
Geology of the Great Lakes. *Jack L. Hough.* University of Illinois Press. xviii+313 pp.
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This is the first book on the subject since 1915, and the author presents much information discovered in the past 43 years. The book is organized logically into two main parts, with Part I presenting descriptions of the present lakes, good discussions of the liminologic character of the water and sediments, a preglacial and glacial history of the region, and a consideration of relative ages and the methods of age determination. Part II comprises a history of lake stages, with detailed records of each basin and summarizing with the radiocarbon chronology of Great Lakes history.

This well-organized book has 75 illustrations, most of them maps and sketches but there are a few photographs. The format is pleasing, the paper and printing is excellent, and the bibliography and index are adequate. The text is detailed enough to have value for scientists but the language makes it suitable for adult readers.

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