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Stations 96/00 to 331/50  
Pottawatomie County

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Geological Report for Project 13-75 S-311 (3), Part I  
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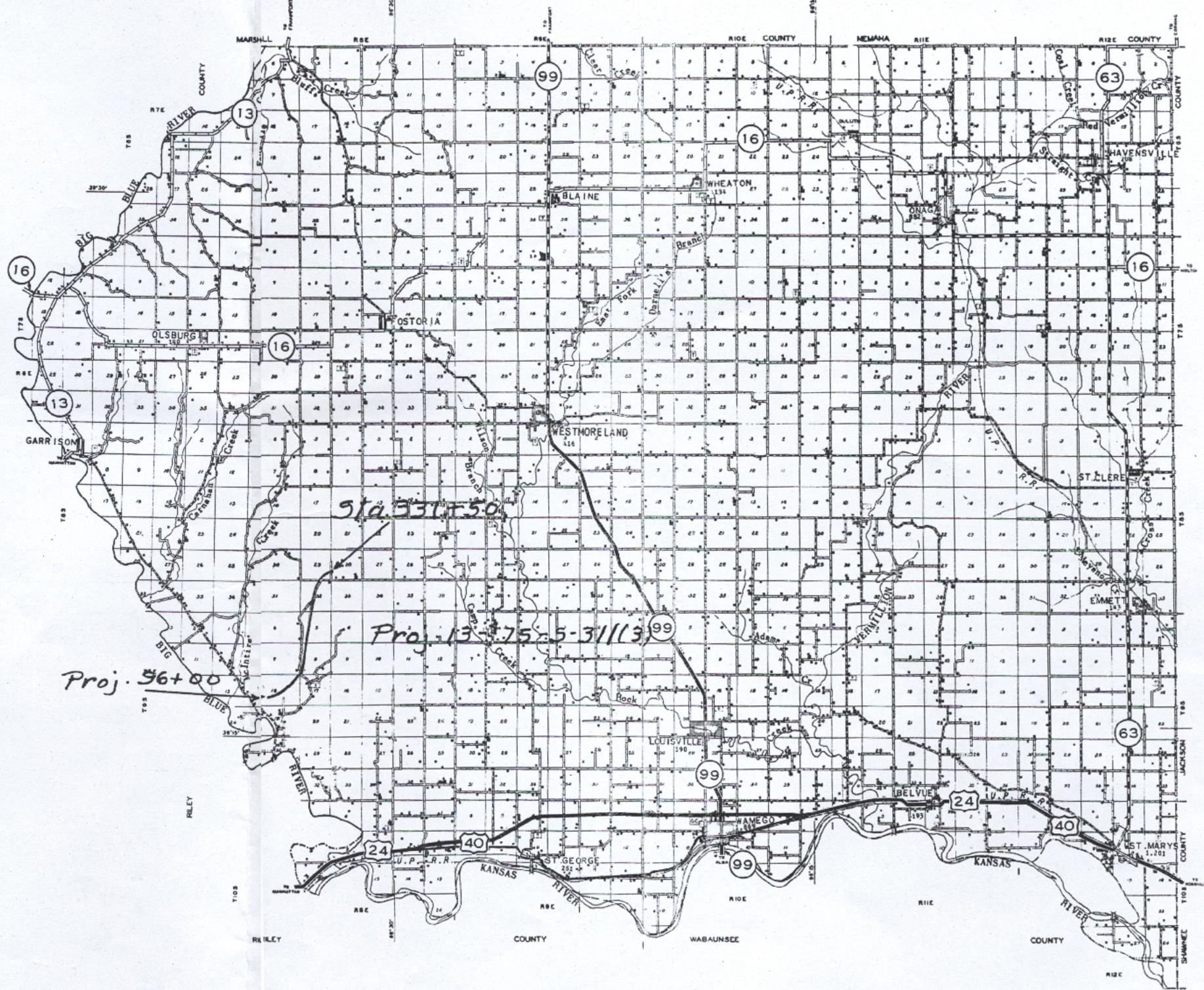
INTRODUCTION

This report presents geological information obtained by the Kansas Highway Commission through field study and is submitted for use in the design and construction of the above project with reference to the formations that occur and the engineering problems affected by the geology of the project.

