SUBSURFACE STRUCTURES OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA'

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ABSTRACT

Electrical logs from oil wells were obtained from Grant, Rapides, Avoyelles, and Pointe Coupee Parishes, which are located in the southern part of the Mississippian Embayment with the strike NE-SW.

Two cross-sections, A and B, were made from the logs. Section A, which is NE-SW along the strike, shows that the formations thicken over the Ville Platte and Simmesport salt domes and decrease in thickness at their edges. Section B, which is NW-SE across the strike, reveals the thickening of all formations from the Vicksburg to the Wilcox. The thickness is approximately doubled in a distance of sixty miles.

This section is very fossiliferous and the microfossils are excellent to use with the electrical logs in picking the tops of formations.

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