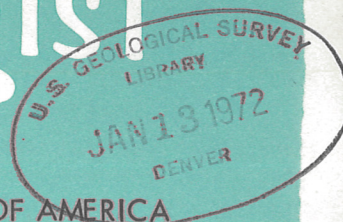


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1971 O. E. MEINZER AWARD GOES TO G. BURKE MAXEY

G. Burke Maxey has been named winner of the O. E. Meinzer Award for 1971 for his paper *Hydrology of Desert Basins*, published in *Ground Water*, v. 6, no. 5, 1968, p. 10-22. The award will be made at the GSA meeting in Washington in November at the annual business meeting of the Division.

Burke is one of the organizers of the Hydrogeology Division. He acted as Chairman at the organizational meeting of the Division in Pittsburgh in 1959, then was elected Chairman for 1960 and 1961. His career includes service with the U.S.G.S., University of Connecticut, Foreign Operations Administration in Libya, Illinois Geological Survey, and the University of Nevada.

The Meinzer committee this year consisted of Chairman Bill Back, Stan Davis, M. L. Brashears, Vic Stringfield, and Frank Foley.

PARIZEK REPORTS DIVISION EVENTS AT WASHINGTON MEETING

Dick Parizek reports that a 2-day field trip on carbonate rocks and related environmental problems in eastern Pennsylvania, a half-day symposium on fractured rocks, and a session of miscellaneous papers on hydrogeology will comprise the Division's technical program at the annual meetings of the GSA in Washington.

The field trip will be by bus, originating in front of the Penn Harris Hotel in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, beginning at 8 AM Saturday, October 30, arriving in State College Saturday night, swinging back through Harrisburg Sunday afternoon for anyone who has left his car there, then proceeding to Washington, arriving there about 6 or 6:30 PM. Registration information for the field trip appears in the August issue of *Geotimes*. October 1 was the deadline for registration,

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DIVISION AFFAIRS

We were saddened by the death of C. L. McGuinness, our Division Chairman and Meinzer Award recipient, on April 25, 1971. Memorial funds in Mac's name have been established at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, and at GSA Headquarters, Boulder.

Milt Hackett, First Vice-Chairman of the Division, has taken over as Acting Chairman

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1972 GSA MEETING IN MINNEAPOLIS

Tom Winter and his team mates in St. Paul are arranging a good field trip for the Division at the GSA annual meetings in Minneapolis, November 13-15, 1972. On the trip there will be an opportunity to see the Jordan sandstone aquifer in outcrop, some important bedrock valleys, the UOP Johnson Well Screen Plant, some springs in the Prairie du Chien dolomite, and the experimental recharge-well system of the U.S.G.S. in St. Paul.

Olaf Pfannkuch will be the Division's program chairman for the Minneapolis meetings.

CONFERENCE ON WASTE DISPOSAL IN HOUSTON IN DECEMBER

A symposium on UNDERGROUND WASTE MANAGEMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS is being sponsored jointly by the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the U. S. Geological Survey at Houston, Texas, Dec. 6-9, 1971. Twenty-one professional societies including the GSA and Federal agencies are co-operating in the undertaking. Attendance of more than 1,000 from industry, government, and university circles is anticipated. The symposium is one element of the Survey's program of research and investigations on use of the subsurface for injection of waste liquids. Approximately 33 papers have been invited by leaders in various technical and regulatory aspects of underground disposal.



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DIVISION AFFAIRS... (cont'd)

since Mac's death. Jerry Meyer handled many of the affairs of the Division during Mac's illness and has also assisted Milt.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Chairman Joe Rosenshein, Paul Witherspoon, and John Bredehoeft, have proposed the following slate for 1972 officers: Milt Hackett, Chairman; Bob Bean, First Vice-Chairman; and Jerry Meyer, Second Vice-Chairman. Bob Bergstrom will serve the second of his 2-year term as Secretary-Treasurer in 1972.

The reasons behind nominating a single slate of candidates and the method by which a staggered nominating committee will select the slate were discussed in the March 1971 issue of *The Hydrogeologist*. The officers of the Division and other interested members who helped work out this system hope that it will give us more continuity and also result in the selection of deserving and dedicated officers, with fair representation of U.S.G.S. and non-U.S.G.S. men.

We again tried to verify our current membership following the publication of the 1971 *GSA Yearbook*. After cross checking the

PARIZEK REPORTS FIELD TRIP... (cont'd)

but Emery Cleaves, Maryland Geological Survey, Baltimore, MD 21218, can be contacted concerning the possibility of late registration. The cost of the field trip is \$47, which includes transportation to Washington, lodging, Saturday dinner, and two lunches.

Six solid papers on the geology, hydrology, geochemistry, and environmental implications of fractured rocks will be presented at the Division symposium, Monday morning, November 1. Another program item that may be of interest to Division members is a symposium on environmental geology Tuesday morning and afternoon. The Division luncheon and business meeting will be on Wednesday.

Parizek was assisted by Leo Heindl, Vic Stringfield, and Dave Stephenson in arranging the papers, and by William White and Don Langmuir in arranging the field trip.

Yearbook and our card files, and sending out a fleet of post cards to canvass apparent strays, we find that we have 784 members of the Division, a gain of 40 over last year.