

## Glossary

apron - A slightly sloped concrete pad which surrounds the well and helps prevent contaminated surface water from finding its way back into the well.

aquifer - A water-bearing layer (stratum) of permeable rock, sand, or gravel.

artesian well - A well that reaches water which, from internal pressure, flows up like a fountain.

bit - The piece which operates at the bottom end of the tool string to loosen the soil or rock to deepen the hole.

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bottom plug - A concrete slab across the bottom of a well which can act to prevent anything from entering the well or allow only water to enter.

bottom section - That part of the well that extends beneath the water table.

brake post - An anchored cylindrical object which can act as a friction brake for rope wrapped around it. casing - Metal pipe used to reinforce a drilled well.

cement - A gray powder used as an ingredient in mortar and concrete.

concrete - A hard strong building material made by mixing cement, sand and gravel with sufficient water to cause the cement to set and bind the entire mass.

consolidated ground formation - Any of the various kinds of rock; hard rock; examples: granite. contaminate - To make impure or unclean.

curb - A part of the well lining that extends out from the dining into the surrounding soil, helps to hold it in place and prevents it from sliding down.

cutting ring - A sharp edged ring used on the bottom of a lining that is being sunk into place to make sinking easier.

development - See well development.

drive cap - A strong protective covering, screwed on to the top of a metal casing pipe and then struck to drive the pipe into the ground.

drop pipe - That section of pipe in a deep well pump assembly which extends

between the pump cylinder and the pump body.

foot valve - A valve at the bottom of the suction pipe which prevents the water pulled up into it by the cylinder from flowing back into the well.

form - The structure or material around or in which concrete will exactly conform to.

ground water - Water deep enough in the ground so that it cannot be drawn off by plants or evaporated out through the ground surface; accumulates in quantity in aquifers from which it can be drawn out of the ground through wells.

grout seal - Mortar or concrete used to fill in a space to make it waterproof.

head wall - A short wall which extends above the ground level around a well.

hydrologic cycle - Continual natural cycle through which water moves from oceans to clouds to ground and ultimately back to oceans.

impermeable - A substance through which water cannot penetrate.

intake section - That part of the bottom section through which water enters the well.

laterite - A residual product of rock decay that is red in color; prevalent in Africa; difficult to penetrate but has little strength for construction purposes.

level - (Adj.) perfectly horizontal; (noun) a device used to establish a perfectly

horizontal line.

lining - Masonry wall built to reinforce dug well hole walls.

lining ring - A hollow circular column, usually made of concrete, which is used to reinforce a dug well.

middle section - That part of the well between the ground surface and the water table.

mold - Form used in the construction of linings and lining rings.

percussion - The act of tapping sharply.

permeability - The speed which water can move through a certain type of soil or rock. Water will move much faster through sand than it will through clay so the sand is said to be more permeable. platform - See apron. plumb - Perfectly straight down or up.

pump cylinder - That part of the pump in which the piston and cup seals slide to move water. sinking method - Any technique used to dig or drill a well. stable ground - Firm soil; not likely to cave in.

suction pipe - That part of the pump assembly which extends beneath the cylinder into water.

surface recharge - The amount of water that soaks down through the ground to reach an aquifer in a certain length of time.

surface water - Water that is found on the ground surface in puddles, streams, rivers, lakes or oceans.

surge plunger - A device that can be inserted into the casing pipe and is moved up and down to develop the well.

swivel connection - A device used to connect two pipes or hoses and which permits one or both to turn freely.

tool string - The entire length of equipment and connections operated in the hole to sink a drilled well.

top section - That part of the well above the ground surface.

transpiration - The passage of water vapor from plants into the atmosphere.

unconsolidated ground formation - any type of soil other than hard rock; examples: sand, gravel, clay.

valve - A structure that permits the movement of fluid in one direction only.

water source - Any place where people could possibly come to gather water; for example a well, spring, river, lake, reservoir, public tap, private home faucet.

