## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WILLIAM G. WALTER, R.S., PhD.. Montana State College

It is with pride and yet humbleness that I assume the presidency of the NAS. Lt. Col. Adrounie added several pieces to the overall mosaic pattern of our growing association and he is to be congratulated for his outstanding contributions. The other officers, committee chairmen and members performed many worthy services and are to be commended. I hope that they and others in the organization will continue the good work during the coming year.

The 26th Annual Educational Conference held in Cincinnati in June was a highly successful affair due to the efforts of many members of the Ohio Association of Public Health Sanitarians. I would be remiss not to express my thanks for a job well done. Even though the registration count exceeded 700, there are still many of our members who are not attending our annual meeting. Now is the time to start planning for the 1963 meeting in Hawaii and the 1964 session in Philadelphia.

An important milestone was passed in Cincinnati with the formation of a Women's Auxiliary. Mrs. Fran Armbruster of Ann Arbor, Michigan worked hard on this project and was rewarded by being elected president for the year. Congratulations, ladies! We welcome you into the NAS.

We are now operating under a new set of By-Laws. Al Rea of La Jolla, California and his hard working committee have given us a revision that is more in keeping with our present operations. Since we must continually modify and amend our By-Laws, this committee has been asked to remain active in this area. In keeping with the revisions, there have been changes made in committees and their memberships. Some of these will be announced shortly and others during the year.

Considerable discussion ensued during the annual business meeting regarding an increase in dues to meet rising costs of operation and the demands being placed on our national office. Joe Martin of San Bernadino, California will continue as chairman of a committee of affiliate presidents to study the needs and the best methods of meeting this obligation. We have not had an increase for ten years and the time is rapidly approaching when we will have to acknowledge that we need additional revenue and that each of us has a responsibility if we want to have an organization of high professional standing.

Another important item on the agenda related to a group life insurance policy for the membership. There was considerable interest in the matter. It was referred to a committee, headed by A. C. Mullins of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, for further study. This is a fringe benefit worthy of consideration since the rates for this type of term insurance are lower than can be obtained on an individual basis.

Our *Journal* is the one item that all members have in common. You have noted many improvements in the last year and more are expected. The Publications Committee, headed by Professor Jack Hatlen of Seattle, is doing an outstanding job and has been requested to serve for another year. The number and quality of manuscripts submitted is increasing and the editorial board is finally acquiring a backlog of papers of interest to our members. Revised copies of suggestions to authors and reprint price schedules are now available.

You will recall that past President Adrounie instigated an award of \$25 for the member who had the most outstanding paper, in the estimation of the judges, published during the past year. It is planned to announce the winner in the next issue. I intend to continue this award during my administration. I hope you will endeavor to submit a paper on some facet of your work during the year.

Finally I wish to extend congratulations to Seymour Barfield, Supervising Sanitarian of the Los Angeles City Health Department, the recipient of the Mangold Award for 1962; to Callis H. Atkins, Assistant Surgeon General serving as Chief Sanitary Engineering officer of the Public Health Service, for his selection as the Honorary Member for 1962; and to Professor Walter S. Mangold who has just retired from the University of California after many years of outstanding service in the field of Environmental Health. Walter is "Mr. Sanitarian" to many of us and I am certain that we can still count on him for many contributions to the NAS.

# **D-TECH SAMPLER** for sampling GALLON MILK JUGS



### YOUR NATIONAL OFFICERS

Professor William G. Walter of Montana State College at Bozeman was elected president of the National Association of Sanitarians at the 26th Annual Educational Conference in Cincinnati. More than 700 sanitarians and other health officials from all parts of the U. S. joined in the June 18-22 proceedings at the Hotel Sheraton-Gibson. It was one of the biggest national meetings in the Association's history.

Francis J. Goldsmith of Baltimore was made President-elect; James Doyle of Orlando, Florida was elected first vicepresident, John Todd of Washington Court House, Ohio, was elected second vice-president and Melvin Wilkey of Aurora, Colorado was elected treasurer.

Outgoing president V. Harry Adrounie turned over the gavel of office to Dr. Walter with the comment:

"If your officers and members give you the same kind of enthusiastic support and cooperation they gave me during the past year, I predict a bright and progressive year ahead for our growing organization."

Among hightlights of the conference was the rousing keynote address by Congressman John E. Fogarty of Rhode Island who predicted enormous growth of active programs in the field of environmental health and said that sanitarians were a vital part of the government's fight against new and threatening diseases of the environment. At the banquet. Walter S. Mangold received the plaudits of many speakers on the occasion of his retirement from the staff of the University of California at Berkeley. Seymour Barfield, Supervising Sanitarian of the Los Angeles City Health Department was presented with the Mangold Award highest award the Association can bestow — for his work last year in raising the status of sanitarians throughout the Nation. And Don Cameron of the Cuvahoga (Ohio) County Health Department received an "Outstanding Sanitarian Award" of the Ohio Association of Public Health Sanitarians for developing and promoting an outstanding public health program in his community.

