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#### ABSTRACT

# GROUNDWATER QUALITY AND MINERAL DEPOSITS RELATIONSHIPS IN THE OZARK MOUNTAINS

Ninety-nine groundwater sites were sampled in northern Arkansas in order to determine the effect of local manganese, phosphate, pyrite, lead-zinc and uranium mineralization on the groundwater chemistry. Most of this study (75 springs) was concentrated in the Batesville manganese district. Hydrogeochemical exploration for these types of manganese deposits appears possible with 44 percent of the springs within 2000 feet of mineralization having anomalous metal concentrations (especially manganese). Because only a few springs were sampled in the remaining areas, the results are not conclusive; however, only the pyrite and small lead-zinc deposit would appear worthy of additional investigation. None of the springs appeared to have geothermal water.

Eighteen of the springs exceed U.S. Public Health Service drinking water limits, but most only exceed manganese or iron limits. One spring exceeded the drinking water limits for lead. Thus, these carbonate spring waters are generally of good chemical quality.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Ninety-nine springs were sampled in northern Arkansas in the vicinity of manganese, phosphate, pyrite, a small lead-zinc, and uranium deposits (Figure 1) in order to determine the effect of the mineralization on the groundwater chemistry. Springs were utilized in order to avoid metal contamination except for the use of a few wells in the phosphate area. Most of the springs have low discharge (less than 4 liters per minute) and issue from carbonate rock. Seventy-five of the springs are located in the manganese district because of the much larger extent of this deposit in comparison with the others. The spring locations are given in Tables 1 and 2 along with distance to nearest mineralization and the formation from which they issue.

#### A. Purpose and Objectives

Set.

The purpose of this study was to investigate the effect of manganese, phosphate, pyrite, lead-zinc, and uranium mineralization on groundwater chemistry in northern Arkansas. The objectives of this study were to:

- Evaluate the potential value of hydrogeochemical exploration for these types of mineral deposits.
- Determine the groundwater quality of these mineralized areas.
- Investigate the geothermal potential of the areas using silica geothermometry.
- B. Related Research or Activities



Figure 1. Manganese, lead-zinc, copper, molybdenum, phosphate, pyrite and uranium deposits in Arkansas. The specific study area sites are indicated by the letters M (Batesville Mn district), P (Peyton Creek phosphate area), B (Berryville pyrite area), C (Morrow lead-zinc deposit), and F (Friendship Creek U deposit). Map modified from Stroud et al. (1969).

C	Countrit	0	Township Dance	Locati	on n Quart	er S	ection	Formation	Distance to Mineralization (in feet)
Sample	county	Quau	Township Range	Jectio	ii quui c		courten		
м 1	TD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec	3 NW¥	NWł	NWł	0cj	850
M 2	ĪD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec	3 SWł	NEt	NE <sup>1</sup>	Mbn/Ocj	300
M3	ĪD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec	4 SEł	SEŁ		0cj	300
M 4	ĪD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec	3 SEł	SWł		Ospe/Ocj	1000
M 5	ĪD	MP	T14NR7W	Sec	4 NWł	NEt		Ospe/Ocj	1000
Mő	ĪD	MP	T14NR7W	Sec	4 NWł	NWł	SE <sup>1</sup>	Ospe/Ocj	1600
M 7	ID	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 3	3 NW <del>1</del>	NE	NEŁ	Ospe/Ocj	2000
M 8	ID	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 3	3 NWł	NEł		Ospe/Ocj	2000
M 9	ID	ST	T15NR7W	Sec 2	I SWł	NE1		0spe	1800
M10	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 2	6 SWł	NWł	SEł	Mbn	9200
M11	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 2	7 SEł	NEł	SWł	S/Sc/Mbn	9800
M12	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 2	2 NE <del>1</del>	SE <sup>1</sup>	NWł	Mbn	3900
M13	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 1	4 SE <del>1</del>	SEł	NWł	S/Sc/Ocj	1300
M14	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 2	3 NE¥	SEł	NEł	Ocj/Mbn	800
M15	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 2	I SE <del>l</del>	SEŁ	SWł	Ospe/Ocj	2100
M16	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 2	I SEł	SEŁ	SWł	Ospe/Ocj	1900
M17	ID	BN	T14NR6W	Sec 1	B SWł	SEł	NWł	0cj	1900
M18	ĪD	BV	T14NR6W	Sec 2	9 SWł	NWł		Ocj/Slsc	400
M19	ID	BV	T14NR6W	Sec 2	9 SWł	NWł		Ocj/Slsc	500
M20	TD	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 1	3 SWł	SWł	NEł	0cj	2200
M21	ĨD	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 1	I SEł	NWł	NWł	Ocj/Ospe	2300
M22	ĪD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec 1	I SE <sup>1</sup>	NWł	NWł	Ocj/Ospe	2400
M23	ĨD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec 1	I NW±	SEŁ	SEŁ	Ocj/Ospe	2700
M24	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 1	I SWł	NEł	SEŁ SW	Ospe/Ocj	1200

# TABLE 1. LOCATION OF SPRINGS, FORMATION FROM WHICH SPRINGS ISSUE AND DISTANCE OF SPRINGS TO NEAREST MINERALIZATION IN THE BATESVILLE AREA.

Sample	County*	Quad**	Township Range	Location	n Quarter Section	Formation <sup>4</sup>	Distance to Mineralization (in feet)
M25	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 11	SW1 NE1 SW1	Ospe/Ocj	1200
M26	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 11	SW1 NE1 SE1 SE	1 Ospe/Ocj	1400
M27	ID	BV	T14NR7W	Sec 11	SWA NEA SWA	Ospc/Ocj	100
M28	ID	ST	T14NR7W	Sec 11	SWA NWA NWA	0cj	1200
M29	ID	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 32	SEŁ NWŁ SWŁ	Ospe/Ocj	1200
M30	ID	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 31	NE1 SE1	Ospe/Ocj	2000
M31	ID	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 32	SW4 NW4	Ospe/Ocj	400
M32	ID	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 32	SW& SE& SW&	Ospe/Ocj	1200
M33	IZ	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 10	SW1 SE1	Ospe	9200
M34	IZ	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 14	NE1 NE1 SW1	Ospe/Ocj	3600
M35	IZ	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 7	SE1 SW1 NE1	Ospe/Ocj	1900
M36	IZ	ST	T15NR7W	Sec 10	SEŁ NWŁ	Ospe	7100
M37	IZ	ST	T15NR7W	Sec 9	SEA NEA SEA	Ospe	6000
M38	IZ	ST	T16NR7W	Sec 34	SEł SEł	Ospe	12600
M39	ID	<b>S</b> R	T14NR5W	Sec 19	NWA NWA NWA	Ssc/Mbn	6100
M40	ID	SR	T14NR5W	Sec 11	NE <sup>1</sup> SE <sup>1</sup>	Of/Soc	600
M41	ID	SR	T14NR5W	Sec 11	SEŁ SEŁ SWŁ	Of	1400
M42	ID	BV	T14NR6W	Sec 21	SEŁ NWŁ SEŁ	Mbn/Ocj	500
M43	ID	SR	T14NR6W	Sec 22	NE1 SW1 NW1	Of/Mbn	800
M44	ID	BD	T14NR7W	Sec 18	NW1 NE1 NE1	Ocj/Mbn	800
M45	ĪD	BD	T14NR8W	Sec 14	NE1 NW1 SW1	Ocj/S	200
M46	ĪD	BD	T14NR7W	Sec 8	SW1 SW1 NE1	S/Ocj	2000
M47	ĪD	BD	T14NR7W	Sec 8	SW1 SW1 NE1	S/Ocj	2100
M48	ĪD	MP	T14NR7W	Sec 9	NWA NWA SWA	Mbn/Ocj	600

