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Contributions of news items for the Bulletin are welcome and should be sent to the Editor

This bulletin may be quoted if credit is given. Club address is c/o Editor.

NEXT MONTH:

The next meeting of the MMNE will be on **Saturday, March 5th**, at the Sudbury Public Library.

The next regular meeting of the MMNE will take place on **Saturday, February 5, 1994** at the Auburn Public Library. Our program speaker will be Gene Bearss, who will talk on: "Non-phosphate minerals from Maine Pegmatites, and the Trials and Tribulations of Sight Identification of Minerals". Our flea market/swap will also be held, and used or new items that you no longer need can be donated. Proceeds go into the club treasure.

Member John Demar is recovering from a heart attack. A card has been sent in the club's name.

BOOK AUCTION

Enclosed is a summary of books offered and the bids received up to January 25th, 1994. Later information will be available at the meeting. If you've been out bid, make another bid! (NOTE: Minimum bid of \$6 on hardcover books; minimum bid on paperbacks is \$3 except those of only a few pages in length.)

MAY MEETING

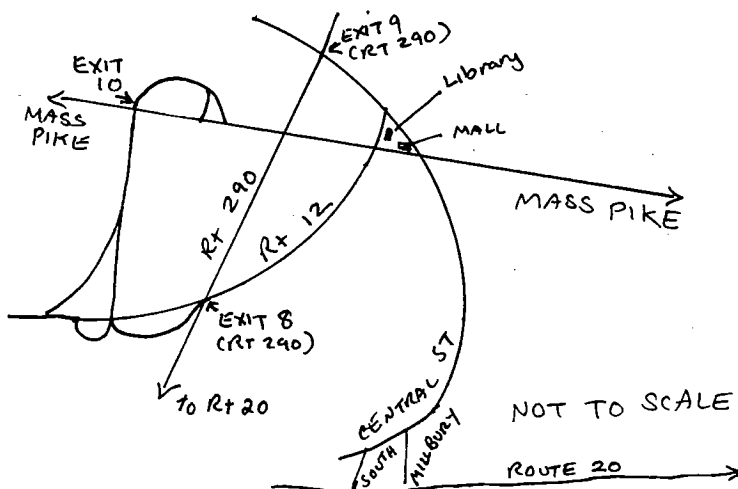
It's time to start bringing giveaways and donations for the sale table for the May Northeast Meeting. Please mount and label material for sales as you would like to see it if you were buying, and price reasonably. Our goal is not to get as much as possible for sales items, but to offer real bargains to our members and guests. If priced too high, items don't sell, and are of no value to the club. Remember, these are donations and will not be returned if unsold.

Our speaker for this May will be Dr. Carl Francis, Curator of Harvard's Mineralogical Museum. His topic is not yet determined, but it will be of interest to our members.

OTHER MEETINGS

The Atlantic Micromounters Conference, April 8-10, 1994, will be of particular interest this year as it is emphasizing New England pegmatites. It begins Friday evening at the Smithsonian's Learning with a light buffet and slides of New England Minerals by Lou Perloff. Saturday and Sunday, at the University of Maryland's Adult Education Center, there will be talks by Van King on New England localities as well as displays, sales, giveaways, raffles, and an auction of micromount material. Forms for registration (\$14) and room reservations at the University (\$69 single, \$84 double) will be available at the next two meetings. Deadline to register is March 29. (See "Best of MMNE" pages 9 and 11.)

The Maine Mineral Symposium will be in Augusta May 6-8, 1994. Van King will again be a speaker, as well as our own Gene Bearss. Friday night will feature an auction and dealers. Saturday the speakers will tell you much that is new in Maine minerals and there will be a field trip on Sunday. For further information, contact Robert Hinckley, Yarmouth Road, Gray, ME 04039, or phone (207) 657-3732.