Special recognition of the fine work of General Co-chairmen George C. Bailey and Robert McConaughy was expressed and Exhibitor Chairman Alex Mezur was praised for the work he and his committee accomplished in securing a total of more than 70 exhibitors.

The 1963 conference is scheduled for June 23-28 in Honolulu, Hawaii. The 1964 meeting will be held in Philadelphia, Pa.

The background of the new national officers follow:



William G. Walter, President

William G. Walter is professor of bacteriology at Montana State College, where he has taught since 1942. A graduate of Cornell University, he received his Ph.D. in bacteriology from Michigan State University.

Professor Walter, who has contributed articles to several journals, is co-author of Dictionary of Microbiology (Van Nostrand, 1957).) He has served as vicepresident, editor, and president of the Montana Academy of Sciences. A fellow. of the American Public Health Association, he was formerly vice-chairman and chairman of the Laboratory Section. He is vice-chairman of the Education Committee of the American Society of Microbiology and a fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology. In 1960 Professor Walter received the Montana State College Alumni Association's Distinguished Teaching Award and the Montana Association of Sanitarians' Award for Distinguished Service in Environmental Health.



Francis J. Goldsmith, President-Elect

Mr. Goldsmith, a native of Baltimore, is a graduate of Loyola College and has his Master of Public Health degree from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. He was with the Baltimore City Health Department from 1949 to 1961 when he entered active duty as a U. S. Public Health Service officer.



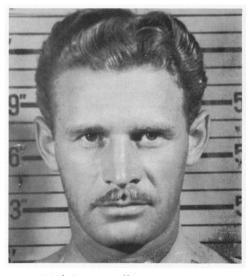
James A. Doyle, First Vice President

Mr. Doyle is an administrative assistant in the Orange County (Florida) Health Department. He is a past-president of the Florida Association of Sanitarians and has been Sanitation Consultant and Staff Sanitarian for the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering of the State Board of Health. He is a graduate of Findlay College, Ohio, and has a Masters degree in Public Health from the University of Michigan.



John G. Todd, Second Vice President

Mr. Todd, a sanitarian for the Jackson-Vinton County Health Department (Ohio) is a native of Richmond, Kentucky. He was graduated from Ohio University at Athens with both bachelor and masters degrees, and received his Master of Public Health degree at the University of North Carolina. Recently, the U. S. Public Health Service called Mr. Todd to active duty and assigned him as sanitarian to the Division of Indian Health at Winslow, Arizona. Mr. Wilkey is a native of Marshall, Iowa, and received his Master of Dairy Technology degree at Iowa State College at Ames and has spent three years on the faculty of Iowa State College as a Dairy Extension Specialist. During his military career, Mr. Wilkey served as a Navy pilot with the rank of Lieut.-Cmdr. and is still active in the Naval Reserve program. He is now employed as a supervisory sanitarian for the City and County of Denver, Colorado.



Melvin W. Wilkey, Treasurer

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for this job, including boy scouts, Jaycees, women's groups, and retired men's clubs.

#### Distribution

Many methods may be used for distributing the pamphlets. In Lebanon, Pennsylvania, they were distributed at a Health Fair, and by refuse collectors. Boy scouts have distributed them in some communities, receiving honorary sanitarian cards as a reward. In one community, these sanitarian cards served as tickets to home baseball games. In other communities, school children have distributed the pamphlets following a class on the subject.

Regardless of the method utilized for distribution of this kind of educational material, the results obtained will be well worth the effort. The practicability and flexibility of this method of pamphlet production offers unlimited potential for basic education of the citizenry.

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CINCINNATI MEETING



Key Ohio sanitarians who made the 26th A.E.C. a success.

Left to Right, John Kennedy, Carl Heimbach, Ray Watts, Robert McConaughy, Bernie Hull, Bernie Babcock, George Bailey, Harold Brunswick, John Todd, J. W. Hickman, Dr. Milton Foter, Tom Vogt, Bob Bechter.



Keynote Speaker, Congressman John Fogarty.



Miss Environmental Health (Miss Heimbach) and Prof. Walter S. Mangold.



Seymour Barfield being presented a Certificate as the recipient of the Walter S. Mangold Award. Left to Right, Col. V. Harry Adrounie, Prof. W. S. Mangold, Seymour Barfield, and Prof. William G. Walter.

# WOMEN'S AUXILIARY FORMED

MRS. EDWARD ARMBRUSTER, President



First row - left to right:

Mrs. Howard Fredine, Mrs. J. Douglas Fuller, Mrs. Ralph Stamm, Mrs. Walter Sobolesky, Mrs. Ansel Mullins, Mrs. Ray B. Watts.

Second row — left to right:

Mrs. Edward Armbruster, Mrs. John Adamescu, Mrs. William Walter, Mrs. Chas. W. Siegfried, Mrs. George Bailey, Mrs. W. R. Lewis, Mrs. Charles Cummins, Mrs. R. D. Kalling, Mrs. Nicholas Pohlit, Mrs. Syd Schachtmeister.