The report is divided into three sections for the purpose of grouping the information and discussions of the different phases. This report is intended to be complete within itself, but is best used in connection with the Geo-Engineering Survey.

RESUME OF SECTIONS

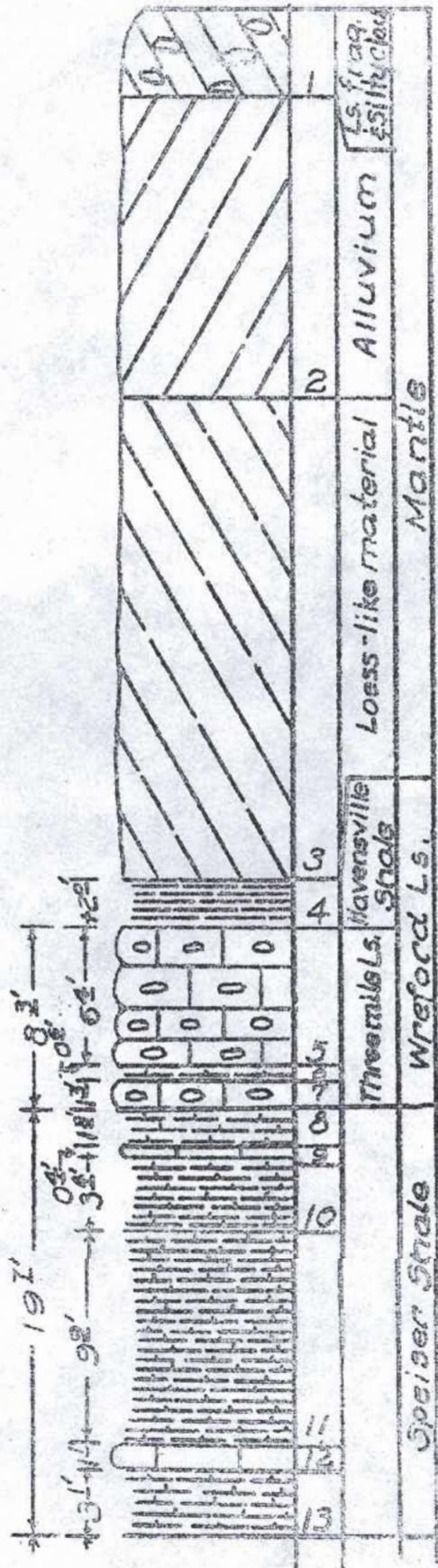
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| Section I   | Geological Description and Formational Sequence |
| Section II  | Geology of the Project                          |
| Section III | Geo-Engineering Aspects                         |



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### Generalized Section

(See Supplementary Section, Page 7, for use between  
Stations 96,000 to 130,000)



## Mantle

1. Limestone fragments and tan-brown silty clay.
  2. Alluvium, silty clay, light grey-brown.
  3. Loess-like material, silty clay, tan-brown.

