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1973 Meeting: We had an excellent meeting in New Orleans. I believe that everyone in attendance felt that it was one of our better meetings. This was the first year that the Society had moved so far west and, it was also the first year that papers were presented in two different and concurrent sessions. Both new ventures appeared to be highly successful. The people of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas were very friendly and expressed their appreciation that the Society had decided to move its annual meeting outside of Florida. The Board of Directors is to be congratulated for taking the steps to provide a first class meeting for the Society membership.

Thank You: Brandt Watson, we thank you for the excellent job that you did in guiding our Society during the past year. We realize that your year as President was a difficult one, but not only did you provide an excellent meeting, you also proved to the membership that the Hyacinth Control Society is ready to move forward. Brandt, I'm sure you will continue to assist the Society during this coming year.

We Missed You: Many new faces were seen at the New Orleans meeting and it was also evident that a number of our faithful members in past years were absent. I can only assume that you were not able to attend the meeting because of the distance from Florida. In future years, I hope you will place in your budget funds to attend the Hyacinth Control Society annual meeting.

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Victory: Many times in life we see the needs for patience, determination and dedication. This has certainly been true in trying to change the name of this Society. For many years, the name change has been discussed, objected to, and voted upon with no progress being made much to the discouragement or pleasure of the various members. Our President during the past year did what was a necessity if this problem was going to be solved: He selected a committee comprised of members for and against the name change and told the committee to agree on this issue before the 1973 meeting. The committee did agree and I believe the letterhead on this Newsletter tells the decision of this Committee and the membership. I believe it was a good decision and certainly should illustrate to the membership that the old and the new is ready to move forward with this Society.

He's Big Enough: I've heard on several occasions that the new President of the Society is certainly big enough for the job. I'm sure all of you who know Dr. Alva Burkhalter, feel that he has the stature to lead this Society during the next year. We congratulate "Big Al" on being elected as President and know that he will do an excellent job. The one ingredient that he needs is the full cooperation of the membership. Please keep him informed of your ideas on the operation of the Society.

Congratulations: We extend our congratulations to the new officers and directors. The decisions that you make during this Society year will help determine the direction of the Society and perhaps influence aquatic weed control. I have served at one time or another in all of the offices that you now occupy in the Society, and I can tell you from experience that your success will be determined by hard work and dedication.

Committee Appointments: Attached to the Newsletter is the Committee Appointments for the Society year. Your President has given a lot of thought to the selection of the various committee members. He has also contacted each of you to obtain your approval to serve on the committee. This means that you have agreed to serve in this capacity and understand that certain duties are required of you to serve on this committee. Now, get busy and serve your Society in the capacity that you agreed to.

Return: The 1974 meeting of the Hyacinth Control Society will be held on July 14-17, 1974, at the Langford Hotel, Winter Park, Florida. Many of you may remember the 1968 meeting held at this same location. I certainly do because I served as President that year and enjoyed every

minute of it. In the Presidential Address, I made the following statement: "Man's war on aquatic weeds will continue, but whether he wins the battle depends largely on the decisions he makes in 1968." Read in the Hyacinth Control Journal the Presidential Address "Aquatic Weed Control - Milestone 1968", Vol. 7:1-3. This was also the year that many decisions were made about the future of aquatic weed control and research. I would like for many of you to refresh your memory on 1968. Read the speech. I certainly hope that our return to the same location will have the same influence on our future in aquatic weed management. I also hope that the Program Committee for the 1974 meeting will give me the opportunity to recap and update the 1968 speech

Dates to Remember: Mark your 1974 calendars on the following dates:

January 22-24, 1974 Southern Weed Science Society

Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel

Atlanta, Georgia

February 12-14, 1974 Weed Science Society of America

Caesar's Palace Las Vegas, Nevada

July 14-17, 1974 Hyacinth Control Society

Langford Hotel

Winter Park, Florida

Future Planning: The new Board of Directors has made plans for several Society meetings beyond 1974. We think this is an excellent decision and certainly will give each of you time to plan to attend future meetings.

