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Marine Geology Research Program for 1972-73, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Nfld. by ROGER M. SLATT:

The initiation of a marine sedimentology research program at Memorial University's Geology Department was reported in Maritime Sediments in 1972 (Slatt, 1972a). The purpose of the present report is to summarize research activities conducted since that time. Studies have been oriented towards gaining an understanding of Quaternary depositional history and sedimentary processes on the Labrador and Newfoundland shelves and of sedimentology and sedimentary geochemistry of bottom deposits in Newfoundland inlets.

Labrador continental shelf and upper slope - Textural and petrographic analysis of sediments from 21 piston cores obtained at 6 locations on the shelf and upper slope has shown that the sediments are reworked relict deposits that were glacially derived mainly from Labrador or the equivalent Precambrian rocks exposed on the inner shelf during intervals of Pleistocene lower sea level (Slatt and Lew, in press).

Newfoundland continental shelf - Over 350 surficial sediment samples have been obtained from the Grand Banks and elsewhere on the shelf. Textural and compositional analyses of these samples have revealed the following preliminary information. The sediments are mostly sands that have been reworked from Pleistocene glacial, fluvio-glacial, and littoral deposits. In the vicinity of the Avalon Peninsula, gravel extends seaward for about 35 km and probably marks the outer limit of late-Wisconsin ice. A belt of biogenic carbonate sediment trends northeasterly along the length of the central Grand Banks and may mark the late-Wisconsin shoreline. Research is underway which will lead to a more thorough evaluation of shelf sedimentary processes and Quaternary depositional history. The preliminary results are reported by Slatt (1973) and a more detailed account of shelf surficial deposits is in preparation.

Earlier research revealed the presence of <u>residual</u> glauconite on the northeast Newfoundland shelf (Slatt and others, 1972) and of <u>relict</u> littoral sands now under 90 metres of water on the northern Grand Banks (Slatt, 1972b).

Conception Bay, South East Newfoundland (sedimentology) - Conception Bay was chosen in 1972 as the first of a series of inlets to be investigated in order to gain an understanding of sedimentary processes in formerly glaciated inlets as well as to evaluate processes (including man's activities) which regulate bottom sediment geochemistry. Grain-size analysis of bottom sediments and subsequent comparison of textural types with the distribution of modal size classes has shown that they are palimpsest sediments. A model has been proposed for formation of the bottom sediments which probably is applicable to sediments in other formerly

glaciated inlets (Slatt, in preparation). Glacial drift that was deposited on the inlet floor during late-Wisconsin lower eustatic sea level was reworked into discrete particle populations during the Holocene transgression. Subsequent redeposition of the winnowed finer-grained populations either as distinct sedimentary units in deeper water or upon coarser lag deposits in shallower water has resulted in the formation of a variety of textural types.

Conception Bay, South East Newfoundland (sedimentary geochemistry) - Chemical and mineralogical analyses of bottom sediments was conducted to evaluate the variables that control sediment geochemistry, the extent of alteration of the bottom environment by man's activities, and if no evidence of alteration was obtained (as was expected), then to gather baseline geochemical data which could be utilized for a future comparative study in the event of increased urbanization and/or industrialization along the Conception Bay coast. The results have shown that sediment geochemistry is regulated in the following manner. Two primary variables of source and depositional environment control three <u>secondary</u> variables of organic matter content, mineralogy, and/or grain-size, which in turn control trace, minor and major element composition and sediment pH (Slatt, in preparation). Particular attention should be focused upon these variables when conducting similar studies elsewhere. No evidence was found that man's activities had significantly altered the bottom environment, therefore the concentrations of chemical species comprising the sediments are natural background levels which can be utilized in future comparative studies.

Hall's Bay, North Central Newfoundland - Sediment sampling was conducted in this inlet during the summer of 1973 and laboratory work is in progress. The purpose of this investigation is to gather baseline data which can be utilized for a comparative study of Bay of Exploits, North Central Newfoundland which is planned for summer of 1974. This latter inlet probably receives industrial and urban waste from the Exploits River. Hall's Bay, on the other hand, is thought to be unpolluted yet the size, physiography, and Quaternary depositional history of the two inlets are comparable. An understanding of bottom sediments in Hall's Bay should therefore provide an insight into the extent of alteration of the Bay of Exploits bottom environment by man's activities.

Hall's Bay was the first inlet in which the Geology Department's 34-foot research vessel Elsie G. was used. The boat was equipped in the spring of 1973 with a Kelvin-Hughes Model MS-37 Echo Sounder and a standard hydrographic winch for grab and piston-core sampling.

Placentia Bay, South East Newfoundland - Bottom sediment sampling and echo-sounder profiling was conducted in summer of 1973 and laboratory work is in progress. The Placentia Bay area is about to support two oil refineries, so the

object of this investigation is mainly to gather baseline sedimentary geochemical data which can be utilized for a comparative study which will be conducted after the refineries begin operation. This is part of a larger investigation of the environment, flora, and fauna of the Placentia Bay area being conducted by several researchers at Memorial University.

In addition to the above activities, a study of the depositional history and source of Gulf of Alaska/Aleutian Trench sediments (DSDP Leg 18), being conducted jointly with D.J.W. Piper (Department of Geology, Dalhousie University), is nearing completion.

