

## INTRODUCTION

This report was prepared in order to describe the lithologic character of well cuttings, drilled to the 4500' level, from Jessup in Wayne County, Georgia. The formational names used are those accepted by the U. S. Geological Survey for the Southeastern Coastal Plain. ~~where possible~~

Where possible, formations are arranged individually as units. Where not possible, they are grouped together as series names: e. g. Miocene: undifferentiated. Previous investigators, of Coastal Plain stratigraphy, including Paul and Esther Appleton, have described Tertiary and Cretaceous geology in ~~their~~ <sup>several</sup> reports. In some instances the author has used their lithologic descriptions as a guide for placing formational boundaries in this report.

Species determination for Foraminifera and Ostracoda, however useful for a complete study of these well cuttings, are beyond the scope of this report. Instead, only a note of their presence or absence will be stated.

In the lithologic description of the well cutting the dominant type of sediment is mentioned first,

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followed by the ~~accessory~~ less plentiful constituents in the sample. The sediment colors will be matched with colors chosen from a rock color chart distributed by the Geological Society of America (1957).

When reading this report keep in mind that much of the "silt" found in some of the samples may be drilling mud left behind in the sample at the well site. Separation of this "silt" from the actual sample description has been impossible. Also note that during drilling it is possible for sediment from one level to be mixed into samples from lower portions of the section. It is not possible to separate the mixed sediment after the deed has been done.

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Pliocene to Recent (Undifferentiated) Thickness (feet) Depth (feet)

Sand: poorly sorted, with rock fragment, pebbles, plant remains, sparse phosphate grains; pale yellowish brown 10YR 6/2 10' 10'

Sand: fine to medium grained, subangular, red-brown clay, white, chalky limestone, plant fibres light brown 5Y R 5/6 10' 20'

Sand: medium to coarse, subangular 50' 70'  
 feldspathic\*; interbedded with clay  
 limonitic - 20'-30' level  
 rarely phosphatic and micaceous  
 moderate yellowish brown 10YR 5/4

Sand: medium to coarse, feldspathic 80' 150'  
 interbedded with lenses of brownish and dark grey clay, clean sand - 100'-110', 120'-130'  
 fine grained white limestone fragment  
 yellowish grey 5Y 7/2

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\* Labradorite feldspar and colorless potassic varieties only, are found <sup>in various horizons of</sup> throughout the whole section.

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Pliocene to Recent Cont.:

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sand: mostly fine subangular, <sup>some</sup> coarse rounded grains, feldspathic, phosphatic  
calcareous silt: greenish with green clay clast  
light olive grey 5y 6/1 10' 160'

sand: as above, some silt and clay clasts; limestone with sand and small phosphate granules, micaceous accessory garnets & epidote, fish teeth.  
light olive grey 5y 6/1 60' 220'  
[silty layers with sand, no limestone 210-220]

sand: fine to coarse subangular to rounded pebble size sand, feldspathic, rounded phosphates of all sizes; fine grained indurated sand with calcareous cement. quartzite pebbles. fine brown clay, fish teeth, mica, garnet, glauconite epidote.  
Towards bottom of layer the abundance of large size sand and phosphates decrease. As the amount of brown clay increases the color grades from light olive grey 5y 6/1 to pale yellowish brown 10y R 6/2 120' 350'

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Miocene: Hawthorn formation

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Sand: fine angular to coarse subrounded. 50' 400'  
feldspathic, phosphatic - brown, grey + black.  
round grains, Calcareous, silt, ~~many~~ clasts of silt  
angular dolomitic limestone fragments  
Color grades from pale greenish yellow  
10 y 8/2 to yellowish grey 5 y 7/2

Sandy limestone: 60' 460'  
arenaceous, phosphatic, white, fine  
Saccharoidal limestone. (soft)  
sand - silt size to coarse, angular  
to subround coarsely phosphatic, feldspathic  
large calcareous shale fragments, blocky.  
mottled appearance due to dark phosphates  
white limestone - yellowish grey 5 y 7/2.