## TABLE 1. LOCATION OF SPRINGS, FORMATION FROM WHICH SPRINGS ISSUE AND DISTANCE OF SPRINGS TO NEAREST MINERALIZATION IN THE BATESVILLE AREA. (continued)

Sample	County*	Ouad**	Township Range	Location Section	n Quarter	Section	Formation <sup>4</sup>	Distance to Mineralization (in feet)
Jumpre	county							
MAG	17	MP	T15NR7W	Sec 18	NW& NW	1	Ospe/Ocj	2400
MEO	17	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 34	SE <sup>1</sup> SE	¥ NW¥	Ospe/Ocj	800
M51	17	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 33	NW4 NW	1	Mbn/Ocj	5300
M52	17	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 28	SW1 NE	1	Mbn/Ocj	5800
MES	17	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 35	SW1 SW	1 NW1	Ospe/Ocj	1400
M54	17	MP	T15NR8W	Sec 25	NE1 NW	1 SW1	Ocj/Ospe	3200
M55	in	ST	T15NR7W	Sec 34	SE1 NW	ł SWł	0cj	1600
M56	ID	ST	T15NR6W	Sec 31	NW1 SW	1	Ospe	3300
M57	ID	ST	T15NR7W	Sec 26	NE1 NW	a SEa	Ospe	6500
M58	ÎD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec 2	NE <sup>1</sup> SE	ł SWł	Ospe/Ocj	2000
M50	TD	ST	T14NR7W	Sec 3	NE1 NE	1 SW1	0cj	2000
M60	ID	00	T15NR5W	Sec 20	NW1 SE	1	Mbn/Ospk	2200
M61	10	00	T15NR6W	Sec 26	NE <sup>1</sup> SE	1	Ospe	9900
M62	10	00	T15NR6W	Sec 26	SE1 SW	1 SE1	Ospe	8800
M63	ÎD	00	T15NR6W	Sec 26	NE <sup>1</sup> SE	1	Ospe	9300
M67	10	00	T15NR5W	Sec 30	NE <sup>1</sup> SW	1 SE1	Ospe	8400
MGE	ID	BV	T14NR6W	Sec 9	SEŁ NE	1 NW1	0cj	200
M66	ID	ST	T15NR6W	Sec 33	NE1 SW	1 NE1	0spe	3600
M67	10	ST	T15NR6W	Sec 33	NE± SW	1 SW1	Ospe	3200
M60		10	T15NR6W	Sec 35	SW1 SE	1	Mbn/Ojpk	2900
M60	SH ID	00	T15NR6W	Sec 13	SW1 SE	1 NE1 SE1	Ospe	1900
M70	511 511	20	T15NR6W	Sec 13	SW1 SE	1 NE1 NE1	Ospe	1800
M71	511		T15NR6W	Sec 10	NW1 NE	1 SE1	Ospe	14800
M72	511	00	T15NR5W	Sec 17	SW1 SE	1	Ojpk	2500
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# TABLE 1. LOCATION OF SPRINGS, FORMATION FROM WHICH SPRINGS ISSUE AND DISTANCE OF SPRINGS TO NEAREST MINERALIZATION IN THE BATESVILLE AREA. (continued)

# TABLE 1. LOCATION OF SPRINGS, FORMATION FROM WHICH SPRINGS ISSUE AND DISTANCE OF SPRINGS TO NEAREST MINERALIZATION IN THE BATESVILLE AREA. (continued)

Sample	County*	Quad**	Township Range	Location Section	n Quarte	r Section	Formation <sup>#</sup>	Distance to Mineralization (in feet)
M73 M74 M75	SH ID ID	CC ST ST	T15NR5W T15NR6W T15NR6W	Sec 18 Sec 33 Sec 33	NE4 S SE4 N SE4 N	SEŁ NWŁ IWŁ SEŁ IWŁ NWŁ	Ospe Ospe Ospe	2100 2700 2000
* ID = ** BD = MP = / Ospe Oj = Op = Ok = Of = Oc =	Independer Bethesda I Mt. Pleas = St. Petr Joachim L Plattin L Kimmswick Fernvale I Cason Sha	nce IZ = 3V = Bates ant ST = er Sandsto imestone Limestone Limestone le	Izard SH = Shan sville CC = Cave Sandtown SR = S one and Everton L e	°p ≩City Sulfur Ro .imestone	ock e Ojpk		0jc	
Ssc = Slsc S = S Mbn = / = C	= St. Clai = Laffert Silurian = Boone Ch contact	r Limeston y Limeston ert	ne ne and St. Clair	Limesto	ne			

## TABLE 2. LOCATION OF SPRINGS, FORMATION FROM WHICH SPRINGS ISSUE AND DISTANCE OF SPRINGS TO NEAREST MINERALIZATION IN PEYTON CREEK (P) PHOSPHATE AREA, BERRYVILLE (B) PYRITE AREA, MORROW (C) LEAD-ZINC AREA AND FRIENDSHIP CREEK (F) URANIUM AREA.

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Sample	County	* Quad**		Location			Formation <sup>4</sup>	Distance
P76	SY	LE	T13NR14W	Sec 6	SW1 S	Mł	Pch/Mp	4600
P77	SY	LE	T13NR14W	Sec 6	SW1 S	Eł	Pch/Mp	4700
P78	VB	LE	T13NR15W	Sec 13	NE <sup>1</sup> N	Eł	Pch/Pmm	5800
P79	VB	LE	T13NR15W	Sec 11	NE1 S	El	Pch	2200
P80	VB	LE	T13NR15W	Sec 11	NE <sup>1</sup> S	El	Pch	2000
P81	SY	LE	T13NR15W	Sec 12	NW1 N	Al	Mp/Pch	1000
P82	SY	LE	T14NR15W	Sec 26	SW1 N	Eł	Mfb	1200
P83	SY	LE	T14NR15W	Sec 17	SEŁ N	NA	Mfb/Mp	17900
B84	CL	GV	T20NR25W	Sec 1	NW1 S	Eł	0c	3300
B85	CL	GV	T20NR25W	Sec 1	NE1 S	44	0c	3500
B86	CL	GV	T20NR25W	Sec 12	NE1 N	11	0c	0
B87	CL -	GV	T20NR24W	Sec 7	SW1 S	NA NWA	0c	3300
B88	CL	GV	T20NR25W	Sec 13	SEŁ N	11	0c	8000
B89	CL	GV	T20NR24W	Sec 5	SE <sup>1</sup> S	11	0c	4500
<b>B90</b>	CL	GV	T21NR24W	Sec 26	NW1 SI	14	0c	25700
B91	EA	CL	T20NR26W	Sec 15	NW1 N	E4	0c	40000
C92	WN	EV	T14NR32W	Sec 31	SW1 N	17	Pch/Phb	5200
C93	WN	EV	T13NR32W	Sec 6	NW <sup>1</sup> S	4	Pch/Phb	8200
C94	WN	EV	T13NR32W	Sec 5	NW1 SI	11	Pch/Mpfb	9600
C95	WN	LN	T14NR32W	Sec 4	NW1 SI	1	Pbh/Mpfb	28500
F96	WN	SA	T18NR23W	Sec 35	SEŁ SI	Et NEt	MDc/Mbn	5800
F97	WN	SA	T18NR29W	Sec 36	SEŁ SI	EA NEA	MDc/Mbn	2500
F98	WN	SA	T17NR29W	Sec 3	SE1 SI	Et NEt	Mbv/Mbn	12700
F99	WN	SA	T17NR29W	Sec 4	SW4 NI	14	Mbn	21000
* CL :	= Carroll	SY = Searcy	VB = Van Buren	WN = Washington				

\*\* EA = Eureka Springs EV = Evansville GV = Grandview LE = Leslie LN = Lincoln SA = Sonora
# Mbn = Boone Limestone Mbv = Batesville Sandstone MDc = Chattanooga Shale Mfb = Fayetteville
Shale and Boone Limestone Mmm = Middle Morrow Group Mp = Pitkin Limestone Oc = Cotter Chert
Pbh = Brentwood Limestone and Hale Formation Pch = Cane Hill Formation.

