

Holocene Ostracoda from Chilka Lake, and Quaternary deposits of Naurar Gadhera of Almora district, U.P.

The first record of Fusulinids from the *Gangamopteris* Beds of Kashmir; report of *Sporobulimina* from Callovian of Jaisalmer; recent trends in the study of calcareous nannoplankton, and geology of Plio-Pleistocene of Karewa Group are other informative and interesting articles.

The volume is elegant with excellent illustrations and plates. The articles are well edited and the publication has been brought out in a very short time for which the editor deserves appreciation. It should form an important reference to workers in Micropalaeontology.

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**OUR MINERAL RESOURCES.** By Charles M. Riley, Robert E. Krieger Publishing Company, Huntington, New York, 1977, 102 figures, Five appendices (Glossary, list of chemical elements, Geological time scale, List of ore minerals of various metals, List of valuable nonmetallic minerals and General references), 328 pages.

The book is a reprint of the popular title published earlier in 1959. Although the book can no more claim to be an 'Elementary Textbook in Economic Geology' in the post 'Revolution in Geology' decade, still it is thoroughly enjoyable reading for any one interested in knowing the importance of minerals in human life.

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Sponsored by the Geological Survey of India, UNESCO, IUGS and the Indian National Committee for IGCP, an International Seminar on Lateritisation Processes IGCP Project 129 is proposed to be held in Trivandrum, India, during 11th December - 14th December 1979, with four excursions preceding the session. The venue chosen is the Capital city of Kerala State where Francis Buchanan first described the rock and christened it as 'Laterite'.

Registration forms issued along with the first circular should be returned before January 31, 1979, by those intending to participate in the Seminar and Excursions.

Two copies of the abstract should reach the Secretary before 30th March 1979 and the full paper by 1st July 1979; Further information can be obtained from:

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