July 6-9, 1975 - Palacio Del Rio, San Antonio, Texas

July 11-14, 1976 - Pier 66, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

We Apologize: We apologize to Dr. Tom Daniel of the University of Wisconsin for not being able to announce the Aquatic Weed Control Workshop on Alternative Methods held August 1-2, 1973 in our Newsletter. We would like to have Dr. Daniel send us a summary of the meeting, and we will publish it in the next Newsletter.

Proposed Tolerance: The U. S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Washington, D.C., has filed a petition with the Environmental Protection Agency proposing establishment of a food additive tolerance for residue of

the herbicide dalapon in potable water at 0.2 ppmw when present therein as a result of the application to irrigation canals and ditchbanks.

Exempt from Tolerance: Xylene is exempt from the requirement of a tolerance when applied as an aquatic herbicide in irrigation conveyance systems in accordance with the following conditions:

- a) It is to be used only in programs of the Bureau of Reclamation and cooperating water users.
- b) Can be applied as an emulsion at concentrations not to exceed 750 ppm.
- c) Not to be applied in or near potable water.
- d) Xylene used must meet requirements on the presence of poly-nuclear aromatic hydrocarbons.

Aquatic Weed Seminar: The Chevron Chemical Company held its 3rd Florida Aquatic Weed Seminar at Pier 66 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on October 3-4, 1973. The seminar was organized for those in charge of state, county, and city aquatic weed programs. Those in attendance were given a chance to tour our research facilities after the meeting. We congratulate Mr. Perry Sparkman and Ed Eubanks of Chevron Chemical Company for arranging and sponsoring this state meeting. I believe all of those in attendance benefited by the open discussions of aquatic research and control.

"In Harmony With Our Environment": This is the title of a film that has been produced by Amchem Products, Inc. The film was made to show the desirable environmental effects that could be derived from herbicidal application. This would be an excellent movie to show at civic and service clubs, church groups, schools, and other type meetings. If you are interested contact your Amchem representative or Mr. John Gallagher, Research Department, Amchem Products, Inc., Ambler, Pennsylvania 19002.

What Do You Think?: During the years I have written a Newsletter whenever I felt that was a need. There has been discussion by the Board of Directors that maybe we should dress up the appearance of the Newsletter and publish at regular intervals. I would appreciate your comments. It does require time and effort that many times I could place in other areas. I'm open for suggestions.

New Members: Many of you can serve as a member of the Membership Committee. I have heard many of you tell me that you had obtained a new member for the Society. I think you should get credit for this effort. In the next Newsletter, I would like to publish all the new members names and who was responsible for getting the new member. Please send me by January, 1974, and every 3 months thereafter, the names of all new members that you have sponsored as members for the Society this year.

1974 Dues: It's that time of the year again. Please pay your 1974 dues. It requires extra effort and expense to send out additional billings for your dues. Be a dues paying member. We must have funds to operate. Pay up now!!!!

Help: I need your help in writing the Society Newsletter. Please send me any information that you think would be of interest to the Society membership. I'm not able to cover all of the news from this one desk. I need assistance.

Would You Like To: 1) Plan a tour of Florida aquatic weed problems, research, and control operations in conjunction with the 1974 meeting.

2) Visit Walt Disney World before or after the meeting. 3) Plan a field demonstration on control and research during the meeting. Please send me your comments on these three ideas. I'll discuss them with the appropriate Committees.

From the Editor: Manuscripts received after November 15 cannot be considered for publication in the next issue of the Journal. Manuscripts received after that time will, however, be considered for publication in the 1975 issue. We have received 37 manuscripts for consideration for publication in the next issue of the Journal. We are way ahead of our review schedule and hope to have the Journal printed at a much earlier date this year. I want to thank the authors for their promptness in returning the revised copy of accepted manuscripts. Anyone desiring information on the manner in which manuscripts should be written for the Journal should contact me.

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## HAVE YOU NOTICED?

Some members keep their organization strong
While others join just to belong...
Some dig right in ...some serve with pride
Some go along just for the ride
Some volunteer to do their share
While some lie back and just don't care
While there are those who never go...
Some always pay their dues ahead,
Some get behind for months instead.
Some do their best...some build...some make.
Some lag behind...some let things go
Some never help their organization grow
Some drag...some pull...some don't...some do
Consider...which of these are YOU? The truth may hurt

Bob Blackburn

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FOR 1973 - 1974

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