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Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia by D.J.W. PIPER:

David J.W. Piper, collected six long piston cores from the continental slope off Nova Scotia and the Grand Banks, during a Bedford Institute HUDSON cruise in July 1972. The cores penetrate Holocene and Upper Pleistocene sediments. Details of core locations are:

Number	Latitude	Longitude	~ .	Length of Core (m)
72-021-1	41°24.24'N	59°34.79'W	2568	12.02
72-021-2	42°34.96'N	59°46.71'W	2171	11.63
72-021-3	42°58.31'N	59°55.06'W	1346	11.64
72-021-4	42°04.04'N	60°33.58'W	2209	11.82
72-021-6	41°20.8'N	51°30.0'W	2070	11.78
72-021-7	42°20.83'N	59°31.72'W	2342	10.45 (+5m
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The cores are being studied in order to determine what sedimentary processes were responsible for sediment accumulation on the shelf. Mud turbidites of lower Holocene age have been found in one core. The Pleistocene cores are similar to those previously described

by D. Stanley and others; some contain sands.

B. von Borstel, is studying oil contamination in the beach sediments of McNabs Island, Halifax Harbour. The concentrations, penetration, and distribution of oil in the sands are being investigated as functions of grain size, minerology, and beach dynamics. The hydrocarbons are extracted with n-hexane and analyzed by fluorescence spectroscopy.

Significant quantities of oil in the sediment column are evident to a depth of one metre, although visual examination of the beach may not indicate oil pollution.

Lyndon Jensen is carrying out a study of the paleoenvironmental history of the essentially shallow marine Lower Devonian Torbrook Formation of northwest Nova Scotia. Paleontologic and trace fossil data is being integrated with detailed sedimentologic and stratigraphic information.

Abstracting Reports in MARITIME SEDIMENTS:

I have been appointed recently as an Abstractor of Maritime Sediments by the Directors of Geo Abstracts Ltd. (University of East Anglia, Norwich NOR 88C, England).

For those readers and contributors unfamiliar with this publication, may I explain its mechanism by describing my specific role as I understand it. Firstly, I work on a voluntary basis being repaid in kind by receiving copies of Maritime Sediments sent to me through the Norwich office. I read through each Report and decide whether, or not, the material is appropriate for one of the six Geo Abstracts parts: namely, (A) Landforms and the Quaternary, (B) Biogeography and Climatology, (C) Economic Geography, (D) Social Geography and Cartography, (E) Sedimentology and (F) Regional and Community Planning.

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This seemingly simple job is, in practice, rather difficult because I have to make every effort to understand fully each Report, assess its scientific contribution, present a simple balanced precis of its contents, and intimate its conclusions. To achieve this I have to try and "project" myself into the mind of each author - often an impossible task! A further difficulty arises when I have to deal with

material outside my specialist realm as an estuarine and shallow-water Sedimentologist. However there is a contingency set aside for these cases whereby I have the option of arranging that it is covered by a specialist.

Perhaps one way in which my abstracts will differ from those that might have been written by the authors themselves is that I have to attempt to write a "mini-paper" so that Geo Abstracts readers, who may not be able to obtain copies of Maritime Sediments from their own libraries, may be able to decide rapidly whether they should obtain photo-copies through the services of lending-libraries, or preferably, subscribe to this excellent Information Journal.

Finally, and in my own defence, I must re-emphasize that I have undertaken this job on a voluntary basis to assist the dissemination of scientific knowledge, and that my own learning within the ever-widening scope of Sedimentology is necessarily limited. Should I misrepresent any author's work, then I apologize in advance, and hope that my contribution will be looked upon sympathetically before an irate author puts pen to a poisonous letter (my address is given below!).

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Published by Springer-Verlay, New York Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y., 10010.

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Published by the Seminar Press, New York and London, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y., 10003.

Note: Other books in the STUDIES OF ARCHEOLOGY SERIES published by the Seminar Press include:

AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE, by LEWIS R. BINFORD, Department of Anthropology, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico. 1972, 480 pp., \$11.95.

PUBLIC ARCHEOLOGY by CHARLES R. McGIMSEY III, Arkansas Archeological Survey, University of Arkansas Museum, Fayetteville, Arkansas. 1972, 282 pp., \$9.50.

THE AZTECS, MAYA, AND THEIR PREDECESSORS: Archaeology of Mesoamerica by MURIEL PORTER WEAVER, Hunter College. A Volume in the Studies in Archeology Series, 1972, 347 pp., $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11", \$11.95.

Forthcoming...

IAND SNAILS IN ARCHAEOLOGY: With Special Reference to the British Isles by JOHN E. EVANS, Department of Archaeology, University College, Cardiff, Wales. February 1973, 448 pp., \$22.50. The result of five year's research, this volume shows how studies of land snails may be used to determine the environment of ancient man.

SKINS, LEATHERS AND PARCHMENTS IN ARCHAEOLOGY by R. REED, 1973, about 300 pp., in preparation. Demonstrates an original approach for using both physical and chemical techniques to study ancient writing materials.

CARBON-14 DATING by R. BURLEIGH, 1973, about 250 pp., in preparation. This is a vital reference work on radio-carbon dating and its discrepancies. It should prove invaluable to post-graduate students and research workers in archaeology and biology.

SOIL SCIENCE IN ARCHAEOLOGY by S. LIMPREY, 1973, about 250 pp., in preparation. What is soil? How is it classified, mapped, and studied in the context of archaeological field work? The author outlines the present methods of research and solves many problems which are commonly experienced by specialists today.

METHODS OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION IN ARCHAEOLOGY by M.S. TITE, January 1973, 440 pp., \$19.00. Magnetic dating, chemical analysis, microscopy, radioactivity, and ceramic technology are topics discussed in this important text.

ORES IN SEDIMENTS, Edited by G.C. AMSTUTZ and A.J. BERNARD:

A symposium from the VIII International Sedimentological Congress, Heidelberg, August 31-September 3, 1971. Sponsored by the Society of Geology Applied to Mineral Deposits (SGA) and the International Association of Sedimentology.

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