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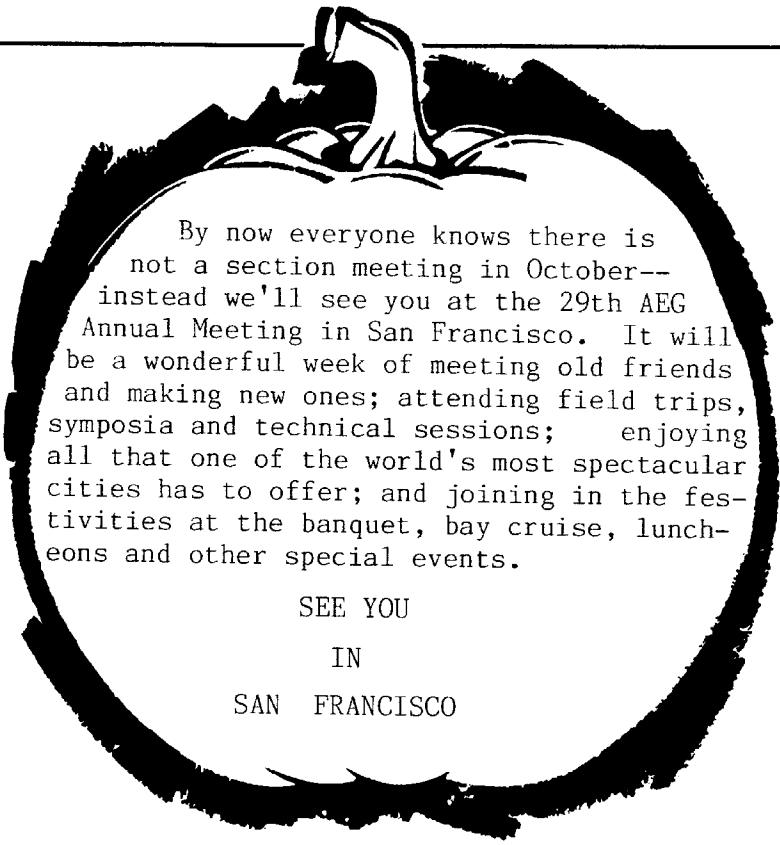
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By now everyone knows there is not a section meeting in October-- instead we'll see you at the 29th AEG Annual Meeting in San Francisco. It will be a wonderful week of meeting old friends and making new ones; attending field trips, symposia and technical sessions; enjoying all that one of the world's most spectacular cities has to offer; and joining in the festivities at the banquet, bay cruise, luncheons and other special events.

SEE YOU
IN
SAN FRANCISCO

Mark your calendars now for the NOVEMBER SECTION MEETING. The program topic will be "Applications of Remote Sensing" and will be presented by Rick Kent, long-time editor of the Newsletter of AEG and newcomer to the Southern California Section.

FROM THE ASSOCIATION

As of July, 1986, the persons listed below had not paid their ASSOCIATION dues. If any members in good standing reading this newsletter know where to find these future former members, please let them know they should: 1) Pay up or 2) Let Patricia Osiecki know that they wish to discontinue Association membership. (Since all but three on the list have not paid their local section dues, most below will not receive this newsletter. So, if you know them, let them know their name has appeared in print.)

BARTO, Ron	MILLER, H. J.
- BROWN, Anthony	- PARMER, Alphonse
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JOHNS, Joseph	
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MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to DICK PROCTOR, newly elected 1986-87 Vice President of AIPG.

And, congratulations to ARTHUR R. (DICK) BROWN, recently nominated to Directorship of the Thomas Wilson Dibblee, Jr. Geological Foundation (see For Your Information for details about the foundation).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE LAST MEETING

The proposed Fellow membership class was discussed and put to an opinion vote. Only one vote in 55 was cast in favor of the Association pursuing the idea of establishing this class of membership.

Gary Guacci read the letter he sent to the Association regarding the section's position statement on tax, legal and liability concerns.

No report was received from the Industrial Safety Committee regarding the petition to use rope ladders for exploratory borings.

