
COASTAL PHOTOGRAPH BY SHOJI FUJII



PHOTO 16. Sea notches on tetrapods depicted here have been severely eroded, often showing notch features. The notches are, however, not associated with coastal biological erosion. In just a few years cobble-sized gravels, moved by oscillating wave action, have abraded the tetrapods forming notches. The tetrapods are part of a coastal protection structure at Tanaka near the Nyuzen submarine forest, Kurobe alluvial fan, Toyama Prefecture, Japan. The tidal range here is about 20 cm. [Shoji Fujii: Department of Geology, Toyama University, Toyama City 930, Japan. Photography — Summer 1973].