### Permutation Systems

## **Chelsea Crossed**

**Westford Formation**

### Beaverville Shale Member

4. Scale, weathered green, platy.

### **Threewill Limestone Member**

5. Limestone, buff, blocky, cherty.
  6. Liny shale, grey, platy.
  7. Limestone, buff, blocky, cherty.

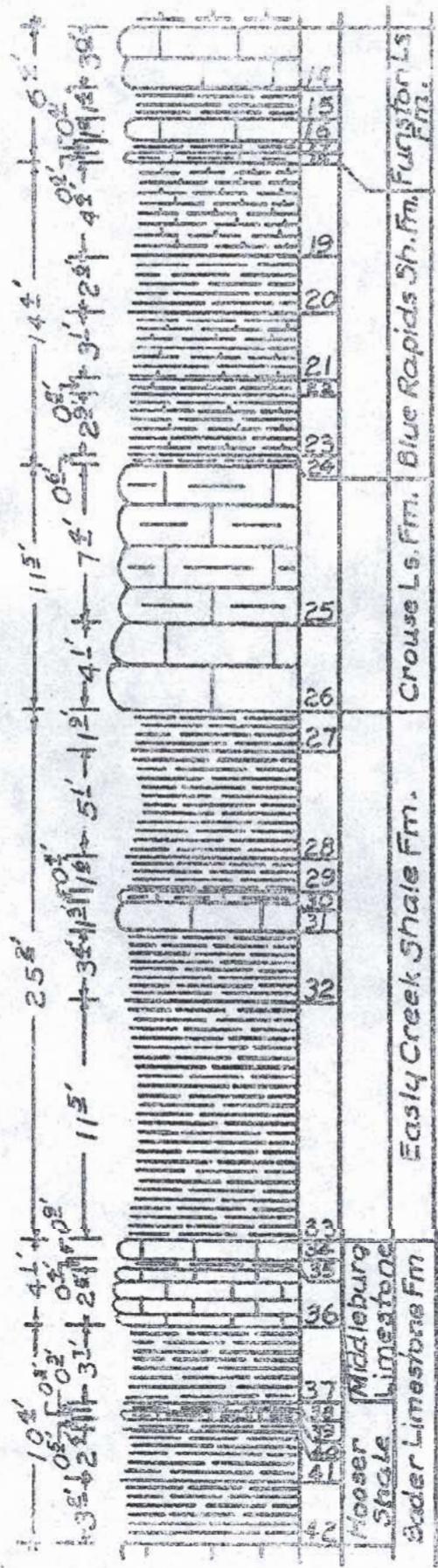
### **Council Grove Group**

### **Spicer Shale Formation**

8. Shale, grey-green, limy, platy.
  9. Limestone, buff, blocky.
  10. Shale, green, blocky, limy.
  11. Shale, vari-colored, green and maroon, blocky, limy.
  12. Limestone, light grey, blocky, varies in thickness.
  13. Shale, green, blocky, limy.

Fussten Limestone Formation

  14. Limestone, brown, blocky, somewhat massive, water carrier.
  15. Shale, green and platy.
  16. Limestone, grey, fossiliferous, weathers out platy.
  17. Shale, green, platy.
  18. Limestone, grey, platy, somewhat shaly.



#### Blue Rapids Shale Formation

19. Shale, green, blocky, limy.
20. Shale, grey, blocky.
21. Shale, olive, blocky, somewhat limy.
22. Limy shale, light green, blocky, potential water zone.
23. Shale, olive, blocky, somewhat limy.
24. Shale, grey, blocky.

#### Crouse Limestone Formation

25. Shaly limestone, white, platy.
26. Limestone, grey, weathers brown, blocky, somewhat massive.

#### Early Creek Shale Formation

27. Shale, dark grey, platy.
28. Shale, dark blue grey, platy.
29. Shale, black, platy.
30. Shaly limestone, fossiliferous.
31. Limestone, light grey, blocky.
32. Shale, green, blocky.
33. Shale, maroon and green, blocky.

#### Bader Limestone Formation

##### Middleburg Limestone Member

34. Limestone, light grey, blocky.
35. Shale, green, blocky.
36. Limestone, light grey, blocky, has several horizontal partings.

##### Hooser Shale Member

37. Shale, green, blocky.
38. Shale, dark green, limy.
39. Shaly limestone, grey.
40. Shale, green, blocky.

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43. Shale, horizon, white.