Sandy limestone: limestone: sandy, saccharoidal 70' 560  
and white, crystalline, dense. many at  
520-530, 550-560.  
sand as above, some mica, garnet.  
fish teeth.  
calcareous silt, yellowish grey 5 y 7/2

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Hawthorn Cont:

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Sand: silt to some coarse sizes  
angular + subangular. phosphatic  
feldspathic, calcareous silt,  
saccharoidal limestone (soft)  
light olive grey sy 5/2

10' 570'

Sand: fine to medium subangular  
somewhat indurated, less phosphatic  
with light pinkish as well as black + grey.  
interbedded with calcareous silt  
small forams and ostracods 620-640

100' 670'

Tampa Limestone

Limestone: soft, white, dull chalky  
granular; sand - fine to medium  
in a chalky matrix sediment.  
phosphatic; few ostracods; very light  
grey N8

20' 690'

Oligocene: Suwannee Limestone

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Limestone: granular, cream colored 40' 736

fossiliferous. Dolomitic limestone: crystalline

pink, grey and brown, dense fragments

limestone: as <sup>recrystallized</sup> worn fragments and fossils -

echinoid spines, bryozoans, ostracods (few)

sand - fine to medium grained in a chalky

matrix at top of formation 690-700

\* *Dictyoncus* Sp. appear at 710'-720'

Color grades from very pale orange 10YR 8/2

to pinkish grey 5YR 8/1 as the dolomitic

limestone appears 710'-720'

\* found in Suwannee Lms. by Aplin + Aplin 1944, and indicates a reclassification of the species

Upper Eocene: Jackson Group: Ocala Limestone.

Limestone: granular. mixture of fossil 20' 750

shell fragments, bryozoans, all broken.

worn & recrystallized, white to light cream.

(no soft chalk); Some dolomitic, light brown

crystalline limestone; sand-fine, some medium

sparsely phosphatic. Large forms, & small. *Dictyoncus* sp.

*Dentalium* sp. Very light grey N8

Ocala Limestone Cont.:

Thi D.

\* In the Ocala Limestone the presence of *Dictyonema* sp. presents a problem. It is possible that coming in of overlying Suwannee Lms caused the fossil to appear, or only the lower portion of the Ocala is present. <sup>The latter possibility</sup> ~~which~~ is supported by the #150 section of Ocala + not the 600 approx that is usually found. Puri (1957) indicates that *Dictyonema cookie* is found in the Inglis Fm (lower Ocala). In either case, the only way to check would be to identify the other fossils present in the Ocala section.

Limestone: granular, chalky fragments 110' 860'  
 of shells, bryozoa, foraminifera, large small (many species)  
 fewer crystalline dolomitic limestone fragments  
 Some sand: fine to med, subangular, sparsely phosphatic

Limestone: as above, less dolomitic 30' 890  
 limestone, less sand, echinoid plates +  
 spines, clasts of recrystallized and cemented  
 fossil fragments  
 presence of *Perrinites lyelli floridanus*\*  
 (echinoid)  
 distinctive fossil, marking the bottom of  
 the Ocala, or the Inglis formation Puri (1957).



Ocala Cont: Thic      Depth.

Limestone: as above, much sand.\* 10'      900'  
fine to coarse pebbles, subangular to  
round, feldspathic, phosphatic. some large.  
pale grey, fine grained, angular dolomitic  
limestone fragments

\* a sandy layer near the base of the Ocala lms. is noted by Cooke (1943)

Middle Eocene: Claiborne: Avon Park Limestone

Limestone: granular, chalky, earthy 30'      930'  
recrystallized fossil fragments (indistinguishable)  
a few large forams. some sand-free to  
med, phosphates. White to yellowish grey 54 8/1

Limestone. chalky, recrystallized 40'      970'  
fossil fragment. Dolomitic limestone -  
coarse crystalline, increasing  
in quantity with depth. pale blue grey  
fine grained dolomitic limestone,  
few lg. forams.  
Chalky layer at 960-970.  
yellowish grey 54 8/1

Tallahassee, Limestone:  
no samples

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670'                  1640'

Limestone: white, granular, chalky  
recrystallized; dolomite - light tan,  
coarse crystalline.

