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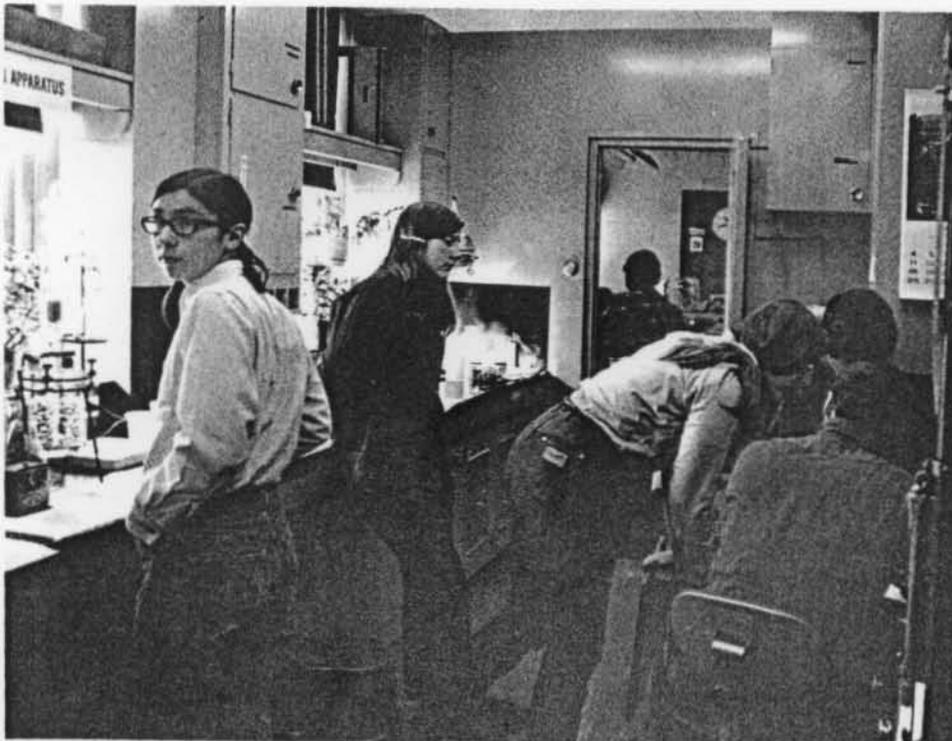
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STUDENTS STUDY-WORK



The beehive of activity you may have noticed in the laboratories of the Bigelow Building is due to the arrival of 10 science majors from Middlebury College who are spending their January winter term at WHOI. The students include Pat and Sue Cashman of Providence, Rhode Island; Anne Gilbert of St. Louis, Missouri; Suzanne Webel of Scarsdale, New York; Will Aubrey of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Dan Carillo of Montpelier, Vermont; Paul Carroll of Rochester, New York; Frank Gutowski of Rutherford, New Jersey; Matthew Higgins of St. Louis, Missouri; and Moore Newell of Calgary, Alberta. They are all participating in an applied course, which involves the analysis of marine sediments. The course was arranged by their professor, Dr. David W. Folger, formerly at WHOI and now a member of the Geology Department at Middlebury and by Dr. John Schlee of the U. S. Geological Survey and WHOI. In addition to those participating in the course, an additional student, Fred Shepardson, is spending the term as an employee of WHOI. He is developing computer programs for Dr. Derek Spencer.

"THE OCEAN WORLD"

The Ocean World, Joint Oceanographic Assembly, will be held in Tokyo from September 14-25, 1970. The Assembly is being sponsored by and will incorporate meetings of the Commission on Marine Geology of the International Union of Geological Sciences (CMG/IUGS), the International Association of Biological Oceanography (IABO), the International Association of Physical Sciences of the Ocean of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IAPSO/IUGG), and the Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research of the International Council of Scientific Unions (SCOR/ICSU). Local arrangements are being made by the Japanese Arrangements Committee, Professor M. Uda, Chairman, c/o Geophysical Institute, University of Tokyo, Hongo, Tokyo, Japan.

United States participation is being coordinated jointly by the Committee on Oceanography of the National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council and the American Geophysical Union. Several special symposia are being organized by the sponsoring organizations. Papers to be presented at these are by invitation from the symposium organizer. Contributed papers also will be accepted via the appropriate sponsoring organization. The titles and abstracts of all papers to be contributed by US authors should be sent to:

The Ocean World
US Steering Committee
c/o American Geophysical Union
2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20037

Members of the US Steering Committee are Drs. Karl Banse (IABO), Arthur Maxwell (IAPSO), William Thurston (IUGS), and Warren Wooster (SCOR). The deadline for receipt of titles and abstracts is March 1, 1970.

