paleontologists and sedimentologists from various institutions. The cliffs at the site are 100 feet high and consist of portions of the Calvert, Choptank, and St. Mary's formations of Miocene age. With cooperation from the construction companies involved, five giant steps were cut in a hill that is truncated by the cliff (visible in the right background of the power plant photograph). This allowed extensive sampling of the bedding surfaces thus exposed—a marked advantage over the usual sampling at the intersection of a bed with the cliff face. Two-cubic-foot samples were taken, and their invertebrate fauna was analyzed in detail as to identity, stage of growth, position, parasites, number of specimens of each species, and many other parameters. Sediment samples were taken for mineralogical and microfaunal analysis. Fossil vertebrates (mostly marine mammals) were collected wherever they could be found.

The field phase of the project is complete, and data analysis is under way. We hope that a useful paleoecologic report will result from this combination of a mass of data and the efforts of a group of workers in a number of specialties.

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Confused

I RED RWN's artikle on M-O R&D in the 2 APR issue (p. 29) & was fascinated, EVN if I did not DIG the meaning of all the LETR groupings. R&D, DOD (DoD?), AEC & NASA were not 2 hard, and HEW has been much in the public print lately. U.S., of course, I got immediately. NBS? GAO (General Acceptance Othority?) & NSF were harder. But I quickly appreciated Congressman Daddario's HSoSR&D. And I agree with RWN that people DO want to solve problems of ddt, sst, abm, 1sd, and SMOG and SO (so on). And how about that CSEA he mentions, and the "NIforR&AS" (my abbreviations, not his— how come he din't?). RWN writes good, and I enjoyed reading his piece. Wish I knew more about the things he was talking about—like I do about any abbreviations I don't happen to know about. They sure make me feel DUM.

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