One of the nicest memories of the Cincinnati Conference is the many wonderful people we met. There were seventyone women registered for the Conference, and all of us really felt like old friends when we said good-bye. So many lovely ladies, and what better way to get acquainted than for coffee or to go on a tour. The warm hospitality shown us by the "Cincy" folks is something we shall never forget.

President Harry Adrounie, Nick Pohlit and President-Elect William Walter spoke to the women at the general meeting on June 19, 1962. Their enthusiasm regarding the Auxiliary was truly contagious. I am certain that all of us will remember President-Elect Walter's four "P's"; Pulchritude, Pride, Perseverance and Progress, and hold them as our guiding light.

When our Business Meeting was held on June 21, 1962 the group was ready to begin work. The women present were enthused and filled with ideas of how we can each help in our community, state and on the national level. The By-Laws, which had been sent to each of you for perusal were adopted at this meeting. The following women were elected to serve the Auxiliary for the year 1962-1963; President — Mrs. Edward Armbruster; President-Elect — Mrs. Walter Sobolesky; Secretary — Mrs. Nicholas Pohlit. We will send to all registered members of the Auxiliary a copy of the minutes of the Business Meeting and a list of all members.

Any woman interested in joining the Auxiliary should send her name and address to the President, Mrs. Edward Armbruster, 270 Crest, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Be sure to watch for the brochure that will be sent to you with all the information concerning the cost of the package fare to Hawaii. The cost is so little it will amaze you!

Photograph of Women's Auxiliary taken in Cincinnati June 21, 1962.

## SEYMOUR BARFIELD WINS WALTER S. MANGOLD AWARD FOR 1962

At the annual banquet on June 21, 1962 at the Sheraton Gibson Hotel in Cincinnati, Seymour Barfield, Supervising Public Health Sanitarian, of the Los Angeles City Health Department was awarded the Walter S. Mangold Award for 1962.

The award, first authorized at the 1955 Educational Conference of the N.A.S., has been awarded annually since 1956 and was established as the highest honor which the National Association can bestow upon a member for outstanding contributions to the professional status of the sanitarian.

George M. Uhl, M.D., Health Officer of the City of Los Angeles, expressed himself as pleased and said the awarding of the coveted prize to Mr. Barfield was "a singular honor both to Mr. Barfield and to the Los Angeles City Health Department."

The effectiveness of an environmental health program is directly dependent upon the caliber of the sanitarian engaged in field activities. It was for this reason that Mr. Barfield's co-workers and members of the Southern California Chapter of the California Association of Sanitarians nominated this outstanding sanitarian of this major metropolitan area to receive the award. The sanitarians of California have recognized and acknowledged Seymour Barfield as outstanding and exemplary in his performance as a sanitarian.

The Los Angeles City Health Department's Environmental Health Director, Charles L. Senn, has stated "it seems especially important that our National Association recognize contributions of sanitarians who are not necessarily Environmental Health Directors or in charge of major environmental health programs. Actually it is the work and leadership of the practicing sanitarian that should be given recognition. Sanitarians sometimes must be willing to pioneer and to not be



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adversely affected by inferences that they are "eager beavers". As a sanitarian in a district office Mr. Barfield not only carried out his regular functions in an exemplary way but availed himself of every opportunity to promote, participate in and attend training programs, to participate in new programs and to "sell these programs to the community."

A member of the Los Angeles City Department of Health for  $15\frac{1}{2}$  years, Mr. Barfield is a supervising public health sanitarian within the Environmental Health Organization. His main responsibility is to represent the Department of Health in the Plan Check Engineers Office of the Department of Building and Safety. He is the principal liaison representative between the City Health Department and the various bureaus of the Department of Building and Safety He has successfully developed such close relationhip with that Department that inter-agency policies, referrals, programs and plan reviews are now carried out with a minimum of friction and with a maximum of inter-agency cooperation.

By utilizing his specialized training and knowledge in community programs and projects, Seymour Barfield has demonstrated the significant contribution a dedicated sanitarian can make toward Continued on Page 64

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- 6. Theodore F. Wetzler, R.S., Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- 7. Robert Wetherby, Sanitarian, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland.
- 8. Vinson R. Oviatt, Michigan Department of Health, Lansing 4, Michigan

### **PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR 1963 A.E.C. MEETING**

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securing better health services, improveing community facilities, and assuring a safe and healthful environment for youngsters. He is alert to special problems and situations occurring within his province and assumes the initiative in ininvestigation and correction procedures.

Actively interested in the specialized industry within his area, Seymour Barfield, by virtue of his location in a fisheries port, developed an intense interest in fish sanitation, and prepared the well received manual on *Fish Sanitation*.

This outstanding sanitarian is articulate, capable of expressing himself orally as well as in writing, and is an active participant in the affairs of his professional associations. His individual achievements, special activities and accomplishments or work has consistently been above and beyond the usual employment requirements.

Those N.A.S. members and their wives who participated in the tour on the Ohio River on June 19th will remember the pleasant Californian in the aloha shirt who assisted in promoting the 1963 Hawaiian Conference with the California poppies and orange blossom corsages. We salute him and wish we had a dozen more Seymour Barfields!