44. White, sand, white.

#### Gloss Limestone Member

45. Limestone, light gray, wavy.

46. Impure limestone, light brown, nodular.

47. Shale, green, limy, blocky.

48. Limestone, light grey, blocky.

#### Greens Shale Formation

49. Shale, grey, weathers green, limy, blocky.

50. Shale, grey, platy.

51. Shale, dark green, blocky.

52. Shaly limestone, white, nodular.

53. Shale, light to dark green, blocky.

#### Brattie Limestone Formation

##### Mortill Limestone Member

54. Limestone, light grey, blocky, contains three horizontal partings.

##### Florena Shale Member

55. Shale, gray-green, blocky.

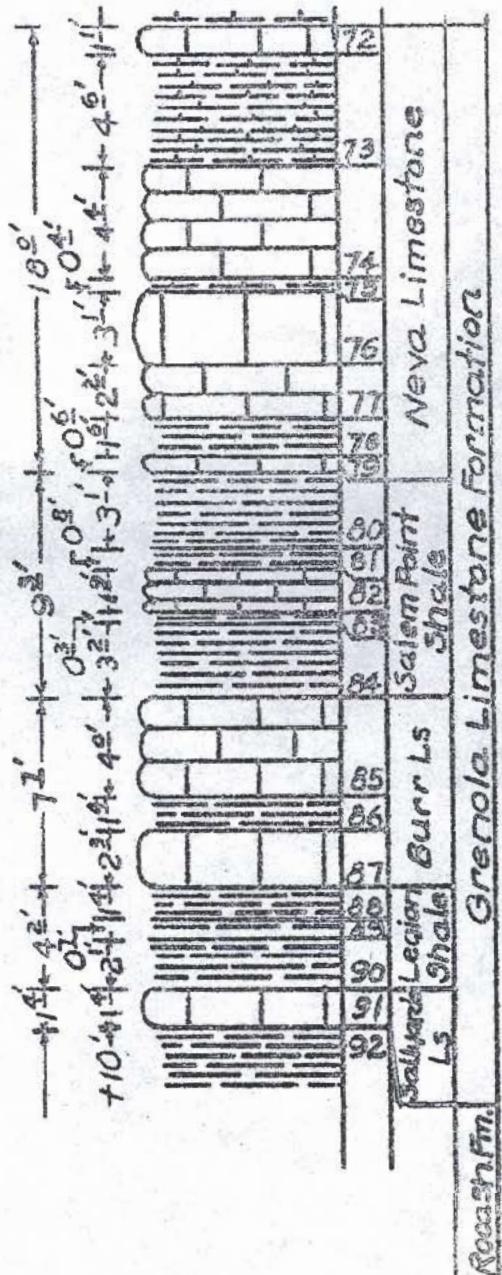
56. Shale, blue-grey, platy.

##### Cottonwood Limestone Member

57. Shaly limestone, light grey, blocky.

58. Limestone, light grey, blocky, several horizontal partings, contains fusulines.

Eskridge Shale Formation



Grenola Limestone Formation

59. Shale, bright green, blocky.
  60. Shale, green, blocky, limy.
  61. Shale, pale maroon, blocky, limy.
  62. Shale, light green, blocky, limy.
  63. Shale, grey-green, blocky, limy.
  64. Shale, dark grey, blocky, limy.
  65. Shale, maroon, blocky, limy.
  66. Shale, green, blocky.
  67. Shaly limestone, light green, platy.
  68. Limestone, cream colored with brown streak, blocky.
  69. Shale, green, dark green bands, blocky, limy.
  70. Shale, maroon, blocky, limy.
  71. Shale, green, blocky, limy.
- Grenola Limestone Formation
- Neva Limestone Member
72. Limestone, white, blocky.
  73. Limy shale, green, nearly limestone, blocky.
  74. Limestone, buff, blocky, contains several lensing impure zones, several horizontal partings.
  75. Limy shale, light green, blocky.
  76. Impure honey-combed limestone, brown, water carrier.
  77. Limestone, brown, blocky, impure, contains solution holes and cavities.
  78. Shale, green, platy.
  79. Limestone, light grey, blocky.