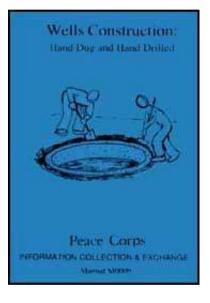
water table - The upper limit of that portion of the ground which is wholly saturated with water.

watertight seal - An impermeable material used to prevent water from moving

from one area to another.

well development - The process of rearranging the soil particles around the intake section of a well to permit easier and better water flow into the well.





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## Annotated bibliography

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## informative.

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Guidelines and Criteria for Community Water Supplies in the Developing Countries (1969). USAID and USPHS, Development Information Center, DS/DIU/DI, Room 105, SA 18, Agency for International Development, Washington, D. C. 20523, U.S.A. (Book, 101 pp.) Offers data on water supply programs in 12 developing countries in various parts of the world, although Africa is excluded. Makes recommendations for development and planning of large water supply programs. Sometimes written in a hard-to-read format, but ten years ago this study came to conclusions that were ahead of its time and have still not been effectuated. The book concludes that design of water supply systems must take into account the people who will be using them and that what works in a developed country is often not appropriate in a developing country.

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Countries (19771. WHO, International Reference Centre for Community Water Supply, P.O. Box 140, 2260 Leidschendam, Netherlands. (Book, 230 pp.) This book is an excellent introduction and analysis of the technical aspects of hand pumps, including quite a bit of detail. Offers the state-of-the-art on manufactured hand pumps and some mention of locally made pumps. Gives a good idea of what is available, how it is designed, and why designs are as they are. Free if requested from developing countries; otherwise, \$8.00.

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awareness of the state of the art, (3) prepare design criteria and standards and specifications for manufacture, testing and installation of plastic pipe, (4) organize a testing program, and (5) undertake preliminary feasibility studies of manufacture and marketing of plastic pipe." It has limited use as a field document.

Miller, Arthur P. Water and Man's Health (Jul 1967). USAID reprint. Development Information Center, DS/DIU/DI, Room 105, SA 18, Agency for International Development, Washington, D. C. 20523, U.S.A. (Book, 92 pp.) Now out of print but many copies are still around in Peace Corps or AID offices. An excellent presentation of background information on specific water-related diseases; water's relatedness to disease; the seriousness of water transmitted disease; method of transmission; the history of discovery of causative agents; human susceptibility to water-borne disease; and methods of control. Offers information on chemical pollutants as a likely source of water contamination, the resulting physical conditions from overdoses, and recommended maximum concentrations in drinking water. This book is now being rewritten by F.E. McJunkin and is expected to be available by late 1980.

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Water Resources Development-2 (1974). Action for Food Production (AFPRO), C-52, N.D.S.E. Part II, New Delhi 110049, India. (Booklet, 72 pp.) This booklet offers some "how-to" plans for several different water sources, including drilling wells by hollow rod system, a multiple-well scheme for irrigation, lined dug wells, and blasting procedures. The material is good, relatively simple, and geared to locally available material in India.

Water Well Journal. National Water Well Association, 500 W. Wilson Bridge Rd., Suite 130, Columbis, Ohio 43085 U.S.A. (Monthly periodical.) Intended for commercial well drillers and water well equipment suppliers in the U.S. The magazine annually publishes a buyers' guide and a directory of manufacturers as well as offering interesting articles on new and old techniques and equipment, business and industry practices.

Watt, S. and W.E. Wood. Hand Dug Wells and Their Construction (1976). Intermediate Technology Publications Ltd., 9 King Street, London WC2E 8HN, England. (Book, 234 pp.) The best book on hand dug wells available. Emphasis on one specific kind of dug well construction with concrete, but considerable description of alternative methods. Many useful pictures and drawings. Well Drilling Operations (1965). Departments of the Army and the Air Force, TM-5-297/AFM85-23. Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, U.S.A. (Book, 249 pp.) This book offers about 50 pages of introductory discussion and material on hand-dug, bored, jetted, and driven wells. The rest is primarily a good basic discussion of cable tool and rotary rigs.

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