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Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting Southern Weed Science Society

January 22, 23 and 24, 1974 Atlanta, Georgia and final plans were formed for the three day meeting.

The committee appreciates the cooperation of all groups that contributed projection equipment, operators, and typists. All of which assisted in making the meeting an efficient operation. The good service provided by the staff of the Sheraton Biltmore is also much appreciated. A letter of appreciation was sent to all contributors and the General Manager of the Sheraton Biltmore.

Registered Attendance for the 1974 meeting was 925, including 39 students. Attendance at the luncheon was 280. There were 30 ladies registered.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Eugene Gonzalez, Chairman

CONSTITUTION AND OPERATING PROCEDURES COMMITTEE REPORT - Presented by R. E. Frans

A ballot containing 7 proposed changes in the Constitution and By-Laws was mailed to the membership. All changes were approved by large majorities. The changes, in brief, were: (1) added the Past-President as an officer of the society, (2) removed the Chairman of the Sustaining Membership Committee as a member of the Executive Board, (3) added the Chairman of the Constitution and Operating Procedures Committee as a non-voting ex-officio member of the Board, (4) defined more correctly the duties, terms of office, and method of election of officers and members of the Board, and (5) changed the names of two standing committees to Resolutions and Necrology, and Constitution and Operating Procedures.

The proposed Manual of Operating Procedures was reproduced in the 1973 Proceedings as directed by action of the membership at the 1973 business meeting. Suggestions obtained as a result of this action, as well as changes proposed by the Executive Board, officers, and chairmen of committees have been incorporated in the manual.

RECOMMENDATION. It is recommended that the Manual of Operating Procedures as printed in the 1973 Proceedings and subsequently modified by suggestions of the membership, and including the 1973 revisions of the constitution and By-Laws, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Max Sckerl Don Davis Robert Frans, Chairman

R. E. Frans moved that the above recommendation be approved. Motion seconded and passed.

REPORT OF STUDENT INTEREST COMMITTEE - Presented by D. N. Weaver

Thirty-one students participated in the Graduate Student Contest. Three contest divisions were necessary because of the large number of contestants.

Five judges for each division were selected from Research and Teaching, Industry, USDA and Extension. Judges and contestants were sent copies of contest rules and evaluation forms several weeks before the meeting.

The contest was conducted on Tuesday afternoon in three concurrent sessions consisting of graduate contest papers only. The judges and students seemed to prefer this arrangement over the procedure used in previous years.

Awards were presented at the SWSS luncheon on Wednesday. The following students received awards in the respective divisions:

Section I - Weed Control in Agronomic Crops

First Place (\$50) - B. C. Troutman

Postemergence Weed Control in Dormant Bermudagrass Turf.

B. C. Troutman, R. E. Frans and J. W. King. University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Second Place (\$30) - R. M. Carter

Controlling Rhizome Johnsongrass in Soybeans. R. M. Carter, S. H. Crawford and R. L. Rogers. Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Honorable Mention - C. M. French

Susceptibility of Several Crop and Weed Species to Cyanazine. C. M. French, H. A. Greer and P. W. Santelmann. Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Section IV-A - Ecological and Physiological Aspects

First Place (\$50) - W. M. Lambert

Spurred Anoda Competition in Soybeans. W. M. Lambert and L. R. Oliver. University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Second Place (\$30) - J. L. Killmer

Behavior of ¹⁴C-BAS-392-H in Plants and in Soil. J. L. Killmer and R. L. Rogers. Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Section VI-B - Edaphic Aspects

First Place (\$50) - C. H. Slack

Persistence of Chloro-s-triazine Herbicides as Influenced By Tillage. C. H. Slack, C. E. Rieck and L. Thompson, Jr. University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.

Second Place (\$30) - A. W. Jackson

Tolerance of Soybeans and Grain Sorghum to Fluometuron Residues. A. W. Jackson, L. S. Jeffery and Tom McCutchen. University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Honorable Mention - T. R. Harger

Soil Dissipation of CGA-10832. T. R. Harger, C. E. Rieck and T. H. Wright. University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.

A certificate was presented to each winner. Pictures of award winners were taken by the Public Relations Committee and were sent to appropriate University and hometown newspapers.

All students were invited to the student breakfast with 25 in attendance. Students who participated in the contest were given a ticket to the luncheon and were reimbursed for lodging expenses by the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

N. D. Camper / C.
J. M. Chandler / C.
Harold Myers & C.
Bryan Truelove
Dave Weaver, Chairman 700

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT - Presented by James A. Sample

Committee activities began on November 14, 1973 with a press announcement. This was sent to 39 agricultural farm magazines, 19 newspapers with farm departments and/or editors, and 28 radio and television stations with farm programs. An analysis of the farm press in the south would indicate that this is almost 100 percent saturation coverage.

When the SWSS program was printed, these same media were sent a copy. This was accomplished on December 21, 1973.

During the meeting this year, 15 members of the working agricultural press attended. The Public Relations Committee has provided these people with speeches, news releases and abstracts of papers. In addition, one news release was sent to the Associated Press during the first day. Three news releases were sent to the Atlanta Constitution. Contact was made with a local television station to consider coverage of the meeting. Response was slightly negative.

Agricultural press not attending this year will be sent a full complement of papers and abstracts. Several requests for this material were received prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Several motel - hotel facilities were canvassed by telephone to determine if sleeping and meeting space were adequate to accommodate the SWSS. The Stauffer Inn, Hyatt Regency House and Sheraton-Biltmore were selected for further consideration. Each facility was visited and our specific needs were presented to the respective Convention Sales Managers.

The Sheraton-Biltmore and Hyatt Regency House were very close in the final analysis. Therefore, several key factors were carefully considered before the Sheraton-Biltmore was determined to be the committees choice to recommend to the Executive Board. The factors were as follows:

- 1. The Sheraton-Biltmore will block more rooms 550.
- Arrangements for overflow guests to be handled by the Sheraton-Biltmore.
- 3. More economical room rates for members.
- 4. More economical room rates for graduate students.
- 5. Free parking for registered guests and reasonable rates for others attending the meeting.
- 6. Adequate meeting space which has been recently renovated.
- 7. The Sheraton-Biltmore staff has an expremely cooperative attitude.

Accordingly, the committee recommends the Sheraton-Biltmore as the meeting site for the 1979 meeting to be held in Atlanta, Georgia.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. McBride

REPORT OF PLACEMENT COMMITTEE - Presented by C. E. Rieck

The Placement Committee has functioned in the past year by sending out announcements of the meeting along with <u>Position Desired</u> and <u>Position Available</u> forms to the following:

- 1. All sustaining members
- 2. Personnel officers that have responded in the past
- 3. Department Chairmen of Horticulture, Agronomy, Plant Sciences and others interested in Weed Science
- 4. USDA Stations
- 5. All known programs awarding advance degrees in related areas to Weed Science
- 6. All graduate students entered in the graduate student contest.

In all, over 400 forms were mailed. Replies were received from over 50 companies and individuals. Notebooks were prepared with 33 positions available and 18 individuals desiring positions.

The placement room was manned by the secretary Tuesday and Wednesday of the meeting.

The Committee recommends if available the Placement Service be assigned either a larger room with panels or two rooms. This will facilitate interviews at future meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

H. D. Coble

C. C. Dowler

M. G. Merkle

C. E. Rieck, Chairman

After presentation of reports and there being no further business, President Wiese announced and "passed the gavel" to the new President of the Society, W. G. Westmoreland. President Westmoreland then presented Past-President Wiese with a plaque in appreciation of his service as President.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald E. Talbert Sec.-Treas SWSS