Salem Point Shale Member

80. Shale, green, blocky.
81. Shale, dark green, very platy.
82. Shaly limestone, white, chalky, blocky, lecticular.
83. Shale, dark green, very platy.
84. Shale, green, blocky.

Berry Limestone Member

85. Limestone, light grey, blocky.
86. Shale, black, very platy.
87. Limestones, light grey, blocky.

Legion Shale Member

88. Shale, green, platy.
89. Shale, blue-grey, platy.
90. Shale, grey-green, platy.

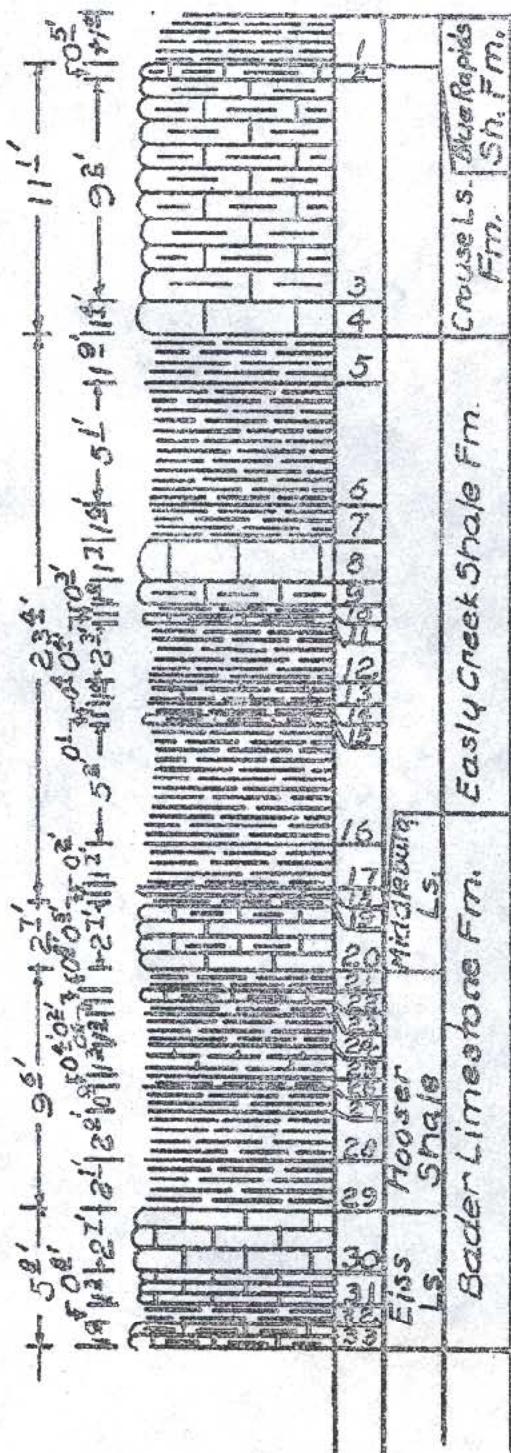
Sallyards Limestone Member

91. Limestone, light grey, blocky.

Poca Shale Formation

92. Shale, vari-colored, usually blocky, limy.

**Supplementary Section**  
For use between Stations 96/00 and 130/00.



Permian System  
Council Grove Group  
Blue Rapids Shale Formation

- 1. Shale, weathered green.**

### Crouse Limestone Formation

2. Shaly limestone, light grey, platy, impure.  
 3. Shaly limestone, buff, platy, contains local shale zones.

4. Limestone, light grey, weathers brown, dense, blocky.

### Early Creek Shale Formation

5. Shale, dark grey, platy.

6. Shale, dark blue-grey, platy.

7. Shale, black, platy.

8. Limestone, grey, blocky, horizontal partings in center.

9. Shaly limestone, grey-green, blocky.

10. Shale, green, blocky.

11. Shaly limestone, grey-green, blocky.

12. Shale, light grey, blocky.

13. Shale, maroon, blocky, limy.

14. Shale, green, blocky.

15. May zone, light grey.

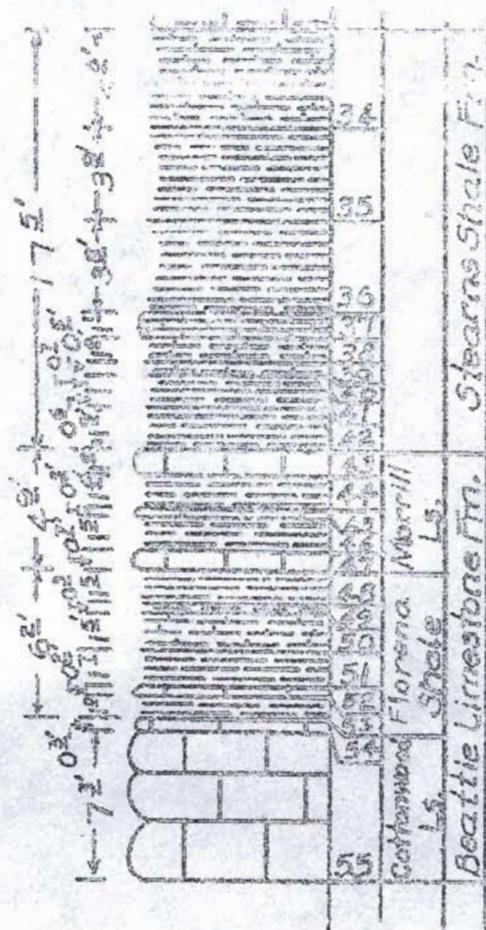
- 16. Shale, maroon, blocky.**

17. Shale, green, blacky.

18. Limestone, blocky, de-

Bader Limestone Formation  
Middlebury Limestone Member