40'                  1680'

sand - fine to medium, sparsely phosphatic  
and feldspathic. Small forams, bryozoans, few  
ostracods, yellowish grey 5y 7/2.

Limestone: fine granular mixture of  
recrystallized fossil fragments and  
light tan + cream colored crystalline  
dolomite. fossiliferous with many  
species of small forams.

40'                  1720'

an increasing amount of <sup>silt</sup> chalky  
cement with depth. little sand and  
phosphates. Chert 1700-1710.

pinkish grey 5yR 8/1

Limestone: med.-fine granular mixture  
with dolomite as above, few fossils.

50'                  1770'

interbedded with varying amounts  
of gypsum and chert, some sand  
and sparse chalky cement.

pinkish grey 5yR 8/1

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## Tallahassee limestone cont.

Limestone: mixture with dolomite  
and sand. Some fine ~~grains~~ saccharoidal  
limestone with worn fossil fragments  
tan, crystalline dolomite,  
sand - fine to coarse, feldspathic  
sparre phosphates, iron chert.  
Some gypsum. Light brownish grey 54R6/1

10' 1780.

Dolomite: med to coarse granular  
mixture of light cream colored crystalline  
dolomite incl. whitish saccharoidal  
limestone. Sand, light iron chert  
gypsum. some layers chalky  
1810-1820 - coarse, very cherty  
& gypsiferous. Yellowish grey 547 1/2

90 1860

The Tallahassee limestone and the underlying Lake  
City limestone are mixed with sand ~~at~~ some ~~places~~ levels  
and glauconitic sand ~~at~~ other ~~places~~ levels. This is  
probably due to a facies change into the clastic  
formations: Lisbon and Talabotta the middle Eocene  
equivalents in parts of western Georgia. (Strangfield <sup>1966</sup> pg 33)

Lake City Limestone

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Dolomite: medium granular coarsens  
 with depth. coarse crystalline angular  
 fragments of light tan dolomite.  
 Limestone - saccharoidal, and chalky  
 cement; blue grey chert, platy gypsum,  
 nodular anhydrite. sparse sand with  
 phosphates. Yellowish grey sy 7/2 to pale brown

30' 1890'

Dolomite - medium granular, light  
 grey and tan crystalline angular dolomite  
 saccharoidal limestone, chalky cement,  
 worn fossils, less evaporites; some  
 chert, sand, glauconitic 1900-1910  
 yellowish grey sy 7/2

20' 1910'

Limestone, granular, recrystallized  
 fossiliferous. coarse crystalline  
 light tan dolomite, blacky anhydrite  
 platy gypsum, light brown and white  
 chert, glauconitic sand with rare phosphates  
 occasional Chalcopyrite crystals.  
 bryozones, coral species large + small forams  
 echinoid spines. yellowish grey sy 7/2

10' 1920'

Lake City Limestone Cont:

Dolomite: light tan and dark brown 20 1940  
 coarse crystalline dolomite; fine grained,  
 white, limestone and fine glauconitic sand.  
~~to~~ much calcareous silt,  
 few forams, anhydrite, chert, calcopyrite  
 crystals. Pale blue color 10 y 6 1/2

Sand: fine, angular-subangular. 50' 1990'  
 glauconitic. Calcareous silt.  
 dark brown and pale orange, coarse  
 crystalline dolomite. fine, cherty white  
 fragmental limestone. sparse mica, some  
 anhydrite, gypsum + chert, ~~occasional~~ rare  
 calcite crystals and garnets. Light blue grey 5 y 5 1/2