There are not many published studies concerning the use of groundwater chemistry in mineral exploration, the main thrust of this study. A few papers have been published concerning hydrogeochemical exploration for lead-zinc deposits (Steele, 1984 & 1983; Deering, 1982; Vales and Jurak, 1969 and Ginzburg, 1960) and many papers have been concerned with hydrogeochemical exploration for uranium (e.g., Langmuir and Chatham, 1980). Therefore, much of this present study is frontier-type investigation

#### METHODS AND PROCEDURES

Temperature, pH, conductivity and total alkalinity as mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub> were determined in the field on raw water samples. The temperature measurements were not made in the springs but were made while conductivity was determined. Thus, the temperatures do not always reflect aquifer temperatures. A one liter sample and a 500 milliliter sample were filtered through a 0.4 micron pore-size membrane using a freon-pressurized unit. The one liter sample was acidified with three milliliters of 1:1 nitric acid for cation analyses in the laboratory. The 500 milliliter sample was refrigerated for anion, silica and ammonia analyses also at the laboratory.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, 1982) Hach Chemical Company (1976) and Standard Methods (APHA, 1975) methods were used for analyses. See Table 3 for summary of the analytical methods used. Table 4 gives the precision and detection limits for the analyses.

Springs were located from U.S. Geological Survey topographic

TABLE 3.	SUMMARY OF ANALYTICA	METHODS. THE	METHOD USED IS	INDICATED IN ( )	IF NO ( ), THEN
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Parameter		Method
Temperature		thermometer
pH a		pH meter
Specific Conductivity		conductivity meter
Total alkalinity		titration to methyl red end point with 0.02N sulfuric acid (APHA, 1975).
NO3		colorimetry cadmium reduction (Hach, 1976)
NHa		colorimetry phenate (APHA, 1975)
$PO_{4}$ (ortho, dissolved)		colorimetry ascorbic acid (Hach, 1976)
so <sub>4</sub>		colorimeter turbidimetric (Hach, 1976)
C1		colorimetry Mercuric nitrate (Hach, 1976)
Si0 <sub>2</sub>		colorimetry silicomolybdate (Hach, 1976)
Ca, Mg	AAS*	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> -N <sub>2</sub> O flame, CsCl added
Sr AAS <sup>3</sup>	* or	flame emission $C_2H_2-N_2O$ flame, CsCl added
Na, K, Li		flame emission H <sub>2</sub> -air flame, CsCl added
Zn, Pb, Cd, Fe, Cu, Ni, Co, Mn		C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> -air flame chelation - extraction method of Nix and Goodwin, 1974.

\*AAS atomic absorption spectrometry.

	Variable	Precision	<b>Detection Limits</b>	Limits
Temperature	°C	± 0.5	0.50	
Specific Conductance	µmhos/cm at 25°C	± 5	2.00	
Alkalinity	ppm CaCO <sub>3</sub>	± 5	5	
рН		± 0.1	.01	$5 - 9^{1}$
P04 <sup>-3</sup>	as P ppm	± 0.02	.01	
c1 <sup>-</sup>	ppm	± 0.30	.30	250 <sup>2</sup>
NH4+	as N ppm	± 0.02	.01	0.5 <sup>2</sup>
SiO <sub>2</sub>	ppm	± 2.00	0.20	
s04 <sup>-2</sup>	ppm	± 5.0	2.0	250 <sup>2</sup>
NO3	as N ppm	± 0.5	.02	10 <sup>1</sup>
Cd	ррb	± 10%	1	
Zn	ррb	± 10%	2	5000 <sup>1</sup>
РЬ	ppb	± 10%	5	50 <sup>1</sup>
Fe	ррЬ	± 10%	10	300 <sup>1</sup>

TABLE 4. VARIABLE, PRECISION, DETECTION LIMITS AND RECOMMENDED LIMITS (for drinking water) FOR WATER CHEMISTRY PARAMETERS.

	Variable	Precision	<b>Detection Limits</b>	Limits
Cu	ppb	± 10%	1	
Ni	ppb	± 10%	4	
Со	ppb	± 10%	5	_
Mn	ррЬ	± 10%	2	50 <sup>1</sup>
Na	ppm	± 10%	0.1	
К	ppm	± 10%	0.1	
Sr	ppm	± 10%	0.002	
Ca	ppm	± 10%	1	200 <sup>3</sup>
Mg	ppm	± 10%	0.05	150 <sup>3</sup>

TABLE 4. VARIABLE, PRECISION, DETECTION LIMITS AND RECOMMENDED LIMITS (for drinking water) FOR WATER CHEMISTRY PARAMETERS. (continued)

<sup>1</sup>EPA (1976) <sup>2</sup>Public Health Service (1962) <sup>3</sup>World Health Organization (1971)

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PENN	Mor Gre	Hale fm.(undiff.)	Prairie Grove Cane Hill
SSISSIPPIAN		Pitkin ls. Fayetteville sh. Batesville ss. Ruddell sh. Moorefield fm. Boone fm.	Wedington ss. Hindsville ls.
MIR		Chattanooga sh.	Sylamore ss.
DEVONIAN		Penters chert	
SILURIAN		Lafferty ls. St. Clair ls. Brassfield ls.	
		Cason sh.	
		Fernvale ls.	
		Kimmswick ls.	
_		Plattin ls.	
CIAN		Joachim dol.	
IVOD		Everton fm.	
OR		Powell dol.	
		Cotter dol.	
		Jefferson City dol.	
		Roubidoux fm.	
		Gasconade-Van Buren fm.(undiff.)	Gunter
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Figure 2. Generalized stratigraphic column for northern Arkansas. From Caplan (1957). =:....====-~~~~

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The dominant Silurian formations in the Batesville district are the St. Clair and Lafferty Formations. The upper and lower most parts of the St. Clair are composed of thin-bedded calcilutite consisting mostly of well-cemented, fine-grained calcite; whereas, the middle unit is a calcirudite which contains accessory minerals which include manganese minerals, pyrite, fluorite, and glauconite (McGowen 1981) The Lafferty is composed of thin-bedded, compact, finegrained, earthy limestone. The contact between the St. Clair and Lafferty is gradational (Miser, 1940).

The Boone Formation in Figure 2 includes the St. Joe Formation. The St. Joe is a thinly bedded, coarse-grained calcarenite. Minor manganiferous minerals are present in the St. Joe in the Batesville district. The Boone Formation, Mississippian in age, is composed mainly of chert in the Batesville area, but also contains limestone with a little sandstone and shale (McMahon, 1957)

Although structural features are subtle in the district, anticlines, synclines, basins, arches, and faults are present (Miser, 1940). However, as a whole this district has undergone little deformation, having been warped slightly by minor folds and broken by a few normal faults (Gordon, 1944). The more prominent faults are in the southwestern part of the district and generally trend east-northeast (McGowen, 1981).