20. Limestone, light grey, bluish, shaly, weathers platy.



### Easterdale Valley

21. Shale, marl-black, thin.
  22. Shaly limestone, white, lenticular.
  23. Shale, grey-green, blocky.
  24. Silty shale, light green, blocky, silty.
  25. Shale, green, blocky.
  26. Silty shale, light grey.
  27. Shale, green, blocky.
  28. Shale, maroon, blocky.
  29. Shale, green, blocky.

### Rise Limestone Member

30. Limestone, light grey, weathers tan, cellular and granular, blocky.

31. Secondary Limestone, cellular, brown, water carrier.

32. Shale, green, blocky.

33. Shaly limestone, light grey, blocky.

### Stearns Shale Formation

34. Shale, green, blocky.
  35. Shale, grey, platy.
  36. Shale, black, platy.
  37. Limestone, light grey, blocky, two horizontal partings.
  38. Shale, dark green, blocky, limy.
  39. Limy shale, grey mottled with green, has irregular partings.
  40. Shale, green, blocky.
  41. Shale, maroon, blocky.
  42. Shale, grey-green, blocky.

Beattie Limestone Formation  
Morrill Limestone Member

43. Limestone, light gray, blocky, dense.
44. Shale, light green, platy.
45. Impure limestone, brown, water carrier.
46. Shale, buff, blocky, limy.
47. Impure limestone, brown, blocky, water carrier.

Florena Shale Member

48. Shale, light gray, blocky.
49. Limy shale, light green, weathers brown, blocky.
50. Shale, green, blocky, limy.
51. Shale, grey, blocky.
52. Fusiliferous zone, brown.
53. Shale, light green, platy.

Cottonwood Limestone Member

54. Shaly limestone, light green, blocky.
55. Limestone, light gray, blocky, has several horizontal partings, numerous fusulines.