Sand: fine to medium grained, glauconitic. 50' 2040  
 calcareous silt; limestone: fine grained  
 cherty, pinkish white; dolomite; lt. tan  
 and dark grey angular crystalline fragments.  
 chert, phosphates; anhydrite 1990-2000  
~~clay~~ clefts, glauconite. 2030-2040  
 occasional mica, gypsum, rare garnets  
 light blue grey 5 y 5 1/2

Lower Eocene: Wilcox age: Oldsmar Limestone and  
Clastic Equivalent (Undifferentiated)

Glaucouitic Calcareous Silt: 90' 2130

sand: silt to fine grained some medium  
clay clasts - roughly laminated with mica  
& fine glauconite. Limestone: fine grained, pinkish to  
white; dolomite: dark brown and light tan  
crystalline; chert, abundant 2060-2070  
fossils: lg & sm. forams, ostracods.

Glaucouite, Sandy, limestone in 170' 2300

Calcareous ~~sand~~ <sup>clay</sup>: calcareous clay from  
silt to clay size particles; sand: fine to medium  
some coarse sgs. subangular, glauconitic, micaceous  
limestone occurs as coarse grained arenaceous  
types with glauconite and a white crystalline  
fragment, & fine grained; dolomite; light  
tan, crystalline

~~and~~ clay clasts, some with, others without  
glauconite globules.

The layer is increasingly micaceous with depth.  
Chert & phosphates in small numbers occur  
at some levels. Greenish grey 5 & 6/1

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Lower Eocene Cont.:

Calcareous mud: sand: fine to medium, subangular; limestone: chalky fine grained, white. less glauconite than above, some chert; mud clast; ostracods.  
medium light grey N6 20' 2320'

Calcareous mud, glauconitic sand. 180' 2500  
sand - fine to medium, occasionally coarse abundant limestone: arenaceous, glauconitic light pinkish to white, saccharoidal, fine grained  
clast of clay: lenticular shape, grey and black  
Some have glauconite globules, most are micaceous  
phosphates: black, brown and grain around grains  
2350-2360

increase in calcareous mud towards the bottom of the section. Much less mud (total) than previous 20'.  
few fossils. small + large forams, ostracods  
limonite (sparse) ~~2400~~ 2430-2440  
light olive grey 5y 6/1

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Paleocene: Clayton formation.

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Sand: with limestone or calcareous silt 100' 2600'

sand: very fine - fine, some medium angular to subangular. glauconitic, micaceous limestone: fine chalky, white and light tan coarse crystalline, some are arenaceous and glauconitic, also chalky patches on sand aggregates

few clay clast: finely laminated, dark grey iron chert or phosphatic, a few small large forms, ostracods. Olive grey 5y 4/1 with a definite brownish tinge

Sand, limestone or calcareous silt 260' 2860

sand, as above, but indurated

at times. limestone: as above, but less of it. sand is micaceous, cherty sparsely glauconitic + phosphatic.

rare graphite and chalcocyanite

silt increases towards the bottom of the layer. few fossils.

Dark yellowish brown 10y R 4/2



Upper Cretaceous: Post Tuscaloosa Formations Thru D.  
(Undifferentiated)

Sand in calcareous silt: sand: fine to 290' 3250  
very fine, some medium & coarse, angular  
to subangular, both loose, and indurated  
sparse mica, glauconite, chert  
limestone: recrystallized, fragmental fossil?  
also, coarse arenaceous, with phosphates  
and glauconite, limestone decreases  
in abundance and calcareous silt increases  
down the section.

some levels have green and grey, laminated,  
lenticular, ~~mass~~ clay clast  
pyrite occurs at some level, few fossils,  
ostracods, small forams, shark teeth.  
olive grey to 5y 4/1 to light olive grey 5y 5/2

Sand. in calcareous silt: sand. 210' 3460  
more abundant than previous fine grained  
a few coarse + pebble size, sometimes feldspathic  
Coarsely micaceous limestone: clear sparry cement (continuous  
crystal)  
including sand, glauconite, mica, coarse grained arenaceous, and  
chalky aggregates.  
Clay clast: numerous green and dark grey, micaceous  
ones appear laminated