#### Mineralization

Manganese ore was first produced from the Batesville district in 1849 and continued until 1953, although mining was not continuous

during that period. All mining operation ended with cessation of the government stockpiling program of the 1950's. During that period about 196,000 long tons of ore of at least 35 percent manganese and 236,000 tons of 10-35 percent ferruginous manganese ore were mined at 189 mines and prospects (Kline and Ryan, 1956). Prospects, mines and springs are shown in Figure 3

Host rocks of the primary mineralization are the Fernvale Limestone and, to a limited extent, the Cason Shale and St. Joe Limestone. The manganese ore of the Batesville district consists mainly of oxides, six of which were identified by Branner (1940) as psilomelane, K  $(Mn^{+2},Mn^{+4})_8 0_{16}$ ; hausmannite,  $Mn^{+2}Mn^{+4}0_4$ ; manganite,  $Mn_20_3$  H<sub>2</sub>0; pyrolusite,  $Mn0_2$ ; and wad, nMn0 H<sub>2</sub>0. Coffey (1981) has identified additional manganese minerals of lithiophorite,  $Li_2Mn^{+2}Al_8Mn^{+4}0_{35}$  14H<sub>2</sub>0; braunite, Ca  $(Mn,Fe)_{14}^{+3}Si0_{24}$ ; bixbyite,  $(Mn,Fe)_20_3$  and rancieite,  $(Ca,Mn^{+2})Mn_4^{+4}0_9$  '3H<sub>2</sub>0. In addition to the oxides, the manganese carbonate, rhodochrosite,  $MnC0_3$ ; and the manganese silicates of bemenite,  $Mn_8Si_60_{15}(OH)_{10}$ , and neotocite,  $Mn_2Fe_2Si_40_{13}$  '6H<sub>2</sub>0 have also been identified by Miser (1922) and McMahan (1957). The primary minerals in their order of abundance are oxides, carbonates and silicates (Kline and Ryan, 1956)

The principle types of manganese deposits in this district are:

 Unaltered or slightly altered deposits of the primary minerals rhodochrosite, hausmannite, and braunite. These minerals are disseminated in the Cason Shale and the upper 15 to 50 feet of the Fernvale Limestone and the St. Joe Limestone under the protective



mantle of densely bedded Boone chert.

2. Irregularly distributed deposits of secondary oxides in residual clay caused by the weathering of the Cason Shale and the Fernvale Limestone. The deposits are in place under shattered and partly weathered Boone chert (Miser, 1922).

3. Deposits in residual clay and talus usually representing both vertical slumpage and downslope creep of secondary oxide deposits.

4. Placer deposits (Miser, 1922).

Stroud (1964) and McMahon (1957) suggest that synclines within the district were favorable sites of deposition for manganese mineralization with the structural high being unfavorable. McGowen

1981 concluded that these synclinal areas contain the greatest concentration of manganese and he also concluded the important synclines are confined to the west Lafferty basin in the southwestern part of Izard County and to the Glen Creek basin located on the southwest flank of the East Lafferty arch in the southwestern part of Independence county.

Water Quality

The spring water in the Batesville area is primarily a calciumbicarbonate type water with a hardness value of about 150 mg/L as  $CaCO_3$  on the average; however, several of the springs (e.g., M66-M75) contain considerable magnesium and would be classed as calcium-magnesium, bicarbonate type water (Tables 5 and 5A). These values are consistant with the fact that most of the springs issue from carbonate rock or the contact between carbonate rock, and shale or sand-

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H20	11/26/83	15.0	216	155	7.3	0.06	1.6	-0.01	0.12	6.2	14.1	
M21	11/26/83	14.0	146	75	7.3	-0.01	3.6	-0.01	0.19	14.8	8.3	
H22	11/26/83	14.0	145	268	7.0	0.11	4.0	-0.01	0.74	8.5	10.5	
M23	11/26/83	15.0	140	258	7.2	0.02	4.4	-0.01	0.74	10.1	8.6	
H24	11/26/83	16.0	313	190	7.2	0.03	3.1	-0.01	0.94	8.5	14.1	
N25	11/26/83	15.0	185	330	7.1	0.07	3.1	-0.01	1.09	7.6	14.1	
H26	11/26/83	16.0	215	378	7.1	0.20	3.6	-0.01	0.91	10.1	14.5	
H27	11/26/83	15.0	195	336		0.14	3.3	-0.01	0.98	8.5	16.0	
H28	11/26/83	16.0	330	205	7.7	0.07	3.6	-0.01	0.88	8.5	14.1	
H29	11/26/83	26.0	235	160	7.5	0.06	4.2	-0.01	0.14	10.1	15.0	
M30	11/26/83	14.0	171	75	5.7	0.20	3.1	-0.01	1.14	10.1	9.6	
M31	11/26/83	14.0	366	210	6.5	0.10	2.2	0.15	1.14	8.5	14.1	
N32	11/26/83	14.0	458	255	6.2	0.06	0.9	0.44	0.14	8.5	11.4	
M33	01/13/84	14.0	238	135	7.2	-0.01	5.5	0.04	0.60	11.2	11.6	
834	01/13/84	6.0	117	60	7.7	0.03	10.0	0.06	0.01	12.5		
M35	01/13/84	13.0	125	186	7.0	0.03	1.3	0.07	0.83	10.1	18.8	
M36	01/13/84	13.0	223	140	6.8	0.01	2.5	0.05	0.86	10.6	16.7	
M37	01/13/84	11.0	269	155	6.5	0.01	4.0	0.06	0.80	11.9	12.3	
M38	01/13/84	10.0	234	145	6.6	0.04	4.8	0.11	0.78	10.1	17.8	

#### TABLE 5. SPRING WATER FIELD AND ANION ANALYSES FOR THE BATESVILLE DIS-TRICT. ID-SAMPLE NUMBER COND-SPECIFIC CONDUCTIVITY, MICROMHOS/CM 25 C ALK-ALKALINITY, MG/L AS CACO3 NO3-NO3 AS N, MG/L. ALL OTHER MEASUREMENTS ARE GIVEN IN MG/L EXCEPT FOR PH. MISSING VALUES ARE INDICATED BY (.) AND VALUES BELOW DETECTION LIMITS ARE INDICATED BY MINUS (-) SIGNS.

10	DATE	TEMP	COND	ALK	PH	P04	CL	NH4	KO3	S04	\$102
M39	01/14/84	12.0	176	100	7.2	0.05	2.5	0.05	80.0	10.1	13.0
M40	01/14/84	12.0	315	180	7.0	0.20	4.3	0.17	0.10	13.6	17.8
841	01/14/84	4.5	144	80	7.3	0.05	9.5	0.01	0.14	10.1	12.6
M42	01/14/84	11.0	179	110	7.5	0.06	4.8	0.06	0.22	11.9	12.8
H43	01/14/84	12.0	290	135	7.1	0.17	2.8	0.10	0.11	10.6	15.8
844	01/14/84	4.0	227	25	7.6	0.01	53.5	-0.01	0.18	17.7	13.0
N45	01/14/84	7.0	367	180	•	0.05	6.0	0.02	0.32	13.6	10.7
N46	04/12/84	21.0	313	245	6.6	0.20	1.2	0.07	0.08	8.5	9.2
H47	04/12/84	16.0	177	85	7.0	-0.01	4.4	0.07	0.58	10.1	10.2
M48	04/12/84	20.0	154	80	7.8	0.33	4.7	0.07	0.38	12.5	11.3
H49	04/12/84	14.0	207	125	6.2	0.04	3.0	;0.07	0.27	10.1	9.2
M50	04/12/85	8.0	221	115	7.4	0.03	3.0	0.06	0.36	7.6	10.6
M51	04/13/84	20.0	55	30	7.5	0.06	7.7	0.12	0.17	10.1	10.6
M52	04/13/84	18.0	171	100	6.6	0.01	4.7	0.11	0.88	10.1	9.9
N53	04/13/84	18.0	376	230	7.2	0.14	2.1	0.11	0.35	11.2	12.4
854	04/13/84	16.0	295	150	7.2	0.05	1.4	0.09	0.35	10.6	7.0
N55	04/13/84	18.0	3	10	7.8	0.03	1.9	0.09	·0.02	11.2	9.9
M56	04/13/84	21.0	194	110	•	0.11	1.9	0.10	0.27	10.1	8.6
M57	04/13/84	16.0	106	5	6.4	0.02	12.8	0.12	1.09	10.1	7.9