Hugh Robertson announced the seminar on "Starting a Geotechnical Business" to take place at the Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

NOTES FROM LAST MONTH'S MEETING

Three speakers were featured at the September meeting. First was Hugh Robertson who discussed problems encountered in conducting an investigation of a distressed house sitting on a hillside fill. After the extensive investigation, which required lifting a drill rig by crane over the house, no precise cause of the distress was determined. Several solutions were recommended, but all were too costly.

John Byer was the second speaker. He told of difficulties involved in conducting an investigation of Potrero Canyon Park, Pacific Palisades. John's talk focused on problems encountered in constructing roads and drilling pads on the very steep and unstable slopes of the narrow canyon. Other problems involved getting exploration permits, concerned area residents, a timid dozer operator and an anxious hot dog stand entrepreneur.

John Merrill presented his opinions regarding the L.A. County Geology Section's review sheet and the County's review policies. He stated that the Geology Section and the Department of Public Works has had, and now has, a lack of leadership. He also suggested that when reviewers change, prior to completion of a project, the existing reviews should remain valid and the new reviewer should not be able to create additional requirements. John proposed that the geologic review process in the County of Los Angeles be done by private geologists.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

From the City of Rancho Palos Verdes, the following: The City of Palos Verdes is in the process of establishing a Geotechnical Board of Appeals. The Board will serve as a board of review of the adequacy of geological and soils reports and shall provide for interpretations of data, opinions, conclusions or any one or more thereof contained in such reports. The Board will consist of three members and two alternates. Two of the members and one alternate shall be qualified by education, state registration, training, experience and prominence in the field of engineering geology. The term of office for each board member and alternate is four years, and thereafter until a successor has been appointed and qualified. The Board will hold at least one regular meeting in each month. Each member of the Board shall re-

ceive compensation at the rate of fifty dollars for each meeting attended by such member, not to exceed two hundred dollars in any month, and will be reimbursed for transportation and meals at the then prevailing rate for City of Rancho Palos Verdes employees and officials. If you are interested in serving on such a board or know of someone else who is qualified, please contact Gary Guacci at 213-433-5865.

The Dibblee Foundation was established three years ago for the purpose of publishing the geological mapping done by Tom Dibblee during his more than 50 years of mapping the geology of California. Some of his geologic quadrangle maps have been published by the U.S. Geological Survey, the California Division of Mines and Geology, and the South Coast Geological Society. However, a very large part of Tom Dibblee's mapping remains unpublished. As a tax exempt, nonprofit corporation, the Dibblee Foundation must rely on contributions in order to publish Tom's geologic maps. The foundation's initial goal is to raise \$400,000 to publish about 100 of the maps. After all of Dibblee's maps have been published, the foundation, if successful to that point, will endeavor to publish other geologists' maps whose work has not been formally published by governmental agencies or geological societies. To date, the foundation has received more than \$80,000 in grants or pledges from a long list of supporters, mostly oil companies and admirers of Tom Dibblee. Dick Brown invites AEG members and corporate members to support this worthy cause. Please contact the Thomas Wilson Dibblee, Jr. Geological Foundation, P.O. Box 60560, Santa Barbara, CA 93160 for further information, map sales (at \$6.00 per map, postpaid), and contributions.

Below is a schedule of deadlines for information to be included in this newsletter. They are the dates by which the material must be RECEIVED by the editor.

- November Newsletter.....OCT 23
- December Newsletter.....NOV 20
- January Newsletter.....DEC 22
- February Newsletter.....JAN 22
- March Newsletter.....FEB 19

In the August newsletter there was an announcement that the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works had sent copies of items relating to revised land development procedures. We've reconsidered distributing the information via the newsletter (we figured out the costs involved) and provide here, instead, the names and phone numbers of contacts at the Public Works Department who can mail the revised procedures that interest you:

- Level of Flood Protection..R. Kubomoto
738-4083
- Flood Hazard Release..D. Wolfe
738-2133
- Drainage Concept Guidelines..R. Kubomoto
738-4083
- Traffic Studies Guidelines..B. Kurtz
226-8381
- Street Light Procedures..R. Hoffman
226-8441
- Setback Requirements for Flood Hazards..
R. Kubomoto 738-2143



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