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**NEWS** 



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The GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA is an amateur group that accepts Geology ag an absorbing hobby. We solicit and welcome the help and direction of membership from professional ranke, but by and large our approach to the subject is that of the layman. Most of us are not true rockhounds, although we do collect misreals, rocks and fossils. Our main purpose is to promote interest in the study of Geology of the state of Minnesota.

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#### 1970 Midwest Federation Convention and Show

The Midweat Federation of Mineralogical and ceological Societies is one of the largest of the six American Federations and boasts of about 15,000 members. The Minn, Mineral Club which hosted the Federation in Minneapolis in July did a very fine job. About 10,000 paid admissions were recorded during the four day event.

The auditorium was filled with beautiful mineral and fossil disbeautiful mineral and fossil disblays from various clubs and individuals. Our own decloquical Society had a nicely arranged display of beautiful and interesting specimens, thanks to Mr. Exgerich.

Quite appropriately Lake Superior agates were displayed on many tables. The 21 pound agate owned and displayed by Ernic Counsil of Ceage, Iowa was the envy of all the Minn, members. "The Dress the Stars Fell On", displayed near the center of the auditorium attracted much attention, with the \$25 carats of star samphires eparkling in the light. In one booth Mr. & Mrs. Strangberg of Kenosha, Wisc. showed several paintings. Rocks ground to powder made the pigments used in their paints. The pictures took on the soft beauty of pastel paintings.

Other displays included Mr.Novak's diamonds, the Great Seal of the U.S. agate butterflies, rock clocks,carress, jewelry, polished rocks, geties, world famous fossils, and many more.

Dealers from various parts of the country had their usual fine displays for sale, and lectures, symposiums and demonstrations were offered mornings and afternoons.

The banquet Saturday night was well attended. Unfortunately, it was necessary to have the annual "Rook Swapping" at Lake Independence Camp Grounds, thus separating it from the rest of the convention.

Mr. Jay Wollin will succeed Mrs. June Gulp Zeither as President of the Midwest Federation for next year. The Federation will meet at Mansfield, Ohio on July 22-25,1971. Adding this to your vecation will be well worth the time.

--Wilma Monserud



## DEVELOPMENTS



The FALL LECTURE SERIES has been enthusiastically attended and enjoyed by all.

Nothing but praise has been heard for the excellent movies which the in to each informative lecture. The Labe which supplement these have been rescheduled to the lst and 3rd Mondays of the month at Pillsbury Hall Rm. 100, U.of Minn.

#### NOVEMBER\*DECEMBER SCHEDULE

November 2 - Lab

November 9 - THE EARTH'S SCULPTRESS: RUNNING WATER

November 16 -Lab November 23 -CLIMATIC EFFECTS ON

LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENTS
December 7 - Leb
December 14 - IOE AGES & OCEANS

Christmas Vacation
The lectures will continue to be held in Rm.55, Ford Hall, U.of M.

The GSM Board voted to make Mr. 4 Mrs. Lawrence King, 1879 Feronia, St.Paul, honorary members of the Minnesota Geological Society. It was through the kindness and generousity of the Kings that the Society was able to enjoy many annual picnics at their lovely home on the St.Croix.

NAME TAGS -- Plastic name-tags may be ordered at any meeting from Martha Peterson -- only 60¢.

And, AFTER THE LECTURES. . . coffee and doughnuts are served, so that members may meet informally with each other and the speaker for the evening.

#### SOCIETY MEMBERS

A BIG THANK YOU to the loldwing members of the declaration of Minnerota how since the declaration of Minnerota how since the STATE PAIR, and especially to Mrs. Ethol Shimes who made the initial arrangements and solicited volunteers.

Some of the results from the booth at the Fair can be seen on the next page in the form of many new members.

Ethel Swanson William Cavert

David Hellman Paul Stor

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#### TABLET INSCRIPTION #7

Geology of Minnesota

LAKE MINNETONKA REGION

Prior to the great ice ages the surface of this region consisted of sandstones and limestones deposited in Cambrian and Ordovician seas several hundred million years ago. Previous to glaciation the drainage was to the south. The principal watercourse, several miles wide, had its headwaters in central Minnesota and extended southeastward, under Lake Minnetonka, to Pine Bend on the Mississippi 10 miles below St. Paul. In that channel, once a conspicuous feature of the landscape, flowed the ancestral Mississippi.

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There were four major esochs of Gloctation, the Glaciers 10,000 feet bibox at their senters in Canada, moves southward to cover most of the state and filled the pre-glacial valley of the Mississippi with sand and gravel - glacial drift- to a depth of several hundred feet. Lane Minnetonka is perched on that drift, 30 feet above sea lovel and 400 feet above the rook floor of the valley.

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This part of Minnesota was covered by Glacial ice, several thousand reet thick, on at least four occasions during the last million years. As the glaciers moved in from Canada they brought with them enormous quantities or clacial drift - clay, sand, gravel, and boulders of granite and limestonewhich was deposited in sheets or in irregular hills and depressions along stationary ice fronts. One such zone, a terminal moraine. formed during the last or Wisconsin stage of glaciation 10,000 years ago, encircles Mille Lacs on the West and South, from Nichols to Isle, and effectively dams the water to form the second largest lake in the state.

Mille Lace is 10 miles long and 14 miles whie. Its surface is 12%9 feet above see level and its depth - 30 to 40 feet - is quite uniform throughout. The overflow of the lake is discharged through the Hum River w.ich flows from Vineland to Anoma about 70 miles to the south, where it empties into the Mirishsippi.

### DEATHS

News wan received of the death of Dr. H.N.Reinking on August 20th. Dr. Reinking was President of the Minnesota Geological Society -1959-1960.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Letters to the Editor are welcomed and will be published, if found suitable, as space permits.

He has oblieved success who has fived wall, loughted other, and loved much, who has goined the request of intelligent new and the love of little children, who has filled his niche and accomplished his task, who has lifet his world better than he found 1), whether by an improved peoply, a perfect peem, or rescued soul, who has never lacked appreciation of earth; beauty or failed to express, if, who has always looked for the best in others, and given the best he had, whose life was an imprintion—whose memory, o benedicion.

Bessie A. Stanley