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ID	DATE	TEMP	COND	ALK	PH	P04	CL	NH4	NO3	S04	SI02
M58	04/13/84	18.0	342	185	6.8	0.16	2.8	0.11	0.64	11.2	7.9
N59	04/13/84	17.0	290	180	6.2	0.10	3.0	0.10	0.80	8.5	12.8
M60	06/11/84	11.0	288	105	7.8	0.01	11.0	-0.01	0.70	9.2	12.2
M61	06/11/84	18.0	251	160	7.5	0.17	2.3	0.78	0.22	7.4	11.8
M62	06/11/84	14.0	289	180	7.6	0.15	2.8	0.66	0.70	5.7	14.0
M63	06/11/84	15.0	252	150	8.0	-0.01	1.6	0.64		6.3	11.4
M64	06/11/84	17.0	81	45	7.1	-0.01	2.4	-0.01	0.42	10.3	9.8
M65	06/11/84	12.0	271	150	8.0	0.05	1.5	-0.01	0.08	9.8	11.8
M66	06/11/84	26.0	294	170	8.3	0.03	2.3	-0.01	0.17	7.4	9.8
H67	06/11/84	26.0	289	165	8.4	0.05	2.0	0.08	0.18	7.9	9.1
M68	06/11/84	25.0	400	295	8.3	0.02	3.3	-0.01	0.22	9.2	14.0
M69	06/12/84	14.0	317	155	6.5	0.84	4.0	-0.01	0.10	10.3	18.4
H70	06/12/84	21.0	356	210	7.1	1.90	10.5	0.01	0.10	9.8	13.5
M71	06/12/84	12.5	331	165	7.7	0.74	2.5	0.05	0.07	9.2	11.8
H72	06/12/84	17.0	336	165	7.1	3.62	11.0	-0.01	0.06	6.3	14.9
N73	06/12/84	16.0	260	85	7.1	1.60	3.5	0.01	0.06	4.2	9.1
H74	06/12/84	17.0	331	165	7.6	1.39	2.0	-0.01	0.01	11.0	9.8
N75	06/12/84	17.0	371	175	7.5	1.30	2.5	-0.01	0.05	9.8	11.8
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	MN	FE		CO		ZN	CD				MG	
101	108	21				-3		2.0	70		3.5	0.070
MOZ	670	71	30			25		.5	2.00	04.0	2.3	0.054
M03	20							3.0	.00	18.0	.5	0.039
104	27		-5					.1	0.80	.0	5.3	0.020
M05	33							5.0	0.70		4.3	0.040
106					24			3.	.20	16.0	5.3	0.040
M07		-8		-3	10			5.0	2.60	12.0	2.6	0.036
108			-5					2.3	1.	12.0	3.	0.038
N09		427			20				0.40	.0	30.7	0.034
M10			-5					3.3	0.70	23.0	.9	0.019
								3.5	.00	.0	.6	0.045
H12	907	958	51					3.3	3.	30.0	- 1	0.021
Ml								10.0	.20	45	.5	0.039
	164	327	25			254		7.2	1.00	8.0	.5	0.021
								2.8	2.30	74.0	14.	0.047
M16					20			2.4	0.90		3.8	0.050
						30		5.3	2.00		3.	0.026
M18								3.1	1.	• 8	3.1	0.030
W18							-1	3.	0.07	46.0		0.027

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ID	MN	FE	NI	CO	CU	PB	ZN	CD	NA	ĸ	CA	MG	SR
M20	4	56	49	3	7	5	15	2	2.2	0.9	51	2.4	0.026
M21	4	13	6	-3	3	13	10	2	1.3	0.6	20	7.6	0.019
H22	6	47	-5	3	5	5	3	-2	2.8	1.3	39	12.8	0.033
H23	6	15	-5	-3	7	10	ં ૩	-2	2.8	1.2	39	13.2	0.030
H24	141	35	3	14	3	38	23	6	2.5	1.0	76	5.0	0.036
N25	13	31	-5	-3	7	15	14	1	2.5	0.7	102	4.2	0.033
M26	32	71	-5	3	5	25	8	1	2.5	1.0	70	8.8	0.039
H27	4	21	9	8	13	30	19	5	2.7	0.9	70	4.1	0.036
M28	64	24	19	8	10	21	16	5	2.4	0.8	70	4.7	0.039
M29	150	59	19	3	17	38	27	6	2.4	0.7	64	3.8	0.039
M30	10	13	9	3	7	13	12	4	1.6	2.3	28	6.2	0.019
N31	15	47	-5	3	2	5	5	1	1.6	0.6	69	6.8	0.036
M32	11	8	-5	3	7	10	19	-1	1.6	0.7	80	21.6	0.047
M33	20	47	-5	-3	7	10	17	2	2.2	1.0	39	12.0	0.030
H34	11	55	10	З	9	30	11	1	0.8	0.3	20	6.6	0.017
N35	3	47	5	3	16	20	19	1	1.6	0.6	25	11.8	0.021
M36	-2	-4	-3	-3	-3	-5	3	-2	1.4	0.6	29	14.6	0.027
M37	-2	31	-5	3	5	10	3	1	2.4	1.3	33	16.4	0.030
M38	12	13	3	3	3	13	12	3	3.5	2.6	29	15.4	0,036

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I D	MN	FE	NI	CO	CU	PB	ZN	CD	NA	K	CA	MG	SR
M39	Z	47	5	3	14	10	5	1	2.5	1.2	38	3.0	0.030
N40	3	7	-3	-3	3	5	27	-2	2.4	0.3	80	1.1	0.027
N41	6	18	6	3	З	21	15	6	2.0	1.5	34	1.2	0.021
N42	3	10	-3	3	3	5	7	2	3.5	1.5	36	2.6	0.026
N43	4	7	-3	3	-3	-5	7	-2	1.9	0.9	62	2.2	0.030
844	6	13	3	-3	3	-5	6	-2	30.0	1.4	10	3.0	0.019
N45	18	13	3	3	3	13	10	-2	2.2	0.7	66	3.7	0.039
N46	-2	26	5	-3	5	5	5	-1	1.0	0.5	90	0.1	0.034
847	-2	20	-5	-3	5	5	-3	-1	3.4	2.0	29	2.0	0.033
M48	198	108	40	20	2	71	19	4	2.4	1.4	27	1.3	0.044
H49	30	26	10	6	9	20	11	1	1.8	0.9	28	8.8	0.036
M50	6	13	-5	-3	7	-5	3	-1	1.8	1.1	39	2.0	0.024
M51	3	26	-5	-3	2	-5	-3	-1	1.0	0.9	7	0.1	0.024
N52	30	37	6	5	-2	8	4	1	1.6	1.1	33	1.1	0.032
M53	7	30	-6	5	2	4	14	1	1.4	0.6	85	2.5	0.046
854	10	15	6	2	2	-4	29	1	1.4	0.7	42	15.2	0.032
H55	-1	28	-6	2	7	-4	11	1	1.2	0.5	2	0.1	0.018
N56	39	-8	-6	2	2	-4	4	-1	1.4	0.3	26	10.4	0.022
N57	39	-8	6	13	2	4	14	-1	7.4	0.9	-1	5.9	0,024