BID BOOK **MINERALOGY -- GENERAL**

10.00	Bateman, A. M. (1951)
	Bureau of Mines (195?)
6.00	Dake, et. al., (1938)
	Dennen, W. H. (1959)
	Desautels, P. E. (1968)
	English, G. L. (1934)
4.00	Fleischer, et. al., (1984)
30.00	Ford, W. E. (1932)
30.00	Fronzel, C. (1962)
	Gleason, S. (1960)
	Hawkins, A. C. (1935)
6.00	Hooker, W. (1872)
	Hurlbut, C. S., Jr. (1952)
	Hurlbut, C. S., Jr. (1959)
	Hurlbut, C. S., Jr. (1949)
	Hurlbut, C. S., Jr. and H. E. Wenden (1969)
	Palache, C., H. Berman and C. Fronzel (1944)
	Palache, C., H. Berman and C. Fronzel (1951)
2.00	Pearl, R. M. (1959)
4.75	Pough, F. H. (1953)
8.00	Schortman
3.00	Wolfe C. W. (1953)
15.00	Wood, E. A. (1964)
	Zara, L. (Editor)

MICROMOUNTING

2.00	Speckels, M. L. (1965)
	Wells, L. C. (1957 reprint of 1931 article)

GEOLOGY - GENERAL

3.00	American Geological Institute (1962)
	Cloos, H. (1954)
	Evans, I. O.
	Fenneman, N. M. (1938)
	Fenneman, N. M. (1931)
	Hurley, P. M. (1959)
	Jackson, D. D. (1982)
	Landes, K. K. and R. C. Hussey (1948)
	Longwell, C. R. et. al. (1941)
	Longwell, C. R. et. al. (1939)
	Mathu, K. F. and C. J. Ray (1952)
	Schuckert, C. and C. O. Dunbar (1941)
	Shaler, N. S. (1891)
	Sharp, R. P. (1960)
	Stamp, L. D. (1951)
	Triffether, J. M. (1951)
	Wilson, D. et. al. (1959)
	Wilson, J. T. (1976)
	Wolfe, C. W. (1950)
	Wood, E. A. (1964)

GEMS

3.00	Pearl (1959)
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ROCKS

	Fenton, E. L. and M. A. (1949)
	Grout, F. F. (1946)

3.00	Pirsson, L. V. and A. Knopf (1928)
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GEOLOGY and MINERALOGY

REGIONAL

ALASKA

	Duto, J. T.
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ARIZONA

	Darton, N. H. (1922)
	Darton, N. H. (1952)
	McKee, E. D. (1931)

COLORADO

	Craig, L. C. et. al. (1955)
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CORNWALL

	Ferris, L. C. (1969)
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MAINE

7.00	Kendall, D. L. (1987)
	Maine Geological Survey publications
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8.75	"
8.75	"

MAPS:

MASSACHUSETTS

	Cameron, B. (1976)
	Chamberlain, B. B. (1964)
4.00	Crosby, J. B. (1928)
8.75	New England Intercollegiate Geological Conference (1964)

MICHIGAN

3.00	Vickers, R. C. (1956)
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NEVADA

	Drago, H. S. (1967)
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NEW ENGLAND

	GSA (1952)
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

	Bannerman, H. M. (1949)
	Bannerman, H. M. (1950)
	Billings, M. P. et. al. (1946)
8.00	Billings, M. P. (1952)
6.00	Goldthwait, J. W. et. al. (1951)
10.00	Myers, T. R. & G. W. Stewart (1956)
9.00	Myers, T. R. (1941)

NEW MEXICO

3.00	Freeman, V. L. & L. S. Hilpert (1952)
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NEW YORK

	Chadwick, G. H. (1944)
3.00	Luedke, E. M. et. al. (1959)
	Ruedemann, R. et. al. (1942)

NORWAY

20.00	Holstad, O. (1960)
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NOVA SCOTIA

	Nova Scotia Dept of Mines Publications
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SOUTH AFRICA

20.00	McIver, J. R. (1966)
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UTAH

	Gregory, H. E. (1951)
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VERMONT

3.00	Morrill, P. and R. G. Chaffee (1959)
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VIRGINIA

9.00	Dietrich, R. V. (1964)
10.00	Dietrich, R. V. (1963)

RADIOACTIVE MINERALS

	Crawford, J. E. and J. Paone (1956)
	Fronzel, C. (1958)
	Fronzel, J. and M. Fleischer (1955)
	Gott, G. B. (1956)
	Jaffe, H. W., et. al. (1959)
	McKehvey, V. E. (1965)
	Weekes & Thompson (1954)

EFMLS DIGEST

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK.....