Upper Cretaceous cont:

Thi D

Cherty : 3350-3390

occasional pyrite, sparse glauconite, rare b white  
generally unfossiliferous, light olive grey 5y 6/1

Sand and limestone in Calcareous Clay: 80' 3540

sand: fine, angular, micaceous  
clay: as thin wafers or clasts with sand.  
limestone: whitish, crystalline, arenaceous  
or without sand; white chalky cement  
in stringers & inside clay bands and sand  
clasts. sparsely glauconitic.  
unfossiliferous, olive grey 5y 4/1

Calcareous Silt: micaceous silt, 110' 3650'

sparse glauconite; sand: fine,  
some medium grains. Crystalline  
limestone appears 3590. unfossiliferous  
olive grey 5y 4/1

Sand and limestone in calcareous clay. 100' 3750

sand: mostly fine, some medium, angular  
clay: sparsely micaceous glauconite  
limestone: crystalline, arenaceous and glauconitic  
chalky fragments.

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## Upper Cretaceous Cont:

the amount of limestone decreases  
in 3740-3750

Clay clasts: either fine, without glauconite or  
coarsely glauconitic; hackly shapes.

Chert: 3740-3750, rare pyrite as massive  
aggregates, calcite: columnar aggregates

\* few fossils: large and small forams,  
ostracods. Olive grey 5y 4/1

\* Fossils in this layer might indicate the top  
surface of the Eutaw formation as described  
by Counts and Ronsky (1963 pg 18). The thickness  
of the formation is noted to be 145' in  
Liberty County, Georgia.

Sandy, calcareous, clay 100' 3850

Clay: glauconitic, sparsely micaceous  
clay clasts; some with glauconite globules, others  
without. Sand: not as much as previous

medium to coarse, feldspathic some chert  
and phosphate

Limestone worn, chalky, light pinkish fossil fragment,  
crystalline, arenaceous and glauconitic  
Some horizons have more limestone + sand

upper Cretaceous cont

Thi D.

than others. fossils: several species  
of large + small forms, ostracod, 3790-3800  
light olive grey 5y 5/2

sandy calcareous clay. 110' 3960'  
clay: fine lenticular, clasts, spotty with  
limonite, sand-fine. some medium + coarse  
not much of it. limestone: in small amount:  
crystalline, + chalky types.  
very few fossils. graphite and aggregates of  
pyrite occur at the bottom of the layer  
olive grey 5y 4/1

## Tuscaloosa Formation

Sand, limestone and calcareous clay 140' 4100'  
sand: fine to coarse grained feldspathic micaceous:  
as fine + coarse plates, sparse chert phosphates  
and glauconite  
clay clast - lenticular dark, laminated.  
limestone: white, crystalline arenaceous, glauconitic  
light brown, crystalline, chalky and saccharoidal  
much barite, some celestite and calcite as columnar aggregates

Tuscaloosa Fm cont:

Thi D.

lignite: dark brown, pyritiferous in places  
abundant 4050-4060

sparse occurrence of brown rounded ~~very~~ fine  
grained, dense dolomite<sup>(?)</sup>, minute pyrites are  
sprinkled all through grain. pyrites, massive  
aggregates, decrease towards bottom of layer.  
Chert increases downward. Banters celestite decreases  
downward.

a small number of large & small forams and ostracods.  
The limestones give the sample a mottled appearance  
Olive grey 5Y 4/1

Sand: medium to coarse sub-angular to rounded 180' 9/180  
some fines. feldspathic, calcareous  
Clay occurs as fine coating and as  
burdened dark grey clast

limestone: white, crystalline, dense fine-grained

dolomite: brown, reddish brown, and dark  
grey, coarse crystalline, also fine, tan colored  
dense, fine with pyrite<sup>(?)</sup>

lignite, banters, sparse micas, anhydrite, celestite  
rare pyrite, garnet, calcite.

Brownish grey 5YR 4/1.