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ID	MN	FE	NI	CO	CU	PB	ZN	CD	NA	к	CA	MG	SR
M58	5	15	-6	5	2	8	5	-1	1.6	0.4	59	15.2	0.044
M59	4	15	-6	5	2	4	7	1	1.8	0.6	64	2.0	0.046
M60	2	8	-6	2	2	-4	4	-1	6.2	1.5	50	6.3	0.024
M61	1	8	-6	-2	2	8	6	-1	1.4	0.6	32	16.0	0.026
M62	-1	8	-6	-2	2	13	4	1	1.4	0.8	34	16.8	0.031
M63	7	8	-2	-4	1	1	-1	-1	1.0	0.8	29	16.0	0.042
H64	1	-8	-6	-2	2	-4	3	-1	1.8	1.0	7	4.1	0.020
M65	32	15	12	5	2	21	8	1	2.1	1.3	50	4.1	0.030
M66	11	15	6	-2	2	13	4	-1	2.1	1.1	37	17.2	0.034
M67	67	22	23	2	-2	13	5	-1	1.6	0.9	37	17.6	0.032
M68	75	15	17	5	-2	30	8	2	2.1	0.6	61	20.8	0.040
M69	4	8	12	-2	2	13	10	1	2.1	0.9	26	16.8	0.025
M70	2	-8	-6	2	2	13	4	-1	5.1	0.8	45	23.6	0.044
N71	-1	-8	-6	-2	2	13	8	1	1.4	0.9	39	20.0	0.034
M72	4	8	17	-2	7	13	11	-1	10.0	3.1	36	16.8	0.048
H73	4	8	6	2	2	4	6	4	1.8	0.6	31	13.2	0.038
N74	2	-8	-6	2	2	4	3	-1	1.4	0.6	42	16.4	0.044
M75	5	8	-6	2	2	8	7	1	1.8	1.2	41	20.8	0.042

stone.

Generally the spring water of this area is of good quality based on the chemical analyses performed. However, 11 springs out of 75, exceed drinking water imits (Tables 4, 5 and 5A). All 11 springs (Number 1, 2, 9, 12, 14, 24, 28, 29, 48, 67 and 69) exceed the limits for manganese and/or iron. It should be noted, however, that the manganese and iron imits are set because of staining problems rather than for health reasons. Additionally spring 48 with a lead concentration of 71 ppb exceeds the 50 ppb drinking water limit (Tables 4 and 5A).

Comparison of Water Chemistry

Although there is an overall general similarity of the spring water chemistry in the Batesville district and other carbonate areas there are some slight differences. Tables 6 and 6A give the range of values and median values for spring water samples from several areas in northern Arkansas and Joplin, Missouri. The Ponca, Rush, Zinc and Joplin areas are all lead-zinc mineralized areas. Also it should be noted that data for carbonate units 1 and 2 are based on unfiltered water Tables 6 and 6A).

The Batesville district spring water is slightly higher in orthophosphate, based on median values, than the other areas listed in Table 6. This slightly higher phosphate value might be indicative of some contamination; however, as ammonia, chloride and nitrate values do not appear to be elevated, this interpretation does not seem warranted. Another explanation of the slightly higher phosphate could

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TABLE 6. COMPARISON OF SPRING WATER FIELD AND ANION DATA. THE TOP VALUES ARE THE RANGE AND THE BOTTOM VALUE IS THE MEDIAN VALUE. SEE FOOTNOTE FOR JOPLIN DATA. NUMBERS IN ( ) ARE THE NUMBER OF SAMPLES FROM EACH AREA.

Area	Specific Cond. 25 C	Alkalinity as mg/l CaCO <sub>3</sub>	рН	PO4 <sup>-3</sup> as P ppm	C1 <sup>-</sup> ppmį	NH <sup>+</sup> as <sup>4</sup> N ppm	SiO ppm <sup>2</sup>	SO <sup>T</sup> ppm	NO3 as N ppm
Ponca <sup>1</sup> (48)	12-447 302	15-358 183	5.2-8.0 7.4	<.0147 .01	.6-4.3 2.0	<.01-1.56 .07	3.1-7.8	<5.0-23.5 5.9	<.02-1.30 .14
Rush'(52)	136-546 348	70-410 195	6.8-8.3 7.6	<.0117 <.01	.9-45.1 4.2	<.0150 .02	4.2-7.9 5.9	<5.0-55.0 8.5	<.03-20.23 .33
Zinc <sup>1</sup> (43)	168-552 348	90-315 205	6.5-7.8 7.3	<.0107 .01	1.3-6.5 2.2	<.01-2.34 .04	4.6-8.5 7.0	<4.2-11.9 5.0	<.02-2.20 .'3
Northern Arkansa Carbonate unit 1 (16)	s <sup>2</sup> 192-451 270	85-207 140	7.0-8.4 7.5		1.5-16.0 3.4	0	6.0-11.0 7.4	<.4-9.0 2.5	.02-13.0 3.4
Carbonate unit 2 (15)	320-600 329	140-282 169	7.6-8.4 7.9		1.5-4.2 3.5		8.2-14.0 11.1	<.4-8.0 2.2	1.4 - 3.9 2.6
Joplin <sup>3</sup> (3)	-	136	7.2	-	-	-			
Washington <sup>4</sup> Co., AR (10)	-		-	<.0109 .01	-	-			11.0-4.6 5.6
Batesville <sup>5</sup> (75)	3-510 252	5-378 155	5.7-8.9 7.2	<.01-3.62 .06	2.9-53.5 3.3	<.0178 .05	7-18.8 12.8	4.2-17.7 10.1	.01-2.00 .34
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5<sup>Data</sup> from Coughlin (1975). Data from this study.

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Area	Zn	РЬ	Cd	Fe	Mn	Nі	Со	Cu	Na	K	Са	Mg	Sr
	ppb	ррЬ	ppb	ppb	ppb	ррь	ррь	ppb	ppm	ppm	ррш	ppm	ppb
Ponca <sup>1</sup> (48)	<1- 63 10	<4-100 13	<1-2 2	<3.373 18	<1- 57 4	<3-33 11	<1-27 4	<2-13 3	.1-6.7	.4-1.4 7	2-98 65	.5-11.9 2.4	22-272 42
Rush (52)	4-252	<4-40	<1-3	<3-36	<3-22	<1 <b>-16</b>	<1-18	<2-11	.8-20.0	.4-4.1	22-118	.7-34.5	17- 90
	12	6	2	6	<4	5	8	<3	1.9	.7	64	1.6	41
Zinc <sup>1</sup> (43)	6-214	<8-48	<2-6	<11-50	<1-97	<4-18	<5-21	<2-2	1.2-4.2	.5-2.5	35-100	1.1-30.8	22-70
	25	24	<2	12	4	7	9	<6	1.8	1.0	68	3.1	46
North. Arkansas Carbonate Unit (16)	2			<10-200 30	<10-10 <10	-	-	-	1.6-12.0 2.0	.6-1.5 .8	41-105 52	.9-10.0 1.2	
Carbonate Unit (15)	2 -			<10-100 80	- <10	-			1.8-2.0 2.0	.8-1.5 1.2	26-65 53	5.2-37.0 25.0	
Joplin <sup>3</sup> (3)	200	6		11	-	-		1.5	-	-			
Wash Co, AR <sup>4</sup>	<2-381	<1-2	<.2-1.0	<1-46	< 4-36	<2-5	2-6	<1-9	3-18	.9-3.5	30-75	1-2	25-41
(10)	20	<1	<1	<2	1	<2	4	<1	5	1.8	54	2	38
Batesville <sup>5</sup>	<1-254	1-80	<1-15	2 <del>-</del> 958	<1-907	1-49	1-29	1-20	.8-30.0	.1-3.7	<1-111	.1-30.7	17-70
(75)	10	10	1	15	6	3	3	2	2.2	0.9	39	5.0	33