As you noticed in our last DIGEST, there were a number of changes in our list of committee chairmen. Since committees are such a vital part of EFMLS, I have tried to provide a balanced mix of seasoned experience and innovative ideas. These chairmen are all very willing to help you — all you need do is call or write them.

We have a number of very exciting projects lined up for the upcoming year. Our geology tour (see article in this issue) looks fantastic, and Wildacres

gets better each year. In order to take advantage of our programs it is very important that members carefully watch deadline dates. To paraphrase an old adage: Don't put off until tomorrow what may be lost forever! I have found that by handling a task (whether it be a piece of paper or a project) only once, it gets done more quickly and without the hassle of worrying about when to do it.

Best regards for a Healthy and Happy New Year. 🍏

Steve

GEOLOGY TOUR NEWS.....

Dear Fellow Field Trippers;

It's time to start thinking about the Eastern Federation Summer Field Trip - A MAINE SAFARI!!!! Mark your calendar for the last week in July and the first week of August.

For forty to fifty lucky field collectors, we are planning a collecting trip and geology tour of a life time. AND, this year we are planning a choice - the first week will be a fully led set of trips to the pits, dumps and mines around Mt. Mica and Mt. Apatite. The second week will be trips on your own with assistance to plan and identify findings in the evenings. You can select the week you want or stay for TWO GREAT WEEKS! We will be working out of a base camp in Poland Springs, Maine, so we can all exchange stories about the

"pegmatite that got away."

Now for the best news. Mike Wise and Tim Rose (both with the Smithsonian Institution Department of Mineral Sciences) will lead the trip. They are experts on the area and know the miners. We can get a wonderful education on the area and we should be able to find some of the great minerals for which Maine is famous - tourmaline, beryl, apatite, topaz, and, and, and, and, and.....

Keep watching this space for news about costs, reservations, lodging/camp sites/trailer hook-ups, and deposits.

Susan Fisher
PO Box 881
Centreville, VA 22020 🍏

WILDACRES.....

The dates for the two 1994 EFMLS Wildacres sessions have been set at June 25 - July 1 and September 19 - September 25. The fee, as announced earlier will be \$190.00 per person.

Guest speaker at the first session will be William (Bill) Metropolis, Assistant Curator at the Mineralogical Museum of Harvard University. He also serves as an Associate Editor of Rocks & Minerals Magazine, and is on the Board of directors of the Mineral Museum Advisory Council. He is also a mineral appraiser for museums around the world. He will be an exciting addition to the Workshop!

Vandall King, a noted author and lecturer will be the featured speaker at the September session. Watch future DIGEST issues for more information about this very knowledgeable individual.

Applications for either session will be accepted beginning January 1, 1994. Send your application (copies enclosed with this mailing) along with a deposit check of \$100.00 to:

Angie Teixeira
33 Kossuth St
Pawtucket, RI 02860 🍏

EFMLS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Dues for 1994 are now payable to Treasurer Sybil Churchwell. Please send your check and one copy of the information sheet to Sybil as soon as possible using your membership as of December 31, 1993 for your computation. Send the second copy of the information sheet to Directory Editor Carolyn Weinberger. Checks should be made payable to EFMLS. 🍏

THE TROUBLE WITH POLITICS IS THAT TOO MANY PEOPLE
WITH HALF A MIND TO RUN FOR OFFICE DO SO.

COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY TO OUR SUCCESS

AFMS PROGRAM COMPETITION...

Have you ever thought about the origin of those wonderful EFMLS slide and video programs that you may borrow? Rockhounds like you made these programs and entered them in the AFMS Program Contest.

The deadline for entering the contest this year is April 15, 1994 and YOU could be a winner!

There are four entry categories: 1) Educational - about geology, minerals, fossils, gems, etc. 2) Collecting - (one or more sites) 3) 'How-to-do-it' and 4) Just for Juniors - any of the above just for kids.

For VIDEOS you may submit a good copy. Winners would be contacted for more copies. ALL SLIDES must be 35mm in standard mounts. The slides must be relatively new originals, on Kodak-compatible film.

