

14. "Ecological Relationships of Recent Foraminifera," EARL MEYERS, University of California at Berkeley.

The author is a marine biologist, formerly with the Scripps Institution of Oceanography and the Johns Hopkins Marine Station. He discusses the paleogeographic factors of foraminiferal ecology, including depth, distance from shore and sedimentary conditions, and attempts to apply these factors in the ecology of living foraminifera to environmental significance of fossil foraminifera.

15. "Determination of Potential Oil Source Rocks," PARKER D. TRASK, Division of Mines, California State Department of Natural Resources, San Francisco.

The author, temporarily on leave from with the United States Geological Survey, and leader of research in the subject, summarizes what is known about recognition of strata as potential oil source rocks.

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#### SOUTH TEXAS REGIONAL MEETING, SAN ANTONIO NOVEMBER 5-6, 1947

San Antonio was the city of the South Texas regional meeting of the Association on November 5 and 6 and the South Texas Section was host. The Section was also observing its 14th annual meeting and field trip, following the hiatus of the war years. The Plaza Hotel, on the bank of the winding San Antonio River, served well for the needs and the enjoyment of the meeting. Its long lobby, generously furnished with comfortable lounging places for conversational intervals in the full-packed program, led past the registration and ticket tables to the mezzanine ballroom where the technical program was presented. A small group of technical-scientific exhibits occupied the space at the ballroom entrance.

The San Antonio committees made full use of the two days of technical program and the two following days of field trips in arranging a continuous sequence of events for the 696 geologists, wives, and friends who registered. Special A.A.P.G. noon luncheons on the Plaza Roof on Wednesday and Thursday prevented over-crowding in the hotel coffee shop and dining room.

Following each day's presentation of papers nearly all of the members, it seemed, accepted the invitations to go by bus to the plant of the Edgar Tobin Aerial Surveys and the laboratories of the Petty Geophysical Engineering Company to inspect their methods and equipment and to enjoy their substantial and refreshing hospitality.

The ladies were delightfully entertained on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Spice, Jr. About 200 ladies attended this tea. On Thursday the ladies went on a sight-seeing trip, to visit the Alamo, missions, parks, and residential San Antonio.

A dinner and dance on the Plaza Roof, Thursday night, concluded the first two days of the meeting. On Friday an all-day field trip, by bus, was conducted as far south as Live Oak and Bee counties to visit Tertiary outcrops and to inspect oil fields in Atascosa and Karnes counties. On Saturday a forenoon trip was made to the laboratories of the Southwest Research Institute near San Antonio.