

## VIGNETTES OF COASTAL PLAIN GEOLOGY

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A native of Mobile, Alabama, from early childhood Lyman Toulmin exhibited a keen interest in the natural history of the area. After receiving degrees from the University of Alabama and Princeton University, he taught at Texas A & M and Birmingham Southern Universities, and worked briefly for the Alabama Geological Survey. In 1948 he moved to Florida State University, Tallahassee, where he remained the rest of his life. He was a dedicated field worker, contributing much to our knowledge of the Geology, Stratigraphy, and Paleontology of the Gulf Coastal Plain. A monograph on The Stratigraphic Distribution of Paleocene and Eocene Fossils in the Eastern Gulf Coastal Region (1977, Alabama Geol. Surv., Mon. 13), including 72 plates of fossils, will remain as a testament to his years of study. (From P. E. LaMoreaux, 1985, Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies, Transactions, v. 35)