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) Joata from Steele (1983). Spata from Lammonds and Stepphens (1959) Data from Proctor et al., (1977). Average values for alkalinity and pH. Maximum values for metals. Joata from Coughlin (1975). 5 Data from this study.

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- 2.  $(H^+_{++})$   $(CO_{3}^{-}-)/(HCO_{3}) = 100^{-10}.3^{3} = (100^{-7}.2) (COO_{3}^{-7})/(1012.5^{-5}) (COO_{3}^{-7})/(1012.5^{-5}) (COO_{3}^{-7})/(1012.5^{-5}) = 100^{-10}.3 \times 1002.5/10/102^{-7} = 10^{-5}.6$

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$$(Mn^{2+}_{2+})$$
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Element	<u>Mn</u>	Fe	Ni	Со	Cu	Pb	Zn	Cd
Threshold	32	186	14	4	16	41	46	9
# of Anomalous Springs	17	3	11	9	3	2	2	2
# of Anomalous Springs Without Mn Anomalies		0	2	3	1	0	1	1

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TABLE 8.	RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NUMBER OF	ANOMALOUS S	SPRINGS AND	DISTANCE T	O NEAREST	MINERALIZATION
	IN THE BATESVILLE DISTRICT.					

	Distance to N	earest Mineralization (f	eet)
	0-2000	2000-4000	>4000
Number of Anomalous Springs	15	7	3
Number of Springs	34	26	15
Percent Anomalous Springs	44	27	20

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402	670	11	30	e	٢	30	25	m	300	1
80H	33	18	ç	e	6.	5	15	2	1000	2
90H	10	15	ŝ	e	2	24	73	2	1600	2
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01N	-7	-8	5	6-	2	-5	Ÿ	15	9200	1
TTN	4	13	14	9	61	17	14	4	9800	2
412	106	958	11	29	20	80	32	14	3900	2
N13	47	13	6	Ē	Ĩ	S	11	•	1300	þ
414	164	327	25	9	ŝ	10	254	2	800	1
N18	4	٢	14	9	6-	21	8	•	400	9
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M28	64	24	19	8	10	21	16	2	1200	1
M29	150	59	19	m	11	38	27	Q	1200	2
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N48	198	108	10	20	2	11	19	4	600	2
M56	39	- 8	-6	2	2	4	-	1	3300	2
N57	39	81	þ	13	2	4	14	1	6500	2
M65	32	15	12	2	2	21	8	T	200	1
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may never have come in contact with the mineralization) are important factors in controlling anomalous metal concentrations of the ground-water.

The latter statement above indicates that there could be a relationship between the formation from which a spring issues and anomalies. Fifty percent  $\binom{4}{8}$  of the springs from the Cotter Formation have anomalous values, 29 percent  $\binom{12}{42}$  from the St.Peter-Everton, 29 percent  $\binom{2}{7}$  from the Silurian Formations and 50 percent  $\binom{7}{14}$ from the Boone-St.Joe. Although there are not a sufficient number of springs from some of the formations to allow conclusive interpretation, there appears to be a relationship between the anomalous springs and formation (Table 9).

There are no unusually high silica values for springs in this area that would suggest a geothermal source of some of the water.

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### Four Mineralized Areas

### General Geology

There are two phosphate mineralized areas in the Peyton Creek vicinity of Highway 65 south of Leslie (Figure 7). The most southerly and less mineralized deposit is the smaller of the two and has been referred to as the Marshall deposit. The results of drilling at the Marshall deposit indicate that this deposit is associated with a black, oolitic, limestone conglomerate that marks the base of the Cane Hill Formation and in a cross-bedded brownish sandstone. The outcrop of a single continuous bed of phosphate dissipates into a series of thin, discontinous, phosphate layers at depth (Stroud, 1961).

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Figure 7. Locadation of groundwate sitestes (solid circles)s) sampled in the vicinity of the they red to be captured at posses (discledixis). Stadpie's 78, 86 and 89 are from wells and all other samples are from spingers.

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Figure 8. Location of springs (solid circles) sampled in the pyrite mineralized area near Berryville. Pyrite mineralization is located in the NW1 NE1 sec. 12, T2ON R25W; SE1 SW1 sec. 8, T2ON R24W; and in sec. 7 between these two sections.

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Figure 9. Location of springs (solid circles) sampled in the vicinity of the Morrow lead-zinc deposit (x).

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Figure 10. Location of springs (solid circles) sampled in the vicinity of the Friendship Creek uranium deposit (circled x).

groundwater. The springs (P76-P79) issuing from sandstone have lower pH values (about 5.5) and lower hardness (about 20 mg/L as  $CaCO_3$ ) whereas, those issuing from dolostone (P80-P83) have a calcium or calcium-magnesium type water with pH values about 7.1 and hardness about 300 mg/L as  $CaCO_3$  (Tables 10 and 10A).

Only one spring (B86) located in the midst of the pyrite deposit near Berryville exceeded drinking water limits, and it only exceeded limits for manganese. The spring water collected in the Berryville area is of a calcium-magnesium bicarbonate type, reflective of the Cotter Dolomite source of the groundwater. Spring F98 in the uranium (Friendship Creek) area exceeded the manganese limits, and no springs in the lead-zinc (Morrow) area exceeded the drinking water limits. The springs in the Friendship Creek and Morrow areas issue from limestone which results in calcium bicarbonate type water (Tables 10 and 10A).

Summary of Water Chemistry

Because no more than eight springs, including sites as near as possible to mineralization and background sites, were collected in the Peyton Creek, Berryville, Morrow and Friendship Creek areas, the data from these areas should not be considered as representative of a very wide area. However, with this caution in mind, the spring water chemistry from these areas will be compared below and in Tables 11 and 11A.