## Tuscaloosa Fm. Cont:

Sand and clay clasts in calcareous silt. 50' 4230

sand: medium to fine, sub-angular  
feldspathic, red stained, <sup>coarsely</sup> micaceous,  
Clay clasts: dark grey, some with glauconite  
inclusions. Calcareous silt is much lighter  
in color than the clast.

limestone: crystalline, worn recrystallized  
shell fragments; dolomite: crystalline,  
fine grained with minute pyrites.

lignite, barite, few phosphate pebbles  
rare garnets, sparse glauconite  
few fossils: large + small brachiopods, ostracod,  
Brownish grey 5y 6/1

Sand: medium grained, subangular 60' 4290'

feldspathic, red sand,  
calcareous silt - fine, micaceous

Clay clasts - dark grey, blocky

lignite, small amount of barite,  
gypsum, phosphates, pyrites + chert,  
rare biotite

Slight olive grey 5y 6/1

## Tuscaloosa Fm. cont

Thi D.

Sandy calcareous clay; 150' - 4450  
 clay - loose fines and is dark grey and  
 green blocky pieces; sand: fine - med  
 subangular; limestone: chalky white fragments,  
 white and light tan coarse crystalline ~~fragments~~  
 glauconite; most in 4290 - 4300  
 lignite, few barites, sparse pyrite, chert, mica  
 limestone concretions 4390 - 4400  
 rare gypsum calcite. Light olive grey 54.5/2

Silty sand: fine to coarse 40' 4490'  
 subangular to sand, many are  
 red; clay clasts: grey, black  
 weakly calcareous, finely micaceous  
 some limestone, hematite nodules,  
 lignite, unfossiliferous. Dark yellowish brown 10 yr 4/2

Sand: medium to coarse, subangular 10' 4500  
 to round, red color, a few fine grained  
 brownish, indurated sand clasts.  
 a few clay clasts, only slightly calcareous.  
 few limestone fragments: ~~as~~ chalky cement fills pits on  
 sand grain surfaces. almost free of lignite.

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Tuscaloosa Fm cont:

sparse glauconite, mica, phosphate  
nodules. no evaporites, unfossiliferous.  
Pale reddish brown 10 R 5/4



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## Summary

	Thick	Depth
Pliocene to Recent (Undiff.) Sand - fine to med, phosphatic interbedded with silt, limestone.	350'	350'
Miocene: Hawthorn Formation Sand interbedded with limestone, phosphatic, some calcareous silt, few fossils fish teeth	320'	670'
Tampa Limestone Limestone: dull, chalky, sandy few fossils	20'	690
Oligocene: Suwannee Limestone fossiliferous, cream colored recrystallized	40'	730'
Upper Eocene: Jackson Group: Ocala Limestone granular limestone, interbedded with dolomite. fossiliferous. whitish colored, recrystallized	160'	900

## Summary cont.

	Thick.	D.
Middle Eocene. Claiborne: Avon Park Limestone. Limestone: chalky, recrystallized. Some fossils, Dolomitic	70'	970'
Talahassee Limestone Limestone interbedded with crystalline dolomite. granular, sandy. gypsum.	890'	1860
Lake City Limestone Interbedded Dolomite and limestone, certain horizons cherty & gypsiferous glaucconitic sands become dominant at bottom	180'	2040
Lower Eocene: Wilcox Age: Aldmore Limestone and Clastic equivalent glaucconitic silts, sands. and limestones, Calcareous clays, some dolomite, some chert few fossils	440'	2500

## Summary cont.

	Thi.	No.
Paleocene: Clayton Formation sand, limestone, calcareous silt, glauconitic, pyritiferous. few fossils	360	2860
Upper Cretaceous: Post Tuscaloosa Fms. (undiff.) sand, calcareous silt limestone, fossils toward bottom	1100'	3960
Tuscaloosa Formation sand, limestone, calc. clay. lignitic, evaporites pure sand at base of section.	540'	4500

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