Slides should each be "spotted" for projection (preferably with a red spot in the lower left corner). Each slide must be numbered, matching the written script and coded with initials.

A slide program script (written narration indicating when each slide is to be projected) should be typed on 8 1/2 x 11" paper, ready for duplication. Cassette taped narrations are appreciated, but do not replace a written script.

Complete rules may be obtained from

Marge Collins

AFMS Program Competition Coordinator
3017 Niles-Buchanan Rd
Buchanan, MI 49107-9443 🍏

HAT'S OFF!.....

Special thanks this month to the Susquehanna Gem and Mineral Club of Maryland which sent a donation of over \$400 to EFMLS to be used for Wildacres. What a wonderful contribution from a club which is small in number (8 members), but large in spirit and determination.

Also to those clubs sending in contributions to the EFMLS Endowment, AFMS Scholarship Foundation, or Smithsonian Fund. With great clubs like these, Eastern is truly a "family" organization! 🍏

EDITORS' CONTEST NEWS.....

Are you the editor of your club newsletter? Have you submitted an article to your club newsletter? If the answer to either of these questions is YES, then you should think about entering the Bulletin Editors' Contest!

Wouldn't it be nice for your club and its publication to receive recognition from the Federation? Wouldn't it be nice for those hard working authors and editors to receive recognition too? If your publication is submitted for judging in the Bulletin Editors' Contest, then all of the above will occur! Although entries must be made by the club editor, your encouragement wouldn't hurt either.

If you would like to receive a packet of information for the 1994 contest, send your name, address and club affiliation to:

Maria Vogt, BEAC Chairman
107 E Grand Av
Montvale, NJ 07645.

Those who entered last year will automatically receive a packet this year. 🍏

AFMS INFORMATION NEEDED.....

With the coming of the new year comes a request from the American Federation for updated information about your club and its officers. When you elect your new officers, be sure to advise the AFMS Central Office of the names and addresses of the two persons who are to receive the two courtesy copies of the AFMS Newsletter. Send notification to Dan McLennan, PO Box 26523 Oklahoma City, OK 73126-0523. Include the name of the club in your letter. 🍏

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING.....

President Steve Weinberger has tentatively set the beginning of March for an Executive Board meeting. Although the exact date has not yet been firmed up, the meeting will be held in the Baltimore, Maryland area.

Plan to come early and stay late. Baltimore boasts a wonderful "Inner Harbor" area, a world renown aquarium, excellent symphony, superb museums and.....only 20 miles away is Annapolis and.....40 miles away is Washington, DC.

More details in the next DIGEST. 🍏

EFMLS CLUB SHOWS & SWAPS..

FEBRUARY

26-27: 35th Annual Mississippi Gem & Mineral Society Show. State Fairgrounds, Jackson, Mississippi.

MARCH

5-6: 31st Annual Earth Science Gem and Mineral Show. Delaware Mineralogical Society, Inc. Brandywine Terrace, 3416 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont, Delaware.

19-20: 30th Annual Gem & Mineral Show of the Gem, Lapidary & Mineral Society of Montgomery County, MD. 16 Chestnut St; Gaithersburg, MD.

26-27: 25th Annual Rock & Mineral Show, Che Hanna Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. Ingersoll-Rand Clubhouse; Rt 99, S. Main St; Athens, PA.

26-27: Connecticut Valley Mineral Club annual show. Holiday Inn at Ingleside, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

APRIL

23-24: Central Florida Mineral & Gem Society, Inc; Annual Society Gem Show. Central Florida Fairgrounds, 4603 W Colonial Dr; Orlando, FL.

JULY

8-10: EFMLS Convention and Show sponsored by the Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse.

MARCH, 1995

HOT OFF THE WIRE!

The 1995 EFMLS Show will be sponsored by the Catawba Valley Gem & Mineral Society!!!!!! 🍏

BE SURE TO READ.....

The November AFMS Newsletter contains an excellent article on halogen lamps which appeared in the Australian Faceters' Guild Newsletter.

In the same issue is a good article written by Diane Dare on Public Relations and how your club can benefit from it. 🍏

