLAS PECK, Director of the USGS. If you are interested, please contact any of the following AEG and AIPG Certified Professional Geologists: Robert Sydnor, William Elliott, Don Asquith, Cliff Gray, Jim Slosson, Buzz Spellman, Glenn Brown, Beach Leighton, Roy Shlemon, and Dave Cummings.

ELECTION RESULTS

The ballots have been tabulated by Robert Sydnor, Chairman of the Nominating Committee. There were about 5 write-in Candidates. Complete ballot counts will be announced from the podium at the October meeting.

Chairman: James R. Miller, CEG

Vice Chairman: Donald O. Asquith, CEG, RGP

Secretary: Gary Guacci, R.G. Treasurer: Alice Campbell

Call your new Section Secretary GARY GUACCI for all problems related to address changes, non-receipt of the Section Newsletter, and so forth. 213-433-5865 (home number).

Call your new Section Treasurer ALICE, CAMPBELL for all problems related to payment of dues and other financial matters: 626 Orange Grove Avenue, South Pasadena 91030; 213-799-7315.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"How much you do is important. How well you do it is decisive."

"A man who enjoys responsibility usually gets it. A man who merely likes exercising authority usually loses it". Malcolm S. Forbes

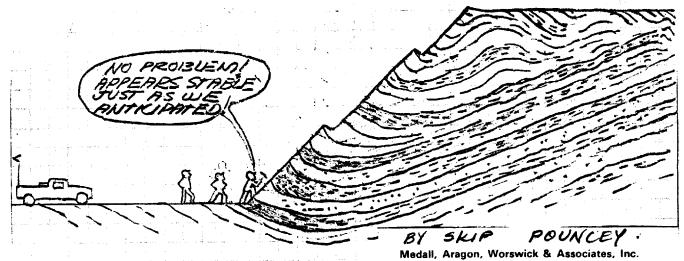
"Success is, an amazing amount of the time, a positive manipulation of failure".

"Advice is never appreciated for if it turns out well, the recipient thinks it was his own idea; if it turns out badly, he eternally blames the giver". Sydney Harris

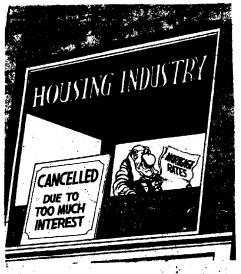
EMPLOYMENT CREDIT FOR REGISTRATION APPLICANTS

This advice from BOB SYDNOR: There is a high rate of unemployment and part-time employment among junior geologists because of the current economic depression. This can create certain problems several years from now when the junior geologist applies to the Registration Board to be rated eliqible to take their examination(s). Many junior geologists are also attending graduate school on a parttime basis. It is very important for junior geologists to keep track of your professional employment on a month-to-month basis (log, diary or time sheets). Remember that soil technician work and drafting does not count as professional geologic experience. Many junior geologists change jobs three or four times in five years and their past employers may have a different recollection of what the applicant did. Avoid hard feelings and recriminations by keeping accurate written records of your present work on a monthly basis. If you have any questions, please call the Excutive Secretary, Mr. JOHN E. WOLFE, CEG, or speak with BOB SYDNOR. The address of the Registration Board is: 1021 "O" Street, Room A-190, Sacramento, Calif. 95814 (916-445-1920

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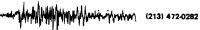
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