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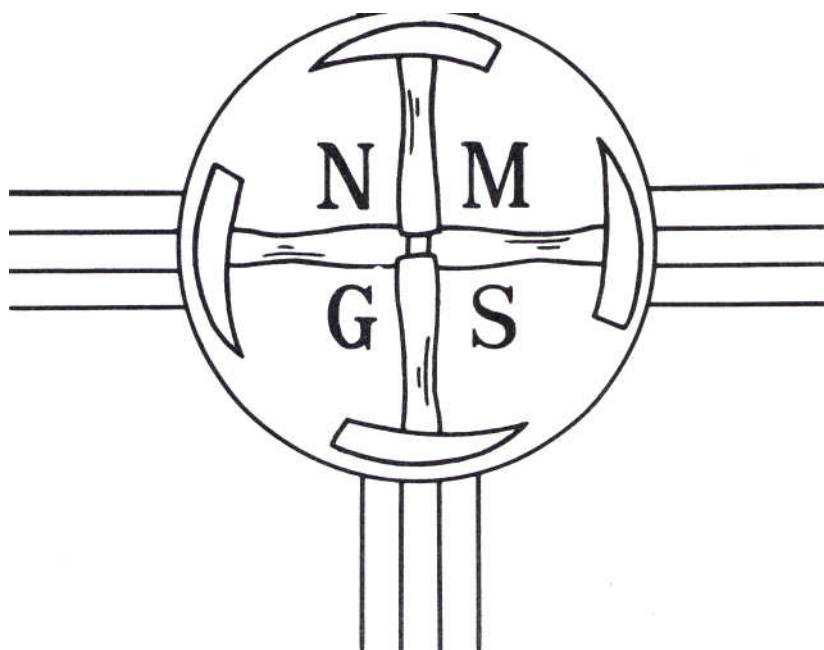
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The New Mexico Geological Society welcomes you to its Eighth Field Conference. Past field trips have been essentially within the confines of New Mexico, but this year we are visiting the San Juan Mountains of Colorado where the exposed rocks bear significantly on the geology of adjoining parts of our State. Many individuals and companies have contributed to this undertaking, but we are especially indebted to the field trip chairman, Waldemere Bejnar, and the editor, Frank Kottlowski, for their contributions of time and effort, because invariably such undertakings fall heavily upon a few individuals. Guidebooks have come to occupy an important place in geologic literature because of the important original contributions, and the New Mexico Geological Society is especially proud of its unbroken series that started in 1950 and is continued with this volume.

Next year the New Mexico Geological Society plans a field trip and guidebook on the southern part of the Black Mesa Basin of Arizona and the subsidiary embayment into New Mexico sometimes referred to as the "St. Johns Basin." The mounting interest in this last nonproducing basin touching the Four Corners, together with the interesting problems of the geology, should make the 1958 Field Conference one of the outstanding trips in our series. Contributions of articles and volunteers for logging and other assignments are cordially invited. Address all inquiries to:

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