The spring water from Peyton Creek is lower in alkalinity, pH and calcium; and higher in silica, zing, iron, manganese, strontium and possibly sodium (Tables 11 and 11A). These observations are indicative of the presence of shale in the Peyton Creek area. Despite

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779	06/26/84	17.5	45	10	5.1	0.05	2.0	0.10	0.30	10.1	10.6
P 78	06/26/84	24.0	105	45	6.0	0.01	5.8	0.10	0.24	8.5	16.3
P 79	06/26/84	21.0	42	20	5.8	0.01	1.5	0.12	0.04	10.1	15.9
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P 8 1	06/26/84	22.0	541	30E	7.1	0.10	3.8	0.95	0.03	11.9	19.0
P 8 2	06/26/84	20.5	471	260	7.1	0.10	5.3	0.14	0.38	28.2	14.0
P 83	06/26/84	20.0	768	345	7.0	0.04	10.5	0.32	0.16	48.5	20.0
884	07/02/84	23.0	541	295	1.1	-0.01	9.2	0.01	0.87	14.1	13.3
885	07/02/84	18.0	515	300	7.0	0.01	8.3	0.01	46.0	13.0	12.8
886	07/02/84	22.0	528	305	7.2	-0.01	2.9	0.07	0.12	21.7	10.9
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889	07/02/84	24.0	610	295	7.6	E0.0	9.0	0.04	11.0	21.7	12.5
B 90	07/02/84	18.5	407	225	1.1	0.01	4.6	0.07	0.80	10.6	12.1
891	07/02/84	21.0	200	80	7.1	-0.01	10.2	0.11	1.01	17.7	10.5
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693	48/60/20	26.0	465	265	7.2	0.12	2.1	0.04	16-0	10.1	12.1
694	07/03/84	26.0	390	220	7.0	0.04	2.5	0.15	16.0	9.5	11.3
C 95	07/03/84	24.5	204	105	7.2	0.05	4.0	0.04	1.04	9.5	13.3
F96	48/40/20	23.0	356	160	1.1	0.15	7.9	0.26	1.14	9.5	11.7
F97	48/40/20	22.0	363	150	7.1	E0-0	7.9	0.09	7.50	9.5	13.3
F98	07/04/84	23.5	<b>369</b>	180	1.1	0.06	3.6	0.06	0.89	13.0	13.3
F 99	07/04/84	23.0	490	205	7.5	0.13	14.4	0.04	4.10	28.9	16.4

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F 9 7	e	4	2	4	7	10	7	1	2.6	1.2	69	3.6	0.054
F98	63	24	S	~	10	19	ŝ	2	5.8	2.7	14	2.4	0.058
F99	4	4	8	11	T	23	٢	2	14.5	1.5	87	4.6	0.104

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. 't. COMPARISON OF SPRING WATER FIELD AND ANION DATA FROM THE PHOSPHATE (PEYTON CREEK), PYRITE (BERRYVILLE), LEAD-ZINC (MORROW) AND URANIUM (FRIENDSHIP CREEK) AREAS. TOP VALUES ARE THE RANGE AND THE BOTTOM ONES ARE THE MEDIAN VALUES. NUMBERS IN ( ) ARE THE NUMBER OF SAMPLES COLLECTED FROM EACH AREA. TABLE 11.

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Berryville (8)	200-600 496	80-305 278	7.0-7.6 7.1	<.0103 2 <.01	2.9-10.2 9.1	.0111 .06	9.8-13.71 12.3	0.6-21.7 16.9	.12-1.01 .80
Morrow (4)	209-713 427	105-310 243	7.0-7.2 7.1	.0412 2	2.1-9.1 3.3	.0415 .07	11.3-16.4	9.5-10.1 9.8	.9 -9.7 1.0
Friendship Creek (4)	356-490 366	150-205 170	7.1-7.5 7.1	.0315 3	3.6-14.4 7.9	.0426 .08	11.7-16.4 13.3	9.5-28.9 11.3	.9-7.5 2.6

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Peyton Creek	7 <b>-29</b> 7	4-28	2-10	31-359	16-159	2-15	<b>4-7</b>	1 <u>-</u> 20	1.4-74.0	.2-2.0	2-140	.8-35.6	14-2333
(8)	31	6	3	55	39	8	7	4	4.8	1.1	23	4.9	226
Berryville	<1-10	6-28	1-7	8-28	7-257	5-15	4-7	1-3	2.8-5.8	.8-6.8	30-64	7.7-39.0	38-64
(8)	6	14	2	16	9	8	7	1	3.6	1.9	57	30.8	51
Morrow	<1-7	3-32	<1-5	2-16	< 1-9	1-15	2-15	<1-7	.1-4.0	.3-1.5	38-144	1.8-4.7	50-260
(4)	1	8	1	12	6	7	3	1	3.1	.8	88	3.1	103
Friendship	<1-7	10-23	1-2	4-24	3-63	2-8	4-11	<1-10	2.6-14.5	1.2-2.8	66-87	2.3-4.6	54-104
Creek (4)	5	17	2	4	4	4	6	1	5.5	2.1	72	3.0	61

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the phosphate mineralization in the area, there does not appear to be elevated phosphate contents in the spring water nor any other indication of mineralization. However, phosphate is rathter insoluble and contamination in the other areas may obscure any slight elevation of phosphate in this area.

The one sample (B86) in the midst of the pyrite deposit near Berryville had higher manganese and perhaps higher nickel values. Sample B85 may also have slightly higher nickel values (Table 11A). The sulfate values are also somewhat higher in this area (Table 11). Thus, groundwater geochemical exploration for pyrite deposits of this type appears to be worthy of additional investigation, especially using a close grid for sampling.

In the Morrow area, sample C92 with a lead concentration of 32 ppb may be reflecting the lead-zinc mineralization in the area (Table 11A). This observation plus the results of other hydrogeochemical studies in lead-zinc mineralized areas (Steele 1984 & 1983) suggests that additional investigation in the Morrow area would be of value.

Although samples from the Friendship Creek were not analyzed for uranium, it was hoped that other elements, e.g., Co and Cu, might be indicative of the mineralization (Tables 11 and 11A). There is no indication of the uranium mineralization; however, it should be noted that it occurs in an anomalous sandstone that is not widespread and therefore, the groundwater issuing from the springs of this area may not have come in contact with the uranium mineralization.

Compared with the spring water from other areas of northern Ar-

kansas (Tables 6 and 6A), the Berryville, Morrow and Friendship Creek areas' springs are apparently higher in nitrate; the Berryville and Friendship Creek areas' springs are higher in chloride; the Morrow and Friendship Creek areas' springs are higher in phosphate; and all of the areas have higher ammonia values (Tables 11 and 11A). These data indicate that these areas, especially Berryville, Morrow and Friendship Creek, are contaminated by animal and/or septic tank wastes (and possibly road salt). Note the generally lower values for phosphate, chloride, ammonia and nitrate values for the lower population (including livestock and poultry) Ponca and Rush areas. The lack of anomalously high silica values rules out any significant geothermal component of these spring waters.

## CONCLUSIONS

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Although 18 of the 99 springs exceeded drinking water limits, most of the springs exceeded only iron and/or manganese limits which were established because of staining problems. Thus, the water in these areas is generally of good chemical quality. However, there is an indication that the Berryville, Morrow, and Friendship Creek areas have higher ammonia and nitrate, chloride or phosphate concentrations than other northern Arkansas areas and these higher values may be due to higher human and animal populations which have caused contamination of the groundwater. The results of this investigation do not indicate any geothermal waters in these areas.

The potential value of hydrogeochemical exploration for phosphate, pyrite, uranium and the small lead-zinc (Morrow) deposits can not be

effectively evaluated due to the small number of springs sampled from each of these areas. However, the small size of the uranium deposit may have contributed significantly to the negative results for this area. The insolubility of the phosphate, plus possible phosphate contamination, gave negative results for the Peyton Creek area. The results from the Berryville and Morrow areas do suggest that additional research would be worthwhile in these areas.

Hydrogeochemical exploration in the Batesville district appears to be effective, with 44 percent of the springs within 2000 feet of mineralization having metal anomalies (especially manganese). Additional work in this area with particular attention to the formation from which the spring issues would be helpful in developing more complete interpretations of the data.

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