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DIVING SYMPOSIUM

The Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbus, Ohio, is holding a Diving Symposium on February 24-25 sponsored by the U. S. Navy, Battelle, and MTS. Sessions will be held on communications, power supplies, tools, as well as diving developments. Anyone needing more information, contact P.I.O.

P.B.C. GUESTS

If anyone is having a guest at P.B.C. and wishes to have sandwiches for the guest, should let P.I.O. know ahead of time. Many are not aware that these are available for visitors, but unless we know ahead of time, there will not be enough. Please let us know so the weekly order can be adequate.

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John Schilling, Editor.



ALVIN MAIL

Ever since ALVIN has become noteworthy, interesting mail has come to the Institution with variations about the name "Alvin." Kathy Busa of Graphic Arts received one last week requesting the loan of films from our library. This letter came from the "Alvin Independent School District" in "Alvin, Texas." Sure enough, the first film requested was "Flying at the Bottom of the Sea."

Before the holidays, P.I.O. received the following--

Dear Sir:

Through life I have carried the name Alvin and always disliked it since no one ever called me Al until late in life. Even Dark, a Major League Manager, today is never referred to as Al--always Alvin!!

And when that "lug" put forth that Alvin The Chipmunk Song that almost collapsed me!

For some time I swore I was going to overtake him some day and since I learned a few moves in the gym from a man who went twice against Dempsey, I would try to relocate his beak at a point in rear of his left ear, this with a sharp left hook!

But he up and died before I could find him!

But now having avidly kept track of Alvin The Sub I feel that she (Hell's Bells that she does not sound right--yet a ship is, after all, a She) has finally redeemed the name.

I shall be in Mashpee during my vacation. Might I be permitted to plant a kiss on her bow--I said Bow, I would hugely appreciate it.

If security requirements deny this, I shall understand.

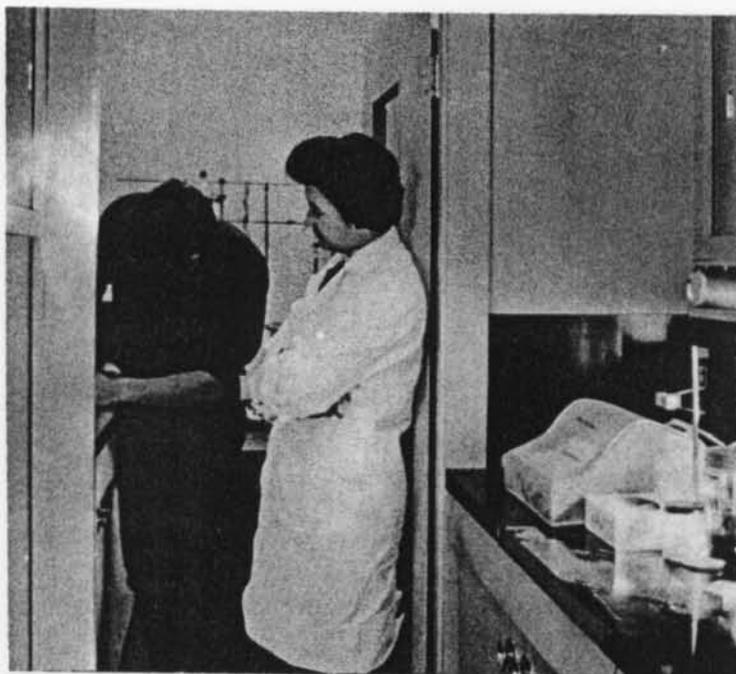
Respectfully yours,

Alvin E. Foss



The sediments being analyzed by the group were collected last summer by members of the joint USGS-WHOI program, such as Drs. Bob Meade, John Schlee, John Milliman, Charlie Hollister, and Dave Folger; and summer students including Rick Burroughs, Brian Trucholke, Joe McIlvaine, and Chris Lambertson.

The students started out their visit with a trip to Boston aboard the ATLANTIS II and all returned with glowing reports of Captain Hiller's excellent hospitality.



Since that time, with the exception of lectures and field trips, the students have been working in the labs. The competence which they developed rapidly to operate the sophisticated equipment was due, Dave Folger says, mainly to the able direction and guidance of Mrs. Lois Toner. They have all put in an amazing amount of work and have, at the end of two weeks, completed more than 300 analyses.

Dave reports that so many people at WHOI have contributed toward making this experiment an overwhelming success that he can't possibly express his appreciation to them all on an individual basis.

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